

THE MEANING OF LIFE

"We must all care for life, cherish life, with tenderness, warmth ... caring for life from the beginning to the end." -Pope Francis

SUNDAY MASS HOMILY POINTS - CYCLE C

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Luke 1-4; 4:14-21: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor... proclaim liberty to captives...recovery of sight to the blind...let the oppressed go free."

- Life finds its meaning in recognizing our share in Christ's mission; a mission rooted in love for God and neighbor.

Fifth Sunday of Easter

John 13:31-33a, 34-35: "I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another."

- The gift of new life given to us in the death and resurrection of Jesus, when truly lived well, is exemplified by the love we show one another.

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Luke 10:25-37: "You shall love the Lord, your God with all your heart...being...strength...and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself."

- Love is defined in the realm of relationship. Embracing our common humanity and connecting with each other; recognizing "who is my neighbor?" and living in service provides purpose and meaning.