

Readings: Ezekiel 2:2-5, 2 Corinthians 12:7-10, Mark 6:1-6

Today many claim to be prophetic, but most lack any claims to speaking the Word of God. A true prophet in our Christian tradition must reflect both the Holy Scriptures and the Church. The Prophet Ezekiel clearly speaks the same message as the other prophets and that message is always the same: faithfulness to God's word revealed in Holy Scripture, love for God, love for others, care for the needy and the oppressed. . The message always demands that we give up our own concerns and be concerned only for God and God's message for us. The moment we begin to seek our own good, our own enrichment, our own way of thinking—then we become unfaithful to the word of God.

St. Paul says, "I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and constraints, for the sake of Christ; for when I am weak, then I am strong." We are invited to embrace the word of Jesus Christ with all our strength and all our being. When we do embrace this word of God, we shall surely suffer and know our own weaknesses. This also is a form of prophecy because the more we embrace Christ and follow His way, the more our lives speak about God and His incredible love for us. We prophesy simply by living.

The Gospel today is from Saint Mark and takes us back to the challenge of rejection. We should remember that Ezekiel told us that it does not matter if a prophet is recognized or not. What matters is that the prophet speaks the word of God. Today's Gospel points out that we can reject a true prophet simply because we don't believe that God acts in the ordinary events of our lives and in seemingly ordinary people.

God is always speaking to us: in others, in the events of our lives, in the Church, in our world. In order to understand God we must be attentive first of all to His revealed word. When that revealed Word is our whole way of living, then we begin to recognize His word in all the other realities of our lives. Today God invites us: listen to the prophets! Open your hearts and minds and beings! God loves you and wishes to speak with you. Harden not your hearts today!

MASS INTENTIONS **July 9th – July 14th**

Tuesday July 9th

- 7pm – Rita Vollick †

Wednesday July 10th

- 9.15am – Available

Thursday July 11th

- 7pm - Nikola Gojcaj & family (Special intentions)
- Giuseppina Gismondi †

Friday July 12th

- 8am - Available

Saturday July 13th

- 9.15am - Blanch, Herbert & Mary Brooks †
- 5.00pm - Special intention (Gabriel Bednarczyk. Birthday)

Sunday July 14th

- 9.30am - For the people (Pro Populo)
- 11.30am - Marian (Mike) Majzner †
- Christina D'souza †

St. Dominic's Youth Group.

If you're looking to make new friends, have a lot of fun, and grow in your faith, then you should definitely join us!

Our group is open to all young people between the ages of 13 and 18. We gather every week to learn more about our faith and make a positive impact in our community. We have exciting plans like game nights, movie screenings, sports, and faith-building activities.

It's a wonderful opportunity to connect with amazing people who share your values and interests.

We look forward to seeing you on June 8th at 4 PM for our first Youth Group meeting. Let's have some fun and grow in our faith together!

Registration Link: <https://forms.gle/5x1eMGnYf3dD6qrN7>

Revised Office Hours:

Monday to Friday 9am to 12noon and 1pm to 5pm (In effect from Wednesday, July 3, 2024)

Saturday, Sunday and Holidays (Office): Closed.

CHURCH OPEN HOURS –	MONDAY	9am. - 5pm.
	TUESDAY	9am. - 7.30pm.
	WEDNESDAY	9am. - 5pm.
	THURSDAY	9am - 7.30pm.
	FRIDAY	8am - 8.30pm.
	SATURDAY	8.30am - 6.30pm
	SUNDAY	8.30am – 1pm.
