

Jackson County Catholic Community



Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 13th, 2025

REFLECTING ON GOD'S WORD

Luke's familiar parable of the good Samaritan emerges from a debate between Jesus and a scholar of Torah (the law). In contemporary terms we can call this man a lawyer. The debate is about attaining eternal life through the law. Such debates, were commonplace in first-century Judaism. They sought to help participants make advances in understanding the truth of Torah. In many places, the practice remains normative in Jewish education today.

Returning our attention to the Gospel, it is clear the scholar knows that the heart of the law is the double-love commandment or golden rule: love God and love neighbor. In fact, he identifies these twin commandments by citing them exactly as they appear in the Torah (see Deuteronomy 6:4-5 and Leviticus 19:18). But such knowledge would have been fairly common for a scholar of scriptural law at that time (as it is today). The real question, as the scholar notes, is the scope of the law, especially when it is applied to other people. Loving God with our entire being makes clear, plain sense to him. His question draws attention to the second part of the law, as he asks, **"Who is my neighbor?"**

In response, Jesus demonstrates his masterful teaching capacity by telling a story and then turning the question back on his interlocutor. The story invites the lawyer to imagine a reasonable, albeit unfortunate scene: a man falls victim to robbers and lies near death on a roadside. Expected protagonists, a priest and a Levite, avoid the victim. But an expected antagonist, a Samaritan, goes above and beyond to help. The story inverts cultural expectations and then bids the lawyer to apply Torah equitably. The conclusion is two-fold. First, the lawyer recognizes that applying merciful love in any situation constitutes the double-love commandment. Second, he must recognize that he is clinging to cultural assumptions that apply merciful love in limited ways, and that limited love contradicts God's double-love command.

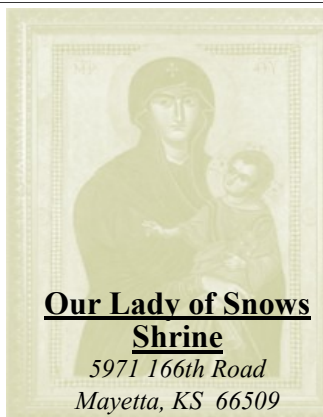
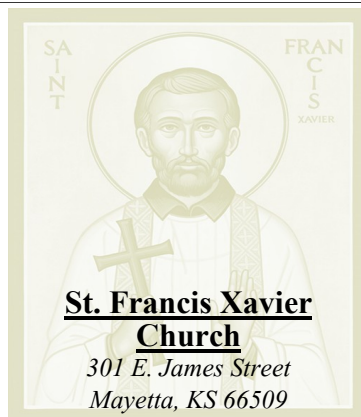
~Eric J. Wagner, CR

TODAY'S READINGS:

Reading I: Deuteronomy 30:10-14

Reading II: Colossians 1:15-20

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37



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9:15 a.m. ~ 12 noon Friday

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WEEKDAY MASS Schedule:

St. Francis Xavier:

8:30 a.m. ~ Tues., and Thurs.

St. Dominic:

5:30 p.m. ~ Wednesday

8:30 a.m. ~ Friday

WEEKEND MASS Schedule:

Saturday Vigil

5:30 p.m. ~ @ St. Dominic

Sunday

7:00 a.m. ~ @ St. Dominic

8:30 a.m. ~ @ St. Francis Xavier

8:30 a.m. ~ @ Our Lady of Snows

10:30 a.m. ~ @ St. Dominic

CONFESSION Schedule:

Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. @ St. Dominic

Weekends, 30 minutes prior to each weekend Mass

(excluding 7:00 a.m. Mass)

ADORATION Schedule:

Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. @ St. Dominic

BAPTISM:

Those requesting baptism for their children need to be registered parishioners. Preparation classes are required for parents and Godparents prior to event.

MARRIAGE: Preparation begins with initial consult with parish priest. Please allow at least six months notice to fulfill the Archdiocesan marriage requirements.

ANointing of the SICK: Call the office during business hours. Call the rectory after hours or for emergencies. If no answer, call (785) 364-7402.

