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Liturgical Calendar for Sundays and feasts

— 2019 — 2020 —

December

1 Su 1
2 M 2
3 Tu 3
4 W 4
5 Th 5
6 F 6
7 Sa 7
8 Su 8
10 Tu 10
11 W 11
12 Th 12
13 F 13
14 Sa 14
15 Su 15
16 M 16
17 Tu 22
18 W 23
19 Th 24
20 F 25
21 Sa 26
22 Su 21
23 M 28
24 Tu 30
25 W 31
26 Th 34
27 F 35
28 Sa 36
29 Su 37

January

5 Su 39
12 Su 40
19 Su 107

26 Su 108

February

2 Su 109
9 Su 110
16 Su 111
23 Su 112
26 W 41
27 Th 42
28 F 43
29 Sa 44

March

1 Su 45
2 M 46
3 Tu 47
4 W 48
5 Th 49
6 F 50
7 Sa 51
8 Su 52
9 M 53
10 Tu 54
11 W 55
12 Th 56
13 F 57
14 Sa 58
15 Su 59
16 M 60
17 Tu 61
18 W 62
20 F 64
21 Sa 65
22 Su 66
23 M 67

24 Tu 68

26 Th 70
27 F 71
28 Sa 72
29 Su 73
31 Tu 74

April

1 W 75
2 Th 76
3 F 77
4 Sa 78
5 Su 79
6 M 80
7 Tu 81
8 W 82
9 Th 84
10 F 85
11 Sa 86
12 Su 87
13 M 88
14 Tu 89
15 W 90
16 Th 91
17 F 92
18 Sa 93
19 Su 94
26 Su 95

May

3 Su 96
10 Su 97
17 Su 98
21 Th 99
24 Su 100

31 Su 101

June

7 Su 103
11 Th 104
14 Su 116
19 F 105
21 Su 117
28 Su 118

July

5 Su 119
12 Su 120
19 Su 121
26 Su 122

August

2 Su 123
9 Su 124
16 Su 125
23 Su 126
30 Su 127

September

6 Su 128
13 Su 129
20 Su 130
27 Su 131

October

4 Su 132
11 Su 133
18 Su 134
25 Su 135

November

8 Su 137
15 Su 138
22 Su 139

— 2022 — 2023 —

November

27 Su 1
28 M 2

29 Tu 3

December

1 Th 5

2 F 6

3 Sa 7

4 Su 8

5 M 9

6 Tu 10

7 W 11

9 F 13

10 Sa 14

11 Su 15
12 M 16
13 Tu 17
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January

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February

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19 Su 112
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November

30 Su 1

December

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2 Tu 3
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4 Th 5
5 F 6
6 Sa 7

24 F 43
25 Sa 44
26 Su 45
27 M 46
28 Tu 47

March

1 W 48
2 Th 49
3 F 50
4 Sa 51
5 Su 52
6 M 53
7 Tu 54
8 W 55
9 Th 56
10 F 57
11 Sa 58
12 Su 59
13 M 60
14 Tu 61
15 W 62
16 Th 63
17 F 64
18 Sa 65
19 Su 66
20 M 67
21 Tu 68
22 W 69
23 Th 70
24 F 71
26 Su 73
28 Tu 74

29 W 75
30 Th 76
31 F 77

April

1 Sa 78
2 Su 79
3 M 80
4 Tu 81
5 W 82
6 Th 84
7 F 85
8 Sa 86
9 Su 87
10 M 88
11 Tu 89
12 W 90
13 Th 91
14 F 92
15 Sa 93
16 Su 94
23 Su 95
30 Su 96

May

7 Su 97
14 Su 98
18 Th 99
21 Su 100
28 Su 101

June

4 Su 103
8 Th 104

11 Su 115
16 F 105
18 Su 116
25 Su 117

July

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August

6 Su 123
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September

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17 Su 129
24 Su 130

October

1 Su 131
8 Su 132
15 Su 133
22 Su 134
29 Su 135

November

5 Su 136
12 Su 137
19 Su 138
26 Su 139

— 2025 — 2026 —

7 Su 8
9 Tu 10
10 W 11
11 Th 12
12 F 13
13 Sa 14
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— 2028 — 2029 —

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**READINGS FOR
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CHRISTMAS SEASON**

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Mt 24:37-39

For as it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. In (those) days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day that Noah entered the ark. They did not know until the flood came and carried them all away. So will it be (also) at the coming of the Son of Man.



Noah tried to tell them...

MONDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

Mt 8:5-8

A centurion approached him and appealed to him, saying, "Lord, my servant is lying at home paralyzed, suffering dreadfully." He said to him, "I will come and cure him." The centurion said in reply, "Lord, I am not worthy to have you enter under my roof; only say the word and my servant will be healed.



Healing of Centurion's Servant

TUESDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

Isa 11:1-2

But a shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse, and from his roots a bud shall blossom. The spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him: a spirit of wisdom and of understanding, A spirit of counsel and of strength, a spirit of knowledge and of fear of the LORD.

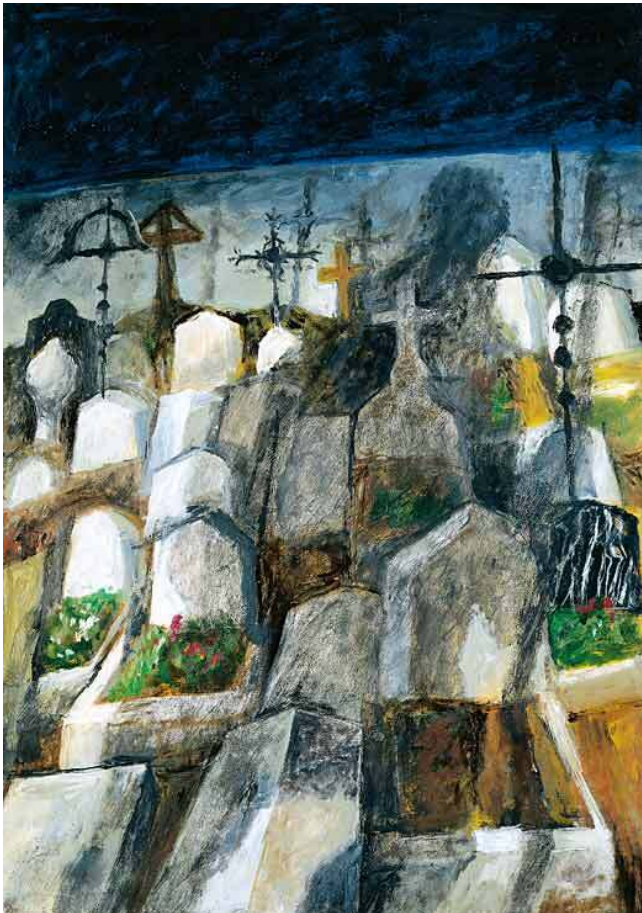


Giotto, Nativity, 1305 (Scrovegni Chapel)

WEDNESDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

Isa 25:7-8

On this mountain he will destroy the veil that veils all peoples, The web that is woven over all nations. He will destroy death forever. The Lord G will wipe away the tears from all faces; The reproach of his people he will remove from the whole earth; for the L has spoken.



Sieger Köder, Friedhof - ©Sieger Köder

THURSDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

Mt 7:24-27

"Everyone who listens to these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and buffeted the house. But it did not collapse; it had been set solidly on rock. And everyone who listens to these words of mine but does not act on them will be like a fool who built his house on sand. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and buffeted the house. And it collapsed and was completely ruined."



Daily Grace, Build on the rock, 2012 - ©Daily Grace

FRIDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

isa 29:18-19

On that day the deaf shall hear the words of a book; And out of gloom and darkness, the eyes of the blind shall see. The lowly will ever find joy in the LORD, and the poor rejoice in the Holy One of Israel.

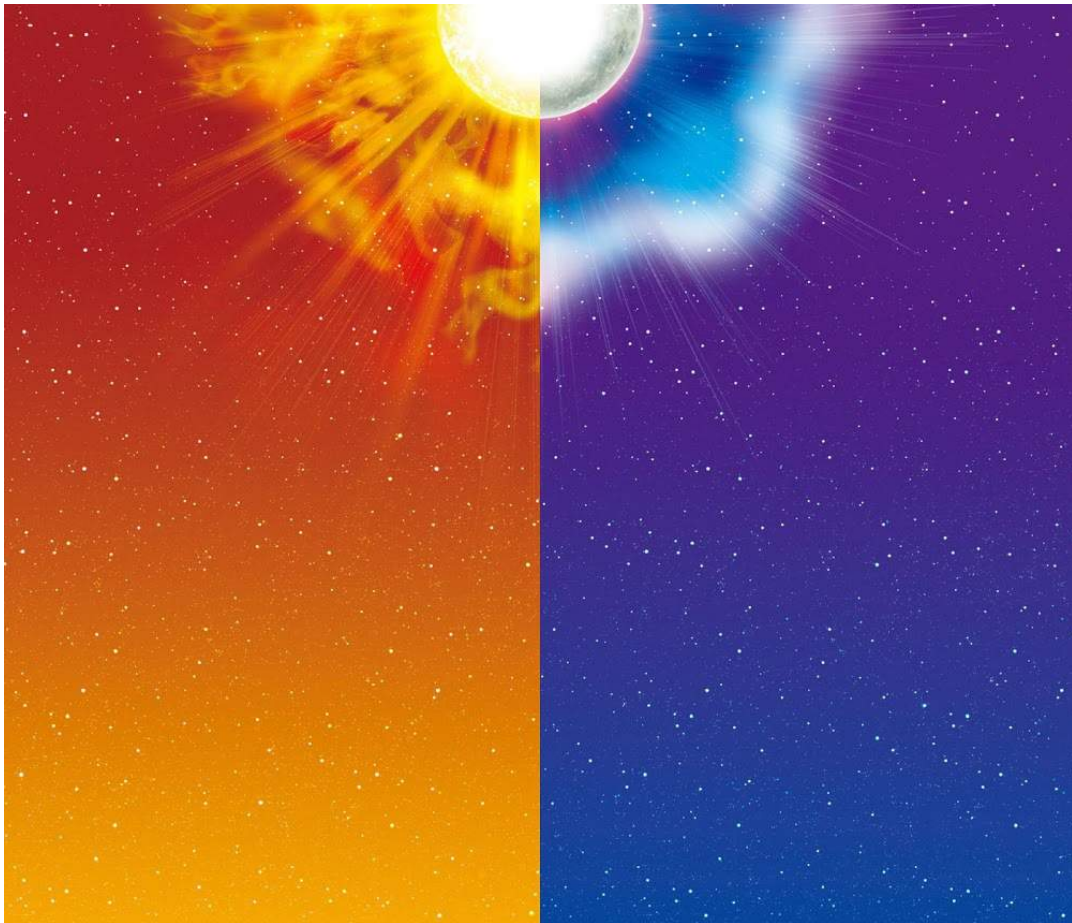


Be blessed

SATURDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

isa 30:26

The light of the moon will be like that of the sun and the light of the sun will be seven times greater (like the light of seven days). On the day the LORD binds up the wounds of his people, he will heal the bruises left by his blows.



