

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

Sunday Bible Reflections by Dr. Scott Hahn
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Deuteronomy 30:10-14; Psalm 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37;
Colossians 1:15-20; Luke 10:25-37



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 have 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."

ANNOUNCED MASSES
July 9th – 17^h, 2016

Sat. July 9th 4:30 p.m.	Saint Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions For all Souls in Purgatory
Sun. July 10th 9:00 a.m.	Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Anniversary Blessings – by Connie and Jim
11:00 a.m.	Antonio Leite Melo and Maria dos Anjos Serra Melo – RIP – by Maria Ponte
Mon. July 11th	NO MASS
Tues. July 12th 7:00 p.m.	Weekday In Thanksgiving to Saint Lucy – by Rita
Wed. July 13th 9:00 a.m.	Saint Henry Simeona and Damaso Acuzar – RIP – by the Acuzar family
Thurs. July 14th 9:00 a.m.	Saint Camillus de Lellis Carmel Green – Special Intentions – by her sisters
Fri. July 15th 9:00 a.m.	Saint Bonaventure Santiago Ortega Buguis – RIP – by Elena
Sat. July 16th 4:30 p.m.	Our Lady of Mount Carmel Deceased Members of the Alvares family – RIP – by Nelson and Teresa
Sun. July 17th 9:00 a.m.	Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Maureen Moran – RIP – by the family
11:00 a.m.	Gloria Savellano – RIP – by the family

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed
through the mercy of God rest in peace*

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PRAYER FOR SUMMER



Father, Creator of All, Thank you for Summer!
Thank you for the warmth of the sun and the increased daylight.

Thank you for the beauty I see all around me and for the opportunity to be outside and enjoy your creation.

Thank you for the increased time I have to be with my friends and family, and for the more casual pace of the summer season. Draw me closer to you this summer. Teach me how I can pray no matter where I am or what I am doing. Warm my soul with the awareness of your presence and light my path with your word and counsel. As I enjoy your creation, create in me a pure heart and a hunger and a thirst for you. Amen

---Prayers for Summer, www.google.ca

SAINTLY WISDOM

There is no place for selfishness –
and no place for fear! Do not be afraid,
then, when love makes demands.

Do not be afraid when love requires sacrifice.

--Blessed Pope John Paul II, www.pinterest.com

COFFEE SUNDAY



Hosted by the Be My Disciples, everyone is cordially invited to a "Coffee Sunday" on July 10th, after the 9 A.M. and 11 A.M. Masses at the Church Hall.

BE MY DISCIPLES NEWS



The Be My Disciples Registrations for September 2016 are ready! ALL children of the Parish between the ages of Kindergarten and Grade VI **must be registered in this faith transmission and education program.** Please register immediately so that we can plan (order books, get Catechists, form groups, etc.) for next year. The **deadline is June 26, 2016.** Registrations after that date will be charged a late fee of \$25.00 per person. **Please call Connie Kuhr for Registration & information – 514-747-9347.**

THE FOOD BANK "OASIS"



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