

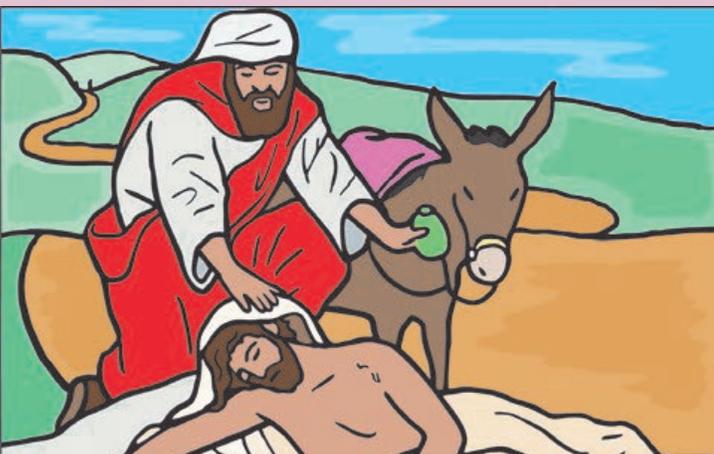
15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"He replied to him, 'You have answered correctly; do this and you will live.'" In today's Gospel a scholar questions Jesus about how to gain eternal life. In case anyone ever wonders whether heaven is within reach, one only needs to refer to this Gospel. Jesus provides a clear answer that gives us a clear plan of action: We are to love God with all that we are, and also to love our neighbors. Really, it's that simple.

The scholar, however, complicated things to make himself look better. Instead of accepting the simplicity of Jesus' instruction, he wanted to split hairs, asking, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied with the story of the Good Samaritan-and the lesson that our neighbors are not just those we know or love. Rather, our neighbor is the person that needs our help, the person whom we would rather ignore, the person whom God puts in our path. In short, everyone is our neighbor and we are called to treat everyone with mercy. This is part of how we gain eternal life.

But this flows from the first element of Jesus' answer. First and foremost, Jesus instructs us to love God "with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind." When we love God in this way, truly as the Lord of our life, then loving our neighbors becomes the easy part. When our hearts and minds are full of the love of God-who loves all people-then it will necessarily follow that we too will desire to share that love with others and not count the cost.

The Good Samaritan is an excellent example of this kind of love. Without hope of repayment, he gave of his time and his money to help the poor victim. But in return, the Samaritan will surely "gain eternal life."



MASSES OF THE WEEK

MON. (July 11) Saint Benedict

7:00 am Vito John Tasselli
(Karen McLaughlin)

TUE. (July 12) Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:00 am Michael D. Sanders
(Joseph and Lauren Tur)

WED. (July 13) Saint Henry

7:00 am (Anniv.) Francis J. McCabe (Family)

THU. (July 14) Saint Kateri Tekakwitha

7:00 am Rev. Myron Florey (Phyllis Nash)

FRI: (July 15) Saint Bonaventure

7:00 am Patricia Madzin
(Rose Kelly Murphy)

SAT: (July 16) Our Lady of Mount Carmel

4:00 pm Jim and Anita Farris Lance
(Mom and Dad)
5:30 pm (1st Yr. Anniv.) Robert Shertza
(Mary and Paul Smith)

SUN: (July 17) Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 am Mary Ann Malos (Mary Lou Hughes)
9:30 am (Anniv.) Mary Ellen Dougherty
(Husband, Tom)
11:30 am Gerard Maglio (Family)
5:00 pm Ryan Matthew Carr (Family)



Please pray for the elderly, the seriously ill, the dying and recently deceased members of our parish community, especially *Kelly Lalli, Josephine Summa, Agnes Rushin and Jean Marie Jordan*. May God grant them and all the faithful departed eternal rest.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

We would like to thank
Albert P. O'Donnell Funeral Home
for sponsoring an ad in our weekly bulletin.

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish

Collection for the Weekend of July 2/3, 2016
\$ 9,516.91

Collection for the Weekend of July 4/5, 2015
\$12,503.33

Last weekend, July 2/3, 2016 second collection for the Care and Education of Priests amounted to \$ 776.67. Thank you for your generous donation.

