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~ PARISH NEWSLETTER ~

10 JULY 2022: 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year C (II); Psalter: Week 3)

Mass Readings

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 30: 10-14

Resp. Psalm: 68 (69)

2nd Reading: Colossians 1: 15-20

Gospel: Luke 10: 25-37

Date	Details	Liturgies	Time
Sunday 10 July	15th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Holy Mass	9.30 am
	~ Special Collection: Sea Sunday ~	-	
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Tuesday 12 July	Tuesday of Week 15 in Ordinary Time	Eucharistic Adoration	6.45 pm
	Mass Intention: Bob Black, RIP	Holy Mass	7.30 pm
	(Anniversary Tomorrow)	·	•
Thursday 14 July	Thursday of Week 15 in Ordinary Time	Eucharistic Adoration	6.45 pm
	Mass Intention: Fr. John Maguire, RIP	Holy Mass	7.30 pm
	(Anniversary Tomorrow)	·	•
Saturday 16 July	Our Lady of Mount Carmel	Eucharistic Adoration	8.45 am
	Mass Intention: Canon Ambrose Woods, RIP	Holy Mass	9.30 am
	(Anniversary Today)	•	
Sunday 17 July	16th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Holy Mass	9.30 am
	(p. 1025 – Year C)	•	
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15th Sunday in Ordinary Time: What We Must Do

We are to love God and our neighbour 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 neighbour?"

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 Second Reading tells us. In Him, the love of God has come very near to us. By the "blood of His Cross"—by bearing His neighbours' sufferings in His own body, being Himself stripped and beaten and left for dead—He saved us from the bonds of sin and 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, and 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 has been saved, who have known the time of His favour, 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." (Scott Hahn)

Thought for the Day with Pope Francis

"... mercy towards a human life in a state of need is the true face of love. This is how one becomes a true disciple of Jesus and the face of the Father is manifested: "Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful" (Lk 6:36)." (Angelus, 7 July 2019)

GENERAL NEWS

TODAY'S RETIRING COLLECTION: SEA SUNDAY – Today is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. There will be a Retiring Collection for Stella Maris (the Apostleship of the Sea), the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. For details of the work undertaken by Stella Maris, please visit www.Stellamaris.org.uk/SeaSunday. Stella Maris is dependent on voluntary donations. Thank you.

PARISH NEWS

TODAY'S LITURGY (CTS New Sunday Missal): 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Yr. C (p. 1020)

p. 521: Introductory Rites

p. 1020: Readings & Proper Prayers

p. 541: The Creed

p. 567: Preface II of Sundays in Ordinary Time

p. 603: Eucharistic Prayer II

p. 631: Communion Rite

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) – this is available after Saturday morning Mass, and at any other mutually convenient time. Simply get in touch with Fr. Domenico to make an appointment.

New weekday Mass times at St. Columba's – as a result of Fr. Domenico's new responsibilities looking after the parish of St. Mary's in Nairn, weekday Masses will be offered here at St. Columba's on Tuesdays (7.30pm), Thursdays (7.30pm), and Saturdays (9.30am). Fr. Domenico apologises for any inconvenience caused, but he does welcome you to join him in Nairn for Mass on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays (9.00am: Holy Hour; 10.00am: Mass), if you happen to be passing by at any time!

Would you like to become an Altar Server? – Any child who has made his or her First Holy Communion is eligible to apply to become an Altar Server. Would you like to join our small team? Full training will be given! If you are interested, please speak to Fr. Domenico.

Congratulations to Ellen, whose birthday is tomorrow. '21 again'..! Have a great day with the family.

Holy Land Pilgrimage, 2-9 March 2023: Fr. Domenico is leading an 8-day pilgrimage to the Holy Land, following the footsteps of Jesus: from Jerusalem and Bethlehem to Nazareth and the Sea of Galilee. There is a special 'early bird' price until 15 July for this 8-day / 7-night pilgrimage of £1,169. The price includes: a non-stop return flight from the UK to Tel Aviv airport, an air-conditioned luxury touring coach and professional local guide, and en-suite half-board hotel accommodation in Tiberias and Bethlehem. For further details, together with online booking, please go to this link: www.allsaintstravel.co.uk/hl0768/

90 Club: The next draw will be held on Sunday 31 July. You too could be a winner! Only £2 monthly, with three prizes to be won! See Fr. Domenico.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Anna Black, Angus Johnson, Laura Johnstone, Ian Macdonald, Kathleen Macpherson, Marian Ellis, Chris Hamilton, Rina Herbison, David Munro, Ellen Williams, Rose Corbett, Winnie Ferrari, Colin MacMillan, Angus Cumming, Godfrey Herman, Eileen Anne Millar

Anniversaries: Bob Black; Tony Murphy; Alexander MacKinnon; Ilene, Tom and Margaret O'Connor