

# What We Must Do: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Bible Reflections by Dr. Scott Hahn  
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First Reading: Deuteronomy 30:10–14 | Psalm 69:14, 17, 30–31, 33–34, 36–37  
Second Reading: Colossians 1:15–20 | Gospel: 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 each of us—"Go and do likewise."

**ANNOUNCED MASSES**  
**July 13<sup>th</sup> – July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019**

<b>Saturday</b> 4:30 p.m.	<b>July 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sunday Vigil</b> Bruna Alesi – RIP - by her parents
<b>Sunday</b> 9:00 a.m.  11:00 a.m.	<b>July 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Damaso and Simeona Acuzar – RIP – by the Acuzar family  Adrian de Souza – RIP – by the family
<b>Monday</b>	<b>July 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>NO MASS</b>
<b>Tuesday</b> 7:00 p.m.	<b>July 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Our Lady of Mount Carmel</b> Bill Yvorchuk – RIP – by the family
<b>Wednesday</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>July 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Weekday</b> Special Intention for Xavier
<b>Thursday</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>July 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Weekday</b> Martin Hurtubize – RIP – by Linda Piper
<b>Friday</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>July 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Weekday</b> Alfredo Ferraresi – RIP – by his wife
<b>Saturday</b> 4:30 p.m.	<b>July 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sunday Vigil</b> Deceased and Living Members of the Rodrigues family – by Leo and Lavinia
<b>Sunday</b> 9:00 a.m.  11:00 a.m.	<b>July 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> George Kuhr and Dorothy Birch – RIP – by Jim and Connie Kuhr  <i>Pro Populo</i>

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*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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### **OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL: July 16**

The Carmelites have celebrated their patronal feast on this day since the 14<sup>th</sup> century. According to tradition, Saint Simon Stock was given the brown scapular by the Blessed Virgin on this day in 1251. The Order of Carmel dates back to a group of Western hermits who in the 12<sup>th</sup> century settled on Mount Carmel, overlooking the plain of Galilee, in imitation of the prophet Elijah (see 1 Kings 18.19-46 and 2 Kings 2.25). They grouped themselves around a small chapel dedicated to Our Lady. In the 13<sup>th</sup> century, the Order of Carmel as we know it was formed, retaining the twin devotions of the early hermits: to Elijah and his solitary prayer, and to Our Lady under the title 'of Mount Carmel.' (*Living with Christ, July 2019*)

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### **BE MY DISCIPLES NEWS**

The **REGISTRATION Forms** for September are available. **ALL children** of the Parish **must be registered in this faith transmission and education program.** The children who are currently in the Be My Disciples program have taken the new registration form home. Please look for it in their book or backpack. All other parishioners, who have children between the ages of Kindergarten and Junior High, please enquire at the office or call Connie Kuhr for information – 514-747-9347.

The **DEADLINE is June 30, 2019.** Registrations after that date will have a late fee of \$25.00 per person.

### **HOLY HOUR**

Silent adoration every Tuesday evening, following the 7:00pm mass (from 7:30pm to 8:30pm) Also, Adoration every Friday, following the 9:00am mass (from 9:30am to 10:30am). Come and spend some time with the Lord!

"Our Lord hears our prayers anywhere, but He has revealed to His servants that those who visit Him in the Eucharist will obtain a more abundant measure of grace." -St.Alphonsus Ligouri

### **THE FOOD BANK "OASIS"**

Please remember to bring non-perishable food and leave them in the bins at the doors of the church...Thank you.

### **FIVE-DAY SUMMER RETREAT: MONTREAL DIRECTED RETREATS**

Consider the opportunity to spend a silent, personally directed summer retreat from **August 5-9** at the Cistercian Abbey in Rougemont. Cost is \$335, all-inclusive. Limited spaces. For more information, contact Paul Empsall at 514-626-9462 or visit [www.montrealretreats.org](http://www.montrealretreats.org).