FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

GO AND DO LIKEWISE

Miss Collins, the dean of students at Olympic High School, was past the point of scolding Matt, though she liked him very much. “Four detentions in two weeks are too many.”

Still Matt wouldn’t tell. It was only after Miss Collins went on a morning neighborhood patrol that she found out the real reason for Matt’s tardiness. Thump, thump, thump, came the wheelchair down the stairs. It was Matt, steadying Shawnetta as he helped lower her down the stairs and then push her to the corner bus stop.

“She’s a girl in my parish youth group,” Matt explained to Miss Collins.

There are many ways to describe Matt’s actions—a random act of kindness, making a difference one person at a time. Jesus would understand. When the lawyer correctly identified the good Samaritan as the one who had treated the injured man with compassion, Jesus said simply, “Go and do likewise” (Luke 10:37).
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 10, 2016

Christ Jesus . . . is the head of the body, the church.
— Colossians 1:15, 18

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Heed the voice of the LORD. It is something very near to you, already in your hearts; you only need to carry it out (Deuteronomy 30:10-14).

Psalm — Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live (Psalm 69) or Psalm 19.

Second Reading — All things were created through and for Christ Jesus (Colossians 1:15-20).

Gospel — To be a neighbor, show love by treating others with mercy, as did the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37).

What We Must Do: Scott Hahn Reflects on the 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We are to love God and our neighbor with all the strength of our being, as the scholar of the Law answers Jesus in this week’s Gospel. This command is nothing remote or mysterious—it’s already written in our hearts, in the book of sacred Scripture. “You have only to carry it out,” Moses says in this week’s First Reading. Jesus tells His interrogator the same thing: “Do this and you will live.”

The scholar, however, wants to know where he can draw the line. That’s the motive behind his question: “Who is my neighbor?”

In his compassion, the Samaritan in Jesus’ parable reveals the boundless mercy of God—who came down to us when we were fallen in sin, close to dead, unable to pick ourselves up.

Jesus is “the image of the invisible God,” this week’s Epistle tells us. In Him, the love of God has come very near to us. By the “blood of His Cross”—by bearing His neighbors’ sufferings in His own body, being himself stripped and beaten and left for dead—He saved us from bonds of sin, reconciled us to God and to one another.

Like the Samaritan, He pays the price for us, heals the wounds of sin, pours out on us the oil and wine of the sacraments, entrusts us to the care of His Church, until He comes back for us. Because His love has known no limits, ours cannot either. We are to love as we have been loved, to do for others what He has done for us—joining all things together in His Body, the Church.

We are to love like the singer of this week’s Psalm - like those whose prayers have been answered, like those whose lives has been saved, who have known the time of His favor, have seen God in His great mercy turn toward us. This is the love that leads to eternal life, the love Jesus commands today of the scholar, and of each of us—“Go and do likewise.”

Yours in Christ,

Scott Hahn, Ph. D.

Gift Shop Needs Volunteers -
If you can volunteer, please call the parish office, 481-7171.
This week’s Sanctuary Candle:

In loving memory of

Joseph Boylan

by John & Lucia Nastasi

RESURRECTION CALENDAR
ALL events take place in the Parish Center unless otherwise stated.

Adoration, First Fridays, 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.
Bereavement & Beyond Ministry, June 6, July 11, Aug. 1, 8:30am. For more information call Alouise 481-8168
Coffee & Donuts, Sundays after 10:30 Mass
Craft Club, Tuesdays, 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.
Men’s Club, 2nd Monday of month, 7:00p.m., Sept. - May
Our Lady of Miraculous Medal Novena, Saturdays after the 8:00a.m. Mass, church
Prayer for Priests, Thursdays after the 8:00a.m. Mass, chapel
RCIA, Sundays, after the 9:00a.m. Mass, for info, 482-6883
Rel. Ed., September - May
Resurrection for Life, for info, call Judy at 287-1237
Resurrection Prayerline Ministry, call Deanna Latell 481-1170.
Rosary, before daily Masses and Tues. & Thurs., 1:30p.m., chapel
Rosary Makers, 3rd Thursdays Oct. thru May, 9-11 a.m.
St. Vincent DePaul Board Meeting, 1st Tues. every month, 7:00 pm. For SVDP assistance call 239-600-6749, or email, svdp@resurrectionch.org
Teams of Our Lady, call Joann for more information, 482-7982
Women’s Guild, 3rd Wednesday every month, 8:30a.m. Sept. - May

MINISTRY OF THE SICK

IMPORTANT NOTE TO ALL PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS:

When admitted to the hospital please register as Catholic and notify the parish office immediately, 481-7171. Resurrection priests visit the hospitals daily.

To protect your privacy hospitals do not give out information on patients without their permission.

