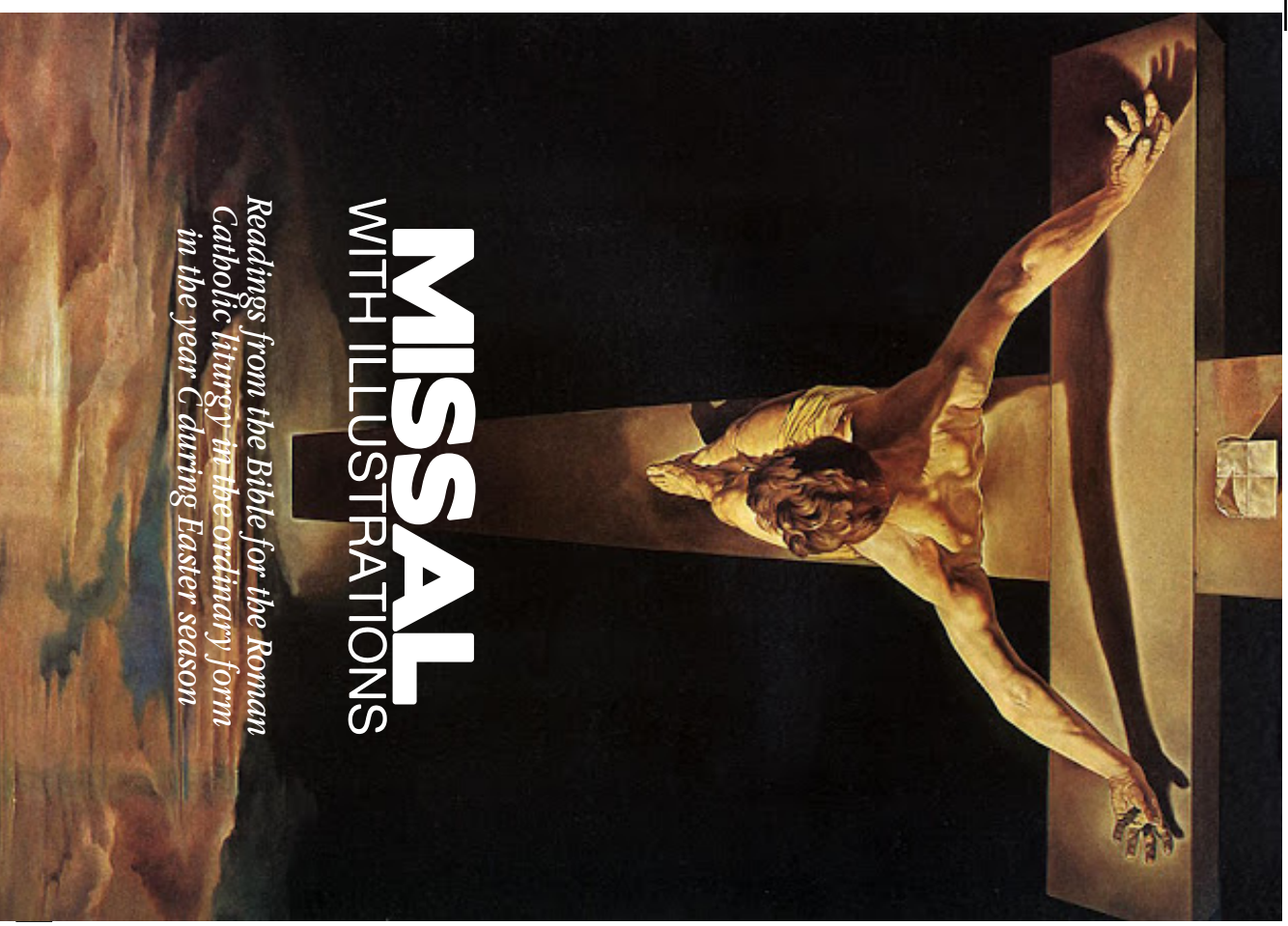




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## **MONDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

*Jn 14:16-17*

And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth, which the world cannot accept, because it neither sees nor knows it. But you know it, because it remains with you, and will be in you.



Sue Ann Jackson, Reflection in water of the Holy Spirit dove - ©Sue Ann Jackson

**READINGS FOR  
SUNDAYS AND FEASTS  
ORDINARY FORM OF  
THE ROMAN RITE  
YEAR C  
EASTER SEASON**

## PENTECOST

1 cor 12:12-13

For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of the body, being many, are one body; so also is Christ. For in one Spirit were we all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether bond or free; and were all made to drink of one Spirit.



