



**Archdiocese of St. Louis
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Lectio Divina
Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin**

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Notice if any phrase, sentence or word stands out and gently begin to repeat it to yourself, allowing it to touch you deeply. No elaboration. In a group setting, you can share that word/phrase or simply pass.
- The third reading, pause for 2-3 minutes reflecting on "*Where does the content of this reading touch my life today?*"
Notice what thoughts, feelings, and reflections arise within you. Let the words resound in your heart. What might God be asking of you through the scripture? In a group setting, you can share your reflection or simply pass.
- The fourth reading, pause for 2-3 minutes reflecting on "*I believe that God wants me to today/this week.*"
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First Reading

2 Cor 10:17-11:2

Brothers and sisters:

"Whoever boasts, should boast in the Lord." For it is not the one who recommends himself who is approved, but the one whom the Lord recommends.

If only you would put up with a little foolishness from me! Please put up with me. For I am jealous of you with the jealousy of God, since I betrothed you to one husband to present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.



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Responsorial Psalm

R. Young men and women, praise the name of the Lord.

Ps 148:1bc-2, 11-13a, 13c-14
Or Alleluia.

Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise him in the heights. Praise him, all you his angels; give praise, all you his hosts.

R. Young men and women, praise the name of the Lord.

Or Alleluia.

Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all who govern on earth; Young men and women too, old and young alike. Let them all praise the LORD's name

R. Young men and women, praise the name of the Lord.

Or Alleluia.

His name alone is exalted, His majesty above earth and heaven. He has lifted high the horn of his people; to the praise of all his faithful, the Israelites, the people near to him. Alleluia.

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Alleluia

Jn 15:9b, 5b

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Remain in my love, says the Lord; whoever lives in me and I in him will bear much fruit.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Mt 13:44-46

Jesus said to his disciples:

"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls. When he finds a pearl of great price, he goes and sells all that he has and buys it.