

July 19th & 26th, 2026

Of Wheat and Weeds: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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First Reading: Wisdom 12:13, 16–19 | Psalm 86:5–6, 9–10, 15–16

Second Reading: Romans 8:26–27 | Gospel: Matthew 13:24–43

God is always teaching His people, as we hear in today's First Reading. And what does He want us to know? That He has care for all of us; that though He is a God of justice, even those who defy and disbelieve Him may hope for His mercy if they turn to Him in repentance.

This divine teaching continues in the three parables that Jesus tells in the Gospel today. Each describes the emergence of the kingdom of God from the seeds sown by His works and preaching. The kingdom's growth is hidden like the working of yeast in bread; it's improbable, unexpected, as in the way the tall mustard tree grows from the smallest of seeds.

Again, this week's readings sound a note of questioning: Why does God permit the evil to grow alongside the good? Why does He permit some to reject the Word of His kingdom?

Because, as we sing in today's Psalm, God is slow to anger and abounding in kindness. He is just, Jesus assures us—evildoers and those who cause others to sin will be thrown into the fiery furnace at the end of the age. But by His patience God is teaching us that above all He desires repentance and the gathering of all nations to worship Him and to glorify His name.

Even though we don't know how to pray as we ought, the Spirit will intercede for us, Paul promises in today's Epistle. But first, we must turn and call upon Him. We must commit ourselves to letting the good seed of His Word bear fruit in our lives.

So, we should not be deceived or lose heart when we see weeds among the wheat—truth and holiness mixed with error, injustice, and sin.

For now, He makes His sun rise on the good and the bad (see Matthew 5:45). But the harvest draws near. Let's work so that we might be numbered among the righteous children—who will shine like the sun in the kingdom of the Father.

THE CATHOLIC CALENDAR

The 2026 Catholic Calendar is still available at \$5.00 each.

PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY GROUP

You are warmly invited to join our Prayer and Bible Study Group starting this September at Our Lady of Fatima Parish! This will be a meaningful and Spirit-filled time to grow in faith, pray together, explore God's Word, and discern His personal message to you. Whether you are new to the faith, prayer, the Bible or have been reading it for years, all are invited. Come as you are, bring a friend, an open heart, and a desire to know Jesus more deeply. We look forward to growing in faith with you!

Sessions will be **Every 1st Saturday at 7:30am and every 3rd Friday at 7:30pm of every month.** Next sessions are on **August 1st, August 21st etc. and onwards!** **For the 1st Saturdays of the month, after the sessions, everyone is encouraged to attend the 10am Mass and Adoration.**

For more info and to register, please call 514-617-4021 or email emiltirona@gmail.com.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA ONLINE MINISTRIES The Rosary

Emil & Irah Tirona are hosting an online interactive rosary, Mondays at 7:30pm. For those interested, kindly send an email to Emil and Irah (irahtirona@gmail.com), so you may be added to the online invitation. Please call 514-617-4021 if you need any online technical assistance or have questions.

ADORATION

Come spend some time with Our Lord.

Tuesdays 6pm to 7pm (*mass at 7pm*)

Thursdays 8am to 9am (*mass at 9am*)

Fridays 9:30am to 10:30am (*mass at 9am*)

First Saturday of the Month 10:30am to 11:30am (*mass at 10am*)

SAINTLY WISDOM

The things that we love tell us what we are.

- St. Thomas Aquinas

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed
through the mercy of God rest in peace.

ANNOUNCED MASSES
July 18th – August 2nd, 2026

Saturday 4:30 p.m.	July 18th	Sunday Vigil Raymond Jack – Special Intentions
Sunday 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	July 19th	16th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) All Souls in Purgatory – by Stephen <i>Pro Populo</i>
Monday .	July 20th	NO MASS
Tuesday 7:00 p.m.	July 21st	Saint Lawrence of Brindisi All Souls in Purgatory – by Stephen
Wednesday 9:00 a.m.	July 22nd	Saint Mary Magdalene Patricia Ward – RIP – by Joan O'Donnell
Thursday 9:00 a.m.	July 23rd	Saint Bridget All Souls in Purgatory – by Stephen
Friday 9:00 a.m.	July 24th	Saint Sharbel Makhluf Raymond Jack – Special Intentions
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	July 25th	Sunday Vigil Elias Dirany – Blessings and Thanksgiving – by the family
Sunday 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	July 26th	17th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) All Souls in Purgatory – by Stephen <i>Pro Populo</i>
Monday	July 27th	NO MASS
Tuesday 7:00 p.m.	July 28th	Weekday Mariel Mojica - Thanksgiving
Wednesday 9:00 a.m.	July 29th	Saints Martha, Mary & Lazarus All Souls in Purgatory – by Stephen
Thursday 9:00 a.m.	July 30th	Saint Peter Chrysologus Michael Villa – RIP – by Linda & Boyie Guiang
Friday 9:00 a.m.	July 31st	Saint Ignatius of Loyola Tommy Coulombe – RIP – by Connie & Jim
Saturday 10:00 a.m.	Aug. 1st	Saint Alphonsus Liguori Dilani Weerasinghe, Ranjani Fernando & Bala Balachandra – RIP – by Ramya & Merle Aloysius
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Aug. 1st	Sunday Vigil Father Ward and Father Moon – RIP – by Cecile Romea
Sunday 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Aug. 2nd	18th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) All Souls in Purgatory – by Stephen <i>Pro Populo</i>

THE FIVE PRAYERS OF FATIMA

The Fatima Prayer/Decade Prayer

(Mary told the children that people should add this prayer to the end of each decade of the Rosary.)

“O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to Heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy. Amen.”

The Sacrifice Prayer

(Mary gave the children this prayer, as well as the Fatima Prayer/Decade Prayer, on June 13th, 1917. The prayer is meant to be recited when you are offering up suffering to God.)

“O Jesus, it is for the love of Thee, in reparation for the offenses committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and for the conversion of poor sinners [that I do this].”

The Pardon Prayer

(This prayer was given to the children by the angel that visited them in 1916, the year before Mary appeared to them.)

“My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love Thee! I beg pardon for all those that do not believe, do not adore, do not hope and do not love Thee.”

The Angel's Prayer

(This is another prayer given to the children by the angel. There was a Eucharistic host and chalice suspended in the air, and the angel led them in kneeling before it and praying this prayer.)

“O Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I adore Thee profoundly. I offer Thee the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifferences by which He is offended. By the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary I beg the conversion of poor sinners.”

The Eucharistic Prayer

(When Mary appeared to the children for the first time on May 13, 1917, she said, “You will have much to suffer, but the grace of God will be your comfort.” According to Lucia, a bright light shone all around them, and without thinking about it, they all started reciting this prayer.)

“Most Holy Trinity, I adore Thee! My God, my God, I love Thee in the Most Blessed Sacrament.”