Kendra Roberts, Suffer Together, Rejoice Together, 2014. ©Kendra Roberts

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## SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Rev 22:16-17*

“I, Jesus, sent my angel to give you this testimony for the churches. I am the root and offspring of David, the bright morning star.” The Spirit and the bride say, “Come.” Let the hearer say, “Come.” Let the one who thirsts come forward, and the one who wants it receive the gift of life-giving water:



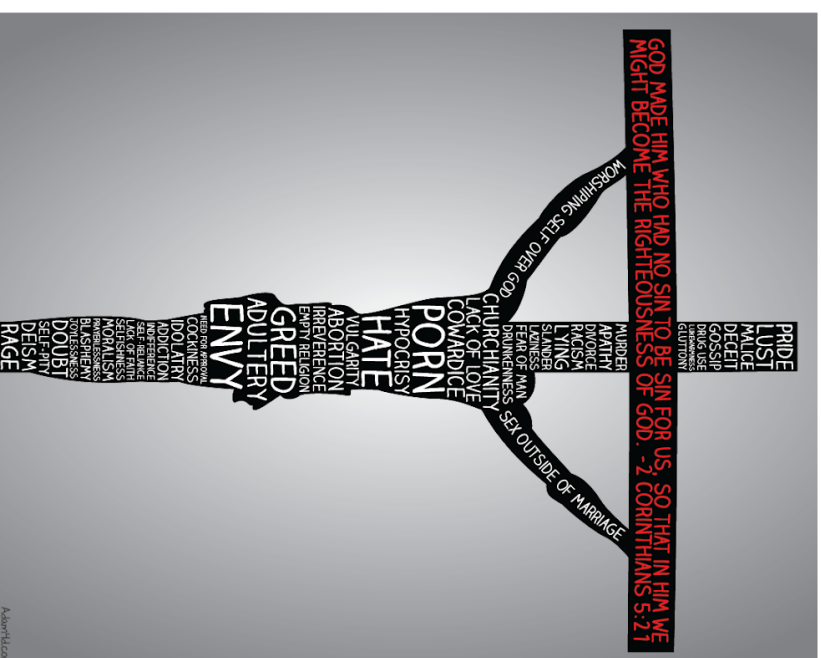
Natalya Rusetzka, Christ - ©Natalya Rusetzka

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## ASH WEDNESDAY

*2 Cor 5:21*

For our sake he made him to be sin who did not know sin, so that we might become the righteousness of God in him.



Adam4d, For us - ©Adam4d



## THURSDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

*Lc 9:23-24*

Then he said to all, "If anyone wishes to come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it.



Pieter Bruegel de Oude, *De kruisdraging*, 1564 (Kunsthistorisches Museum, Wien)

## ASCENSION OF THE LORD

*Acts 1:8-11*

But you will receive power when the holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight. While they were looking intently at the sky as he was going, suddenly two men dressed in white garments stood beside them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven."



The disciples watched Jesus ascend to heaven.

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## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Jn 14:24-26*

Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; yet the word you hear is not mine but that of the Father who sent me. "I have told you this while I am with you. The Advocate, the holy Spirit that the Father will send in my name—he will teach you everything and remind you of all that (I) told you.



Jacopo Bassano, The last supper, 1542 (Galleria Borghese)

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## FRIDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

*Mt 9:14-15*

Then the disciples of John approached him and said, "Why do we and the Pharisees fast (much), but your disciples do not fast?" Jesus answered them, "Can the wedding guests mourn as long as the bridegroom is with them? The days will come when the bridegroom is taken away from them, and then they will fast.



Raul Bersozza, Corazón Inmaculado de María de Fátima, 2012. ©Raul Bersozza

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## SATURDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

*Isa 58:9-10*

Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say: Here I am! If you remove from your midst oppression, false accusation and malicious speech; if you bestow your bread on the hungry and satisfy the afflicted; Then light shall rise for you in the darkness, and the gloom shall become for you like midday.



de Meester van Alkmaar, De zeven werken van barmhartigheid - De hongerigen voeden

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## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Jn 13:31-32*

When he had left, Jesus said, “Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. [If God is glorified in him,] God will also glorify him in himself, and he will glorify him at once.



Carl Heinrich Bloch, The Last Supper, late 19th century



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## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Acts 13:21*

Then they asked for a king. God gave them Saul, son of Kish, a man from the tribe of Benjamin, for forty years.



David

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## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

*Lc 4:9-12*

Then he led him to Jerusalem, made him stand on the parapet of the temple, and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written: 'He will command his angels concerning you, to guard you,' and: 'With their hands they will support you, lest you dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus said to him in reply, "It also says, 'You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test.'"



James Tissot: Satan Tried to Tempt Christ, 1895

## MONDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

*Mt 25:34-36*

Then the king will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.'

## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Jn 21:4-7*

When it was already dawn, Jesus was standing on the shore; but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, have you caught anything to eat?" They answered him, "No." So he said to them, "Cast the net over the right side of the boat and you will find something." So they cast it, and were not able to pull it in because of the number of fish. So the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord." When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he tucked in his garment, for he was lightly clad, and jumped into the sea.



de Meester van Alkmaar, De zeven werken van barmhartigheid



Ann Chapin, Jesus at the charcoal fire



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## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Jn 20:27*

Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe."



Peter Paul Rubens, Doubting Thomas, 1613-1615 (Royal Museum of Fine Arts, Antwerp)

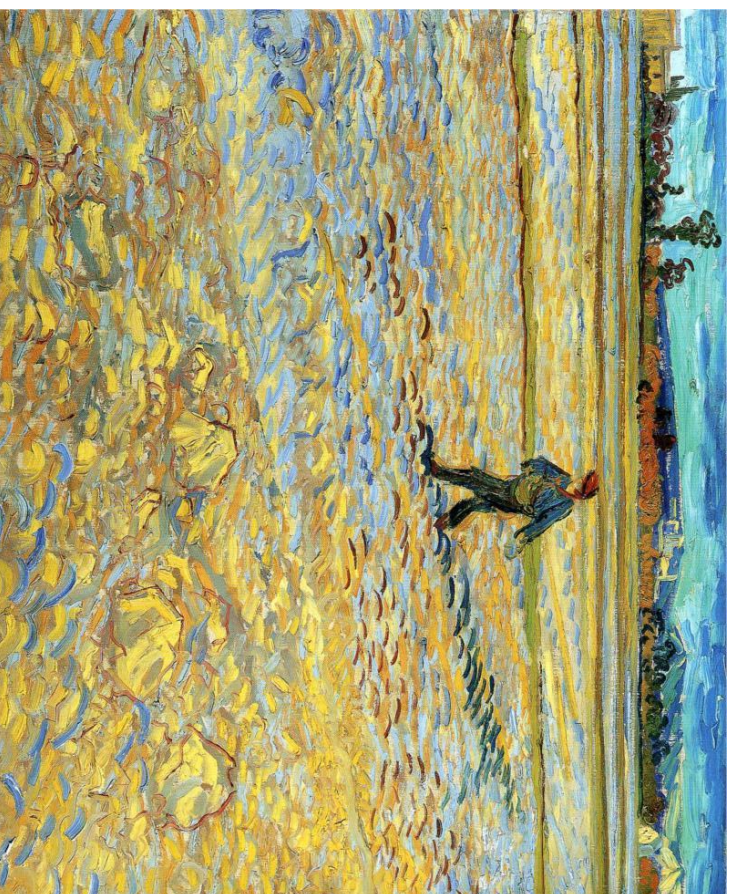
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## TUESDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

*Isa 55:10-11*

For just as from the heavens the rain and snow come down And do not return there till they have watered the earth, making it fertile and fruitful, Giving seed to him who sows and bread to him who eats, So shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth; It shall not return to me void, but shall do my will, achieving the end for which I sent it.



Vincent van Gogh, Sower, 1888 (Private Collection)

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## WEDNESDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

*Jon 3:10*

When God saw by their actions how they turned from their evil way, he repented of the evil that he had threatened to do to them; he did not carry it out.



David Martin, *Nineveh Repents* ("Historie des Ouden en Nieuwen Testaments: verrykt met meer dan vierhonderd printverbeeldingen in koper gesneden")

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## MONDAY OF EASTER WEEK

*Mt 28:8-9*

Then they went away quickly from the tomb, fearful yet overjoyed, and ran to announce this to his disciples. And behold, Jesus met them on their way and greeted them. They approached, embraced his feet, and did him homage.



Daniel Owen, *Detail from Stained Glass, 2010* (Church of the Ascension, Timoleague, Co. Cork) - ©Daniel Owen

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## EASTER SUNDAY

*Jn 20:6-9*

When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, For they did not yet understand the scripture that he had to rise from the dead.



Jan van 't Hoff, Het lege graf - @Jan van 't Hoff

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## THURSDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

*mt 7:9-11*

Which one of you would hand his son a stone when he asks for a loaf of bread, or a snake when he asks for a fish? If you then, who are wicked, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give good things to those who ask him.



Bread and stones

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## FRIDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

*Mt 5:23-24*

Therefore, if you bring your gift to the altar, and there recall that your brother has anything against you, leave your gift there at the altar, go first and be reconciled with your brother; and then come and offer your gift.



Ga u eerst met uw broeder verzoenen, 2010

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## EASTER VIGIL

*Isa 55:1*

All you who are thirsty, come to the water! You who have no money, come, receive grain and eat; Come, without paying and without cost, drink wine and milk!