Pokémon Sun and Pokémon Moon

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Isa 11:9

There shall be no harm or ruin on all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be filled with knowledge of the LORD, as water covers the sea.

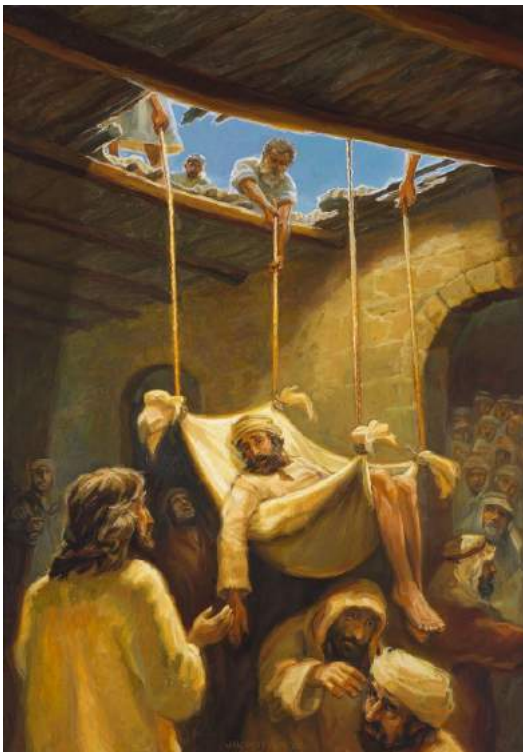


Margaret Tarrant, Christ Child

MONDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

Lc 5:17-20

One day as Jesus was teaching, Pharisees and teachers of the law were sitting there who had come from every village of Galilee and Judea and Jerusalem, and the power of the Lord was with him for healing. And some men brought on a stretcher a man who was paralyzed; they were trying to bring him in and set (him) in his presence. But not finding a way to bring him in because of the crowd, they went up on the roof and lowered him on the stretcher through the tiles into the middle in front of Jesus. When he saw their faith, he said, "As for you, your sins are forgiven."



Jan van't Hoff, De verlamde - ©Jan van't Hoff

TUESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

isa 40:3-5

A voice cries out: In the desert prepare the way of the LORD! Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God! Every valley shall be filled in, every mountain and hill shall be made low; The rugged land shall be made a plain, the rough country, a broad valley. Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all mankind shall see it together; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.



Massimo Stanzione, St. John the Baptist Preaching, 1635 (Prado)

WEDNESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

isa 40:29-31

He gives strength to the fainting; for the weak he makes vigor abound. Though young men faint and grow weary, and youths stagger and fall, They that hope in the LORD will renew their strength, they will soar as with eagles' wings; They will run and not grow weary, walk and not grow faint.



They shall mount up with wings like eagles - ©Overcomersart.com

THURSDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

Mt 11:11

Amen, I say to you, among those born of women there has been none greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.



Eric Armusik, Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist, 2015 - ©Eric Armusik

FRIDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

isa 48:17-18

Thus says the LORD, your redeemer, the Holy One of Israel, I, the LORD, your God, teach you what is for your good, and lead you on the way you should go. If you would hearken to my commandments, your prosperity would be like a river, and your vindication like the waves of the sea.



River with stepping stones

SATURDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

sirach 48:9-11

You were taken aloft in a whirlwind, in a chariot with fiery horses. You are destined, it is written, in time to come to put an end to wrath before the day of the LORD. To turn back the hearts of fathers toward their sons, and to reestablish the tribes of Jacob. Blessed is he who shall have seen you before he dies.



Prophet Elijah (Assumption Greek Orthodox Church in St. Louis, MO)

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Mt 11:8-11

Then what did you go out to see? Someone dressed in fine clothing? Those who wear fine clothing are in royal palaces. Then why did you go out? To see a prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is the one about whom it is written: 'Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you.' Amen, I say to you, among those born of women there has been none greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.



Free Bible images of John the Baptist in the wilderness and the baptism of Jesus, slide 3 - ©Big Book Media

MONDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT

num 24:2-5

When he raised his eyes and saw Israel encamped, tribe by tribe, the spirit of God came upon him, and he gave voice to his oracle: The utterance of Balaam, son of Beor, the utterance of the man whose eye is true, The utterance of one who hears what God says, and knows what the Most High knows, Of one who sees what the Almighty sees, enraptured, and with eyes unveiled: How goodly are your tents, O Jacob; your encampments, O Israel!



Christina Mattison Ebert, Parashat Balak - ©Christina Mattison Ebert

TUESDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT

Mt 21:28-31a

"What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He came to the first and said, 'Son, go out and work in the vineyard today.' He said in reply, 'I will not,' but afterwards he changed his mind and went. The man came to the other son and gave the same order. He said in reply, 'Yes, sir,' but did not go. Which of the two did his father's will?".



Ang Talinghaga Patungkol sa Dalawang Anak

WEDNESDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT

isa 45:22-23

Turn to me and be safe, all you ends of the earth, for I am God, there is no other! By myself I swear, uttering my just decree and my unalterable word. To me every knee shall bend, by me every tongue shall swear.



Kacper Pempel, People kneel on the street as they take part in a Corpus Christi procession, 2013 (Gora Kalwaria, Poland) - ©CNS photo/Kacper Pempel, Reuters

THURSDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT

isa 54:1-5

Raise a glad cry, you barren one who did not bear, break forth in jubilant song, you who were not in labor, For more numerous are the children of the deserted wife than the children of her who has a husband, says the LORD. Enlarge the space for your tent, spread out your tent cloths unsparingly; lengthen your ropes and make firm your stakes. For you shall spread abroad to the right and to the left; Your descendants shall dispossess the nations and shall people the desolate cities. Fear not, you shall not be put to shame; you need not blush, for you shall not be disgraced. The shame of your youth you shall forget, the reproach of your widowhood no longer remember. For he who has become your husband is your Maker; his name is the LORD of hosts; Your redeemer is the Holy One of Israel, called God of all the earth.



Jump For Joy-Mary en Elizabeth - ©ArtByCorby

FRIDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT

isa 56:1-2

Thus says the LORD: Observe what is right, do what is just; for my salvation is about to come, my justice, about to be revealed. Happy is the man who does this, the son of man who holds to it; Who keeps the sabbath free from profanation, and his hand from any evildoing.



Jesus' Sermon on the Mount

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Mt 1:20b-21

For it is through the holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins."



Georges de la Tour, The dream of St. Joseph, 1640 (Musée des Beaux-Arts, Nantes)

DECEMBER 17TH

gen 49:8-10

"You, Judah, shall your brothers praise --your hand on the neck of your enemies; the sons of your father shall bow down to you. Judah, like a lion's whelp, you have grown up on prey, my son. He crouches like a lion recumbent, the king of beasts--who would dare rouse him? The scepter shall never depart from Judah, or the mace from between his legs, While tribute is brought to him, and he receives the people's homage.



Aslan

DECEMBER 18TH

Mt 1:22-23

All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: "Behold, the virgin shall be with child and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means "God is with us."



Gian, Hail Mary - ©Gian

DECEMBER 19TH

judg 13:24

The woman bore a son and named him Samson. The boy grew up and the LORD blessed him.



Lucas Cranach d. Ä., Samson's Fight with the Lion, between 1520 and 1525 (Schloss Weimar)

DECEMBER 20TH

Lc 1:31-33

Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his father, and he will rule over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end."

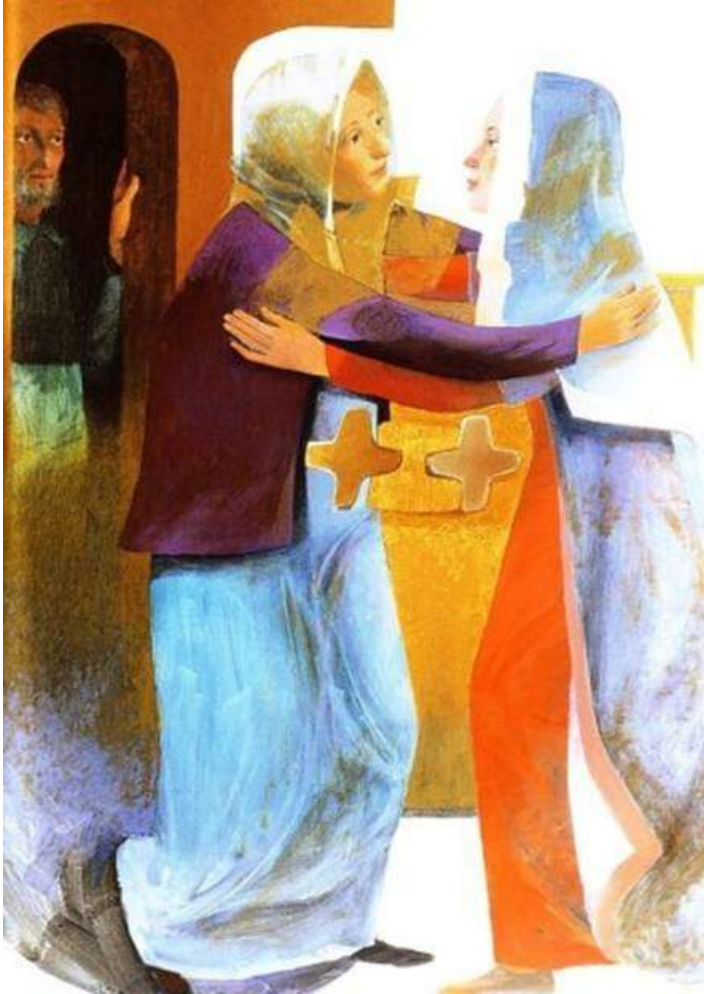


Coroação de Maria

DECEMBER 21ST

Lc 1:41

'When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the holy Spirit.



