



GOSPEL REFLECTION
LUKE 10:25-37

This parable is so familiar to us that we often see only one of its dimensions. Certainly it presents a model for us to follow – "Go and do the same yourself" – but it also presents us with a self-portrait of Christ; it reveals what kind of a Lord he is. Each of us has been robbed of our original holiness by original sin. Our own selfishness and sins (and the sins of others) have deeply wounded our souls. We lay on the side of life's path in need of a Savior. We have been bruised and broken and wounded; the Lord kneels down and lifts us up with his healing touch. Christ is the Good Samaritan, the merciful Lord who heals and restores us with the balm of his sacraments, who pays for our salvation with the boundless riches of his grace, poured out generously on Calvary's cross and entrusted to the innkeeper of the Church, who watches over our convalescence until he comes again. He is the Lord, yes, but the truly noble Lord, who cares enough to come meet us in our need and carry us safely to his Father's inn.

Pope Francis, preaching on this reading, said: "The priest and the Levite see but ignore; they look but they do not offer to help. Yet there is no true worship if it is not translated into service to neighbor. Let us never forget this: before the suffering of so many people exhausted by hunger, violence and injustice, we cannot remain spectators."

Lord, as I make my way through this and every day, give me eyes to see my marginalized and suffering brothers and sisters. Give me a heart that will love you present in the faces of others. Give me hands that help as well as lips that pray.

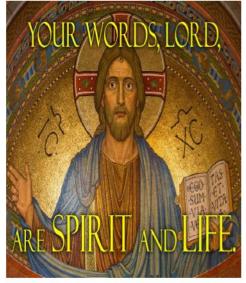


St. Henry, son of Henry, Duke of Bavaria, and of Gisella, daughter of Conrad, King of Burgundy, was born in 972. He received an excellent education under the care of St. Wolfgang, Bishop of Ratisbon. In 995, St. Henry succeeded his father as Duke of Bavaria, and in 1002, upon the death of his cousin, Otho III, he was elected emperor.

Circumstances several times drove the holy Emperor into war, from which he always came forth victorious. He led an army to the south of Italy against the Saracens and their allies, the Greeks, and drove them from the country. The humility and spirit of justice of the Saint were equal to his zeal for religion. He wished to abdicate and retire into a monastery, but yielded to the advice of the Abbot of Verdun, and retained his dignity.

The Saint made numerous pious foundations, gave liberally to pious institutions and built the Cathedral of Bamberg. His holy death occurred at the castle of Grone, near Halberstad, in 1024.

His feast day is July 13th. He is the patron saint of the childless, of Dukes, of the handicapped and those rejected by Religious Order.



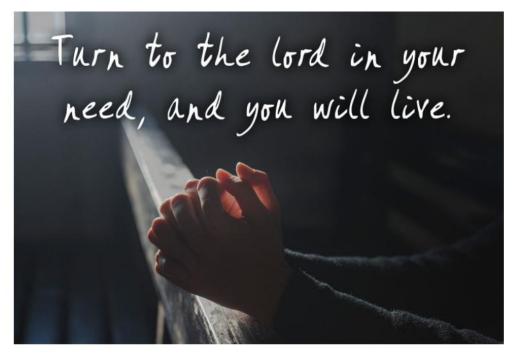
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# True or False? The Story of the Good Samaritan

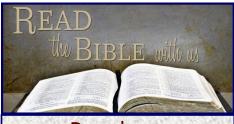
Jesus told the people a parable to show them how to be a good neighbour. At that time the Samaritans were enemies of the Jews.

How well do you know the story?

See if you can figure out which of these are true and which are false.

- 1. In the parable, a man was walking from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he came across a group of people who had been robbed. True or False?
- 2. The robbers beat the man and took all he had. True or False?
- 3. A priest walked past the man and ignored him. True or False?
- 4. A Levite saw the man and left him some money. True or False?
- 5. A Samaritan saw the man, bandaged his wounds, and took him to an inn. True or False?
- 6. The Samaritan told the innkeeper that he had done his job and he didn't care what happened to the man. True or False?
- 7. In the parable, the Samaritan, who was normally the man's enemy, was his best neighbour. True or False?





