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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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THE SEED AND THE SOWER

(Sunday 15 Year A)

After all the various special feast days that we have had in the month of June (Pentecost, the Trinity, the Body and Blood of Christ, Saint Peter and Saint Paul), we have resumed our regular Sunday readings over the last few weeks of late June and into July. These “ordinary time” readings will be our guide and inspiration until we arrive once again, at the season of Advent (although I think that many of us will not want to think about November/December as we enjoy these summer months!).

This year we are in Cycle A of our three-year cycle of Sunday readings and this means that we are following the Gospel of Saint Matthew. One of the features of his Gospel is the frequency of hearing the *parables* of Jesus. Parables, as we know, are stories that take everyday events or things and use them as a medium to help us think about deeper, spiritual realities. The parable in our Gospel today must be one of the most well-known of Jesus’ parables: the story of the sower and the seed. It is a great parable, but the danger is that because it is so familiar, it can just wash over us and that we can miss the many levels of meaning that it contains.

A great way to avoid this is to take each of the instances that Jesus uses of where the seed falls and his explanation of what this means and then to use our imagination and reflect on whether this describes us. So, for example, many of us have such busy and even crazy lives: can we find ourselves rather like the seed that fell in the rocky, shallow ground. As Jesus says, the seed quickly germinates and springs up but then because it has little root, it quickly withers away, especially once some stress or distraction comes along.

The spiritual message of Jesus in this case is clear. It can be very easy to “welcome the Word of God with joy” or with a sudden burst of religious enthusiasm. This might happen through an event that somehow moved us deeply, or even if we have had some sort of religious experience. Such things are great, but then that initial reaction and experience needs to be deepened through prayer, through reflecting on that Word and taking it into our hearts and our lives, and through the help that the sacraments can give to us. Otherwise, faith can be all too shallow and once some difficulty or even just a distraction comes along, sud-

denly all that fervor and enthusiasm withers away. In other words, like any relationship, our relationship with God, if it is to be worth the name “relationship”, needs to be deepened rather than to be something shallow or superficial.

Hopefully, as we move our way through July, we have some extra time for rest, for relaxation and for reflection. Our parable today is therefore timely, as it invites us to pause, to reflect and to pray about our relationship with the Lord. The issue is not about whether we have received that “seed” of God’s love and Word, for this has already been sown in our hearts. In fact, just like the sower in the parable, God seems to scatter His love all over the place, even wastefully! No, that seed is already planted in our hearts: the issue for each of us is rather what happens next...?



THE WEEK AHEAD

WEDNESDAY, July 19

The Friendly Kitchen: If you have a few hours to spare, please consider meeting us at the Academy kitchen at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, **June 21st**, to prepare, cook, and serve our monthly Wednesday night meal for the Salvation Army Soup Kitchen. comers are always welcome. No long term commitments. Just come when you can. Desserts are gladly accepted.

■ **The Gathering:** Please come and share in the ongoing study of Sacred Scripture and spiritual writers. The sessions, take place the first and third Wednesday evening of each month, 7:30 to 9:00 p.m., at the St. Mary's Academy Library. All members of the community are welcome to participate.

For more information, call Charles Vieni at 851-7981.

THURSDAY July 20

■ **Our Lady of Grace Prayer Group** will meet at 6:00 p.m. in Church. Please join them in prayer. For further information call Linda or Charlie Meicht at 828-3435.

THE WORD AMONG US

The Word Among Us August issue has something for everyone. It is available in the front vestibule for \$1.00 a copy.

Baby Bottle Coin Drive

To help raise funds to support its ongoing work, the Aight Center is repeating their annual **Baby Bottle Coin Drive**.

In place of plastic bottles, they are now using cardboard containers. Please take one home and return it when full. The ultimate return date is Labor Day Weekend.

Aight needs your support to continue their work of empowering individuals to make healthy life choices.

If you have any questions, or would like additional information, please call Debbie Daus at 828-1967.



School Supplies Needed for Kids

School supplies costs can be daunting! School districts issue lists of supplies needed by children each year, and if your family budget is stretched thin, this list can be a big burden.

This year, along with the tremendous need in our schools, Catholic Charities has contacted us to say that they have been asked to help approximately 150 children in need of supplies and backpacks. We are happy to help Catholic Charities in any way possible; and so we ask you to please be generous when donating supplies,.