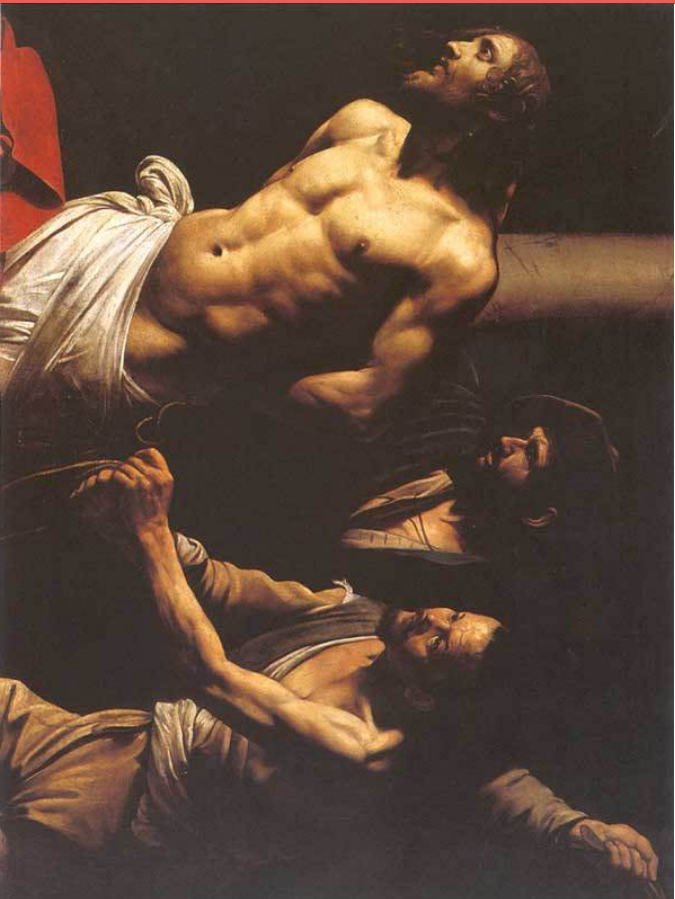
Horace Pippin, Christ and the Woman of Samaria, 1940

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## GOOD FRIDAY

*Jn 19:1*

Then Pilate took Jesus and had him scourged.



Caravaggio, The Flagellation, 1607 (Musée des Beaux-Arts, Rouen)

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## SATURDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

*Mt 5:43-45*

"You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I say to you, love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your heavenly Father; for he makes his sun rise on the bad and the good, and causes rain to fall on the just and the unjust.



Love your enemies

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## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

*Lc 9:28-31*

About eight days after he said this, he took Peter, John, and James and went up the mountain to pray. While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem.



The transfiguration (drawing)

## HOLY THURSDAY

*Ex 12:11-12*

"This is how you are to eat it: with your loins girt, sandals on your feet and your staff in hand, you shall eat like those who are in flight. It is the Passover of the LORD. For on this same night I will go through Egypt, striking down every first-born of the land, both man and beast, and executing judgment on all the gods of Egypt-I, the LORD!



Marc Chagall, Les Israélites mangent l'agneau de la Pâque, 1931 (Musée national Message Biblique Marc Chagall, Nice, France)



## CHRISM MASS

*Lc 4:16-20a*

Into the synagogue on the sabbath day: He stood up to read and was handed a scroll of the prophet Isaiah. He unrolled the scroll and found the passage where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor: He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord." Rolling up the scroll, he handed it back to the attendant and sat down, and the eyes of all in the synagogue looked intently at him.



Jesus preaches in the synagogue

## MONDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*Lc 6:38*

Give and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you.. "