Arcabas, Visitation - ©Arcabas

DECEMBER 22ND

Lc 1:46-48

And Mary said: "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my savior. For he has looked upon his handmaid's lowliness; behold, from now on will all ages call me blessed.



Sandro Botticelli, *Madonna of the Magnificat*, 1481 (Uffizi, Florence)

DECEMBER 23RD

mal 3:2-3

But who will endure the day of his coming? And who can stand when he appears? For he is like the refiner's fire, or like the fuller's lye. He will sit refining and purifying (silver), and he will purify the sons of Levi, Refining them like gold or like silver that they may offer due sacrifice to the LORD.



*The refining pot is
for silver and the
furnace for gold,
But the Lord tests
hearts.*

~Proverbs 17:3

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Proverbs 17:3

DECEMBER 24TH (MORNING MASS)

Lc 1:76

And you, child, will be called prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways.



Jacob Jordaens, John the Baptist (Rubenshuis, Antwerpen)

VIGIL FOR CHRISTMAS

December, 24th

Mt 1:23

"Behold, the virgin shall be with child and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means "God is with us."



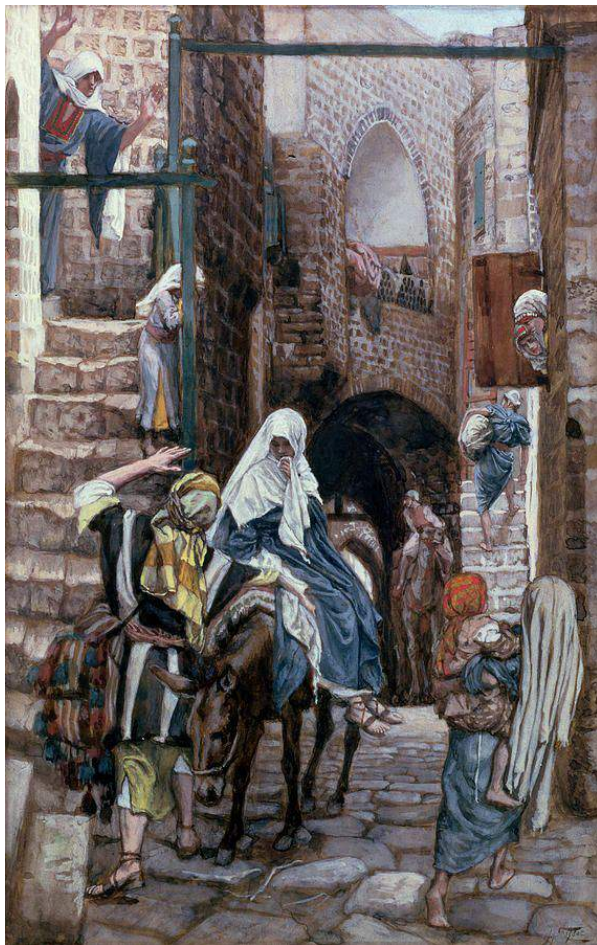
Traditional greek icon, De ontmoeting van Joachim en Anna (Private collection)

CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS

December, 25th

Lc 2:6-7

While they were there, the time came for her to have her child, and she gave birth to her firstborn son. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.



James Tissot, Saint Joseph Seeks Lodging In Bethlehem, 1886-1894 (Brooklyn Museum, New York)

CHRISTMAS DAWN MASS

December, 25th

Lc 2:15-16

When the angels went away from them to heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go, then, to Bethlehem to see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went in haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the infant lying in the manger.



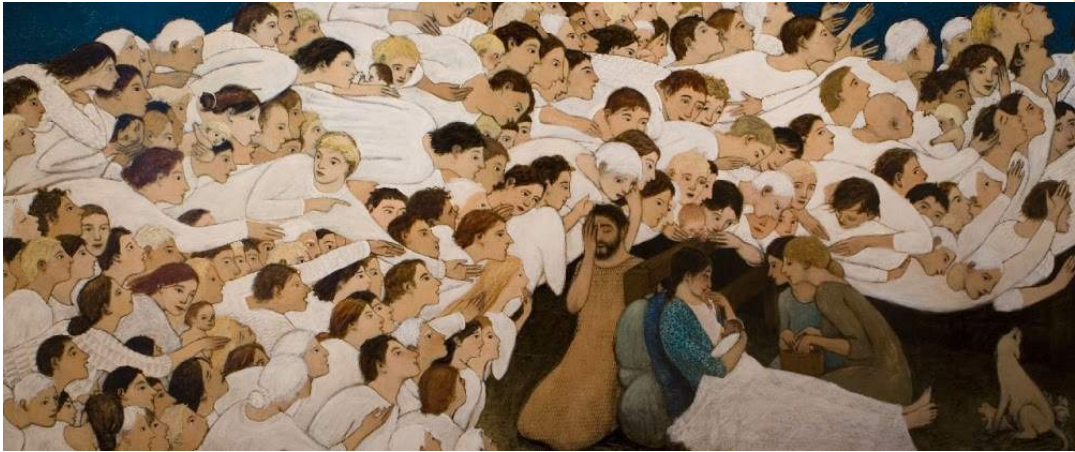
David Adams, The Shepherds Hurry to the Manger, 2006 - ©David Adams

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS

December, 25th

Heb 1:5-6

For to which of the angels did God ever say: "You are my son; this day I have begotten you"? Or again: "I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me"? And again, when he leads the first-born into the world, he says: "Let all the angels of God worship him."



Brian Kershisnik, Nativity, 2007 - ©Brian Kershisnik

SAINT STEPHEN, FIRST MARTYR **December, 26th**

Mt 10:19-20

When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say. You will be given at that moment what you are to say. For it will not be you who speak but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.



Peter-Paul Rubens, The Martyrdom of St Stephen, 1620 (Musée des Beaux-Arts, Valenciennes)

SAINT JOHN, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST

December, 27th

Jn 20:3-7

So Peter and the other disciple went out and came to the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first; he bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place.



David Popiashvili, Jesus is alive! - ©#####

THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS **December, 28th**

Mt 2:14-15

Joseph rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed for Egypt. He stayed there until the death of Herod, that what the Lord had said through the prophet might be fulfilled, "Out of Egypt I called my son."



Rose Datoc Dall, Flight, 2008 (Church History Museum in Salt Lake City, UT.) - ©Rose Datoc Dall

THE HOLY FAMILY

Mt 2:16-17

When Herod realized that he had been deceived by the magi, he became furious. He ordered the massacre of all the boys in Bethlehem and its vicinity two years old and under, in accordance with the time he had ascertained from the magi. Then was fulfilled what had been said through Jeremiah the prophet.



Rene van Tol, Kindermoord bij Bethlehem - ©Rene van Tol

SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

Jn 1:9-13

'He was in the world, and the world came to be through him, but the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, but his own people did not accept him. But to those who did accept him he gave power to become children of God, to those who believe in his name, who were born not by natural generation nor by human choice nor by a man's decision but of God.



Jesus with three children

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Mt 2:11

And on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.



Andrea Mantegna, *The Adoration of the Magi*, c. 1461 (Galleria degli Uffizi, Florence)

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Mt 3:16-17

After Jesus was baptized, he came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened (for him), and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove (and) coming upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."



Baptism of Jezus

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ASH WEDNESDAY

Joel 2:17

Between the porch and the altar let the priests weep, let the ministers of the Lord weep and say: "Spare your people, Lord, do not let your heritage become a disgrace, a byword among the nations! Why should they say among the peoples, 'Where is their God?'"



Piero Di Cosimo, Volto Santo of Lucca

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, Wenen)

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 Berszoza, Corazón Inmaculado de María de Fátima, 2012 · ©Raul Berszoza

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.

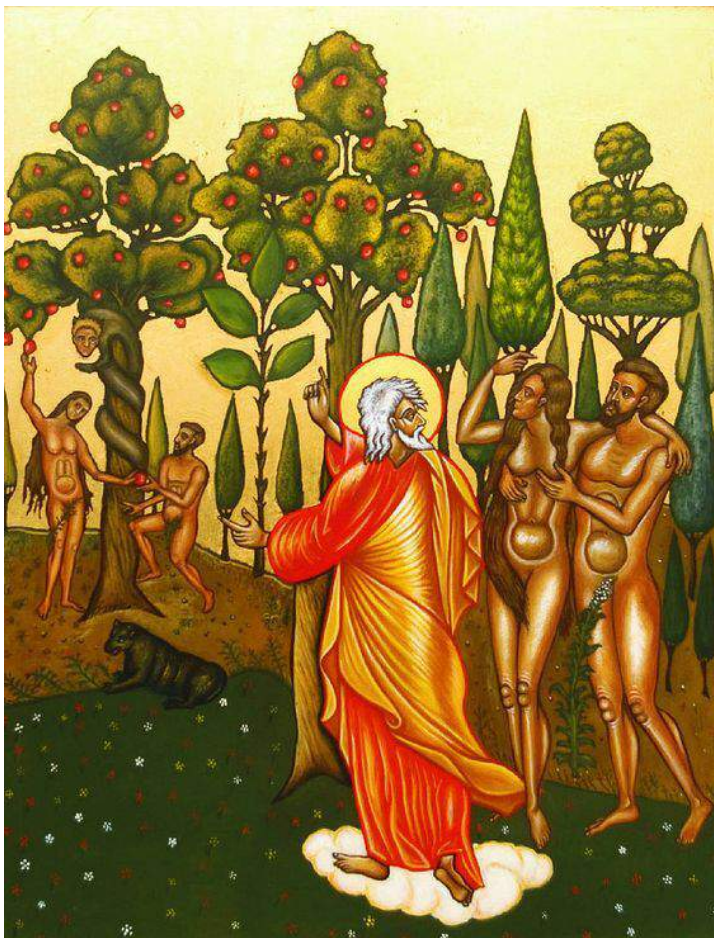


de Meester van Alkmaar, De zeven werken van barmhartigheid - De hongerigen voeden

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Gen 2:16-17

The LORD God gave man this order: "You are free to eat from any of the trees of the garden except the tree of knowledge of good and bad. From that tree you shall not eat; the moment you eat from it you are surely doomed to die."



Del ciclo de la creación: La tentación y caída

MONDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

Mt 25:40

And the king will say to them in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.'.



Toon en Luk spelen dokter, 2011

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)

WEDNESDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

Jon 3:1

The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time.