Financial Updates

- **Second collections**—All second collections not addressed to the Missions or to the Diocese, will go to help support our cemeteries and parish related needs not covered from interest from perpetual care.
- **A Friendly Reminder**—Please make every effort to keep your offertory pledges current.
- **ONLINE GIVING LINK:**

Signing up is easy— you can use a computer, tablet, or smartphone. Just go to our church website www.olmcdunmore.org and click the Online Giving logo at the bottom right of the page to get started.

Summer Drive

Our Summer Drive has started in our parish and will continue thru the end of August. A list of all contributors and their contribution category will be a featured highlight in all bulletins, starting this weekend and concluding with the September 3/4 bulletin. Our goal once again this year is \$ 30,000.00 .

Our church operations require more monies than the Sunday offering which do not cover our normal operating expenses nor provide for major repairs and improvements to our facilities.

*As of Week 2 we have received \$12,390.00 .
Last year as of Week 2 we received \$ 13,790.00 .*

Summer Drive

Diamond	Platinum	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Patron
\$1000/over	\$500-999	\$200-499	\$100-199	\$50-99	Under \$50

Name _____

Address _____

Envelope #: _____

(Please clip and return to rectory or place in collection basket)

Capital Campaign

We are now in the third year of our Capital Campaign and as I have stated on numerous occasions we have surpassed our goal in so far as pledges made to the campaign. However, we still have approximately \$190,000 in outstanding pledges. I ask those that are keeping their pledges current to continue to do so. I am also requesting those that have fallen behind on their pledge payment to make every effort to bring their payments up to date. Again, I am truly overwhelmed by the generosity of our parish community. Thank you and may God continue to bless you.

~Fr. Doris

Parish Cemeteries

I feel it's the proper time to request your assistance in maintaining our two parish cemeteries. Because both of our cemeteries no longer have lots available for sale the cemeteries have become a financial burden to our parish. We include a monthly envelope for the maintenance of the cemeteries in your envelope package; I am requesting that everyone please consider a \$10 monthly donation in support of the cemeteries. At the present time this envelope is used by a very small number of parishioners. The maintenance of the cemeteries is costing the parish approximately \$85,000 annually. Thank you for all the support you provide to our parish. ~Fr. Doris

MISSION STATEMENT

We, the Eucharistic community of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish in Dunmore, are called to manifest the leadership, love and service of Jesus Christ. In union with the Holy Father, and under the leadership of our Diocesan Bishop, We are called to proclaim the salvation of our loving Lord through our participation in His Word, Worship, Service and Community. With the Blessed Virgin Mary as our Model, we seek to share our Baptismal gifts to build His Kingdom.

OUR VALUE STATEMENT

We recognize that as a Parish Faith Community of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, that our purpose is to accept and develop our call through a servant style of leadership, to evangelize others with zeal and joy through the witness of our Life in Word, Worship and a Service that builds up our Community.

It is time for vacations and fun! Please remember that your parish relies on your contributions even in the summer months. While you are on vacation, please don't forget to make up your parish envelopes when you return!



VNA Hospice Grief/Bereavement Support Groups:

Bereavement Support Group — Participants learn to cope with new challenges facing emotions and feelings in a non-judgmental, safe environment often helps us work toward healing. The group is facilitated by professional counselors and meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. and 2nd Wednesday of each month from 12:30 to 2:00.

Knitting and Crocheting Group— Beginners and experienced join together every Monday from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. With instructors on hand, they knit/crochet items for preemies which are donated to hospitals. The group decided to produce “throws” for dialysis patients who experience fluctuation in body temperature while receiving treatment and hats, mittens, scarves for the homeless community. Your own knitting needles and crochet hooks are required. Patterns and instruction provided.