DECLARATION of NULLITY:

Please call the parish office for details.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE: next week

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 19th & 20th	Sat. 07/19 @ 5:30 pm SD	Sun. 07/20 @ 7:00 am SD	Sun. 07/20 @ 8:30 am SFX	Sun. 07/20 @ 10:30 am SD
SACRISTAN	Alberta Lierz		Vera Rioux	Terry Ludvicek
MUSIC	Cody Utz		Kenneth Kietzman Marguerite Mzhickteno	Robin Sides Kenneth Kietzman
LECTOR	Barb Heideman	Tena Brucken	Zachary King	Susan Schirmer
GREETER- USHER	Dan & Pat Doyle	Galen Brucken	Larry & Joleen Larkin	Cullen & Nikki Jackson
EMHC	Tom Heideman		Marceta Reilly	D'Ann Decker
Acolytes			Nick Rioux (CB) Paige Holthaus Zack Rioux	Dominic Lancaster (CB) Alanna Ames Lars Ames

Homebound Communion Ministers: Alberta Lierz (*St. Dominic*), Alice Zeller (*St. Francis Xavier*), and Paula Morris (*Nursing Homes*)

CALENDAR of EVENTS

<u>July 14th, Monday</u> Parish Office is Closed 6:00 p.m. Altar Society Mtg.	St. Dominic Parish Hall
<u>July 15th, Tuesday</u> 8:30 a.m. Mass	St. Francis Xavier
<u>July 16th, Wednesday</u> 5:30 p.m. Mass 6:00 p.m. Confession and Adoration	St. Dominic St. Dominic
<u>July 17th, Thursday</u> 8:30 a.m. Mass	St. Francis Xavier
<u>July 18th, Friday</u> 8:30 a.m. Mass	St. Dominic
<u>July 19th, Saturday</u> 5:00 p.m. Confession 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass	St. Dominic St. Dominic
<u>July 20th, Sunday</u> 7:00 a.m. Mass 8:00 a.m. Confession 8:30 a.m. Mass 8:30 a.m. Mass 10:00 a.m. Confession 10:30 a.m. Mass 11:00 a.m. Christmas in July	St. Dominic St. Francis Xavier St. Francis Xavier Our Lady of Snows St. Dominic St. Dominic St. Dominic Parish Hall
<u>July 21st, Monday</u> Parish Office is Closed 6:30 p.m. Rosary Fellowship	St. Dominic Parish Hall

"Won't you be my neighbor?" ~ Mr. Rodgers

PASTORAL COUNCIL		FINANCE COUNCILS	
St. Dominic Jenea Chartier Jessi Deters Cathy Haug Wayne Leiker Niki Meerpohl Joshua Shupe Theresa Watkins	St. Francis Xavier Jeri Albright Marie Burdick Ben Ehrhart Chris Everts Mike Henry Marquerite Mzhickteno Dot Sosna	St. Dominic Barb Heideman David Ashcraft Diane Gross Mark Starr	St. Francis Xavier Mary Lou Koch Sharon Cole Farrell Holthaus Donald Sunday

NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANK YOU!!

...to Pat Doyle and Susan Schirmer, for the time, resources, and thoughtful care you provide in caring for the plants and flowers that adorn the St. Dominic Church grounds.



The St. Dominic, St. Francis Xavier & Our Lady of Snows Catholic Communities Extend Their Sincerest Sympathies And Heartfelt Prayers to the family of

Gregory Fiedler

Son of Dan & Venita Fiedler

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD AND LET YOUR PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM.



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"Our hearts are restless until they rest in you." ~ St. Augustine

If you are unsure about your Catholic faith, or if you know someone who is searching for answers, join us. ALL are welcome, whether you were born and raised in the Church, or if you are only curious, or if you are ready...

please join us. ~ **September, 2025**

More details to come...

PARISH STEWARDSHIP July 5th & 6th, 2025	St. Dominic	St. Francis Xavier
Envelopes (+ June Direct Depo.)	\$4,630.00	\$5,075.00
Plate	467.00	154.00
TOTAL	\$5,097.00	\$5,229.00
<i>Week of June 28th & 29th</i>	\$3,922.10	\$837.00
<i>Week of June 21st & 22nd</i>	\$2,670.75	\$1,320.00

PRAYER INTENTIONS

INTENTIONS OF POPE LEO FOR JULY:

For formation in discernment

- Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life, and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

INTENTIONS OF FR. JONATHAN FOR JULY:

For all who are travelling and vacationing this month, that their journey may always be safeguarded and their time with friends and family be filled with joy and peace.

