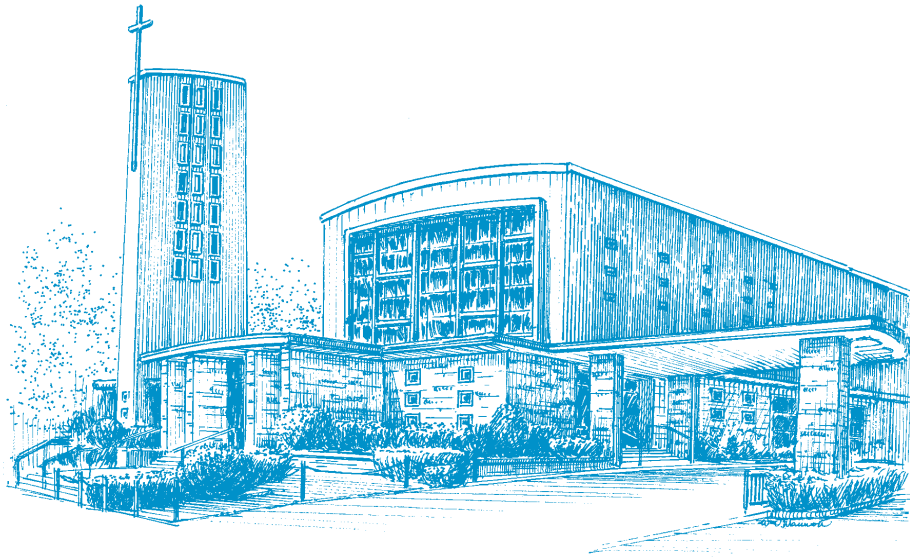


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RITE OF RECONCILIATION:

(Confession) 3:00 PM to 3:45 PM, Saturday or by appointment.
Weekday Confession held at 7:00 to 7:15 AM.

PARISH REGISTRATION:

At the rectory during office hours.
Regular Office hours 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM daily.

WEDDINGS:

Arrangement must be made with one of the priests at least six months before the date of the wedding. Confirm desired date at the church before making other arrangements. At least one of the engaged persons (or their parents) must be a registered and active parishioner of St. Priscilla. Weddings are not scheduled on Sunday.

BAPTISMS:

English Baptisms will be held on the second and fourth Sundays of the month at 1:30 PM. Polish Baptisms will be held on the first and third Sundays. Attendance at Baptismal Preparation class is mandatory. Register by calling Rectory.

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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday Evening: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 7:30 - 9:00 - 12:15 PM

Polish Mass: 10:30 AM - 6:00 PM

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday-Friday: 6:30 & 8:00 AM

Saturday: 8:00 AM

Mass in Polish: Wednesday & Saturday 8:30 AM

HOLY DAY MASSES:

7:00 PM Vigil Mass, 6:30—8:00—11:00 AM (English)

9:00 AM—7:00 PM (Polish)



Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 11, 2010

Christ Jesus . . . is the head of the body, the church.

— *Colossians 1:15, 18*

Spiritual Reflection

“Won’t you be my neighbor?” Many of us are very familiar with that phrase as it was sung at the beginning of “Mr. Rogers’ Neighborhood” on TV. He was certainly a favorite of more than one generation of children. We may have been struck by his gentleness and simplicity, by his plain way of stating complex truths and by his respect for those who came into his neighborhood. When Mr. Rogers was on, our kids often felt peaceful, safe and secure.

Is it possible for things to be as wonderful in the world around us as they seemed in Mr. Rogers’ neighborhood? We can look at this weekend’s scriptures and try to find out!

In our first reading, we hear Moses’ call to the people to heed the voice of the Lord and to follow his commandments and statutes. He reminds the people that these are not complicated matters. They are not something arcane or far away. They are very near, in the mouths and hearts of the people. They simply need to carry it out.

In our Gospel, we hear the story of the Good Samaritan. We are struck by how the foreigner, the person from Samaria, is the one who truly helps the man who is in need. That Samaritan understood better than the “religious” people around him what it meant to follow God. His neighbor, even if he seemed more like a stranger or even an enemy, was in need. He saw it as his part to step in and help.