Ben-Zion, Jonah 1:3 (The Call to Jonah), 1952 (Biblical Themes portfolio, Plate XIV, (Curt Valentin, New York))

THURSDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

mt 7:7-8

"Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.



Perseverance in faith

FRIDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

Mt 5:25-26

Settle with your opponent quickly while on the way to court with him. Otherwise your opponent will hand you over to the judge, and the judge will hand you over to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. Amen, I say to you, you will not be released until you have paid the last penny.

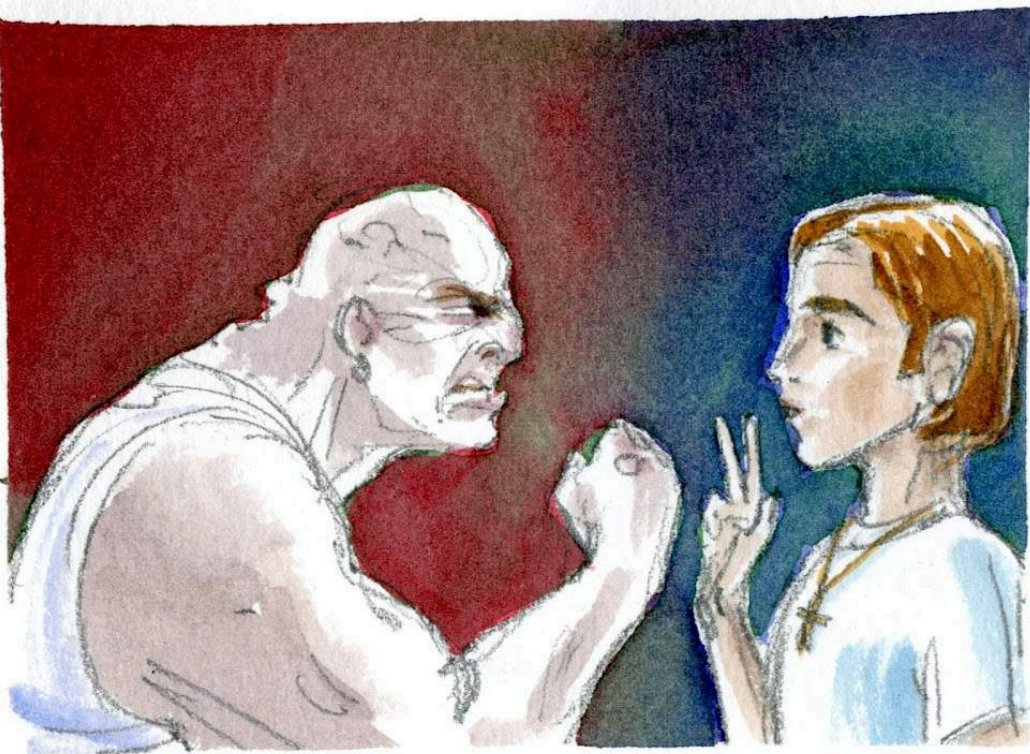


The Master of Catherine of Cleves, Mouth of Hell, XVe eeuw (Het Getijdenboek van Katharina van Kleef, the Morgan Library and Museum)

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

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Mt 17:2-5

And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, conversing with him. Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud cast a shadow over them, then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him."

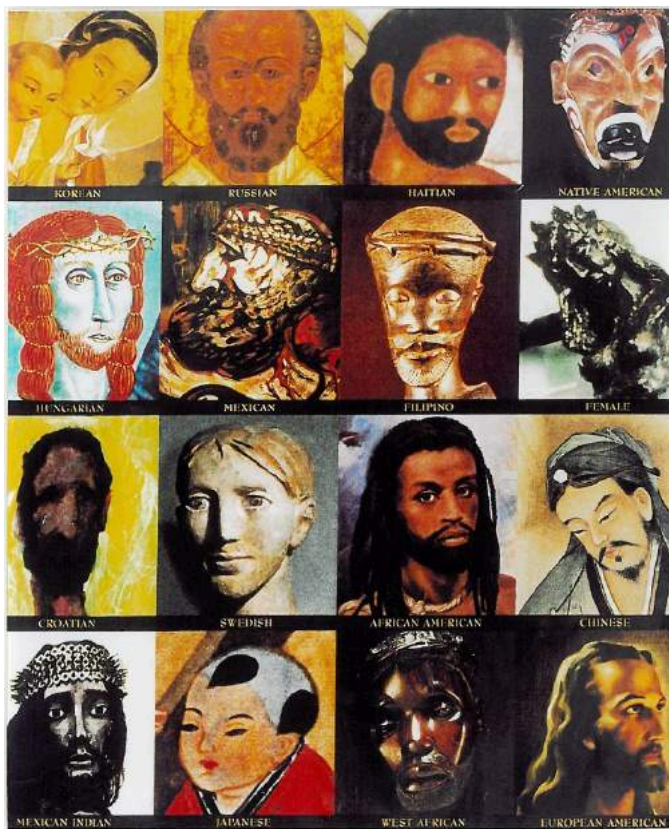


Cornelis Monsma, De verheerlijking, 2006 - ©Cornelis Monsma

MONDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

dan 9:7-9

Justice, O Lord, is on your side; we are shamefaced even to this day: the men of Judah, the residents of Jerusalem, and all Israel, near and far, in all the countries to which you have scattered them because of their treachery toward you. O LORD, we are shamefaced, like our kings, our princes, and our fathers, for having sinned against you. But yours, O Lord, our God, are compassion and forgiveness! Yet we rebelled against you.



The many faces of Jesus

TUESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

isa 1:18

Come now, let us set things right, says the LORD: Though your sins be like scarlet, they may become white as snow; Though they be crimson red, they may become white as wool.

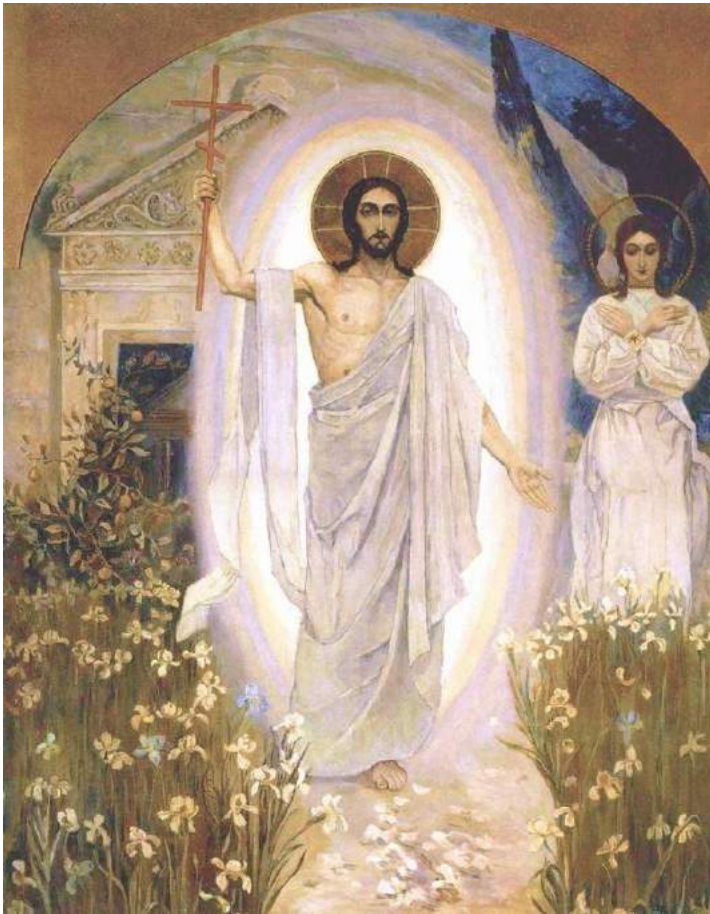


White as snow

WEDNESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

Mt 20:18-19

"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."

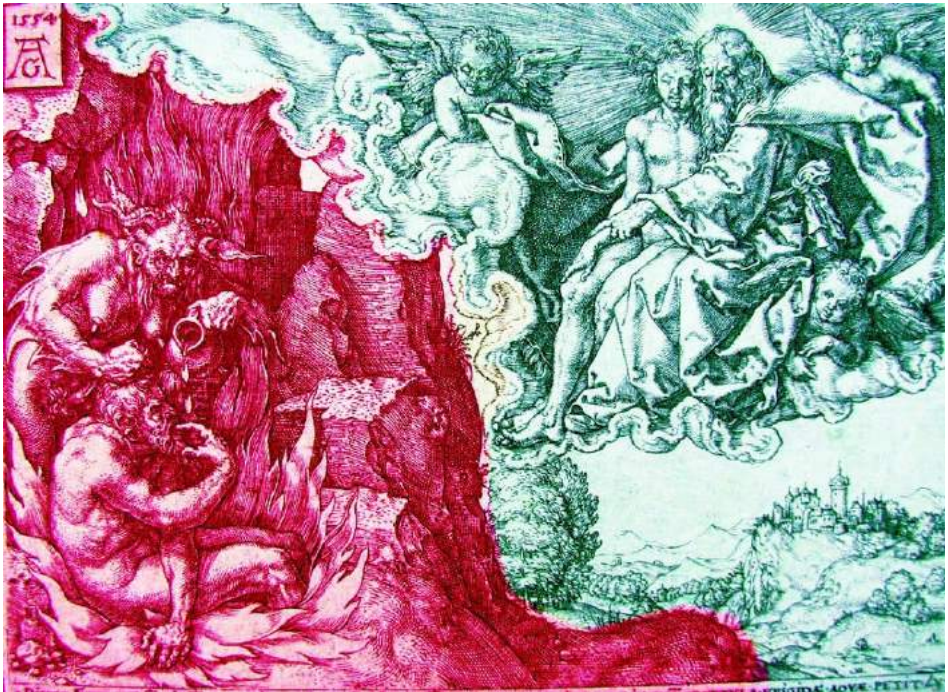


Mikhail Vasilyevich Nesterov, The Resurrection of Christ, ca. 1890-1900

THURSDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

Lc 16:19-24

Who dressed in purple garments and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day. And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who would gladly have eaten his fill of the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even used to come and lick his sores. 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.'



Heinrich Aldegrever, Parabel van Lazarus en de rijke man, 1554

FRIDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

mt 21:38-40

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. What will the owner of the vineyard do to those tenants when he comes?'



The Lord of the vineyard

SATURDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

Lc 15:20-21

So he got up and went back to his father. While he was still a long way off, his father caught sight of him, and was filled with compassion. He ran to his son, embraced him and kissed him. His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.'

