



Timetable and Intentions for Sundays and Weekdays Masses



DATE	TIME	DEDICATION	INTENTION	CHURCH
Sun 13 th July	9 am	15 th Sunday in O.T.	Parishioners	Holy Family
Sun 13 th July	11.15 am	15 th Sunday in O.T.	Dee Kelly (R)	Our Lady V
Sun 13 th July	3 pm	Domingo 15o en T.O.	S.I.: Enrique & Family	Our Lady V
Mon 14 th July		St Camillus of Lellis	-----	The Church is closed
Tue 15 th July	9 am	Weekday of O.T.		Our Lady V
Wed 6 th July	9 am	Our Lady of Mount Carmel		Our Lady V
Thu 17 th July	9 am	Weekday of O.T.		Our Lady V
Fri 18 th July	9 am	Weekday of O.T.		Our Lady V
Sat 19 th July	12 noon	Our Lady on Saturday		Our Lady V
Sun 20 th July	9 am	16 th Sunday in O.T.	Gill Chorley (LD)	Holy Family
Sun 20 th July	11.15 am	16 th Sunday in O.T.	S.I.: Sales Family	Our Lady V

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Confessions: Tue 9.30am to 10am; Sat 11am to 12

Holy Rosary & Divine Mercy Devotion: Tuesdays 9.30 am OLOV.

Baptisms, Weddings: by appointments.

Wednesday Club / Tuesday Nursery: You are welcome!

Thank You to Fr. Tony Frain SDB for supplying for Fr. Sergio while he was in his Annual Spiritual Retreat in Italy.

We pray for all who are sick and elderly: Marie Tyrer, Ray Sherwood, Betty Maurey, Terry Mottram, John Evans-Freeke, Henry Henderson, Anne and Mike Quinn, Ronnie Baybut, Geoff Morrissey, Michael Hyland, Paul Blackford, Harry Caine, Sophie Caine, Christine Watts, Deacon John and Ann Crooks, Joan Callaghan, Natalie Kavanagh, Sue Swift, Hannalor Mainey.

We pray for those whose Anniversary occurs at this time: Edna Baybut, Maisie O'Sullivan

We pray for those who have passed away recently:

Home visits with Holy Communion:

<u>Eucharistic Minister:</u>	<u>Visiting:</u>
Paul	Mary Cartwright, Betty Costello, Anne Viz.
Mike	Peter Sales, Stuart Munro.
Adrian	Marie Tyrer.



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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: 13th July 2025

The Good Samaritan
Compassion is the
mark of discipleship

MERCY IS NOT A FEELING,
BUT A MISSION. EVERY
CHRISTIAN IS CALLED TO BE A
GOOD SAMARITAN—NO
MATTER THE COST



ANNUAL SPIRITUAL RETREAT FOR PRIESTS OF THE MARIAN MOVEMENT OF PRIESTS IN COLLEVALENZA, UMBRIA, ITALY.

Father Sergio, as a Member of the M.M.P., attended the Annual Spiritual Retreat in the Jubilee Shrine of the Divine Love in Collevalenza. There were 250 priests who attended it from all over the world, among them 7 bishops. Cardinal Muller -former Prefect of the Congregation of the Doctrine of the Faith- joined them and made an outstanding and inspirational contribution to all of them. Fr Sergio kept all parishioners and friends in his prayers during his uplifting experience.

15th Sunday in Ord. Time

Memorily
For July. 13. 2025



As Jesus continues his journey to Jerusalem, he is confronted by a scholar of the law who wants to test him. In the Gospels of Mark and Matthew, Jesus is asked about the greatest commandment. Here, in Luke's Gospel, the lawyer asks what we must do to inherit eternal life. In the other two Gospels, Jesus answers the question by quoting Deuteronomy 6:5, on loving God with all your heart, and Leviticus 19:18, on loving your neighbour. Here Jesus asks the expert to answer this question, "What is written in the law?" The man is caught and responds with Deuteronomy 6:5. This verse is one of the most important prayers in Judaism, and it was said twice a day in Jesus' time. Love of God and love of neighbour are what is required for eternal life. Jesus' response is simple, "Do this and you will live."

Having been shown up by Jesus, the lawyer tries another question: Who is my neighbour whom I must love like myself? In the society of Jesus' time, with its distinctions between Jews and Gentiles, men and women, clean and unclean, this was a trick question. Jesus responds with one of the most beautiful of all the parables, the Good Samaritan. It is found only in Luke's Gospel.

