

Reflection on Sunday's Readings

First Reading

The laws in the Book of Deuteronomy are also presented as part of Moses' farewell speech to the Israelites. The people are about to move into Canaan, the land God had promised to give them. Before they move forward to receive this gift of land, Moses reminds them that they must uphold God's law.

No excuses

Moses makes it clear that the people have the strength to uphold the Sinai Covenant. God's laws are neither difficult to understand nor impossible to obey. On the contrary, the people completely know what God wants. All they have to do now is act on it.

The Gospel Reading Common ground As Jesus continues his journey to the cross, he runs up against persons of authority who question his ministry. The man in this passage tries to pull Jesus into a legal debate. Rather than square off against him, Jesus honors his knowledge (v.26), then agrees with him (v.28), then changes the tone of the confrontation by telling a story. Everyone loves a good story!

Strong storytelling: The more we know about the parable, the more compelling it becomes. • The circumstances are quite real: people traveling alone were easily attacked and robbed • Jesus' listeners might have thought that the two Jewish men were avoiding contact with a corpse. Such contact kept them from their religious duties until they ritually cleansed themselves. However, the man isn't dead, and if he were, Jewish law permitted contact with the dead for the sake of proper burial. • People probably expected the third person to be an ordinary Jew. They would have been startled when Jesus instead brought a Samaritan into the story. Samaritans had descended from Abraham, but their cultural and religious practices had become so different from that of the Jews that the Jews regarded them as worse than pagans.

Extravagant compassion

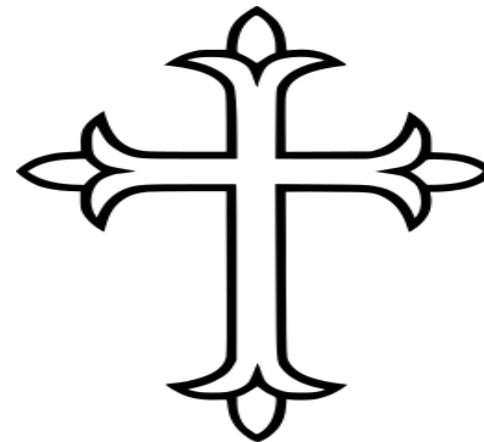
The Samaritan's actions are an example of overwhelming love. • The Samaritan approaches what the others crossed the road to avoid • In taking time to treat the man's wounds, the Samaritan risks being attacked by robbers, too • The Samaritan takes the man to an inn, spends the night caring for him, and promises to pay for whatever else the man might need .

Do this

When the scholar asked, "Who is my neighbor?" he wanted a sort of intellectual debate. Jesus shifts the discussion back to actual behavior. Jesus also challenges the scholar's point of view. The scholar wanted to know whom he should regard as a neighbor. The story invites him to consider instead how he should be a neighbor to others. Finally, Jesus completely erases the boundaries between "us" and "them." **A neighbor is anyone who responds to others with love regardless of who the other person is.**

St. Aloysius, Gate of Heaven & Sacred Heart Church

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 14, 2019



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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 13- July 21 , 2019

Saturday, July 13

4.00 PM-
5.30 PM- Ron Lusker

Mon, July 15

8:15 AM - Maria Teresa & Alekander Jachiewicz

Sunday, July 14

9:00 AM - Aileen Tschiderer
11:00 AM - Grace Mealie Maus

Tues. July 16

8:15 AM -

Thurs July 18(Time change for this week only)

9 AM- Smith family

Saturday, July 20

4.00 PM-
5.30 PM-

Fri. July 19

8.15AM- Maria Teresa & Alekander Jachiewicz

Sunday, July 21

9:00 AM-
11.00.AM-Rita Ann Evans

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: \$ 1585
Thank you

Readings for Next Sunday

Genesis 18:1-10a
Colossians 2:12-14
Luke 11:1-13.

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 @

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!

Annual Parish Picnic

Our very own Kurpil family musicians

Sunday August 11th starting at 2.pm

Hot dogs and buns will be supplied. Please sign up to bring your favorite salad or dessert.

Come and join us for wonderful music, square dancing, volley ball and much more. If you have any questions, please call

Mary Devis @ 439-3929

Social Gathering

In the vestibule of the church immediately after 9.am Mass - free coffee and donuts - for people to meet and greet. It is on 21st July. Please join and share your ideas and thoughts.