Fisherman Knot Rosary and Sleeping Bag Project

Donating 3000+ rosary thus far, this group meets every Tuesday from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. VNC provides the twine needed to produce these lovely, soft rosary that are then donated to skilled nursing facilities, personal care homes and VA Hospital in Wilkes Barre. VNA does not charge a fee as each rosary is donated. They also make sleeping bags for the homeless community at this time. The project involves easy sewing with needle and thread. Sometimes known as “crazy quilts, this project benefits many all year.

Yoga for Healing— YOGA in its very gentle way, allows us to work through some of the emotions that weigh heavy upon us, causing aches, pain and discomfort. Taught by an experienced instructor, the class has a \$10 fee per class and meets every Tuesday evening at 6:15 p.m. sharp to 7:30 p.m. Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat or blanket. **For more information on these programs, call Bereavement Coordinator, Olympia Cianfichi at 570-383-5180.**

Cards for Charity to hold benefit for the Little Sisters of the Poor at Holy Family Residence Tuesday, Aug. 9, at the Elmhurst Country Club —Cards for Charity will host a benefit for the Little Sisters of the Poor at Holy Family Residence Tuesday, Aug. 9, at the Elmhurst Country Club, 319 Gardner Rd., Moscow. The doors will open at 11 a.m. and lunch will be served at noon. A cash bar will be available beginning at 11 a.m. Following lunch, guests will enjoy an afternoon of card playing, mahjong, and other games along with a basket raffle and pleasant conversation. The Little Sisters will also have their famous scones and cookies for sale. Admission is \$25 per person. For more information or to make a reservation, call Maureen Pesavento at 570-346-6437. Reservations can also be made by sending a check and your name and/or names in your party (tables of four or more are suggested) to Maureen Pesavento, 108 Abby Way, Scranton PA 18504. The reservation deadline is Monday, Aug. 1.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY



CDR. WILLIAM E. KELLY, MSC US NAVY
SGT. RYAN HARBAUGH, US ARMY
CPL CHRISTOPHER MECCA, USMC
LT GEN CHRISTOPHER BURNE, USAF
ENSIGN JONATHAN M. SMITH, US NAVY
MM2 SHAWN SMITH, US NAVY
1ST LT WILLIAM C. STUCKART USMC
SPC SEAN FISNE, US ARMY
CORP CHRISTOPHER DESANDO
SPC KAILA LEWONCZYK
SPC ERIC SLOSS
CPT MICHAEL TODARO
S SGT MICHAEL P. WENTLINE, USMC
LT CMDR JOHN W. GILLIGAN, US NAVY
LT KATHRYN M. GILLIGAN, US COAST GUARD
LT ANTHONY CANTAFIO, US NAVY
CW2 JOHN T. REDMOND, US ARMY
COL JAMES F. CUMMINGS, M.D., US ARMY
AIC DARREN HUSSEY, USAF
LT JASON A. BUSELLI, US ARMY
HA CONOR J. RUANE, US NAVY
MAJOR ROBERT MCALLISTER, US ARMY
MAJOR ANDREW SCHLESSINGER, US ARMY
AIC MARK MICCICHE, USAF
PFC AARON BISTRAN, USMC

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace, strengthen them in their trials and temptations, give them courage to face the perils which face them, and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

To add names of active military duty personnel from Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish to the prayer list, please call the parish rectory at 570-346-7429.

DAY OF REFLECTION—The Scranton Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will conduct a Day of Reflection on Wednesday, August 3, 2016 at The Villa of Our Lady Retreat House, 245 Meadowside Road, Mount Pocono, PA. Monsignor Vincent Grimalia, Chaplain of St. Luke’s Villa will conduct the retreat. The topic is “Jubilee Year of Mercy.” The retreat will begin at 8:30 a.m. and will end by 2:00 p.m. A continental breakfast and luncheon will be served. The cost is \$35. All Catholic women are invited to attend. Please send your reservation with payment to Helen Oravec, 814 Theresa Street, Peckville, PA 18452. The reservation deadline is July 25th. Contact Mary Lloyd at 570-578-6720 or Nancy Addley at 570-536-4436 if additional information is required.