The road from Jerusalem to Jericho descends 3,300 feet in just 17 miles. Its narrow passes and rocky terrain made it an easy place for bandits to wait for travellers. The traveller in this parable is identified only as "a certain man." Luke uses this phrase in many of his parables so that the audience, Jew or Gentile, could identify with the man. After the attack, the man is left for dead, naked and bleeding on the side of the road. A priest comes along, but rather than helping, as one might expect, he moves to the other side of the road. Another religious person comes along, a Levite who assists in the Temple. His reaction is the same as the priest's. Both of them choose to not even find out if the man is alive. A third person comes along. The listeners would probably expect him to be an Israelite. This would make the parable a criticism of the religious leadership. Instead, he is a Samaritan, an Israelite's most hated neighbour. Samaritans were descendants of Jews from the northern part of the country, who had intermarried with Gentiles and did not worship in Jerusalem. The Samaritan not only goes over to the injured man but cleans his wounds, puts him on his own animal, takes him to an inn to recover, and promises to pay all his expenses. The hated enemy is the compassionate neighbour in this parable.

Jesus has demolished all boundary expectations. It is not social definitions such as class, religion, gender, or ethnicity that determines who is our neighbour. A neighbour is a person who acts with compassion toward another. The point becomes not who deserves to be loved as I love myself, but that I become a person who treats everyone with compassion.

When Jesus asks the lawyer who was the neighbour in the story, the lawyer can't bring himself to say it was the Samaritan. All he says is that it was "the one who treated him with mercy." Jesus' response was similar to that of the first discussion: "Go and do likewise." The lawyer, and we, know what is right. The key is to do it.

BAPTISMS BOOKED FOR THESE COMING MONTHS:

Sat. 19th July: Leo James Patrick Morris at HFIB.

Sat. 30th August: Ross John Patterson at OLOV.



*May the Grace of the Holy Spirit
be poured upon these families
whose babies will receive the gift
of becoming children of God
and members of the Holy Church*



First reading: Deuteronomy 30:10-14

Moses spoke to the people: 'Obey the voice of the LORD your God, keep his commandments and his statutes that are written in this Book of the Law, turn to the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

'For this commandment that I command you today is not too hard for you, neither is it far off. It is not in heaven, that you should say, "Who will ascend to heaven for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?" Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, "Who will go over the sea for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?" But the word is very near you. It is in your mouth and in your heart, so that you can do it.'

The word of the Lord

Second reading: Colossians 1:15-20

Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities — all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the Church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be pre-eminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Your words, O Lord, are Spirit and life; you have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

At that time: Behold, a lawyer stood up to put Jesus to the test, saying, 'Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? How do you read it?' And he answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' And he said to him, 'You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live.'

But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, "Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back." Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbour to the man who fell among the robbers?' He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' And Jesus said to him, 'You go, and do likewise.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Source: Universalis App – New Lectionary

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 69(68):

R:/ Seek God, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive.

I pray to you, O LORD, at an acceptable time. In your great mercy, answer me, O God, with your faithful salvation. LORD, answer, for your mercy is kind; in your great compassion, turn toward me. **R:/**

As for me in my poverty and pain, let your salvation, O God, raise me up. Then I will praise God's name with a song; I will glorify him with thanksgiving. **R:/**

The poor when they see it will be glad, and God-seeking hearts will revive; for the LORD attends to the needy, and does not spurn his own in their chains. **R:/**

For God will bring salvation to Sion, and rebuild the cities of Judah. The children of his servants shall inherit it; those who love his name shall dwell there. **R:/**

I believe in one God,

the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

SPANISH MASS IN HIGHTOWN THIS SUNDAY AT 3 PM

Come along and share the experience of celebrating the Holy Mass in the Spanish Language.

Food and Refreshments are Shared after the Mass with the Opportunity of getting to know Catholics from many parts of the Spanish Speaking world.

MISA EN ESPAÑOL EN HIGHTOWN: ESTE DOMINGO A LAS 3 PM

Ven y comparte la experiencia de celebrar la Santa Misa en español. Después de la misa, se comparte comida y refrigerios, con la oportunidad de conocer a católicos de muchas partes del mundo hispanohablante.

