

**July 10, 2022**  
**Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
*Deuteronomy 30: 10-14*  
*Ps. 69*  
*Colossians 1:15-20*  
*Luke 10: 25-37*

**A Neighbor Practices Mercy**

In the Gospel Jesus quotes the Shema. Read it> “You shall love the Lord, your God...and your neighbor as yourself.”

We are bound together with Jesus Christ, and we are all made one as neighbors. We are neighbors with those we might not even consider as such in the first place.

We are called to go beyond the Law. The call is to live by Justice and Mercy. One who practices Mercy in a neighbor. The Gospel story illustrates this.

In the Gospel the Samaritan, an outcast himself, stopped to help the injured victim. He made sure the man had all that was necessary to make him whole again. Jesus tells this story because He acts this way. His love reaches out to make all whole. Of course, each person must want to be whole and lead others to the Lord too,

God the Father is the source of all life and love. In the Father we are whole we are one with each other. Jesus Christ came in the flesh to make us aware of the Father. This is the message of the second reading. “Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.”

The work of Jesus through his Church is the reconciliation of all things to God. That is, he brings all things together. Jesus sheds his blood on the cross and brings about a new order. All of creation is made full. This is made possible by Jesus’s great sacrifice of love. “For in him all the fulness was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile all things for him, making peace by the blood of his cross through him, whether those on earth or those in heaven.”

God is so loving! He has done all he can do to be one with us. All that we need to do is meet him. We must open our minds and hearts to see the Lord. The first reading says, “If only you would heed the voice of the Lord, your God, and keep his commandments and statutes....”

The relationship we have with God is intended by God to be mutual. It is an expression of fidelity and love between us. We always need to renew the covenant with Him. How do we do this?

We confirm our identity as God's people. This happens through the Sacraments especially the Eucharistic celebration, the Holy Mass, each Sunday. Through it God touches us and we touch God. Flowing from that we are compelled to act. We must live in unity with each other. We must live as neighbors who do what is necessary to lift each other up. We must practice mercy.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS  
Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Gn18:1-10a;Col1:24-28Lk10:38-42  
**Scripture Sharing is on Thursdays at 7:00pm.**

**STEWARDSHIP**  
**Time, Talent, Tithing**  
**It is our way of showing gratitude to God for life itself. It is also your way of being part of the mission and participating in the challenge of spreading the Good News of Love.**

<b>Attendance last week:</b>	<b>250</b>
<b>Tithes Collected:</b>	<b>\$8,397.50</b>
<b>Online Giving:</b>	<b>\$554.00</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$8,951.50</b>
<b>Per Capita:</b>	<b>\$35.81</b>

**Thank You!**

**This week’s second collection is for American Black and Indian Mission.**

**SPIRITUAL LIFE**

**ARCHDIOCESE OF MIAMI**  
*Office of the Archbishop*  
**Statement of Archbishop Thomas Wenski on US Supreme Court Ruling in Dobbs v. Jackson**  
**June 24, 2022**

Today’s decision of the US Supreme Court overturning the fateful Roe v. Wade is certainly welcomed by all those who recognize that human life begins at conception and that this is a scientific and biological fact and not merely a religious belief or ideological theory. As such the unborn child should be welcomed in life and protected by law.

However, today's decision does not outlaw abortion in the United States. But it would return decision-making about abortion policy to the people and their elected representatives. Even pro-choice Justice Ruth Ginsburg was no fan of the legal reasoning behind Roe v. Wade which many criticized as "the justices legislating from the bench".

We hope that dismantling Roe will allow legislation protecting the unborn to move forward in our state legislatures and to survive constitutional challenges in the future.

Abortion too often is seen as the solution to an unforeseen problem, a fallback position if contraception failed or was not used. But abortion is no solution – and it is no right. It is a wrong, a grievous wrong that has prematurely ended the lives of more than 60 million souls in this country alone since 1973.

### Our Younger Families

Over these past couple of years, we have baptized many children. It is so refreshing to witness these baptisms at Sunday Liturgy (10:45am). It is always a sign of hope. There will be more to come.

As pastor I give my moral and spiritual support to all of you as you bring new life into the world for the glory of God. Just think of it. God has shared his power to create new life with you!

Everyone of this power show your support to the families with young children. Pat them on the back, say a kind word of encouragement and pray for them. All are such a blessing to all of us.

### COMMUNITY LIFE

#### “Operation Utilities Bag”

Please return the bags that you have been filling over the past few weeks. The little money you saved truly adds up for the many people the Saint Vincent de Paul Society serves every week.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Joe Alfaro, Jordan Almendral, JoAnn Anderson, Angiolina Armenti, Michael Beard, Karen Becker, Mary Benivegna, Margarita Bogle, Tom Carver, Sean Chin, Robert Clark, Mary Collis, John Cooper, Logan Costante, Gregoria Daen, Sam DeMarco, Ines DeSalle, Roseanne DeSimone, Lisa DeStasio, Joseph Devlin, John Dooney, Nelson Douaihi, Peggy Duff, Susan

Fabbri, Lisa Findlay, Megan Forrester, Joshua Freeman, Richard Gossett, Ana Gilajota, Stephen Goch, Keri Greenan, Richard & Cathy Harper, Tyler Harrison, Dil Hatchett, Cindy Hogman, Tiffany Kentosh, Butch Klinger, Judith Kolo, John LaNeve, Tamika Lee, Bernie Ligget, Gail Martin, Sean Martin, Mary McKelvey, Clare McMahon, Frank McNeil, Rylee Mertz, Dan Murphy, Teresita Nazareno, Lauren Nicole, Thomas O'Brien, Barbara Perry, Della Mae Reblin, Lucy Reitano, Coleen Riley, Paul Riley, Dee Ripple, Jackson Ripple, Matilda Rivier, Charles Rousseau, Anthony Ruggiero, Theresa Schluter, Brad Schroder, Ellen Seaman, Roger Sherman, Jim Smullen, Vivian Spasiano, Rick Steffan, M. Stoufer, Richard Taylor, Antoinette Teresi, Constantino Thomas, Margarita Verano, Peggy Weiss, Ed Wrisley, Nancy Zakem, Marie & Jeff, Lucas Zaky

### MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 9

- 4:00 p.m. † Marie Melillo by Marylou & Paul Adams  
 † Ligia de Chang by Jose & Isaida Choy

Sunday, July 10

- 9:00 a.m. Blessed Sacrament Parish  
 10:45 a.m. † Linda Allen by William & Fernando  
 † Josefa Zayas by Tennie Perez

Monday, July 11

8:00 a.m. NO MASS

Tuesday, July 12

- 8:00 a.m. † Bernard & Eileen Flood by Flood Family

Wednesday, July 13

- 8:00 a.m. Fernando Santa by Selma Cardona

Thursday, July 14

- 8:00 a.m. † Anne Fix by Mary Miller

Friday, July 15

- 8:00 a.m. † Bridgitte Hardesty by William

Saturday, July 16

- 4:00 p.m. † Catalina Polledo by Ileana & Barbara  
 † Jewell McNeill by Barbara Clowe  
 † Lucille Murphy Chase by Daniel Murphy

Sunday, July 17

- 9:00 a.m. † Andres Martorell & Julius Delisio by Wife & Friends  
 10:45 a.m. Shirley Sharkey by Beverly & Joe  
 Jacob Montes by Andrea & Luciano Morra