

Sunday 15th (C) in Ordinary Time

Gospel text (Lk 10,25-37): «There was a man going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell into the hands of robbers. They stripped him, beat him and went off leaving him half-dead. It happened that a priest was going along that road and saw the man, but passed by on the other side. Likewise a Levite saw the man and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, too, was going that way, and when he came upon the man, he was moved with compassion...».



Illustration: Fr. Lluís Raventós Artés

Today Jesus tells us the "Parable of the Good Samaritan" to answer a "teacher" of the Law who asked: "Who is my neighbor?". What kind of question is that! It turns out that those teachers had a list of criteria to certify who was or was not "their neighbor".

-For Jesus the answer is categorical: you are the neighbor of the one who suffers. Therefore, "do in the same way", without hesitation!