

St. Aloysius, Gate of Heaven & Sacred Heart Church

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 7, 2019

Reflection on Sunday's Readings

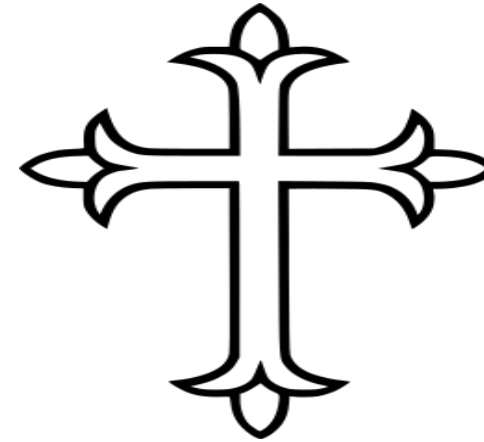
Today's Gospel begins immediately after the final verse in last Sunday's Gospel. After strong language about the difficulties of discipleship, Jesus immediately appoints 72 people to go ahead of him to every town and place he plans to visit, proclaiming that the Kingdom of God is at hand. He sends them in pairs. In the Law of Moses two witnesses were needed for a testimony to be credible. It was probably also a safer way to travel.

Jesus admits it will be difficult, that he is sending them out like lambs among wolves. Yet they are to bring nothing with them, not even a money bag or sandals. They are to greet no one on the way so as not to be distracted from their mission. When they enter a house, their message is simply "peace." The response they will receive may be positive or negative. Either way, they are to know that the Kingdom of God is at hand. They are not to demand special treatment but eat and drink whatever is given them. They are to stay in one house and are not to look around for one that provides better accommodations. They are to heal the sick as a sign that the Kingdom of God is at hand for them. Like Jesus' miracles, healing is a sign of the coming of the kingdom. If the town will not receive them, they are to shake the dust from their feet and move on. Even in the case of such rejection they should know that the Kingdom of God is at hand.

When they return from their journeys, they are rejoicing because their mission has been successful. Demons were under their power because of Jesus' name. Jesus may have sent them out as lambs among wolves, but at the conclusion of this passage he assures them that they have been given power over the enemy and nothing will harm them, not even serpents and scorpions.

A key theme of today's Gospel and last Sunday's Gospel is discipleship—its challenges, its difficulties, and its rewards. Sharing in the mission of Jesus is difficult, but everyone is called to do it, not just some professionals trained for ministry. Even for us today, the harvest is plentiful. We should pray to the master of the harvest to send out workers for his harvest. ***Imagine that you're one of the disciples.***

1. Do you like having someone with you? Why/Why not?
2. What hopes and fears do you have?
3. What do you do the first time you enter a town?
4. How do people respond to you?
5. What's it like to stay with people you don't know?
6. What do you tell people about Jesus?
7. Do you work mighty deeds?
8. Are you surprised by what you do?
9. Are you ever disappointed?
10. Do you have any regrets?
11. How do you feel when you return to Jesus?



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Mass Schedule

Saturday	4:00 PM	St. Aloysius
Saturday	5:30 PM	Sacred Heart Church (July 4th to Labor day)
Sunday	9:00 AM	St. Aloysius
	11:00 AM	Gate of Heaven

Weekday

M/T/F	8:15 AM	St. Aloysius
Thursday	12:00 PM	St. Aloysius

Adoration

M/T/F	7:30 to 8.15 AM
Friday	9.00 AM to 12.00 PM

Holy Day of Obligation

Holy Eve:	5:30 PM	Gate of Heaven
Holy Day:	9:00 AM	St. Aloysius
	7:00 PM	St. Aloysius

Sacraments

Confession: Before all mass

Baptism: Call the rectory for the arrangement

Marriage: Call the rectory to schedule your
Wedding and pre-Cana classes.

Pastoral Visitation

When confined at home, please call the rectory to arrange for a visit and Holy Communion. Please call the rectory if you are facing surgery or hospitalization and would like the Sacrament of the Sick.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

As a parish, we strive to bring our communities of Catholic Christians together, as we have for over 100 years, by loving and serving God and Each other through Worship, education and service.