Catholic Charities has also asked that, if your budget allows, you consider donating a backpack or two, as these are more expensive items for families to buy.

Thank you so much for your help with this wonderful service to our community! Again, here are suggested items for donation:

- Crayons: small and medium boxes
- Colored pencils Magic Markers Highlighters
- #2 Pencils, and fancy pencils Pens: blue, black, red
- Pencil sharpeners Erasers
- Pencil Bag or Pencil Box Glue or Glue sticks
- Calculators
- Three-ring binder - Filler (loose-leaf) paper
- Black and white (marble) composition books
- Ruler: English/Metric Subject dividers
- Book bags

These items may be left in the Church vestibules over the next several weekends.

Note: the best time to buy these items is when they are advertised as "On Sale."

If you have any questions, please contact Catholic Charities at 518-828-8660.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Many people base their expenditures on a fear of not having enough. Sacrificial Givers base the deployment of their resources on an awareness and gratitude for what God has provided for them.

HUDSON

Regular Offertory Last Weekend (Jul. 9)..... \$6,221.00

GERMANTOWN

Regular Offertory Last Weekend (Jul. 9)..... \$1,525.00
Heat and Fuel..... \$ 564.00

First Saturday Devotions

Exactly one hundred years ago, our Blessed Mother appeared at Fatima and asked that communions of reparation be made in atonement for the sins of the world. She then said, *"I promise to assist at the hour of death, with all the graces necessary for salvation, all those who, on the first Saturday of five consecutive months go to confession and receive Holy Communion, recite five decades of the Rosary and keep me company for a quarter of an hour while meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary, with the intention of making reparation to me."* **First Saturday Devotions** will be held at **St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church, 206 Union St., Hudson, on the first Saturday of each month, from August to December 2017. Confessions and Rosary at 9 a.m., followed by the Divine Liturgy (in English) at 9:30 a.m.** If you're like many in the area, and have never done this before, do yourself — and our hurting world — a favor and come. All are welcome!

Our parish resource personnel

WELCOME

We are always happy to welcome people into our parish community. Visitors or those who are new to our parish are cordially invited to make their presence known by introducing themselves to the priest or deacon after Mass. Our parish staff is always willing to be of service to you:

OUR STAFF

Rev. Anthony Barratt, *Pastor*

Rev. Mr. Richard H. A. Washburn, *Deacon*

Rev. Winston Bath, *Pastor emeritus*

Mrs. Arlene Liepshutz,

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Mrs. Sally Hotaling,

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Mrs. Maura Nedwell, *Administrator of*

Religious Education, Hudson

Mr. Michael W. Van Allen,

Liturgical Coordinator/Sacristan

Mrs. Rita Koeppel, *Director of Music, Hudson*

Mrs. Linda Meicht, *Pastoral Care*

Mr. Orville Maxwell, *Maintenance*

If you wish to speak with any of these people, please call them at St. Mary's Rectory: (518) 828-1334.

SACRAMENTS

The sacraments are wonderful gifts from God to us. Through outward, visible signs; the sacraments are channels of God's love and mercy and so they draw us in to the life of the Trinity. They therefore also continue the saving mission and ministry of Jesus Christ in and through His body, the Church. Below is some information on how to make contact regarding the celebration of the sacraments.

BAPTISM: Congratulations! If you would like to arrange preparations and a date for Baptism, please contact the Parish Office.

RCIA: For those enquiring about the Catholic Faith or wishing to complete their sacraments: welcome! Please contact the Parish Office and we will be very glad to help you further.

RECONCILIATION: Celebrated on Saturdays 2.30-3.45 pm in Hudson, before and after Masses in Germantown, or at anytime by appointment. (Note: it is best to call ahead first to check on the availability of a priest)

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Priests regularly visit the hospitals, nursing homes and the homebound. Please do contact the Parish Office if you or someone you know is in need of the anointing of sick.

MARRIAGE: Congratulations! So that proper arrangements (paperwork, preparations etc.) can be made, please contact the Parish Office or Fr. Anthony at least six months before the desired date.

VOCATIONS: If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate or religious life, please contact Fr. Anthony to share thoughts and prayers further.

