

July 16, 2017

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Is 55:10-11; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9



“Thus says the Lord: Just as from the heavens the rain and snow come down and do not return there till they have watered the earth, making it fertile and fruitful, giving seed to the one who sows, and bread to the one who eats, so shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth, my word shall not return to me void...achieving the end for which I sent it.”

As our own gardens are bursting with colorful flowers and the vegetable plants continue to grow, the image of the seed, fertility and fruitfulness are so appropriate.

The prophet Isaiah, writing six centuries before the Christian era, used the same example as the parable of the seed, but also the need for water, warmth and care for the word to achieve its purpose.

We listen to the Word of God, we open the text and reflect upon it, we are so familiar with what is written and read. A more important step must be taken. The rain and snow must penetrate the earth to provide the necessary support for growth. The water cannot just run off as often happens with the sudden summer downpour.

A soft, penetrating shower offers the condition necessary to accomplish its end. So too, does reflection upon the word, weighing and pondering its meaning for me today. May my listening heart allow that growth to take place today.

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

First Reading: Isaiah 55:10-11

Just as the rain and snow water the earth and make it fruitful, so does the word of God bring forth good seed.

Second Reading: Romans 8:18-23

Reminding all that the trials and sufferings of this life are “as nothing,” Paul says that the glory we shall receive will overshadow all things.

Gospel: Matthew 13:1-23

Jesus tells the parable of the sower and the seed. The seed that landed on the footpath, on rocky ground, or among thorns withered and died; the seed that fell on good ground -- “the man who hears the message and takes it in” ... “bears a yield of a hundred-fold.”

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THE CATHOLIC CENTER AT NYU
SUMMER SCHEDULE

**The Catholic Center will be closed
July 31st—August 4th,
We will reopen on Monday, August 7th.*

OUR COLLECTION

Collection for July 2, 2017

By Mass as follows:

5:30 pm: \$794 9:00 am: \$962
11:30 am: \$1,631 6:00 pm: \$960

Sunday Masses Total: \$4,347

Second Collection: \$1,056

Parish Pay: \$530

Faith Street: \$550

Grand Total: \$6,483



OUR COLLECTION

Collection for July 9, 2017

By Mass as follows:

5:30 pm: \$533 9:00 am: \$1,588
11:30 am: \$1,737 6:00 pm: \$1,069

Sunday Masses Total: \$4,927

Parish Pay: \$3,568

Faith Street: \$1,055

Grand Total: \$9,550

FEAST, SCRIPTURE, CITATIONS
& SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 15 *Saint Bonaventure,
Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

Gn 49:29-32, 50:15-26a; Mt 10:24-33 (388)

12:10 p.m. Kathleen Burns

5:30 p.m. Ferdinand & Fred Russo

Sunday, July 16

*Is 55:10-11; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23 or
13:1-9 (103)*

9:00 a.m. Theodore Luty Jr.

11:30 a.m. *People Of The Parish*

6:00 p.m.

Monday, July 17

Ex 1:8-14, 22; Mt 10:34—11:1 (389)

12:10 p.m. Carolina Lorenzo Iglesia

Tuesday, July 18 *USA: Saint Camillus de
Lellis, Priest | Ex 2:1-15a; Mt 11:20-24 (390)*

12:10 p.m.

Wednesday, July 19

Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Mt 11:25-27 (391)

12:10 p.m.

Thursday, July 20 *Saint Apollinaris,
Bishop and Martyr | Ex 3:13-20;
Mt 11:28-30 (392)*

12:10 p.m.

Friday, July 21 *Saint Lawrence of
Brindisi, Priest and Doctor of the Church
Ex 11:10—12:14; Mt 12:1-8 (393)*

12:10 p.m. Emil & Michael Ferfoggia

Saturday, July 22 *Saint Mary Magdalene
Ex 12:37-42; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18 (603)*

12:10 p.m. Daniel Mckeveny

5:30 p.m.