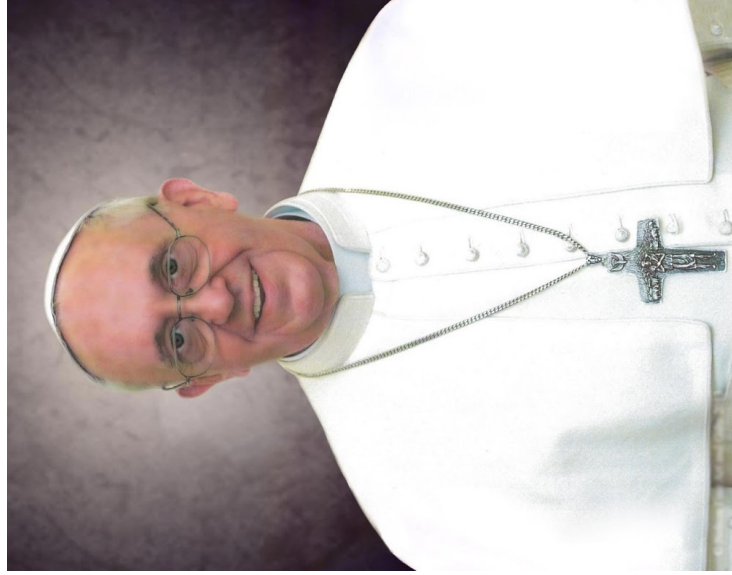


Giving

## TUESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*Mt 23:8-12*

As for you, do not be called 'Rabbi.' You have but one teacher, and you are all brothers. Call no one on earth your father; you have but one Father in heaven. Do not be called 'Master'; you have but one master, the Messiah. The greatest among you must be your servant. Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted.



Pope Francis official photograph, 2013

## WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

*isa 50:6-9*

I gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard; My face I did not shield from buffets and spitting. The Lord GOD is my help, therefore I am not disgraced; I have set my face like flint, knowing that I shall not be put to shame. He is near who upholds my right; if anyone wishes to oppose me, let us appear together. Who disputes my right? Let him confront me. See, the Lord GOD is my help; who will prove me wrong? Lo, they will all wear out like cloth, the moth will eat them up.



I gave my back to the smiters, and my cheeks to them that plucked off the hair



## TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

*isa 49:2-6*

He made of me a sharp-edged sword and concealed me in the shadow of his arm. He made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me. You are my servant, he said to me, Israel, through whom I show my glory. Though I thought I had toiled in vain, and for nothing, uselessly, spent my strength, Yet my reward is with the LORD, my recompense is with my God. For now the LORD has spoken who formed me as his servant from the womb, That Jacob may be brought back to him and Israel gathered to him; And I am made glorious in the sight of the LORD, and my God is now my strength! It is too little, he says, for you to be my servant, to raise up the tribes of Jacob, and restore the survivors of Israel; I will make you a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.



Sword and bible

## WEDNESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*mt 20:17-19*

As Jesus was going up to Jerusalem, he took the twelve (disciples) aside by themselves, and said to them on the way, "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be handed over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death, and hand him over to the Gentiles to be mocked and scourged and crucified, and he will be raised on the third day."



Pharisees



## THURSDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*Lc 16:22-24*

When the poor man died, he was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried, and from the netherworld, where he was in torment, he raised his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. And he cried out, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me. Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am suffering torment in these flames.'



The rich man and Lazarus

## MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK

*Jn 12:1-3*

Six days before Passover Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. They gave a dinner for him there, and Martha served, while Lazarus was one of those reclining at table with him. Mary took a liter of costly perfumed oil made from genuine aromatic nard and anointed the feet of Jesus and dried them with her hair; the house was filled with the fragrance of the oil.



He Qi, Mary Magdalene, 2001 - ©He Qi

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## **PALM SUNDAY**

*Lc 23:26*

As they led him away they took hold of a certain Simon, a Cyrenian, who was coming in from the country; and after laying the cross on him, they made him carry it behind Jesus.



Sieger Köder, Simon von Cyrene · ©Sieger Köder

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## **FRIDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT**

*mt 21:37-39*

Finally, he sent his son to them, thinking, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to one another, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and acquire his inheritance.' They seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him.



This is the heir. Come let us kill him and seize his inheritance



## SATURDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*Lc 15:8*

"Or what woman having ten coins and losing one would not light a lamp and sweep the house, searching carefully until she finds it?"



J. Kirk Richards, *The Lost Coin* · ©J. Kirk Richards

## SATURDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

*ezek 37:26-28*

I will make with them a covenant of peace; it shall be an everlasting covenant with them, and I will multiply them, and put my sanctuary among them forever. My dwelling shall be with them; I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Thus the nations shall know that it is I, the LORD, who make Israel holy, when my sanctuary shall be set up among them forever.



Mass

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## FRIDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

*Jer 20:11*

But the LORD is with me, like a mighty champion: my persecutors will stumble, they will not triumph. In their failure they will be put to utter shame, to lasting, unforgettable confusion.



