



*A Samaritan
traveler who came
upon him was
moved with
compassion*

July 14, 2019 • Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Have you ever listened to someone giving a specific person a dose of reality and realized that you were also intended to “get it”? In today’s Gospel, Jesus is speaking to a know-it-all who seems to be baiting him, trying to see if Jesus has the theological wherewithal to be the great teacher he was said to be, asking about the requirements in the Law to gain eternal life. Jesus turns the tables and asks this lawyer, this expert, how he himself would answer the question. The lawyer states the obvious answer from the Law about loving God and one’s neighbor. But Jesus asks for more: Who is my neighbor? Does the Law answer this question?

In Deuteronomy, Moses spoke to the Israelites about the new Law, the Ten Commandments. At the time of Jesus, those ten “laws” had bloated into more than six hundred, requiring interpretation so that people could be obedient but unencumbered by the inevitable inconsistencies of such a vast set of regulations. Instead of the Law, Jesus answers with one of the most famous stories of all time: the “good” Samaritan. Here is where the plot thickens.

CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW?

On his way to Jerusalem, to the cross, Jesus and his disciples had recently passed through Samaria and found no welcome there, due to animosity between the two peoples. Jesus’ disciples wanted vengeance. So Jesus tells the story of how two strict adherents to the Law ignored the man who needed help, probably because of a slavish interpretation of the Law. A stranger from Samaria, who was seemingly little more than a heathen, treated the man with kindness and compassion. (Hey, disciples, did you hear *that?*)

Moses tried to tell the Israelites that the Law was already in their hearts. Jesus wanted the lawyer and the disciples—and us—to realize that the heart of the Law is a matter of our own hearts. That is where we know our neighbor—everyone.

Today’s Readings: Dt 30:10–14; Ps 69:14, 17, 30–31, 33–34, 36, 37 or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Col 1:15–20; Lk 10:25–37

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MASS SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK

SATURDAY — July 13	5:30 PM	† Don Smith by Dick & Mary Lou Doyle
SUNDAY — July 14	9:00 AM	† Annie Hurst by Janet Rourke
Monday	NO MASS	
Tuesday	NO MASS	
Wednesday	6:30 PM	† Rhonda Holmes by Lee & Winnie Hendrickson
Thursday	8:30 AM	Reparations for Sins & Healing of Abuse Victims
Friday	8:30 AM	† Anna Hurst by Tuffy Wolfrom
SATURDAY — July 20	5:30 PM	Fr. Mark Berland by Chris & Kay Basgall
SUNDAY — July 21	9:00 AM	† Don Smith by Robert & Mary Shaw

PRAYERS: PLEASE PRAY FOR MELVIN PAMMENT, - KEVIN PLATTE, OLIVER WASHINGTON, - GERRY PACE, - PAT SIMPSON, - RAY DOYLE, - KYLE WALLER, - JUDITH MARTELL (MOTHER OF TERESA PICKENS), - JIM (MAYO) HURST, - CHARLES OLENICZAK (BROTHER OF BARB WRIGHT), - PAT ROWLEY (SISTER OF JIM ROWLEY), - BRUCE CHANDLER (BROTHER OF MARTI ROWLEY), - JIM OLENICZAK (BROTHER OF BARB WRIGHT), - ROSE MORRILL, - JULIE STONER (DAUGHTER OF GENE & BARB STONER), - JOHN MARTINEZ, - FRANK LUNDIE, - JANET ARTHUR, - PAM DELONG, - SUSAN DELONG, - MARY CHADWICK, - LEAH ZAMARIPA, (COUSIN OF JESSE ANGUIANO), THERESA HEEG (DAUGHTER OF JOHN & SANDY VANGEERTRUY) - LANA MIERSEN, - MARY STEIN, AGGIE CASSADY, - SHIRLEY GREENE, MARY MAPES (MOTHER OF MIKE MAPES), - BILL DUSO, - TERESA KECK, (SISTER OF PHYLIS HART & HELEN STELZER), - JOSEPHINE ANDERSON, - LILLIAN PLATTE (GRANDDAUGHTER OF PAUL PLATTE), - GARY EISELER (SON OF JIM & JOY), - SHANNON HURST

LCS— COOKBOOK SALE

The Laingsburg Community Singers are selling their new cookbook. Price is \$12 each. If you are interested in buying one you can contact, Janice Hurst, Lisa McGee, Maggie Sayles or Larry Vogl.