The following hospitals are attended to by the parish in which they are located:

*Gulf Coast Hospital - visited daily by St. John XXIII Parish, 561-2245
* Lee Memorial Hospital - visited daily by St. Francis Xavier Parish, 334-2161
* Lee Memorial and Hospice at Health Park - visited daily by St. Columbkille Parish, 489-3973

WEEKLY OFFERING

July 3, 2016
Regular Offertory: $14,983.50
Education: $3,762.00
SVDP: $330.00
Latin Mass: $659.00

Thank You

Lectors Needed
Looking to grow in your faith? Look no further than participating in the Lector Ministry. It will literally change your life! No experience necessary since training will be provided. Flexible Mass schedule. Call Todd at 239-284-4979.

Altar Flowers

This Week:

In Loving Memory of:

Susan Saul

by husband, Charles Saul

ALTAR FLOWER BOUQUETS
TO HONOR YOUR FRIENDS AND LOVED ONES

The beautiful flower arrangements that you see each week on the altar are available for purchase as a memorial or honorarium.

Altar Flower Bouquets are a wonderful way to remember the anniversary of a friend or loved one’s death or to honor a special event such as a birthday or anniversary.

If you wish, the name of your friend or loved one will be placed in an announcement in the bulletin in recognition of their special occasion.

To purchase Altar Flower Bouquets call the parish office, 239-481-7172.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!
We invite all young people of the parish who have not yet received the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Communion, or Confirmation To register now for Classes!

- Sacramental Preparation is a two year faith formation program.
- In preparation for the reception of these most holy sacraments, weekly Mass participation is expected.
- All families are welcome!

*Registration forms may be found on line or in the church office—open from 8:00-4:00 daily.

Registration for the 2016-2017 Faith Formation year is open!

K-5th Grade
Sundays from 4:00p.m. to 5:00p.m.
Followed by Mass at 5:15

“Let the little children come to me.” Matt. 19-14
$70 beginning June 1
$15 each additional child
$25 Sacramental Prep fee if receiving sacraments this year
K – 5th Grade 2016-2017 Faith Formation
Sunday 4:00 – 5:00 followed by 5:15 Mass

Family Information:
Student’s Last Name_________________________First Name_________________________Grade (2016-2017)_______
Address___________________________________________________Birthdate_________________________
Mother’s Name:____________________________________Catholic ___ Other ___ Home ph#_________________________
Father’s Name:____________________________________Catholic ___ Other ___ Home ph#_________________________
Mom’s Cell_________________________________________Dad’s Cell_____________________________________
Family Email:____________________________________________________________________________________
Registered in Parish _____Yes _____No

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Student Inventory:
Last place of Faith Formation_________________________________Grades completed____________________
Does your child have special needs? ___________________ Please describe:______________________________________

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How can we best accommodate his/her needs?_________________________________________________________

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Is your child on medication? ____Yes ____No If yes, lease List:___________________________________________

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Does your child have food allergies? ____Yes ____No If yes, please list______________________________________

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Sacramental Preparation:
My child has received the Sacrament(s) of:
_____ Baptism _____ First Reconciliation _____ First Holy Communion

My child is preparing to receive the Sacrament(s) of:
_____ Baptism _____ First Reconciliation _____ First Holy Communion

*NOTE: Preparation for First Reconciliation
First Holy Communion requires a two year enrollment in Faith Formation (one year if enrolled in Catholic School.) Circle if this is the first or second year.

*NOTE: A copy of the child’s Baptismal certificate is required for Sacramental Prep if not baptized at Church of the Resurrection.

_____ Baptismal certificate attached _____ My child was baptized at Resurrection

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Faith Formation at Resurrection is designed to support home faith formation. In what way(s) could you, in turn, support the efforts here at church?
_____ Prayer team (meet weekly during class to pray the rosary for our students, teachers)
_____ Hospitality team (ie: help organize food prep, set up/take down for special events, welcoming)
_____ Catechist
_____ Classroom Asst.
_____ Christmas Pageant volunteer
_____ Faith based discussion groups (during class hour)

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FEES: Through May 31: $40/child, $15/additional child. After May 31: $70. Sacramental Prep 2nd Yr: $25

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Office use only: Baptismal Certificate on file: ______yes_______no Registered in parish: ______yes_______no

Tuition Paid: Check #_________Cash __________ Date __________

Sacramental Prep Fee paid $_______ Date: _______ Ck.#_______Cash _______ Scholarship_______
Baptism initiates us in the community of faith!
Confirmation seals us with Gifts of the Holy Spirit!
Eucharist nourishes us daily with the Body of Christ!

Sacraments celebrate the Love and Presence of Christ.
Are you searching for meaning in your living?
Do you have questions?
Consider inquiring.

Call: Joanne MacPeek - 481-7171
Or email: resurrectionre@gmail.com

COME & SEE

“You did not choose me, I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you. This I command you: love one another.”

John 15:16

BE AN AFCAAM VOLUNTEER!

Help us to make a positive difference in the life of a child, your time is a valuable treasure.