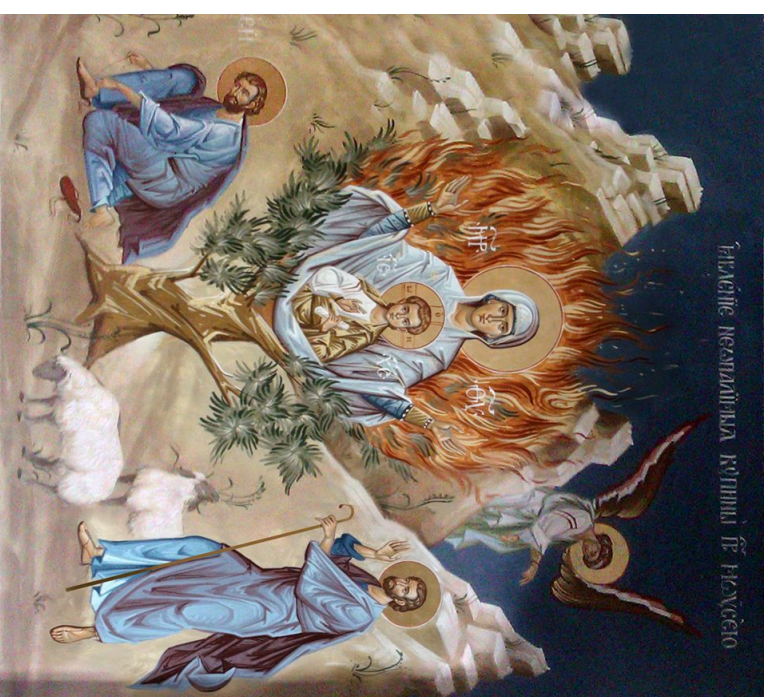
Lion of Judah

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## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

*Ex 3:2-3*

There an angel of the LORD appeared to him in fire flaming out of a bush. As he looked on, he was surprised to see that the bush, though on fire, was not consumed. So Moses decided, "I must go over to look at this remarkable sight, and see why the bush is not burned."



Icon of the Mother of God "the Unburnt Bush"



## MONDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

*2 kings 5:9-15*

Naaman came with his horses and chariots and stopped at the door of Elisha's house. The prophet sent him the message: "Go and wash seven times in the Jordan, and your flesh will heal, and you will be clean." But Naaman went away angry, saying, "I thought that he would surely come out and stand there to invoke the LORD his God, and would move his hand over the spot, and thus cure the leprosy. Are not the rivers of Damascus, the Abana and the Pharpar, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be cleansed?" With this, he turned about in anger and left. But his servants came up and reasoned with him. "My father," they said, "if the prophet had told you to do something extraordinary, would you not have done it? All the more now, since he said to you, 'Wash and be clean,' should you do as he said." So Naaman went down and plunged into the Jordan seven times at the word of the man of God. His flesh became again like the flesh of a little child, and he was clean. He returned with his whole retinue to the man of God. On his arrival he stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth, except in Israel. Please accept a gift from your servant."



Jan Simons PEINAS, Elisha the Prophet and Naaman (The Pozhalostin Ryazan Regional Art Museum)

## THURSDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

*gen 17:3-9*

When Abram prostrated himself, God continued to speak to him: "My covenant with you is this; you are to become the father of a host of nations. No longer shall you be called Abram; your name shall be Abraham, for I am making you the father of a host of nations. I will render you exceedingly fertile; I will make nations of you; kings shall stem from you. I will maintain my covenant with you and your descendants after you throughout the ages as an everlasting pact, to be your God and the God of your descendants after you. I will give to you and to your descendants after you the land in which you are now staying, the whole land of Canaan, as a permanent possession; and I will be their God." God also said to Abraham: "On your part, you and your descendants after you must keep my covenant throughout the ages.



New Priest for the Ordinariate in Essex—Deo Gratias!



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## **WEDNESDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF LENT**

*dan 3:25*

In the fire Azariah stood up and prayed aloud.



The fiery furnace

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## **TUESDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT**

*dan 3:25*

In the fire Azariah stood up and prayed aloud.



The fiery furnace

## WEDNESDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

*deut 4:8-9*

Or what great nation has statutes and decrees that are as just as this whole law which I am setting before you today? "However, take care and be earnestly on your guard not to forget the things which your own eyes have seen, nor let them slip from your memory as long as you live, but teach them to your children and to your children's children.



Tech parenting feature

## TUESDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

*num 21:6-9*

In punishment the LORD sent among the people saraph serpents, which bit the people so that many of them died. Then the people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned in complaining against the LORD and you. Pray the LORD to take the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people, and the LORD said to Moses, "Make a saraph and mount it on a pole, and if anyone who has been bitten looks at it, he will recover." Moses accordingly made a bronze serpent and mounted it on a pole, and whenever anyone who had been bitten by a serpent looked at the bronze serpent, he recovered.