PARISH PRAYER INTENTIONS:

Parishioners:

Richard Arnold	Barbara Bausch	Bill Berns	Bob Butts
Mary Devader	Steve Devlin	Mildred Eisenbarth	Sheila Fernkopf
Freda Galer	Martin John Hamm	Mary Harris	Pat Hasenkamp
Ed Hrenchir	Samantha Justice	Carolyn Koger	Karen McCaskey
Mike McClaskey	Don Morford	Mary Morford	Richard Mulroy
Mike Myers	Joe Purcell	Larry Reilly	Ramona Robinson
Barb Schussler	Kade Sides	Evelyn Sullivan	Ray Zeller

Relatives of Parishioners:

Donna Andriano	Christopher Brown	Roger Brown	James DeVader
Brad Fiedler	Dennis Fiedler	Mike Fiedler	Warren Fiedler
Van Fuqua	Allan Gibson	Gladys Gibson	Kase Glassel
Jamie Goldman	Vickie Goodman	Floyd Klein	Felicia Nicholes
Danyell Russell	Butch Schiffbauer	Linda Schiffbauer	Anna Segenhagen

PRAYERS FOR OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN UNIFORM:

US Army: MP ANG Therron Fox SSgt. Matthew Zeller **US Marines:** Maj. JP Turner

US Navy: E-5 Dennis Reed Potter **US Air Force:** MSgt. Dylan Parks, TSgt. Nicole Parks

To place or remove someone's name on the prayer list, please call the Parish Office.



THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR VOLUNTEERS AND THOSE THAT DONATED
ITEMS FOR THIS YEAR'S WILDERNESS ADVENTURE
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL EVENT.

A SPECIAL EXPRESSION OF GRATITUDE AND SHOUT OUT TO THE
ST. DOMINIC AND ST. FRANCIS XAVIER ALTAR SOCIETIES FOR THEIR
DONATIONS THAT HELPED US FEED FAMILIES THIS WEEK.
WE COULD NOT HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT YOU!!



SUNDAY, JULY 20TH, 2025: 11:00 ~ 1:00

We will be serving our delicious fried chicken dinner with all the sides, and will once again be having many opportunities to win some really cool stuff! Please thoughtfully consider contributing items for our...

***RAFFLE**

***SILENT AUCTION**

Contact an Altar Society Board Member:

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MASS INTENTIONS for the WEEK

July 12th (Sat) 5:30 p.m. St. Dominic	15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Ben & Marge Fox+
July 13th (Sun) 7:00 a.m. St. Dominic 8:30 a.m. St. Francis Xavier 10:30 a.m. St. Dominic	15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Dylan Parks All Parishioners, Living & Deceased Leo & Amelia Harris Families
July 15th (Tues) 8:30 a.m. St. Francis Xavier	St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor Corky Albright+
July 16th (Wed) 5:30 p.m. St. Dominic	Our Lady of Mount Carmel Betty Fuqua+
July 17th (Thurs) 8:30 a.m. St. Francis Xavier	Weekday Ordinary Time Debbie Larkin+
July 18th (Fri) 8:30 a.m. St. Dominic	St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest Kay Ludvick+
July 19th (Sat) 5:30 p.m. St. Dominic	16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Lane Pruett+
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Adult Faith Formation Series

AUGUST 12 - SEPT 9 (TUESDAYS) 6PM

ST DOMINIC PARISH HALL

This powerful five-part EWTN miniseries reveals the hidden cultural forces behind the "gender affirming" campaign presently sweeping the nation, chronicling the issues now confronting the family and how the Church can respond.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER

Angie Reith, Director of Religious Education
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First Day of Classes,
for Religious Education

St. D Wed. **9/05/25:** 6:30-7:30 p.m.

St. FX Sun. **9/07/25:** 9:30-10:30 a.m.

TEACHER NEEDED

*Please prayerfully consider contributing
your time and talents as a teacher for our
St. Dominic Religious Education program.*

• 6th Grade



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An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE

SCRIPTURE INSIGHTS:

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

The themes for this week's readings focus on living out God's word in everyday life. The readings encourage faith in action, love for others, and seeing Christ as the center of all creation.

- ♦ **Obedying God's Word:** God's commandments are clear and close to us. The first reading reminds us that following God's will is not beyond our reach.
- ♦ **Christ at the Center:** The second reading highlights Jesus as the foundation of creation and our faith. Everything exists through Him and is united in Him.
- ♦ **Loving Your Neighbor:** The Gospel calls us to love others, especially those in need. The story of the Good Samaritan challenges us to show kindness and mercy.
- ♦ **Faith in Action:** Faith is not just about knowing God's Word. The readings show that faith comes alive when we live it out through our actions.
- ♦ **Compassion for Others:** The Good Samaritan shows what compassion looks like. True love for God means caring for people, even strangers or those we find hard to love.
- ♦ **God's Word is Close:** The first reading teaches that God's Word is already in our hearts. We can live it out if we listen and choose to follow it.
- ♦ **Jesus as the Source of Unity:** The second reading shows Jesus as the one who holds all things together. Our faith unites us with Him and with one another.

On the 15th Sunday of Ordinary Time, we are reminded to live our faith through love and action. God's Word is near to us, and Jesus calls us to serve others with compassion and care.

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