We need: mentors, reading tutors, snack coordinators, career presenters & golf event helpers.

Leadership Stewardship
Fellowship Citizenship

Not all of us can do great things.
But we can do small things with great love.
Mother Teresa

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Some of our new titles include:

CD’s -
The Baseball Priest with Fr. Burke Masters
Attack on Religious Liberty - Battle for the Faith
From Atheism to Catholicism: My Conversion Diary
15 Things to Do in the Midst of Suffering
Getting Others to Heaven - Learning to be a Leader

Books -
Everything You Ever Wanted to Know About Heaven
Joan of Arc
Crossing the Tiber
Rome Sweet Home

MARRIED COUPLES: What have you done for your marriage today? Successful marriages don’t work on automatic pilot – at least not for long. Like a garden, they require constant attention: fertilizing, watering, and weeding. Healthy marriages, like gardens, don’t die suddenly. More often they fade away from a gradual lack of attentiveness, letting things slide, taking each other for granted. Plan to attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter and discover God’s plan for joy, romance and passion in your marriage. The next available WWME weekend in this

SHOP, SAVE AND & SUPPORT ST. FRANCIS XAVIER SCHOOL

Clip your Box Tops from more than 300 General Mills products and mail them to St. Francis Xavier School by OCTOBER 15TH. This will underwrite classroom projects and supplies. To date we have raised $11,389.

PLEASE JOIN US AT THE ABDORTION CLINIC AT 3900 BROADWAY, FT. MYERS EVERY 2ND SATURDAY (after the 8:00 Mass) FOR THE ROSARY AND EVERY 2ND THURSDAY AT PLANNED PARENTHOOD, CORNER OF WINKLER & COLLEGE ANYTIME BETWEEN 9 AM AND NOON.

“A Nation That Kills Its Own Children Is a Nation Without Hope.”
~ Pope John Paul II

LOCAL COMMUNITY PREGNANCY CENTER IS IN NEED OF HELP

Resurrection for Life members ask you to help foster life by helping with your donation of much needed items. Community Pregnancy Clinic helps mothers with counseling and provides them with supplies for their babies that they cannot afford. The current needs are:

- Disposable Diapers in Sizes 1,3, 4, & 5 - This is the most needed item
- Baby wipes (not adult wipes)
- New Outfits Sizes * Newborn - 6 months and used baby clothes - all sizes
- New Sleepers Sizes NB - 12 months and used all sizes thru 3T
- Shampoo/Lotions
- Teethers/Baby Toys
- New baby blankets, crib or bassinet size (gender specific pinks or blues).
- Hat/Booties
- Maternity clothes, gently used are welcomed

Donations may be dropped off at the PARISH CENTER.
We thank you as do the moms, babies, and families you are aiding!
Thank you for your generous aid to this most worthy cause!

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How does a grandparent begin a spiritual journey of faith with a grandchild? Below are 10 tips that may get you started.

1. Don’t forget that your actions will always speak louder than your words. Little ones are taking their cues of how to proceed in life from you! If you’d rather whine about it, they will, too. Always give children hope in the future.

2. Along with learning a value such as “patience is a virtue,” your grandchildren will also learn attitudes from you such as impatience, intolerance, and discrimination; or respect for others, kindness, and empathy.

3. Help teach children age-appropriate skills and tasks such as baking, sewing, or helping to clean. These activities will provide moments of interaction that can be filled with stories.

4. Great conversations can take place during car rides. It allows a reluctant or shy child to ask difficult questions or express feelings without having to do it face-to-face.

5. Short trips to your church can be a great outing with a small child when the church is quiet. Children do enjoy the mysterious. Allow them to ask questions and talk out loud. Tell them how you are a friend of Jesus and how you respect his house when visiting.

6. Walk in nature. Explain how God is present in all things. Try looking for God in a plant, and if that sounds funny to your grandchildren, they’ll remember you doing it.

7. Make sure you always have plenty of time to spare when speaking of faith matters with a grandchild. Rushing an encounter can turn a child off to further discussion in the future.

8. Family reunions are a good time for children to meet relatives from across the country and understand where they fit in the larger family structure.

9. Provide a designated wall for pictures of family and point out family members as you tell their life stories. You’ll be surprised at how children don’t seem to be listening, but they actually are.

10. The best thing a grandparent can do is to listen first, speak when needed, and always love everyone. At this stage of life, there is no time for hurt feelings. Be open and welcoming like Jesus.

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SIGN UP TO BE AN ALTAR SERVER

Being an altar server is a wonderful opportunity for our young parishioners to participate in the Sunday liturgy. Any child in the fourth grade or higher who would like to become an altar server is invited to sign up for training (2 classes, dates and times to be announced).

If interested, please fill out the following form and drop it in the collection basket at Mass or bring it to the parish office.

Server’s Name________________________________________

Parents Name__________________________________________

Address________________________________________________

Telephone #  Cell_________________ Home________________

Email Address__________________________________________