

18th Sunday of Ordinary Time

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# FAITH @ HOME

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**First Reading:** Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17

**Second Reading:** Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

**Gospel** Luke 12:13-21

[Full readings can be found here!](#)

## 1. HEAR

Grab your bible and look up the Gospel reading. Don't have one? No worries you can find the Gospel reading by clicking [HERE](#). (Bishop O'Connell's Gospel Reflection page.)

As an alternative to reading the Gospel, you can watch a short video with the proclamation for adults by clicking [HERE](#).

(YouTube Chanel, WOG Daily Gospel Reading Video - St. Luke 1:27 min)

Children can also watch a video proclamation of the Gospel by clicking [HERE](#).

(YouTube Chanel Miracles and Parables, 1:29 min.)

## 2. PRAY

Reflect on what God might be calling you to let go of in your life.

Gather items that represent what you are being called to let go of in a prayer space. Ask Jesus for the grace to let go of those things that do not lead you closer to Him.



Ask God to fill you with wisdom to recognize what in your life does make you "rich in what matters to God." Pray for guidance in identifying people who may benefit from the items you are willing to give.

## 3. TALK

In today's Gospel, Jesus challenges us to examine what we are attached to in this life and to focus on what matters to God. In the second reading we are challenged again to "put on a new self" that is in the image of the creator. Recognizing that we are all made in the image of our creator helps us to see that our differences are created by us, not by God.

As a family, share one or more of the following questions:

- Who are the people in my life that I see as different than myself? How can I come to see them as children of God?
- What are the areas in my life that I need to take of my "old self" and put on a "new self" to help me grow deeper in relationship with God?
- What in my life have I "stored up" that God might be challenging me to let go of. It may be physical things, but it could also be emotions I am holding onto, or other things I am not able to move past mentally.
- How can I serve those I identified in my prayer?

This week, I commit to seeing the best in another person.



Share with us how you are living out your faith at home. Use #LACatholicsBelieve and tag @LACatholics on social media.

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