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

VIRTUS TRAINING—A training for adults in the **Protecting God's Children (PGC-VIRTUS)** program has been set for **Wednesday, September 14, 2016, at 6:00 p.m., at All Saints Academy, Scranton.** To register, please call 570-343-8114. Complete and detailed information from the attached notice will be posted to our diocesan website, www.dioceseofscranton.org. If you are an adult employee or volunteer who has direct contact or routine interaction with children, please make every effort to participate in this training. Your attendance is important. Thank you.

Saint Joseph's Center Festival— “The biggest backyard picnic in NEPA” will be host to more than 40 booths insuring plenty of food to eat and games to play for people of all ages. There will be shopping for gently used books, ribbons and bows, holiday and general store items and activities including Bingo, Tricky Trays and the Kiddie Korner. The festival is renowned for its variety of food choices – Pizza Frita, Tacos, Funnel Cakes, Porketta, Potato Pancakes -- just to name a few. Come see WNEP's Annual Telethon on Friday and Saturday evening and maybe a visit from Joe Snedeker after his “Go Joe 19 – Tails of a Nickel River Tour” bike ride. Singers, dancers, cheerleaders and twirlers entertain all day on Sunday. There is plenty of parking and Shuttle service is available.

St. Mary of Mount Carmel School is holding its Annual Rummage Sale/Bake Sale Friday, July 15 from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, July 16 from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. They are looking for the following donations: small furniture, house wares, jewelry, purses, tools, holiday decorations, and collectibles. Drop off days are Sunday, July 10 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Please use side entrance of the school. Thank you for your support.

The Holy Name Society of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish will hold an important meeting on Wednesday, July 13th at 7:00 pm in the Rectory.

SAVE THE DATE: The Holy Name Society will hold their annual Communion Breakfast on Sunday, September 11, 2016 after the 9:30 am Mass at LaBuonaVita (the Parish Center)

The Diocese of Scranton is offering the annual Mass in remembrance of victims of violent or tragic death. This Mass is offered for the families and friends of those who have died in tragedy, especially through murder, suicide, and accident. The Mass is scheduled for **Thursday, July 14, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in Saint Peter's Cathedral, 315 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton.** All persons who have lost a loved one through tragic and traumatic death are invited to this liturgy. We ask that the names of deceased loved ones are registered on registration forms which are available in the St. Peter's Cathedral parish office or accessed on the Service and Social Concerns webpage on the Diocese of Scranton's website, www.dioceseofscranton.org. Questions concerning this Mass may be directed to the Office for Parish Life at 570-207-2213.

WELCOME TO MASS! — We have a new Greeter Ministry welcoming parishioners and guests at the door. If anyone is interested in volunteering for this ministry, please call Andrea Malia at 570-347-7782.

JOIN US!

Rosary Group— Meets every Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. in the church.

Prayer Line — One person is called and he/she calls three (3) persons in turn to ask for special intentions. Sign up sheets are in the back of the church.

SAVE THE DATE

Parish Family Picnic, Friday, July 22 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. (Rain date, July 29) St. Mary of Mt. Carmel School Parking Lot

Family Movie Night, Saturday, August 13, (Rain date, August 14) behind our church's grotto.

Ministers of the Liturgy Schedule—Weekend of July 16/17, 2016

<u>TIME</u>	<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER</u>	<u>SERVERS</u>
4:00 P.M.	Frank Rainey	Andy and Ann Marie Fazio, D.Valenza	Laurel Cortazar
5:30 P.M.	Dennis Wozniak	C.Berry, T. Kelley, A.Lopatka	Dean Sweeney
7:00 A.M.	Marjorie George	Sr. Miriam Joseph Reinhardt	Patrick Conway
9:30 A.M.	Sidney Prejean	M.A.Healey, S.Schiavo, D.Smith	Andrew and Natalie Durkin
11:30 A.M.	Sandra Jones	T.Devanney, L.Gatto, S.Vinskofski	Benjamin Amaya and Noah Cogliette
5:00 P.M.	Casey Riley	Connie DeSando	Alyssa Shonk