

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 6, 2026

FAITH @ HOME

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First Reading: Ezekiel 33: 7-9
Resp. Psalm: Psalm 95: 1-2, 6-7, 8-9
Second Reading: Romans 13: 8-10
Gospel: Matthew 18: 15-20

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

1. HEAR

Pick up 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, WOG channel, 1:00 min)

Children can also watch a video proclamation of the Gospel by clicking [HERE](#).
(YouTube, One Minute with Jesus channel, 1:01 min)

2. PRAY

Gather the family around a prayer space after hearing the readings of the day. Have someone read each line with everyone repeating what they just heard.

Lord Jesus, help me to be a person of peace. Give me the courage to address conflicts with love and humility. Teach me to forgive as You forgive and to seek reconciliation whenever relationships are broken. May Your presence guide our families, communities, and Church so that together we may be witnesses of Your love. Amen.



3. TALK

In today's Gospel we hear Jesus's speak of how reconciliation, forgiveness and the importance of community. He reminds us that when there is conflict, we should not speak badly of one another but rather approach each other with humility and love and seek to heal the divisiveness among us. As a community we are also called to correct one another with love and bring back into the community those who might have gone astray.

As missionary disciples, we are called to be peace-makers. In a world often marked by division and misunderstanding, we can be signs of Christ's love by seeking reconciliation, listening with compassion, and praying together. When we choose forgiveness over resentment and unity over conflict, we make Christ present in our midst.

Reflect on the following questions: When we feel wronged how do you react? Do you gossip, hold grudges, or avoid difficult conversations? Or do you approach others with patience and charity, hoping to rebuild relationships?

When you have reconciled with others, do you think your attitude has helped the other grow closer to God?



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