God’s law is close to us as well. We know that we are to love God above all things. That can seem quite easy to do. We can have a vague attitude of gratefulness to God for all the things we have received. We can turn to God in our times of need, as we’re asked to do in our Psalm this weekend. We can “behave” ourselves well in Church and truly appear to be someone who loves God. The test though, comes when we go home again.

The Good Samaritan story helps us realize that everybody is our neighbor. We’re called to treat all people with courtesy, gentleness and respect. The color of a person’s skin, their age, social status or intelligence make no difference. They are part of our own family. We’re called to extend a helping hand. As we hear in the Gospel, “You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.” Our love for God must be lived out in the love we have for our neighbor.

Imagine how our lives would change if we consistently lived that way. We’d have very few problems in the world we live in. We could probably reduce or eliminate the military, the police force and the court system. We wouldn’t need burglar alarms or security systems. We would be living together as the sisters and brothers that God calls us to be.

So we do our best to love God through our love for others. This week we can take another look at who our neighbors are. We can also ask ourselves about those we don’t see as our neighbors at all. Like the young man in this weekend’s Gospel, our awareness can be expanded. The words spoken to the young man are spoken to us as well. “Go and do likewise.”

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Pastor’s Notes**DOSKONAŁOŚĆ I MIŁOŚĆ**

„Będziesz miłował Pana Boga swego całym swoim sercem, całą swoją duszą, całą swoją mocą i całym swoim umysłem; a swego bliźniego jak samego siebie” (Łk. 10,27). Oto sposób zarabiania na życie wieczne, do którego zostaliśmy powołani. Każdy z nas może sobie samemu wystawić ocenę, jakim jest chrześcijaninem, jak blisko Boga się znajduje i czy ma szansę na życie wieczne. Musimy jednak szczerze przyznać, że nie jest wcale łatwo miłować Boga bardziej niż siebie, a bliźniego „jak siebie samego”.

Miłość do Boga jest dla każdego z nas bardziej oczywista—ale miłować bliźniego, każdego człowieka: żebraka z ulicy, sąsiada, który mnie nienawidzi, człowieka, który mnie obmówił lub wyrządził krzywdę mnie, lub moim najbliższym—to dla wielu z nas jest wprost nie do przyjęcia. Nie mieści się to w naszej ochrzczonej, ale ciasnej i samolubnej duszy. Ale Chrystus właśnie tego domaga się od nas.

Bóg chce, abyśmy kochali wszystkich i świadczyli o tym naszymi czynami. Kto tego nie uznaje—nie jest chrześcijaninem, gdyż nie uznaje Boga. Ze wstydem musimy przyznać, że wielu z nas zmieniło chrześcijańską miłość na pogańską nienawiść w stosunku do bliźniego.

Trzeba, abyśmy na swoje zbyt ziemskie oczy włożyli okulary Bożej miłości i dobroci, abyśmy do ręki wzięli Chrystusową miarę i byśmy dopiero wtedy mogli wierzyć i ważyć oraz oceniali bliźnich i byśmy wtedy mogli pokochać ich Chrystusowym sercem.

„Idź i ty i czyń podobnie” (Łk. 10,37). Tak mówi i dzisiaj Jezus do każdego z nas. Trzeba, abyśmy ten Jezusowy głos usłyszeli w naszym życiu i postępowaniu i dzięki temu byśmy przywrócili Chrystusowemu przykazaniu miłości należne miejsce w naszych sercach i duszach, w naszych domach i rodzinach, w miejscach naszej pracy, a całym tym świecie, pełnym lodowatej obojętności i zwierzęcej nienawiści!

Odpowiedzmy sobie w sumieniu—jak to Boże prawo miłości jest przyjmowane przeze mnie i respektowane w szarej codzienności?