Maintaining vigilance

Sexual Abuse is a sin and a crime. The Diocese of Albany urges all who suspect sexual abuse of a minor by a member of the clergy, church employee or volunteer, to report this to a local law enforcement agency or District Attorney's office. Additional information for reporting may be found at <http://www.rcda.org/ReportSexualAbuse>. You may also contact the Diocesan Assistance Coordinator at (518) 453-6646 or assistance.coordinator@rcda.org



Rosary Rally 2017 Germantown

The Carmelite Sisters for the Aged and Infirm invite you to participate in their **2017 Rosary Rally, Sunday August 13th**, at St. Theresa's Motherhouse, Avila on the Hudson, 600 Woods Road, Germantown.

This year marks the 100th Anniversary of the fourth Apparition of Our Lady of Fatima;. And the Carmelite Sisters are thrilled to announce that the Pilgrim Statue of Fatima will be visiting St Teresa's Motherhouse of The Carmelite Sisters for the Aged and Infirm.

The Carmelites have joined forces with the Albany Division of Our Lady of Fatima — Our Lady's Blue Army. They will have a very special guest speaker — Americo Lopez-Ortiz — the International President of the World Apostolate of Fatima.

The day will begin at 10:30 a.m. with a Fatima video; and the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available. Everyone is asked to bring their own lunch. The Sisters will provide the tables and chairs, and a beautiful view of the Hudson River! At 1:30 p.m. the outdoor procession with the Statue of Fatima begins on Avila's picturesque grounds. At 2:15 p.m. Americo will speak; and the day concludes with a 3:00 p.m. Mass in the Chapel.

Participants have the opportunity of receiving a plenary indulgence granted by Pope Francis throughout this Fatima Centennial year.

They are located in Germantown NY, just north of Clermont State Park, at 600 Woods Road, located in Columbia County in the Diocese of Albany.

Any questions, please call Sister Sean Francis Casey at 518-537-4000. Her e-mail is srfcaseylstmhcs.org

For directions and information, call 537-5000. St. Theresa's Motherhouse is located in Clermont, between Tivoli and Germantown, off Rt. 9G, Woods Road (Route 35), next to Clermont State Park.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

The stress and anxieties of family life are like "thorns which choke off" any opportunity to reflect on God's presence in our lives. Notice in today's Gospel Jesus "left the house" so He could connect with His Father. Grasp five minutes each day to appreciate God walking with you.

READINGS AND HYMNS (HUDSON)

Reading: p. 201 Opening Hymn: # 457 Closing: # 454

MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

MONDAY: Weekday (July 17)

7:15 AM Nancy Nobes - Dick & Pat Nobes
Alfred E. Bartolotta - Charles & Mary Ann Vieni

TUESDAY: Weekday (July 18)

7:15 AM Joseph (Hank) DiCintio - Judy & Madaline
Nawrocki & Jakubowski Families - Janice Clow

WEDNESDAY: Weekday (July 19)

7:15 AM Nancy Nobes - Mary & Jack Shambaugh
Kathryn McDonald - Dick & Elaine Holmes

THURSDAY: Weekday (July 20)

7:15 AM Jean K. Conte - Mr. & Mrs. Robert Donahue
Ralph Lockwood - Barbara Ellsworth

FRIDAY: Weekday (July 21)

7:15 AM Danilo Murcia - Margo
Albert Ginliani - DeLaurentis Family
9:00 AM Living & Deceased of the Parish
(G'TWN)

16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: (July 22)

4:00 PM Ellen Marie Skoda - Husband & Children
(HUD) Ann, Philip & Joseph Bruno - JoAnn & Roger Marvin
John Nytransky Sr. - Ken & Chrissy Baccaro
5:30 PM Carmella & Philip Manuli - Phyllis Manuli
(LNLTH) Margaret & Antonio Fabiano - Sarah Fabiano

SUNDAY MORNING MASS: (July 23)

9:00 AM Kathryn McDonald - Kathy & Matt Clark
(HUD) Mary Ranzoni - Barbara Othote

Readings for the Week of July 16

Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:10-14/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9
Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-8/Mt 10:34-11:1
Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-4, 6-7/Mt 11:25-27
Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1, 5, 8-9, 24-27/Mt 11:28-30
Friday: Ex 11:10-12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15, 16bc-18/Mt 12:1-8
Saturday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Next Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16/Rom 8:26-27

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