

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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# FAITH @ HOME

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**First Reading:** Isaiah 66:18-21  
**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 117:1, 2  
**Second Reading:** Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13  
**Gospel** Luke 13:22-30

[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, Sharon Cowan – Gospel Channel, 1:35 min.)

Children can also watch a video proclamation of the Gospel by clicking [HERE](#). (YouTube, #Gospel #Pray #PeaceBeWithYou, 1:48 min.)

## 2. PRAY

In today's readings, we are reminded that God knows our works and our thoughts. Jesus is the pathway to salvation, and He calls us to "strive to enter through the narrow gate."

Take a moment to quiet yourself and imagine that Jesus is sitting with you.

Ask Jesus to help you know Him more personally. Be attentive to what Jesus stirs in your heart. How is Jesus inviting you to change the way you think about or act toward others?

When you are ready, close your time of prayer by repeating three times, "Jesus, help me enter through the narrow gate."

## 3. TALK

Today's first reading says, "They shall bring all your brothers and sisters from all the nations as an offering to the Lord." In Luke's Gospel it says that "people will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south and will recline at the table in the kingdom of God."

Share with one another about these questions:

- Who in our society today is not seen as our brothers and sisters?
- When you think about the "table" of your social circle, who are you excluding?
- How is Jesus asking you to make room for those who have been missing?



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