—ks. Idzi—



FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (11)

- 7:30 — +Tadeusz Menert (Friends)
- 9:00 — In Thanksgiving (Evelyn Cademartrie)
 - +Joseph & Elizabeth Randar (Cromley Family)
 - +Domenica Bambina Gallo (DiCristofano Family)
 - +Eleanore Zdziebko (Antoinette Kapusta)
- 10:30— O łaskę zdrowia i potrz. łaski dla Pawła Dziura (Żona i Córka)

O radość w wieczności dla:

- +Victor Burzyński (Rodzice)
- +Tadeusz Stanisław Chudzik
- +Michał Naumczyk w rocz. śmierci
- +Franciszka Bielewicz
- +Jan Boufał w II-gą rocz. śmierci
- +Władysław Boufał
- +Rozalia Wolf II-ga rocz. śmierci
- +Krystyna Marcinkiewicz (Mąż z rodziną)
- +Michalina Sidur-Kuraś I-sza rocz. śmierci (Chrześciana Irena)
- 12:15— Eugene Emil & Helen Warta—50th Wedding Anniv.
- 6:00 — O Boże bł. i łaskę zdrowia dla Andrzeja Plizga i rodziny

MONDAY (12) Weekday

- 6:30 — Blessings for Family
- 8:00 — +Anthony Maggiore, Sr. (Kristin Kale)

TUESDAY (13) Weekday

- 6:30 — +Sobiesław Łabno
- 8:00 — +Margaret McGlynn (Family)

WEDNESDAY (14) Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha, virgin

- 6:30 — +Jolanta Pronobis
- 8:00 — +Joseph Chyba (Larry & Family)
- 8:30 — O Boże bł. dla Michała i Aleksandry z racji ślubu (Matka Chrzestna)

THURSDAY (15) Saint Bonaventure, bishop and doctor of the Church

- 6:30 — Ruth Schweitzer (Friend)
- 8:00 — +George A. Benrus (Kristin Kale)

FRIDAY (16) Weekday

- 6:30 — St. Priscilla Parishioners: #42
- 8:00 — +Paul Marienfeld Birthday Remem. (Jim Miketta)

SATURDAY (17) Weekday

- 8:00 — +Tadeusz Menert (Dorota z rodziną)
- 8:30 — +Michał Obal, Zofia Bandur, Janina Godawiec, Józef Godawiec, Katarzyna Zawalska, Jan Zawalski, Ryszard Godawiec (Dorota i Piotr)
- 4:00 — +Chester Majchszak (Procaccio Family)
 - +Bernice Hujar (Richard Hujar Family)
 - Angelo and +Lottie Martino Wedding Anniv. Rem. (Family)
 - +Marge Baum (Lorrie Kraft)
 - +Joseph Kadjan Birthday Remem. (Helen Knowles)

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (18)

- 7:30 — +Vergelio Maghuyo 40 days after death (Dígal Fam.)
- 9:00 — +Margaret D. Izzo 11th Death Anniversary (Daniel G. Manczak Family)
 - +Marianna Markiewicz Death Anniv. (Kokot Family)
 - +Józef Gajda Birthday Rem. (Family)
 - +Leon & Zofia Owca (Family)
 - +Anna & Filip Fedor (Cromley Family)
 - +Joseph Kreith (Henry Kruzel)

- 10:30— O zdrowie i bł. Boże w dniu urodzin dla Gabriela Matelski (Babcia)
 - O Boże bł. i łaskę zdrowia dla Pawła Dziura (Żona i córka)
 - O światło i dary Ducha Św. dla Justyny

O radość w wieczności dla:

- +Anna i Grzegorz Denisiuk
- +Krystyna Marcinkiewicz (Mąż z rodziną)
- +Victor Burzyński (Rodzice)
- +Jerzy Kisło (Rodzina)
- 12:15—
- 6:00 —

WEDDING BANNS

If anyone knows of cause or just impediment why these persons should not be joined together in Holy Matrimony, they must contact the Pastor.



I. Mallory Ward & Joseph Zolecki

Jeśli ktoś wie o przeszkodach uniemożliwiających zawarcie Sakramentu Małżeństwa przez te osoby, prosimy o powiadomienie księdza proboszcza.

Rest in Peace + Edmund Julkowski
+ Eleonore Zdziebko



June 27, 2010	
Currency	\$ 4,019.00
Checks	\$ 3,533.00
Loose Coin	\$ 3.97
Total	\$ 7,555.97
Weekly Goal	\$ 10,000.00
Budget Year to Date	\$510,000.00
Collections Year to Date	\$370,963.39
Under Budget	\$<139,036.61>
Thank you for your generosity and support of our Parish.	