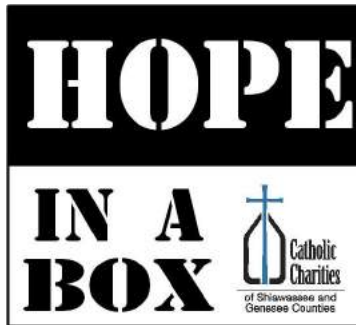
This is one of the fundraisers towards our trip when we sing at Carnegie Hall in New York City in February. LCS is so honored to have been chosen to sing with other choirs from all over the country at Carnegie Hall!!!



OFFERTORY

July 6 & 7, 2019

61 Adult Envelopes	\$2,282
Loose Collection	\$208
Children's Offertory	\$26
18 ACH Electronic Offertory	\$1,430
Total Weekly Offertory	\$3,946



Need for the month of July:

Toilet Paper



PARISH WIDE

Jul. 28—Aug. 1— VBS—At Si Isidore—5:30 –8:00 PM

Sept. 7— K of C Yard Sale



SUMMER SCRIPTURE DAYS —AUGUST 13-15, 2019— ST. FRANCIS RETREAT CENTER

If you're looking for a way to get closer to God, spend time with other people with the same interest , on beautiful grounds in a short drive with exceptional leaders this is for you.

The subject will cover the Acts of the Apostles. The presenters will be Bishop Mengling, Fr. Doug Osborn and Fr. Paul Cummings. You can attend the 2 and 1/2 day retreat by staying there or commuting.

COST: Three different options:

1. 3 days, 2 nights lodging, all meals, and materials - \$185
2. 3 days, 3 lunches, 2 dinners, materials -\$130
3. 3days, 3 lunches, materials - \$110.00

Registration Forms can be obtained at WWW.STFRANCIS.WS

\$75 needed at time of registration.

Over the years people from our parish have gone back a number of times. Personally, I feel that this year the presenters are exceptional. If you have any questions , feel free to call Nancy Kienitz or talk to me at church.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FORMATION (REF)

Sundays—10:15 AM—11:15 AM
See you in the Fall!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

July 28—August 1

5:30 pm—8:00 PM

At St. Isidore

More information e-mail:

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St. Isidore is fortunate to have such generous parishioners! Thank you for all the support for VBS! We have almost reached our goal and would not be able to provide opportunities for our children without you.

Thank you from the bottom of my heart! ~Mary Stevens

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

July 24—Planning Meeting—**CANCELLED**

Knight of the Month: Ryan Kingsbury

Family of the Month:
Ron & Lana Miersen



K of C Yard Sale

The yard sale pricing teams are nearly caught up and eagerly awaiting more donations. Items can be dropped off in the back of the large hall. If you need items picked up, contact Keith Kienitz , Don Brown , Tom Mahoney , Jesse Anguiano





**American
Red Cross**

**RED CROSS
BLOOD DRIVE**

**MON. JULY 22nd @
ST. ISIDORE CHURCH**

1:00 to 7:00 pm

**Sponsored by:
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Want to make a huge difference in someone's life?
Be a Respite Volunteer and make a difference in your life too!

Participate in a Respite Volunteer Training

Mon. July 15th 10 am-12:15 pm

or we can schedule a training

at a mutually convenient time

Volunteer Opportunities include; helping a patient & caregiving family, helping in the office, helping on committees, helping with fundraisers, and special projects. To register or for additional information please contact: 989-725-1127 or office@respitivolunteers.org. Please see our website at www.respitivolunteers.org. Find Respite Volunteers on Facebook.

Snacks will be provided at the training for potential volunteers