William Blake, Moses and the Serpent



## MONDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

*dan 13:5-21*

That year, two elders of the people were appointed judges, of whom the Lord said, "Wickedness has come out of Babylon: from the elders who were to govern the people as judges." These men, to whom all brought their cases, frequented the house of Joakim. When the people left at noon, Susanna used to enter her husband's garden for a walk. When the old men saw her enter every day for her walk, they began to lust for her. They suppressed their consciences; they would not allow their eyes to look to heaven, and did not keep in mind just judgments. Though both were enamored of her, they did not tell each other their trouble, for they were ashamed to reveal their lustful desire to have her. Day by day they watched eagerly for her. One day they said to each other, "Let us be off for home, it is time for lunch." So they went out and parted; but both turned back, and when they met again, they asked each other the reason. They admitted their lust, and then they agreed to look for an occasion when they could meet her alone. One day, while they were waiting for the right moment, she entered the garden as usual, with two maids only. She decided to bathe, for the weather was warm. Nobody else was there except the two elders, who had hidden themselves and were watching her. "Bring me oil and soap," she said to the maids, "and shut the garden doors while I bathe." They did as she said; they shut the garden doors and left by the side gate to fetch what she had ordered, unaware that the elders were hidden inside. As soon as the maids had left, the two old men got up and hurried to her. "Look," they said, "the garden doors are shut, and no one can see us; give in to our desire, and lie with us. If you refuse, we will testify against you that you dismissed your maids because a young man was here with you."



Domenichino, *Susanna e i Vecchioni*, 17th century (Galleria Doria Pamphili, Roma)

## THURSDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

*Lc 11:18-20*

And if Satan is divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand? For you say that it is by Beelzebub that I drive out demons. If I, then, drive out demons by Beelzebub, by whom do your own people drive them out? Therefore they will be your judges. But if it is by the finger of God that (I) drive out demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you.



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## FRIDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

Mc 12:28-31

One of the scribes, when he came forward and heard them disputing and saw how well he had answered them, asked him, "Which is the first of all the commandments?" Jesus replied, "The first is this: 'Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is Lord alone! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."



The two commandments (numbering according to protestant tradition)

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Jn 8:3-11

Then the scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery and made her stand in the middle. They said to him, "Teacher, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery. Now in the law, Moses commanded us to stone such women. So what do you say?" They said this to test him, so that they could have some charge to bring against him. Jesus bent down and began to write on the ground with his finger. But when they continued asking him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." Again he bent down and wrote on the ground. And in response, they went away one by one, beginning with the elders. So he was left alone with the woman before him. Then Jesus straightened up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" She replied, "No one, sir." Then Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, (and) from now on do not sin any more."



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## SATURDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*Jer 11:18*

I knew it because the LORD informed me; at that time you, O LORD, showed me their doings.



Rembrandt, Jeremiah Lamenting the Destruction of Jerusalem, 1630

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## SATURDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

*Lc 18:14b*

For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted."



The pharisee and the publican

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

*Lc 15:21-24*

His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But his father ordered his servants, 'Quickly bring the finest robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Take the fattened calf and slaughter it. Then let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again; he was lost, and has been found.' Then the celebration began.

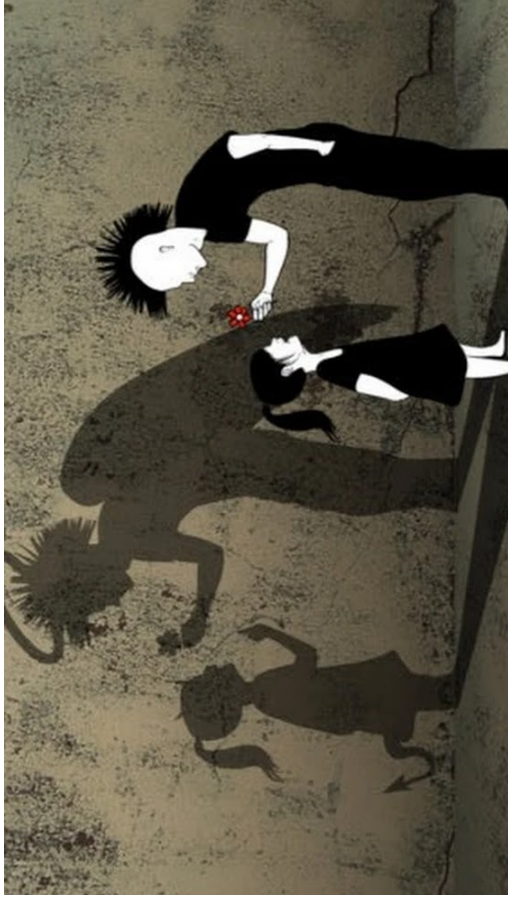


Adina Henderson, The prodigal son, 2011 - ©Adina Henderson

## FRIDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*Jn 7:19-24*

Did not Moses give you the law? Yet none of you keeps the law. Why are you trying to kill me?" The crowd answered, "You are possessed! Who is trying to kill you?" Jesus answered and said to them, "I performed one work and all of you are amazed because of it. Moses gave you circumcision—not that it came from Moses but rather from the patriarchs—and you circumcise a man on the sabbath. If a man can receive circumcision on a sabbath so that the law of Moses may not be broken, are you angry with me because I made a whole person well on a sabbath? Stop judging by appearances, but judge justly."