Scouting News

Stephen Mizera earned his Eagle Award by building Cold Frames for the North Park Nature Center on Chicago's Northwest Side. They will be used to start seedlings of native plants for the center. As of this spring, the frames have been transferred to Kilbourn Park, where they have a large organic garden.

Daniel Nierzwicki earned his Eagle Award at St. Priscilla Parish. His project involved scraping and painting the garage on the property and enhancing the landscape by trimming the bushes, pulling weeds, and applying new mulch to all of the property.

Nicholas Mizera earned his Eagle Award at Hines Veteran Hospital. His project consisted of installing a therapeutic pond and new landscape plants surrounding the pond. The pond section of the garden will provide a relaxation area for the residents of the Spinal Cord Unit.



Congratulations Scouts on your accomplishments!

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY AND SUNDAY July 17th & July 18th

MINISTER(S)	SATURDAY 4:00 P.M.	SUNDAY 7:30 A.M.	SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.	SUNDAY 10:30 A.M.	SUNDAY 12:15 P.M.	SUNDAY 6:00 P.M.
LECTOR	Michelle Adamowski	Virginia Zyburt	Rich Mizera	Krystyna Niemczyk	Jim Miketta	Hanna Kurzątkowski
COMMENTATOR				Stanisław Słonina		Krystyna Cioch
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	As scheeduled	As scheduled	As scheduled	Stanisław Słonina Stanisław Ryczek	As scheduled	Hanna Kurzątkowski Krystyna Cioch

The Missionary Sisters of St. Peter Claver will be here next Sunday at the doors of the church with their magazine "Echo from Africa and other Continents." They will ask you to subscribe to this magazine, which will inform you about the progress of our holy faith in the mission lands and about the needs of the missionaries. By helping them, you will share in their daily prayers and their work for the missionary Church.



Siostry Misjonarki św. Piotra Klawera będą z nami w przyszłą niedzielę. Będą one w przedsionku kościoła z miesięcznikiem „Echo z Afryki”, by Was zaprosić do zapisania go sobie. Miesięcznik ten poinformuje Was o postępie naszej św. wiary w krajach misyjnych i o potrzebach misjonarzy poświęcających się na niwie misyjnej. Przez Waszą pomoc będziecie mieć udział w modlitwach Sióstr i w ich pracach dla Kościoła Misyjnego.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COLLECTION

As the month of June progressed, more people donated money for our Capital Improvement Collection. A list of those who donated through the end of March follows:

\$160— Edward Lowery

\$30— Henry Majcher

\$25— Richard Bonk, Robert Drzewiecki

\$20 — Frank Firlotte, Patrick Haugh, Lawrence Lynch, Sophie & Anna Oracz, Geraldine Timmreck

\$10 — Joy Belluomini, Jack S. Ferina, Stephanie Koziara, Warren Kunstler, Elizabeth Nelson, Stanley Ryczek, Eugeniusz Wisniewski, Jan Zbroja

\$7— Niewiarowska & Prokopiuk

\$5 — Margaret Bogdanowicz, Anna Galas, Angelo Martino

\$3 — George Fenn, Maryann O'Regan

\$?? — John F. Ryan, Jr.

Thank You! May our good Lord bless you all!

-Rev. Idzi Stacherczak, Pastor-



The Knights of Columbus, Christopher Columbus Assembly #2349, will be holding a Spring Raffle Drive after all the Masses.

We will be selling raffle tickets.

In the past, you have been very generous with your support, and we greatly appreciate Fr. Idzi inviting us back and allowing us to sell at St. Priscilla Church again this year.

Proceeds from these sales go primarily to help our seminarians and our other Knights of Columbus Charities. Your support is greatly appreciated, and helps us to be the strong right arm of the Church.

Our chairmen are David Rizzo and John Batzel.