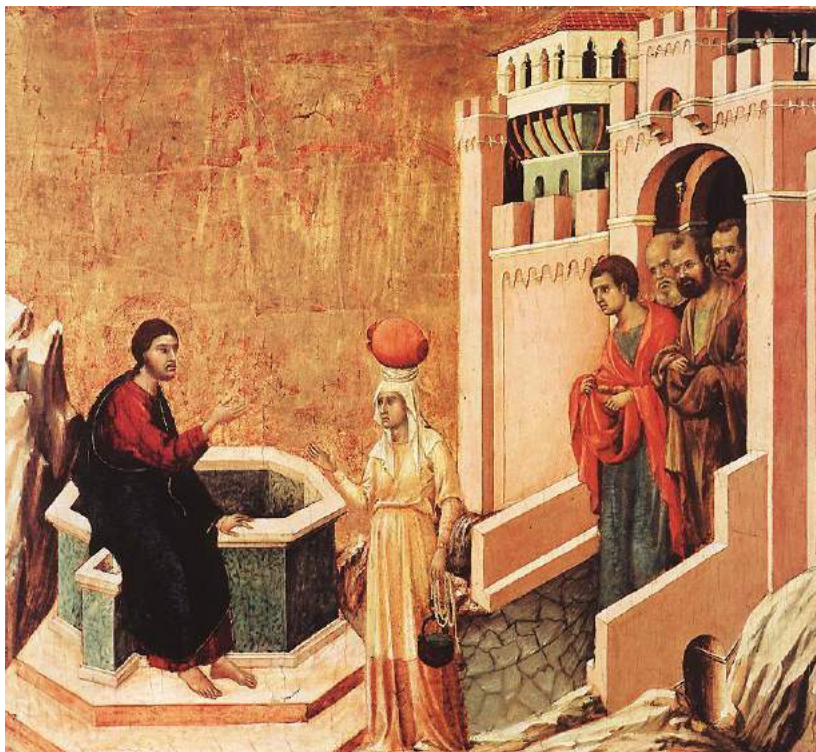


Johan Herman Isings, De verloren zoon ("Bijbelsche vertellingen voor onze kleintjes")

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

jn 4:25-30

The woman said to him, "I know that the Messiah is coming, the one called the Anointed; when he comes, he will tell us everything." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking with you." At that moment his disciples returned, and were amazed that he was talking with a woman, but still no one said, "What are you looking for?" or "Why are you talking with her?" The woman left her water jar and went into the town and said to the people, "Come see a man who told me everything I have done. Could he possibly be the Messiah?" They went out of the town and came to him.



Jesus and the Samaritan woman

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."

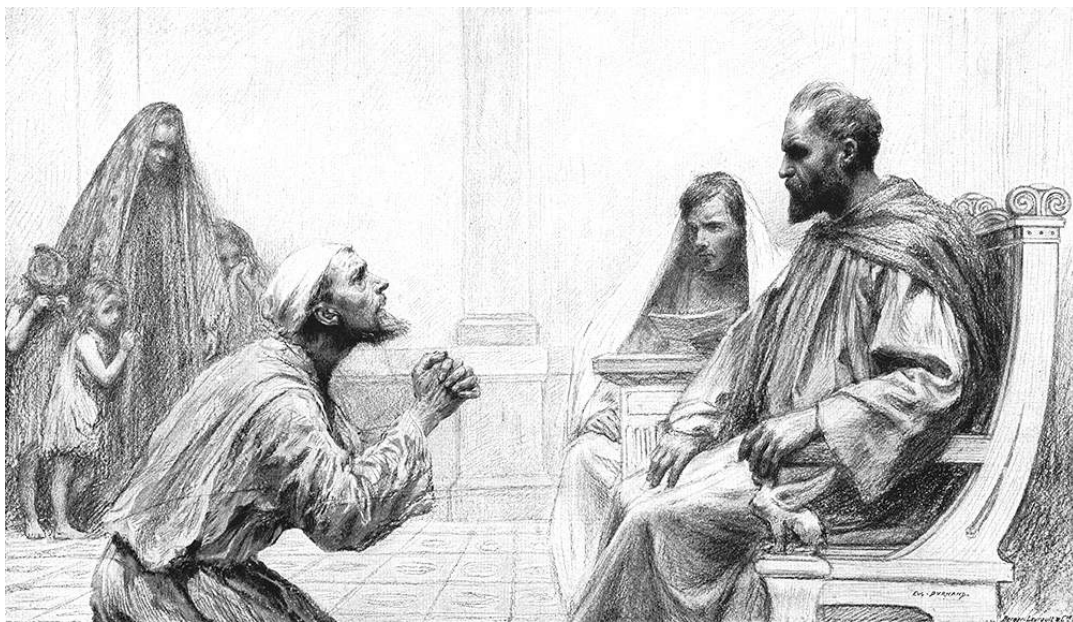


Jan Simons PEINAS, Elisha the Prophet and Naaman (The Pozhalostin Ryazan Regional Art Museum)

TUESDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

mt 18:23-28

That is why the kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who decided to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the accounting, a debtor was brought before him who owed him a huge amount. Since he had no way of paying it back, his master ordered him to be sold, along with his wife, his children, and all his property, in payment of the debt. At that, the servant fell down, did him homage, and said, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back in full.' Moved with compassion the master of that servant let him go and forgave him the loan. When that servant had left, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a much smaller amount. He seized him and started to choke him, demanding, 'Pay back what you owe.'



Unforgiving servant

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

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 Beelzebul that I drive out demons. If I, then, drive out demons by Beelzebul, 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.



Rene van Tol, Martelaar no 2 - ©Rene van Tol

FRIDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

Isa 14:4-6

Assyria will not save us, nor shall we have horses to mount. We shall say no more, 'Our god,' to the work of our hands, for in you the orphan finds compassion." I will heal their defection. I will love them freely, for my wrath is turned away from them. I will be like the dew for Israel. He shall blossom like the lily. He shall strike root like the Lebanon cedar.

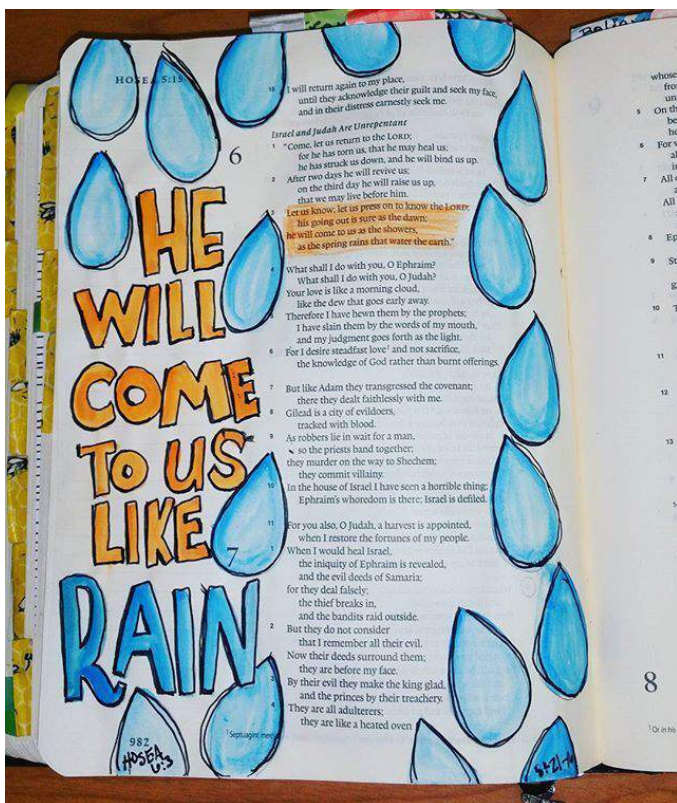


I will be as the dew unto Israel

SATURDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

hos 6:1-3

In their affliction, they shall look for me: "Come, let us return to the LORD, For it is he who has rent, but he will heal us; he has struck us, but he will bind our wounds. He will revive us after two days; on the third day he will raise us up, to live in his presence. Let us know, let us strive to know the LORD; as certain as the dawn is his coming, and his judgment shines forth like the light of day! He will come to us like the rain, like spring rain that waters the earth."



He will come to us like rain

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Jn 9:24-25

So a second time they called the man who had been blind and said to him, "Give God the praise! We know that this man is a sinner." He replied, "If he is a sinner, I do not know. One thing I do know is that I was blind and now I see."



ONE THING I DO KNOW.

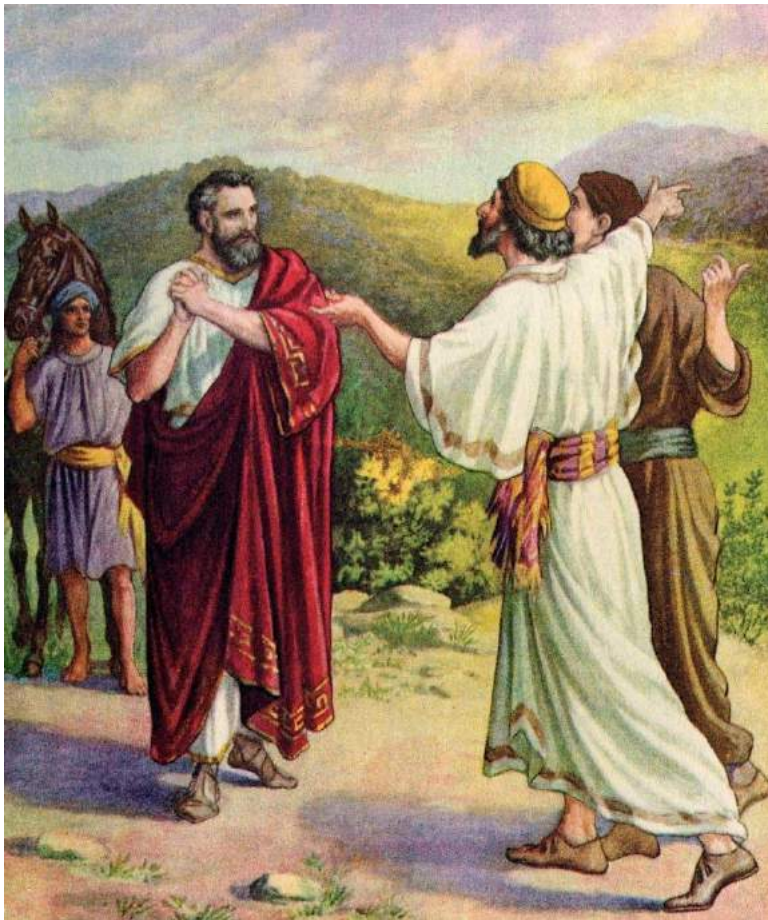


Katie Campbell, SPIT & MUD - ©Katie Campbell

MONDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

Jn 4:49-51

The royal official said to him, "Sir, come down before my child dies." Jesus said to him, "You may go; your son will live." The man believed what Jesus said to him and left. While he was on his way back, his slaves met him and told him that his boy would live.



