

September 17, 2017

Ordinary Time
Twenty-fourth Sunday



Forgive your
brother or sister
from your heart."

How Many Times?

Last Sunday, we reflected on how we must act towards others, who persists in sin by way of taking up the cross and following Jesus. Today it is about forgiving as God forgives, without counting.

Jesus as God never measures mercy or limits forgiveness, and just as Jesus held nothing back but gave himself fully and freely for others so are the forgiven to extend mercy and forgiveness to others.

Today's Bulletin is printed in memory of
Evelyn Darilek sponsored by her family.

Flowers for the Altar this weekend are donated
in memory of Annie Mae & Alfred P. Dierschke, Sr.

MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, September 20
8:00 a.m. Rosalie & Jim Kubicek
Thursday, September 21
8:00 a.m. Robert Weitzel
Friday, September 22
8:00 a.m. Venice Kouba, Evelyn & Walter Schoenvogel
Saturday, September 23
6:30 p.m. Lillie & Henry Dornak
Sunday, September 24
6:30 a.m. Hattie Meyer
9:30 a.m. Gus Targac

PREPARING FOR SUNDAY LITURGY

Next weekend is *The Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*. Prepare for the liturgy by reflecting on these passages from your Bible.

First Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9
Responsorial Psalm: 145
Second Reading: Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a
Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16a

The Sanctuary Light will be lit this week
in memory of Robert Weitzel.

NO C.C.D. Today – Church Picnic
C.C.D. Resumes Next Sunday

REFLECTION

Today's parable and Jesus' words that we should forgive "seventy-seven times" have frequently been misinterpreted to mean that when one has been wronged, forgiveness is the most noble and the most Christian response. But this story about forgiveness is also one about power, and to separate the issue from the practice of forgiveness is to misunderstand the point of this parable.

The Kingdom of Heaven is likened here to a king who wishes to collect his due from his servants. To be a king, in biblical times, was to hold the most powerful position possible, while to be a debtor was to be in the most precarious and vulnerable position possible. A debtor, along with his family, could lawfully be sold into slavery and tortured if he could not pay his debt. Concisely, then, this is a parable about two powerful people being wronged by two vulnerable people. And its message is that forgiveness is hierarchial.

Forgiveness is a grace that is extended from God to God's petitioners, and it is supposed to be given from God's petitioners to their debtors and passed along in a similar fashion. In other words, people who have power should forgive those with less power, and not the other way around. The king who chose to absolve his servant was faithful, while the servant who punished his debtor was not.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Sept. 17 – Barbara Hermes
Sept. 19 – Daniel Raabe
Sept. 20 – Hattie Cinadr, Michelle Fojtik, Rebecca Wilke
Sept. 21 – Bernadette Fikac, Tracy Nieto, Evan Rother
Sept. 22 – Timothy Koncaba, Kenneth Kristynik,
Eric Rother
Sept. 23 – Robert Berckenhoff

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Sept. 17 – Pauline & Albin Lamza
– Congratulations Margaret & Kenneth Rebeck
on your 40th Wedding Anniversary

THE WEEK AHEAD

MON. – Gold Star Club Meets, 3:30-5:30 p.m., YMC
– CDA Rosary & Meeting, 7 p.m., Family Room
WED. – Champions Club Meets, 3:30-5:30 p.m., YMC
– Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7 p.m., Parish Hall
THURSDAY – KC Bingo, 7:30 p.m., Moulton Oaks Hall
FRIDAY – Parish Office closed on Fridays. For any
Pastoral emergency call the Parish Office at any time.

Meat Donation Fund Goal \$10,000
Donations So Far \$13,900

Recent donations on next page.

We thank all those who donated toward the Meat Fund.

Cistern Picnic Rescheduled for October 8th.

Picnic Clean-up Workers Needed Monday Morning
8:30 a.m., Moulton Oaks Hall

WELCOME TO MOULTON PICNIC

*A warm welcome to all visitors who have come to celebrate with us and join us for our Parish Picnic.
Thank you for your generous support.*

Auction Items

We thank the following for their donations:

Charlene Simper – Calf
Sofia Martinez – Dorm Quilt
Angie & Chad Rothbauer – Quilt
Ann Hrcir - Framed Texas Seal
Will Lawrence - Backyard Games
Melissa & Dwayne Simper – Calf
Whitley Lumber, LLC – Hay Ring
Rebecca & Bill Wilke – Dorm Quilt
Susan & Ron Wall – Beach Lawn Chairs
Jeralyn & Troy Barta – 5# Mackerl Fish
Addisyn Greive – Kid’s Cooking Basket
Bernadette & Richard Kresta – Lap Quilt
Jeanie Targac – 600# Brangus Heifer Calf
Pat & Tom Lawrence - Texas Beer Basket
Lucille Gold – Floral Cross, Baby Blanket
Laura’s Floral – Angel Wing Cross Planter
Dolores & Ben Scott - Star Patch Dorm Quilt
Mary Alice & Randy Lewkoski – Dorm Quilt
Elizabeth & Ben Wenske - Poulan Weed Eater
Betty & Dennis Kloesel – Plant Stand w/ Plant
Nancy & Cecil Wood Jr. – Glider Swing, Quilt
Mary Lou Dierschke - 100 Foot Contractor Hose
Debbie & Marlon Novosad – Queen/King Quilt
Hostyn Hill Noodle Makers – Homemade Noodles
Pasty & Elmer Michna – 1992 Shiner Beer Calendar
Anna & Kevin Bartos – 5 Ft. Folding Lifetime Table
Jaxon Bartos – Zebco 404 Youth Fishing Rod & Reel
Niki & Chad Chaloupka – Wooden Cross on a Stand
Kathleen & Martin Svatek - Framed Metal Texas Flag
Annette & Quinton Raab – Rustic Wooden *Spurs* Table
Betty & Harry Maskey - Youth Bicycle & Helmet, Quilt
Kathy & Dcn. Kenneth Fishbeck – Multi-purpose Ladder
Caroline & James Freytag - 5 Foot Lifetime Folding Table
Joyce Luksovsky – 2# 2016 Crop Shelled Pecans, Rosettes
Loretta & Tony Janak – Table Cloth From Czech Republic
Margaret & Kenneth Rebecsek – Baby Quilt, Deluxe Fryer Stand
LaSae, Eric, Debbie & Danny Rother – 600# Black Brangus Heifer
Jasek Electric/Susan & Allen Jasek – 2 Gallon Portable Air Compressor
Friend of the Parish – 2 Fleece Backed Dorm Quilts: Dallas Cowboys & Texas A&M
Marilyn Strmiska – 16 Qt. Igloo Cooler, 50 Qt. Coleman Cooler, Bird Bath w/ Stand
Tex Propane, Moulton - 7 1/2 Gallon Tank w/Propane, Tex Propane Cap & Koozies
Alice & Leslie Haas Family - Framed Last Supper Picture, Framed Fruit & Vase Canvas Print
Lavaca County Propane (M/M Earl Schacherl) -2 ½ Gallon Propane Cajun Fryer W/ Stand

Auction Items Continued

Stevens Nursing & Rehab., Hallettsville – Joshua 24:15 Scripture Mason Jar
Lisa & Kenny Zidek – Standing Metal Angel, Metal Wall Art
Gloria & David Reindl – 4 Texas vs. OU Tickets (October 14, 40 yard line)
Donald Darilek & Olivia Briseno – 2 Seated Wooden Bench w/ Storage Compartment
Pat Masek – 2 Platters of Poppy Seed & Cheese Rolls, 2 Gallons Cookies, 2 Gallons Kisses (Cookies)
Amy & Constable Charles Greive – 2 Keystone Crickett 22LR Youth Guns (1 Pink, 1 Black)
Amy & Billy Gerke and Gloria & Vic Jasek – 300# Foreverlast Spin Feeder w/ Timer & Battery
Gretchen & Antonio Loro – 2 Hand Sketched Framed Pictures: Mary Praying & The Holy Family
Curtis Kilo Mikulencak – 7 ½ Gallon Cast Iron Pot w/ Stand, Antique Scythe, Chairs, Horses/Girl Picture, Horse & Buggy Picture, Goldcoast Sunwear Hat, 2 Lamps, Crystal Pitcher w/6 piece Glass Set, Standing Shelves w/ Fold Out Desk

Meat Fund Donations

We thank the following for their recent donations:

Tracey & Dale Gold - \$100	Georgia Berckenhoff - \$10
Lisa & Kenny Zidek - \$100	Wendy & Paul Lowe - \$20
Dana & Steve Blahuta - \$50	Nancy & Dale Pesek - \$25
Mary & Ray Michalec - \$50	Susan & Allen Jasek - \$50
Patsy & Elmer Michna - \$40	Lisa & Duane Fojtik - \$30
Delores & David Raab - \$50	Emery Pustejovsky - \$50
Cheryl & Mark Blake - \$100	Forrest Kroschel - \$250
Gloria & Victor Jasek - \$100	Frank J. Darilek - \$100
Loretta & Tony Janak - \$150	Gussie Machalec - \$25
Helen & Steve Machart - \$40	Earlene O'Brien - \$50
Betty & Dennis Kloesel - \$50	Liz & Sam Sustr - \$75
Niki & Chad Chaloupka - \$20	Steven Seifert - \$100
Barbara & Allen Hermes - \$75	Gladys Seifert - \$500
Marilyn & Glenn Michal - \$75	Dale Seifert - \$100
Irene & Carlos Portales - \$100	Lillian Supak – \$40
Diana & Harvey Kloesel - \$100	Irene Gold - \$100
Nancy & Cecil Wood Jr. - \$300	Ray Bacak - \$50
Linda & Leroy Muehlstein - \$200	
Lorene & Dennis Fishbeck - \$200	
Shannon & Bradley Baker - \$100	
Angie & Chad Rothbauer - \$100	
Catholic Life Insurance #16 - \$30	
Floris Ann & David Simper - \$100	
Margaret & Kenneth Rebecsek - \$20	
Margaret & Larry Berckenhoff - \$100	
Donald Darilek & Olivia Briseno - \$500	
Amy & Constable Charles Greive - \$100	
IMO Elizabeth & Edwin Dierschke - \$25	