Sincerely,
Robert Kasper
Faithful Navigator
Christopher Columbus Assembly #2349

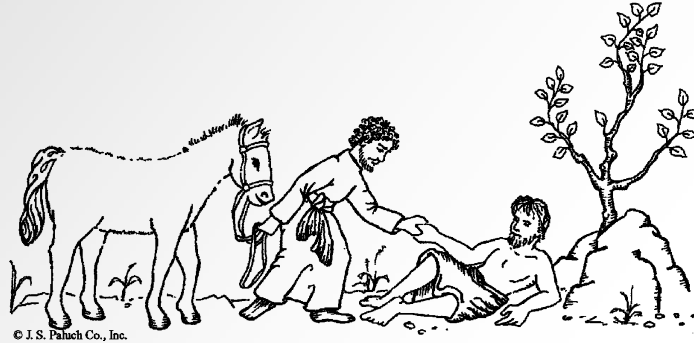
FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING: *Deuteronomy 30:10–14*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *Psalm 69:14, 17, 30–31, 33–34, 36, 37 or Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11*

SECOND READING: *Colossians 1:15–20*

GOSPEL: *Luke 10:25–37*



Within Reach

We natives are reminded of the uniqueness of our place when a stranger points out some characteristic of personality or land or speech that we have taken for granted. They marvel, and we look again. We had just never thought of our place or ourselves in quite that way. Or once we may have been aware of some quality of our life and place, but we just forgot what was within reach.

Comment

What is within reach is daily and taken for granted. But much that is far off and out of reach is exotic—as long as it stays far off, that is. The lawyer who stood up to question Jesus received a response that was too close for comfort. First, Jesus answered the lawyer's question with a question of his own. It was an easy question, and the lawyer, of course, knew the answer. It was right out of the Jewish Scriptures. The first part, about loving God, was from Deuteronomy, the “second law.” The second part came straight from Leviticus, the book that details the myriad sacrificial and ritual laws prescribed for the priestly tribe of Levi. Clearly, the lawyer was at home in this discussion. He might even have thought that he could teach Jesus a thing or two. Confidently, the lawyer presses on, and Jesus answers the question “Who is my neighbor?” with a story we all know.

The problem with the story for the listeners that day was that the Samaritan as neighbor was just too much to swallow. The problem of the Samaritans in general hit too close to home. They were the hated ones, the infidels who occupied a large chunk of land that inconveniently cut off easy access between the north and south of Israel. This was a pain, because the roundabout route to Jerusalem from the south was long and arduous. And the Samaritan inhospitality was galling. So the resentment and daily irritation continued in a kind of mutual “in your face” coexistence that showed no sign of abating.

It is precisely a hated Samaritan who is the hero of Jesus' story. He ministers to the helpless “enemy,” a Jew lying half dead on the roadside. And furthermore, the Samaritan's “betters” pass on by and do not deign to aid their suffering fellow countryman.

After telling the story, it is Jesus' turn to ask, “Which ... was neighbor?” The lawyer could not manage to get the word “Samaritan” out of his mouth, however. So “The one who treated him with mercy” would have to do as an answer. This answer is correct. The new law is to go out and “do likewise,” to be merciful, compassionate, toward the neighbor, who is anyone in need—even one's worst enemy.

The first reading from Deuteronomy makes clear that the law of Moses is not just within reach, but within the heart. The entire book of Deuteronomy is set as a farewell speech given by the great lawgiver and law receiver, Moses. One does not have to go anywhere for the laws; one need only attend to the command that is indelibly written in the human heart. To seek to erase or suppress or repress the demands of this law of God is to betray one's very self.

The second reading insists on the centrality, or better, the all-pervasiveness of Christ, who is in and above all. Paul is contending here with some hare-brained teaching, which confuses the place and power of angels, astral occurrences, and whatnot. Paul's ecstatic hymn elegantly insists that Christ is the center and source of all life. So we are right back at the heart, right near home. We are being addressed exactly and precisely where we live.

Reflection

To act compassionately toward one's neighbor—whether he or she is the sworn enemy or not—is the fullest and best reading of the law. It encompasses everything and everyone. In the story today, the sworn enemies, Jew and Samaritan, are united because the heart of the Samaritan is moved to compassionate action. In any moment in history we can name the neighbors who rub daily against each other and whose enmity seems never to abate. The mutual hardness of heart seems impermeable. Often, their sustained hatred is, sadly enough, based on religion. However, with equally painful results, the division can be ethnic or racial or economic. No matter; hate is murderous, and the anguish predictable.