Judge by faith and not by sight



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## THURSDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*ex 32:9-14*

I see how stiff-necked this people is," continued the LORD to Moses. "Let me alone, then, that my wrath may blaze up against them to consume them. Then I will make of you a great nation." But Moses implored the LORD, his God, saying, "Why, O LORD, should your wrath blaze up against your own people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with such great power and with so strong a hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'With evil intent he brought them out, that he might kill them in the mountains and exterminate them from the face of the earth'? Let your blazing wrath die down; relent in punishing your people. Remember your servants Abraham, Isaac and Israel, and how you swore to them by your own self, saying, 'I will make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky; and all this land that I promised, I will give your descendants as their perpetual heritage.'" So the LORD relented in the punishment he had threatened to inflict on his people.



David Paynter, "Transfiguration (St. Thomas's College in Colombo, Sri Lanka)"

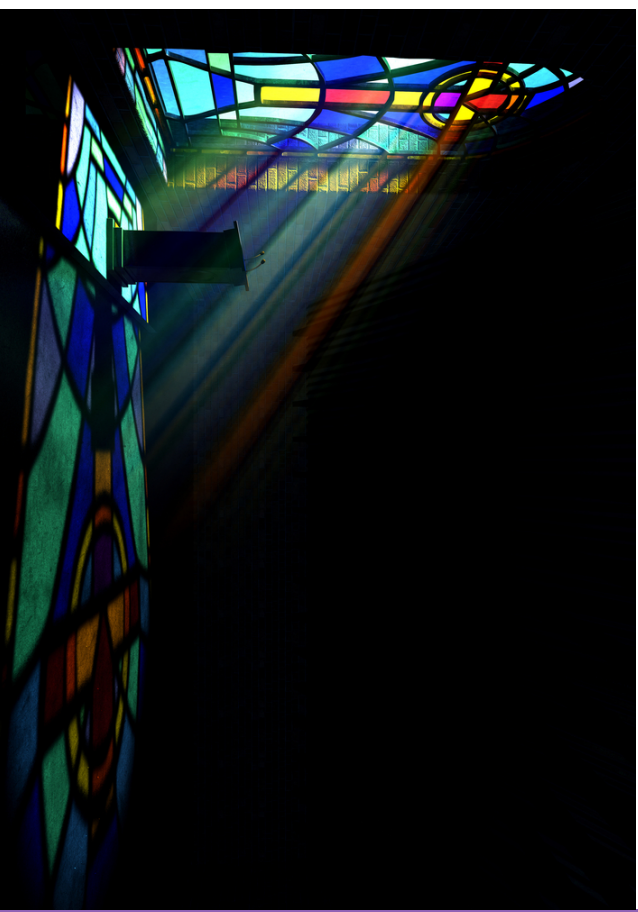
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## MONDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*jn 4:48*

Jesus said to him, "Unless you people see signs and wonders, you will not believe."



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## TUESDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-12*

Then he brought me back to the entrance of the temple, and I saw water flowing out from beneath the threshold of the temple toward the east, for the facade of the temple was toward the east; the water flowed down from the southern side of the temple, south of the altar. He led me outside by the north gate, and around to the outer gate facing the east, where I saw water trickling from the southern side. He said to me, "This water flows into the eastern district down upon the Arabah, and empties into the sea, the salt waters, which it makes fresh. Wherever the river flows, every sort of living creature that can multiply shall live, and there shall be abundant fish, for wherever this water comes the sea shall be made fresh. Fishermen shall be standing along it from En-gedi to En-eglaim, spreading their nets there. Its kinds of fish shall be like those of the Great Sea, very numerous. Only its marshes and swamps shall not be made fresh; they shall be left for salt. Along both banks of the river, fruit trees of every kind shall grow; their leaves shall not fade, nor their fruit fail. Every month they shall bear fresh fruit, for they shall be watered by the flow from the sanctuary. Their fruit shall serve for food, and their leaves for medicine."



William Blake, The river of life

## WEDNESDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*Jn 5:25-29*

Amen, amen, I say to you, the hour is coming and is now here when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. For just as the Father has life in himself, so also he gave to his Son the possession of life in himself. And he gave him power to exercise judgment, because he is the Son of Man. Do not be amazed at this, because the hour is coming in which all who are in the tombs will hear his voice and will come out, those who have done good deeds to the resurrection of life, but those who have done wicked deeds to the resurrection of condemnation.



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