## Readings

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Week of July 10, 2022

## Sunday Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deuteronomy 30:10-14; Psalm 69:14,17,30-31,33-34,36,37; Colossians 1:15-20; Luke 10:25-37

#### Monday Saint Benedict, Abbot

Isaiah 1:10-17; Psalm 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 & 23;

## Matthew 10:34-11:1 **Tuesday**

Isaiah 7:1-9; Psalm 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8; Matthew 11:20-24

### Wednesday Saint Henry

Isaiah 10:5-7; Psalm 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15; Matthew 11:25-27

#### Thursday Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

Isaiah 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Psalm 102:13-14ab & 15, 16-21; Matthew 11:28-30

## Friday Saint Bonaventure.

## Bishop & Doctor of the Church

Isaiah 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Isaiah 38:10, 11, 12abcd, 16; Matthew 12:1-8

## Saturday

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Micah 2:1-5;

Psalm 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14; Matthew 12:14-21

## Sunday

## Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Genesis 18:1-10a; Psalm 15:2-3, 3-4, 515:2-3, 3-4, 5; Colossians 1:24-28; Luke 10:38-42



## Mass Schedule

#### Monday, July 11, 2022

#### Tuesday, July 12, 2022

#### Wednesday, July 13, 2022

#### Thursday, July 14, 2022

#### Friday, July 15, 2022

#### Saturday, July 16, 2022

## Sunday, July 17, 2022

8:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m.
†Marv Roberts by Sharon Roberta......SMK
†Monsignor Jack Costello by Jose Alvarez.....SHH
10:00 a.m.
†Nick Gasparovic by Sherry Gasparovic ......HSCP

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Recently Holy Spirit Parish "fished with Faith", and lots of Hope! A good time was had by all. Thank you to the Parish Activity Team for organizing this event. As expected, there were numerous "fish stories" especially about the ones that "got away". Here is a different kind of "fish story".

## Lessons from the Goldfish

Have you ever watched goldfish in an aquarium? As these brilliant fish mouth the pebbles along the bottom, they seem to be eating them. On closer observation, however, one can see that they are actually sucking off bits of food and then spitting the pebbles out. They know how to take what is before them, sift through it, keeping what is nourishing and giving back the rest.

Watching these limbless creatures, we can learn that we must sift through our daily experiences of life. All too often we take it all in and forget to sift through what is life giving and let go of the rest. Not all our experiences are life giving and if we do not let these go, we can be weighed down by them.

Jesus came that we might have life and have it to the fullest. He invites us to come to him when we are burdened by the experiences of life, and He will help us to recognize what is life giving and help us to let go of the rest.

Karen McMahon

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## From Father Tom



Life From Another Perspective

In today's Gospel Jesus is asked a simple question. Of all the commands (a.k.a. Laws in Judaism-613 of them) which is the greatest? Notice that Jesus does not hesitate or pause to think about the question. He answers directly with the Shema Prayer. "Hear O Israel." "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself."

What is interesting is that he follows that prayer with another quotation from the Scriptures by reciting a passage from the Book of Leviticus, "and your neighbor as yourself." He links both sayings into one cohesive answer.



Of course, the one asking the question has to press for more explanation adding another question. "Who is my neighbor?" Again, Jesus answers swiftly but this time with a story so the questioner has to answer his own question.

We can learn much from our personal examination of the questions and more importantly the answers that Jesus presents. The key component is love. We are to love God and verify our love for God with love of neighbor. We discover that a neighbor is anyone in need regardless of status or ability.

This will later be confirmed in the Gospel of John at the Last Supper when Jesus will say, "I give you a new command, "Love one another as I have loved you." Now we have an opportunity to practice that command. In Jom





## **Hour of Mercy**

Sundays at 3:00pm St. Helen Church

Order of Service: Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament Scripture Reading Chaplet of Divine Mercy Confessions Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

†Give me a thousand hearts that I may love You; but even these are not enough, O Supreme Beauty. In order that I may love You, give me Your Sacred Heart Itself† THOUGHTS FROM ST. THERESE OF LISIFUX









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> Pre-registration required on or before July 16. https://www.garyoyya.org/nwicamino/ St. James, patron of pilgrims, pray for us!

Day 1, July 23: St. Mary, Crown Point to Our Lady of Grace, Highland, 11 miles Day 2, July 24: Our Lady of Grace, Highland to All Saints, Hammond, 7.2 miles

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