Jesus and the nobleman's son

TUESDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

Ezek 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

isa 49:11-13

I will cut a road through all my mountains, and make my highways level. See, some shall come from afar, others from the north and the west, and some from the land of Syene. Sing out, O heavens, and rejoice, O earth, break forth into song, you mountains. For the LORD comforts his people and shows mercy to his afflicted.



Road

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.



The golden calf

FRIDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

jn 7:6-12

So Jesus said to them, "My time is not yet here, but the time is always right for you. The world cannot hate you, but it hates me, because I testify to it that its works are evil. You go up to the feast. I am not going up to this feast, because my time has not yet been fulfilled." After he had said this, he stayed on in Galilee. But when his brothers had gone up to the feast, he himself also went up, not openly but (as it were) in secret. The Jews were looking for him at the feast and saying, "Where is he?" And there was considerable murmuring about him in the crowds. Some said, "He is a good man," (while) others said, "No; on the contrary, he misleads the crowd."



The disciples go to the festival without Jesus

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

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Jn 11:27

She said to him, "Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world."



De opwekking van Lazarus

TUESDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

jn 8:23

He said to them, "You belong to what is below, I belong to what is above. You belong to this world, but I do not belong to this world.



Salvador Dalí, Christ of St. John on the Cross, 1951 (Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum in Glasgow)

WEDNESDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

dan 3:16-20

Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego answered King Nebuchadnezzar, "There is no need for us to defend ourselves before you in this matter. If our God, whom we serve, can save us from the white-hot furnace and from your hands, O king, may he save us! But even if he will not, know, O king, that we will not serve your god or worship the golden statue which you set up." Nebuchadnezzar's face became livid with utter rage against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. He ordered the furnace to be heated seven times more than usual and had some of the strongest men in his army bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego and cast them into the white-hot furnace.



Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego

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!

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

SATURDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

ezeek 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

PALM SUNDAY

Mt 27:45-47

From noon onward, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And about three o'clock Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" Some of the bystanders who heard it said, "This one is calling for Elijah."



Elijah was taken up into heaven in a chariot of fire and horses of fire

MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK

isa 42:5-7

Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spreads out the earth with its crops, Who gives breath to its people and spirit to those who walk on it: I, the LORD, have called you for the victory of justice, I have grasped you by the hand; I formed you, and set you as a covenant of the people, a light for the nations, To open the eyes of the blind, to bring out prisoners from confinement, and from the dungeon, those who live in darkness.



Jim DeMain, West Wall With Birds - ©Jim DeMain

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 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

CHRISM MASS

Isa 61:2,1

To announce a year of favor from the LORD and a day of vindication by our God, to comfort all who mourn; The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; He has sent me to bring glad tidings to the lowly, to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives and release to the prisoners.



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HOLY THURSDAY

1 Cor 11:24

And, after he had given thanks, broke it and said, “This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”.



Tradição em foco com Roma

a Corpus Christi procession in Valencia, Spain, 2015

GOOD FRIDAY

Jn 18:37-38

So Pilate said to him, "Then you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say I am a king. For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." Pilate said to him, "What is truth?" When he had said this, he again went out to the Jews and said to them, "I find no guilt in him.



Alain Senez, Wat is waarheid (Sint-Andrieskerk, Antwerpen) - ©Alain Senez

EASTER VIGIL

Mt 28:5-7

Then the angel said to the women in reply, "Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him.' Behold, I have told you."



Julia Stankova, The Empty Tomb - ©Julia Stankova

EASTER SUNDAY

Jn 20:1

On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb.



Empty tomb at sunrise

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

TUESDAY OF EASTER WEEK

Jn 20:11-13

And as she wept, she bent over into the tomb.

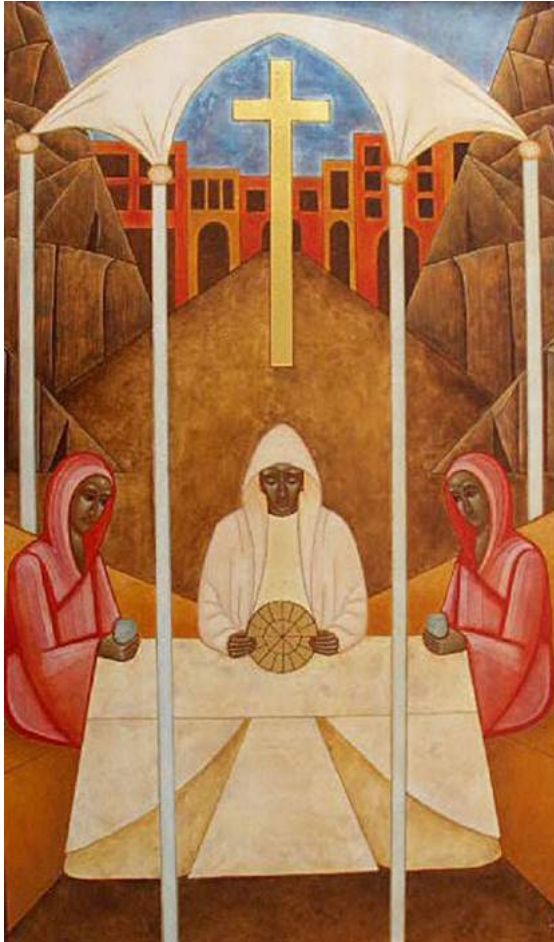


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WEDNESDAY OF EASTER WEEK

Lc 24:30-31

And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight.



Jodi Simmons, The Supper at Emmaus

THURSDAY OF EASTER WEEK

Lc 24:35

Then the two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

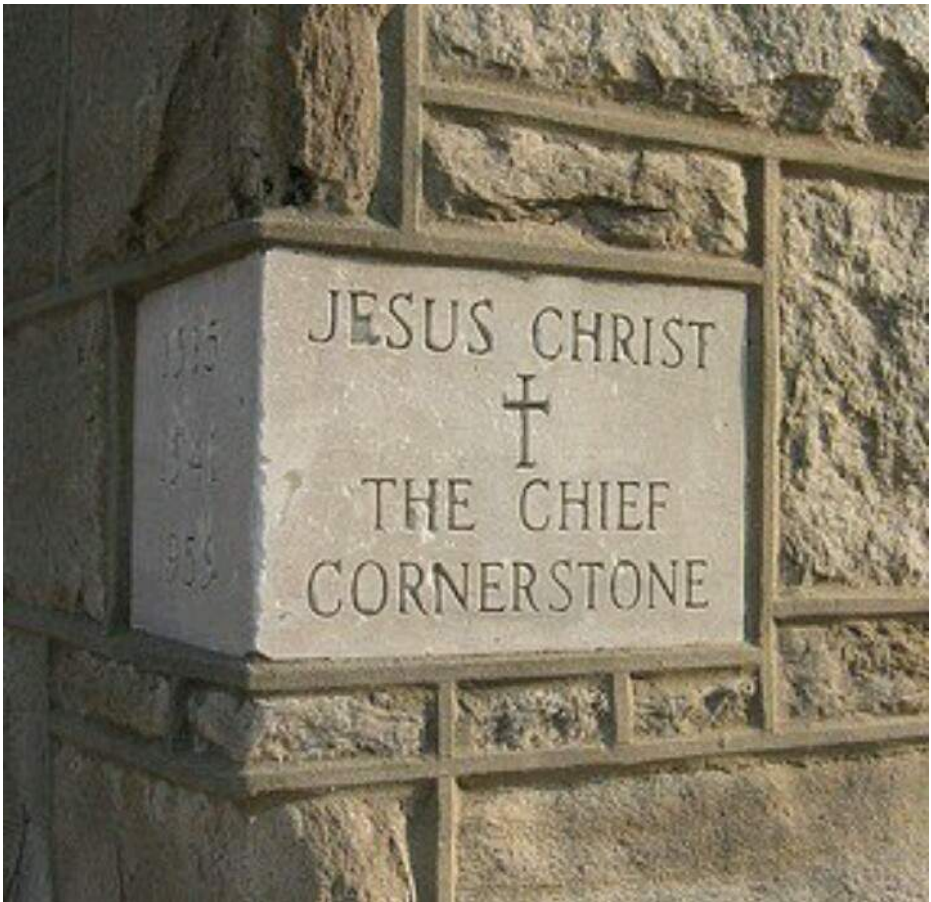


Consecration by Pope Benedict XVI

FRIDAY OF EASTER WEEK

Acts 4:10-11

Then all of you and all the people of Israel should know that it was in the name of Jesus Christ the Nazorean whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead; in his name this man stands before you healed. He is 'the stone rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone.'

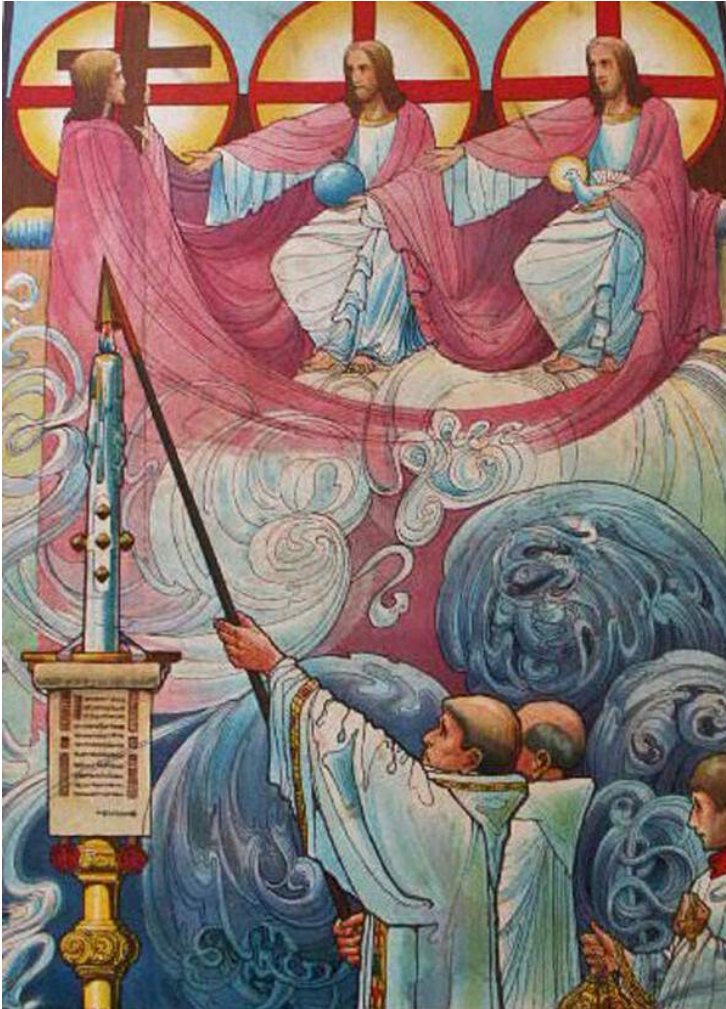


The Chief Cornerstone

SATURDAY OF EASTER WEEK

Mc 16:15

He said to them, "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature.



