

July 20, 2008  
Sunday of the Sixteenth Week in Ordinary Time

Readings of the day may be found on the following link:

<http://www.nccbuscc.org/nab>

Wisdom 12:13, 16-19

Psalms 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16

Romans 8:26-27

Matthew 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

*All these things Jesus spoke to the crowds in parables. [He spoke to them only in parables...*

I attended a horse show today. It was a new experience for me. There was so much that I did not understand and I found myself asking the same questions several times. On the heels of that experience, I did not find it surprising that Jesus had to explain the same concept in so many different ways. The kingdom of heaven is like.... how many different ways does Jesus need to tell us that we re called to love one another, that the kingdom of heaven is here waiting to be given life through our obedience to the call to love?

*If there were love of neighbor there would be no terrorism, no repression, no selfishness, none of such cruel inequalities in society, no abductions, no crimes -  
Archbishop Oscar Romero*