

# St. Aloysius, Gate of Heaven & Sacred Heart Church

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 28, 2019

## Reflection on Sunday's Readings

### First Reading

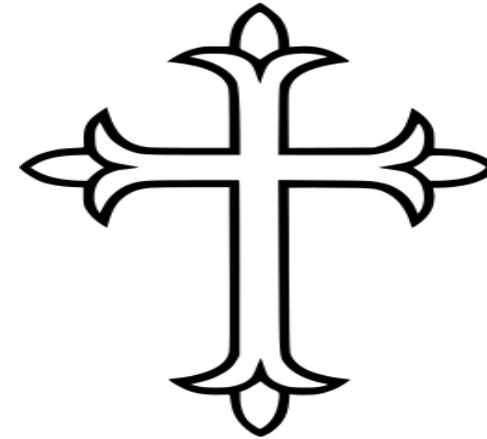
Abraham is portrayed here as a great prophet, one who is privy to God's secrets and prays for his people. But Abraham prays not just for his own people but also for the people of Sodom and Gomorrah. God willingly listens to the pleas of Abraham but the case he presents is hopeless because sins of the people are so unpardonable that Abraham relents to God's plan. Here we have the lesson that sin invites punishment. Abraham's dialogue accents the importance God places on mercy alongside the unequivocal insistence on justice and right behavior.

### Second reading

In this passage Paul contrasts the pagan past of the Colossians with their present state. They have been once separated from God which is equal to death. This dreadful condition has been caused by their sins. Sins are acts of rebellion against God. But now because of the death of Christ God has made them alive in Christ. He has graciously forgiven their sins and therefore the cause of spiritual death has been done away with. God has not only removed the debt; he has also destroyed the document on which the debt is recorded. The debt is impossible to pay, but God has dealt with it; he has blotted it out and cancelled the bond by nailing it to the cross. This is a vivid way of saying that because Christ is nailed to the cross, our debt has been completely forgiven.

### The Gospel Reading

Luke's version of the Lord's Prayer is notably shorter than that in Matthew. Three forms of the "Our Father" are known from antiquity. The shortest is Lucan, with five clauses; Matthew 6:9-13 is longer, with seven clauses; and a still longer form, with seven clauses and a doxology is found in Didache (Teaching of the twelve apostles). The Lucan form of the prayer consists of an address ("Father"), two wishes uttered before God, and three petitions to him. God sanctifies his name by manifesting his loving kindness and saving power. When we pray, "hallowed be thy name," we are praying that this revelation of the Father's love and holiness may be accepted by all. God's name is hallowed by those who faithfully do God's will, preferring it to their own, living as God's children and loving the fellow disciples like brothers and sisters of the same Father. When we pray "your kingdom come" we are praying for the final and definitive establishment of the rule of God. The Kingdom of God, though present, has not yet fully come. Jesus has laid the foundation for the kingdom through his ministry, passion, death and resurrection. By asking us to pray for 'daily bread,' Jesus also teaches us to live one day at a time without being anxious about the morrow (Mt 6:25-26). Like the people of Israel in the desert who have had the daily portion of manna from heaven, and they are to take only what is needed for the day (Exod 16:1-21), Jesus invites us to live in poverty of spirit accepting from the hands of the Father the bread needed for the day. The final petition asks for strength to overcome temptation. This petition may have an eschatological sense but this petition also refers to the daily temptations we face. Pope Benedict in his book Jesus of Nazareth says that in order for a man to become mature,



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### Mass Schedule

<b>Saturday</b>	4:00 PM	St. Aloysius
<b>Saturday</b>	5.30 PM	Sacred Heart Church ( July 4th to Labor day)
<b>Sunday</b>	9:00 AM	St. Aloysius
	11:00 AM	Gate of Heaven

### Weekday

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

### Adoration

<b>M/T/F</b>	7:30 to 8.15 AM
<b>Friday</b>	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 27- Aug4 , 2019**

**Saturday, July 27**

4.00 PM- Gail Staudt  
5.30 PM- Madeleine Kocher(Birthday)

**Mon, July 29**

8:15 AM - Mical Kocan (birthday)

**Thurs Aug 1**

12 PM- Kocher Family

**Saturday, Aug 3**

8.15 Am- Unborn children  
4.00 PM- Barbara Templin  
5.30 PM- Andy & Anna walkevowicz

**Sunday, July 28**

9:00 AM - Special Intention  
11:00 AM -

**Tues. July 30**

8:15 AM - Rose & Walter Kocher

**Fri. Aug 2**

8.15AM- Kocher family

**Sunday, Aug 3**

9:00 AM-  
11.00.AM- Barbara Templin

**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, Deniese Harting.

**For the Deceased:** Rita Jeanne Schwarz, Charles Irace, Ann M.Klein, Romina Migliorini, Mary Ann Regan, Sean A.Fredenbug,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: \$ 1748  
Thank you

**Readings for Next Sunday**

**Ecclesiastes 1:2:2:21-23**  
**Colossians 3:1-5,9-11**  
**Luke 12:13-21.**

**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 16<sup>th</sup> 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.

**PENNY SOCIAL**

We have penny social on August 9, 2019 at 5.PM in the church basement. You are welcome to denote things for fund raising. Please do not bring cloths and dishes. If you need any information please contact Mrs. Vivian Hendrickson (845-439-4956).

**Annual Parish Picnic**

Our very own Kurpil family musicians  
Sunday August 11<sup>th</sup> 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, volley ball and much more. If you have any questions, please call  
Mary Devis @ 439-3929

**Religious education coordinator needed.**

There is a great need for religious education head. Please, volunteers who are interested come forward to take up the program. The parish will be indeed grateful to you.