Jos Speybroeck, The Ascension (The Feast of the Ascension from Liturgical Calendar poster series)

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jn 20:19

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you."



Peace be with you

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Lc 24:31

With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight.



Jan Havicksz. Steen, Supper at Emmaus, 1665-68 (Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam)

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

1 Pet 2:24

He himself bore our sins in his body upon the cross, so that, free from sin, we might live for righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.



Graffiti

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jn 14:5-7

Thomas said to him, "Master, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, then you will also know my Father. From now on you do know him and have seen him."



Priesthood

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jn 14:17-20

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.

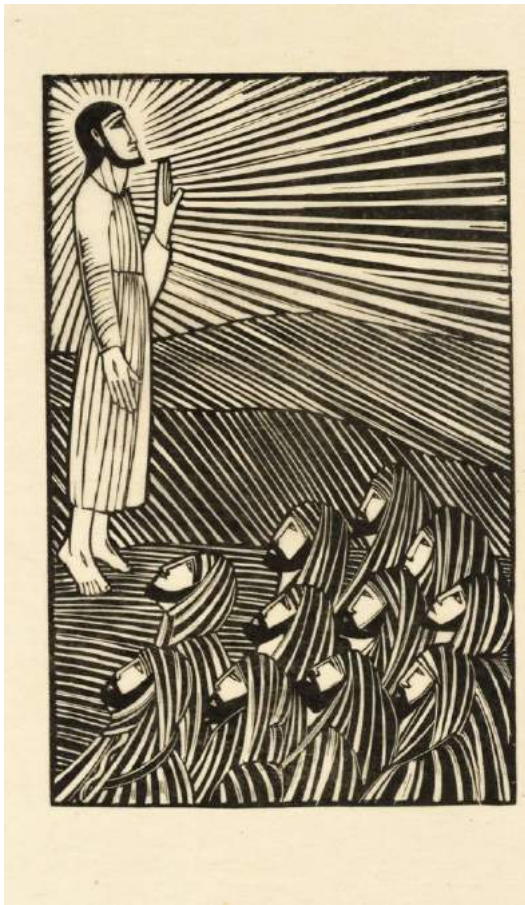


Agnolo Gaddi, *The Trinity*, ca. 1390–96 (The Metropolitan Museum of Art)

ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Acts 1:7-8

He answered them, "It is not for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has established by his own authority. 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."

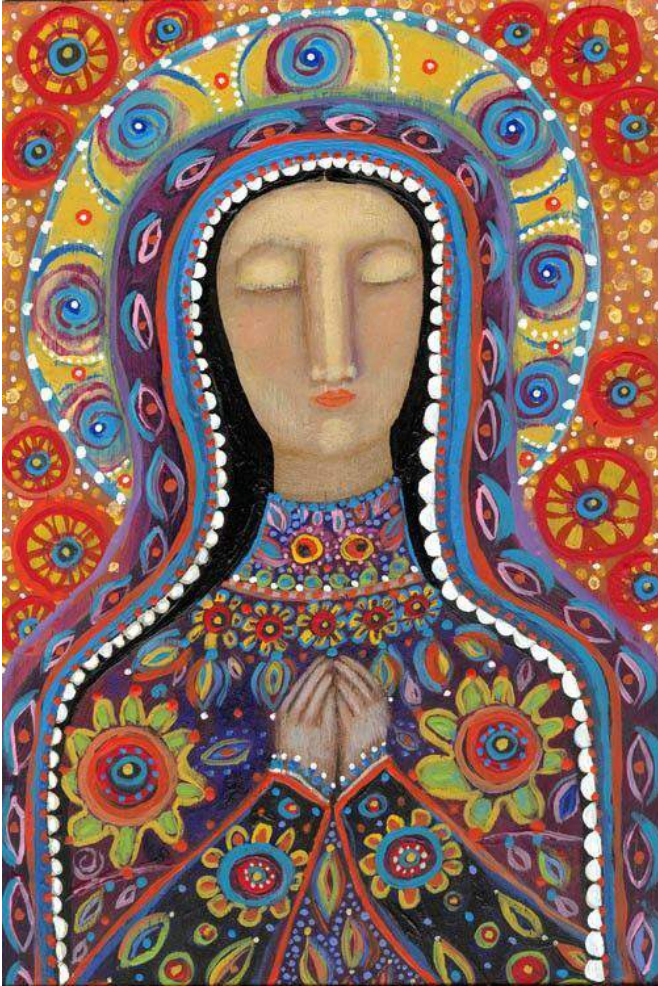


Eric Gill, Ascension, 1918 (Tate Gallery)

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 1:14

All these devoted themselves with one accord to prayer, together with some women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.



Rose Walton, The Mexican Madonna - ©Rose Walton

PENTECOST

Acts 2:3-4

Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim.



Daniel Mitsui, Pentecost - ©Daniel Mitsui

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
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ORDINARY TIME**

THE HOLY TRINITY

Jn 3:17

For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.



Savior

CORPUS CHRISTI

Jn 6:51

I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."



Dave Manning, First Holy Communion - ©Dave Manning

SACRED HEART OF JESUS

1 Jn 4:10

In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as expiation for our sins.



Sacred heart

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

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 Bersosa, Corazón Inmaculado de María de Fátima, 2012 · ©Raul Bersosa

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jn 1:29-30

The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. He is the one of whom I said, 'A man is coming after me who ranks ahead of me because he existed before me.'"



Alexander Ivanov, De verschijning van Jezus aan de mensen, 1837-1857 (Galerie Tretjakov, Moskou)

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mt 4:18-21

As he was walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew, casting a net into the sea; they were fishermen. He said to them, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." At once they left their nets and followed him. He walked along from there and saw two other brothers, James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John. They were in a boat, with their father Zebedee, mending their nets. He called them.



Lois Russell, Fishers of men - ©Lois Russell

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mt 5:3-9

For theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land. Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.



Giusto de' Menabuoi, Paradise, 1376 (Baptistry, Padua)

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mt 5:13

"You are the salt of the earth. But if salt loses its taste, with what can it be seasoned? It is no longer good for anything but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.



Het zout

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mt 5:29-30

If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one of your members than to have your whole body thrown into Gehenna. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one of your members than to have your whole body go into Gehenna.

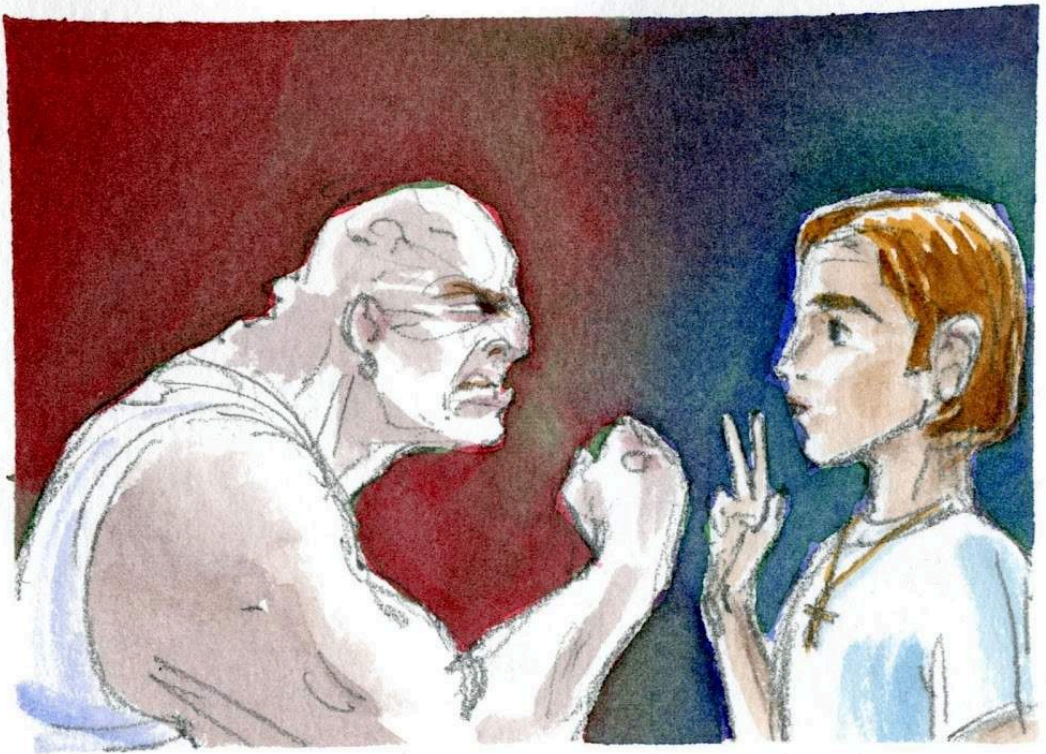


Keith Fieler, Hand eye guy, 2010 - ©kfieler

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mt 6:26

Look at the birds in the sky; they do not sow or reap, they gather nothing into barns, yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are not you more important than they?



Pauline Baynes, Saint Francis of Assisi - ©Pauline Baynes

NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mt 7:24-27

"Everyone who listens to these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and buffeted the house. But it did not collapse; it had been set solidly on rock. And everyone who listens to these words of mine but does not act on them will be like a fool who built his house on sand. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and buffeted the house. And it collapsed and was completely ruined."



