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First Reading: Responsorial Psalm Second Reading: Gospel:

Jeremiah 20:10-13 Psalm 69 Romans 5:12-15 Matthew 10:26-33

Full Readings can be found here!

1. HEAR

Read the Gospel (Matthew 10:26-33) from your Bible, or using the text here.

You can also watch the Gospel proclaimed by children or in sign language.

2. PRAY

Today's Gospel reminds us of God's love and care for every person. In recent weeks, we have seen and heard many things about the problem of racism in our country. Let this Gospel help you hear how God is speaking to you and calling you to respond to this issue.

- Spend a few minutes reflecting on your • experience of these current events. Talk to Jesus about what surfaces in your reflection.
- Mindful of these things, re-read today's Gospel. •
- What do you hear Jesus saying through this • reading about racism and/or those who are victims of racism?
- What is God asking of you at this time?



3. TALK

Questions to discuss in your household or with friends:

- When I see others being treated differently because of their race, what can I do? How can I speak up?
- How can I be of an example of Jesus' love for all people?

To go deeper, read this resource from the US **Bishops**.

Household Activity

Make and decorate a yard sign using faith-based language highlighting the value of each person and God's love for them. E.g. You are loved; We are all created in God's image; Your voice matters. Consider making a second yard sign for your neighbor. Use this as a chance to listen to them about these important issues and share with them how God sees all people (while practicing social distancing, of course!).

For older members of your household Watch the movie Just Mercy with Jamie Foxx along with the Catholic Study Guide.

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

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