MASS INTENTIONS: July 6- July 14 , 2019

Saturday, July 6

8.15 AM- Unborn children
4.00 PM- Romina Migliorini
5.30 PM- Richard Costello

Sunday, July 7

9:00 AM - Dorothy McRell
11:00 AM - Barbara Templin

Mon, July 8

8:15 AM - Bardsley Family

Tues. July 9

8:15 AM - Martha Wilcox

Thurs July 11

12.00 PM-

Saturday, July 13

4.00 PM-
5.30 PM-Ron Lusker

Fri. July 12

8.15AM-

Sunday, July 14

9:00 AM- Aileen Tschiderer
11.00.AM- Grace Mealie Maus

NOTE: No Gifts can replace offering a mass to departed soul or welfare of living. We have openings for weekdays and weekend masses. The mass stipend per mass is \$15.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & DECEASED

For the Sick: Joni & Vinny Salvatore, Colleen & Jerrilynn O'Neill; Nora Fernandez,; Laurie & William McMichael, Carol Faughn, Christopher Merklin, Jack Tempel, Robert Ackerly, Sr. Grace, Maureen Connolly, Dave Tucker, Shannon Bruning, Patty Lewis, Lynne Hyzer, Beth Marie Martin, Kristi Romolo, Erma Carlson , , Jim Wilbur, Dom Formato, Darren Steele, Jonell Dalton, Carrie Neer-Molinari. Mary Muhlig. Scott Branning. Easton Gorr. Joe Salvia. Joe & Linda Mchugh, Jerry & Roe Mills, Ken & Arsenia Mchugh.

For the Deceased: Rita Jeanne Schwarz, Charles Irace, Ann M.Klein, Romina Migliorini, Mary Ann Regan, Sean A.Fredenborg, Rita Margaret Reda, Kristine Zeh. Jon Joseph Tusso, Wanda L. McGovern, Gail J. Staudt, Rita Ann Evans, Nickolaus Bermel Jr.

COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

Is in need of spaghetti sauce, soup, tuna fish and jelly

Collection for last Week

First collection: \$ 1785
Thank you

Readings for Next Sunday

Deuteronomy 30:10-14
Colossians 1:15-20
Luke 10:25-37.

BIBLE STUDY

Good Soil Bible Study Group will meet this week.
Tuesday 4.00 PM at Church basement.

Base Ball Game Bus Trip

Date and place: Friday August 16th at Binghamton.

Time: bus will leave at 5pm from St. Aloysius Parking lot and Game starts at 7pm.
The bus will about 11-12pm (Depending on any unexpected rain days or extra innings).
\$20/ per person for Coach Bus seat and grand stand ticket. Please call Diana Fredenburgh @ 439-5103 or Mary Davis@ 439-3929 to reserve your seat

Baby Bottle Fundraiser

Account Name: 1st Way Life Center

The weekend of July 13-14 we are having a "Baby Bottle Fundraiser" for the **1st Way Life Center**, a pregnancy sup-port center, located in Monticello. They serve over 800 clients with between 1500 to 3000 children and are the main pregnancy support center in all of Sullivan County. Their main source of income is from the 'Baby Bottle Fundraiser". Your support is deeply appreciated. Bottles are available at the church, please collect them and return it within end of July. It needs not to be returned before end of July. Either you can write a cheque or give cash or fill the bottle with coins.

Eucharistic Minister's Training

Deacon Don will be offering a training for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion in July. To accommodate varying schedules, there will be two sessions available: Tuesday, July 16th at 7 PM and Wednesday, July 17th at 1:30 PM. Both sessions will be held in the Parish Hall (downstairs) at St. Peter's Church in Liberty. All Eucharistic Ministers are asked to attend one of these sessions. For additional information, or to register, please contact Christy at the St. Peter's Parish office at 292-4525. Thank you!

Healing the wounds of doubt

We, like the apostle Thomas, have doubts from time to time. We are challenged to examine our faith with use of our reason and under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Just as Thomas found faith and confessed it with the now famous words, "My Lord and my God," as a result of his personal encounter with the Risen One, so do we strengthen our faith and deal with our doubts each time we encounter him.