Daily Grace, Build on the rock, 2012 - ©Daily Grace

TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Hos 6:4-6

What can I do with you, Ephraim? What can I do with you, Judah? Your piety is like a morning cloud, like the dew that early passes away. For this reason I smote them through the prophets, I slew them by the words of my mouth; For it is love that I desire, not sacrifice, and knowledge of God rather than holocausts.



Anonymous, The Sacrifice of Isaac, 2017 (Vlaamse Poort, Brussel) - ©Ivan Put

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mt 10:1-4

And gave them authority over unclean spirits to drive them out and to cure every disease and every illness. The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon called Peter; and his brother Andrew; James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew, Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James, the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddeus; Simon the Cananean, and Judas Iscariot who betrayed him.



12 apoteles

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mt 10:28-32

And do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in Gehenna. Are not two sparrows sold for a small coin? Yet not one of them falls to the ground without your Father's knowledge. Even all the hairs of your head are counted. So do not be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows. Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father.



Megachurch worship

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Rom 6:4

We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life.



Chris Koelle, The History of Redemption - We were buried with him by baptism into death - ©Chris Koelle

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Zech 9:9

Rejoice heartily, O daughter Zion, shout for joy, O daughter Jerusalem! See, your king shall come to you; a just savior is he, Meek, and riding on an ass, on a colt, the foal of an ass.



Oleksandr Antonyuk, Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem - ©Oleksandr Antonyuk

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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)

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

rom 8:26-27

Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmity. For we know not what we should pray for as we ought; but the Spirit himself asketh for us with unspeakable groanings. And he that searcheth the hearts, knoweth what the Spirit desireth; because he asketh for the saints according to God.



Tyrus Clutter, Blessed, 2010 - ©Tyrus Clutter

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mt 13:44

Which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.



Master of the Berlin Sketchbook, Anna selbdritt, 1525 (Musée des Beaux-Arts, Strasbourg)

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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!



de Meester van Alkmaar, De zeven werken van barmhartigheid - De dorstigen laven

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mt 14:30-31

But when he saw how (strong) the wind was he became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught him, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?"



Jesus walks on the water

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mt 15:21-28

Then Jesus went from that place and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a Canaanite woman of that district came and called out, "Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David! My daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not say a word in answer to her. His disciples came and asked him, "Send her away, for she keeps calling out after us." He said in reply, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But the woman came and did him homage, saying, "Lord, help me." He said in reply, "It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed from that hour.



Pieter Lastman, *The Canaanite Woman*, 1617 (Museum Het Rembrandthuis, Amsterdam)

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mt 16:24-26

Take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? Or what can one give in exchange for his life?



Jan van Eyck, Het laatste oordeel

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mt 18:19-20

Again, (amen,) I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."



Anthony Falbo, A Cubist Prayer, 2012 - ©Anthony Falbo

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mt 18:21-22

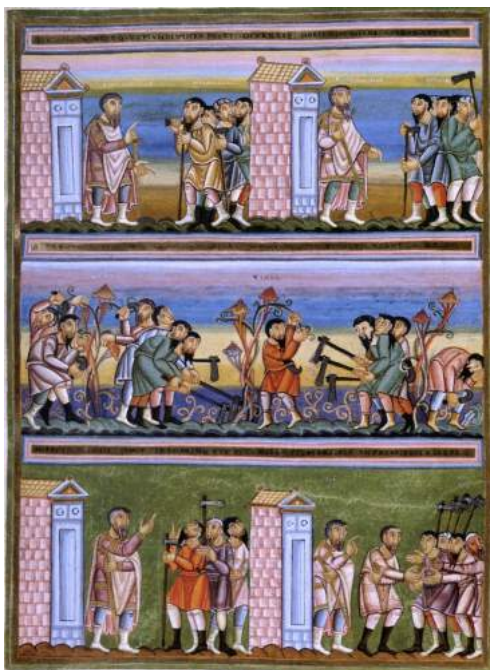
Then Peter approaching asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive him? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times.

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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mt 20:9-16

When those who had started about five o'clock came, each received the usual daily wage. So when the first came, they thought that they would receive more, but each of them also got the usual wage. And on receiving it they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last ones worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us, who bore the day's burden and the heat.' He said to one of them in reply, 'My friend, I am not cheating you. Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what is yours and go. What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? (Or) am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous?' Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last."

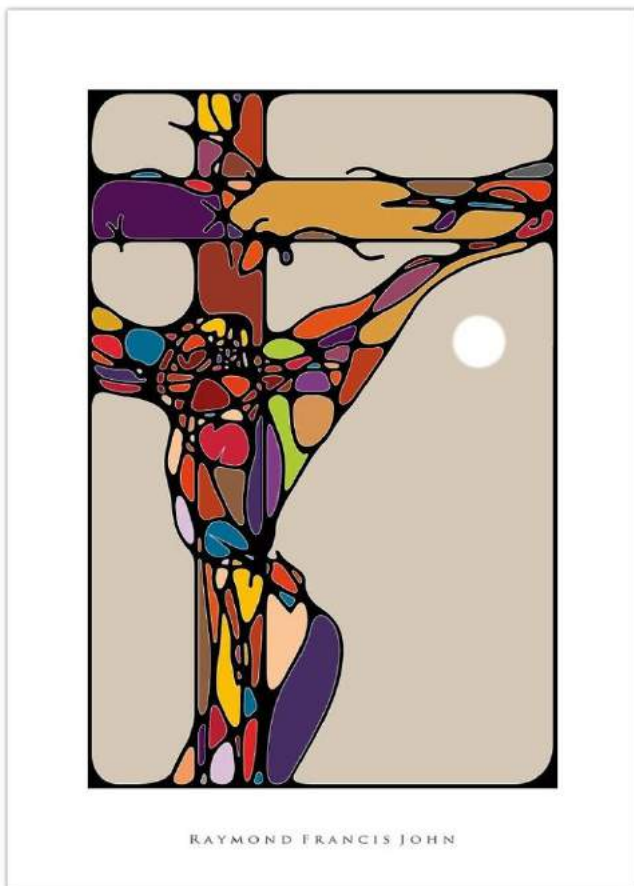


Codex Aureus Epternacensis, Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard, 11th century

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Phil 2:5-8

Who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God something to be grasped. Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness; and found human in appearance, he humbled himself, becoming obedient to death, even death on a cross.



Raymond Francis John, Divinity collection, 2014 - ©Raymond Francis John

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mt 21:33-40

Put a hedge around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went on a journey. When vintage time drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to obtain his produce. But the tenants seized the servants and one they beat, another they killed, and a third they stoned. Again he sent other servants, more numerous than the first ones, but they treated them in the same way. 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. What will the owner of the vineyard do to those tenants when he comes?''.

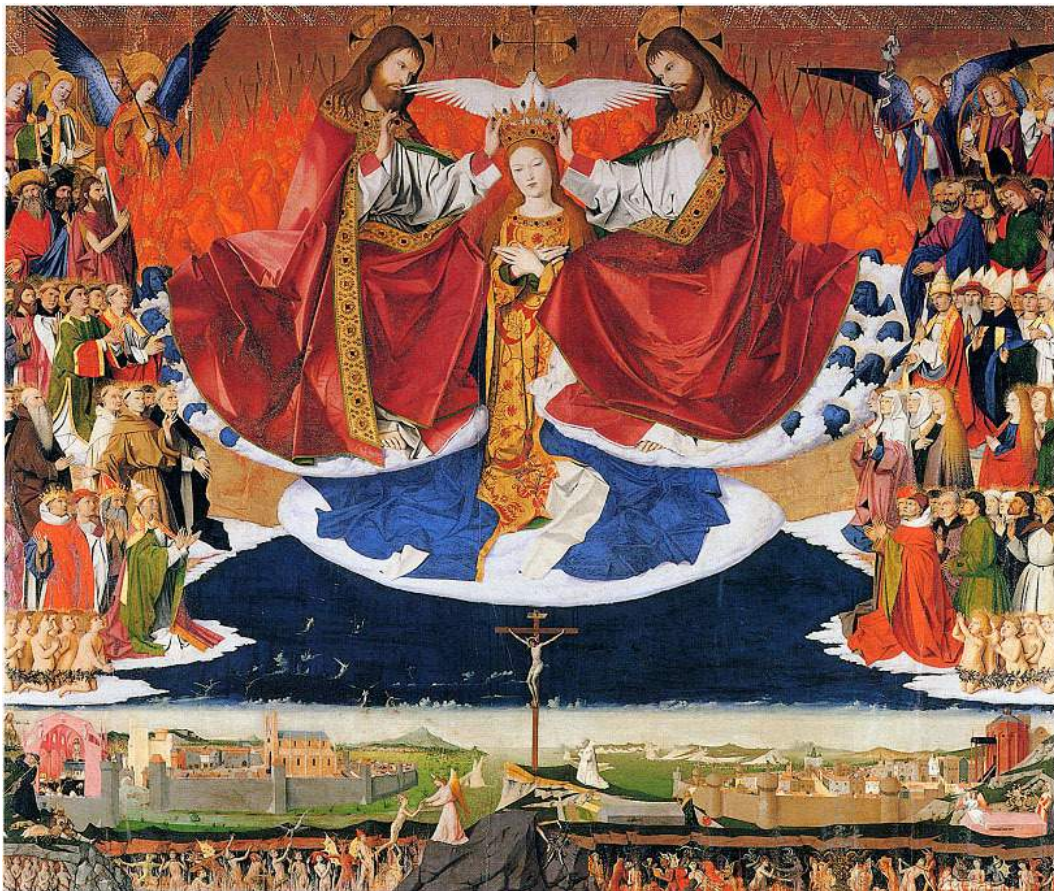


Derrick Grant, The Crucifixion - ©Derrick Grant

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mt 22:8-10

Then he said to his servants, 'The feast is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy to come. Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find.' The servants went out into the streets and gathered all they found, bad and good alike, and the hall was filled with guests.



Enguerrand Quarton, *Le Couronnement de la Vierge*, 1454 (Villeneuve-lès-Avignon, France)

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mt 22:15-21

Went off and plotted how they might entrap him in speech. They sent their disciples to him, with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are a truthful man and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. And you are not concerned with anyone's opinion, for you do not regard a person's status. Tell us, then, what is your opinion: Is it lawful to pay the census tax to Caesar or not?" Knowing their malice, Jesus said, "Why are you testing me, you hypocrites? Show me the coin that pays the census tax." Then they handed him the Roman coin. He said to them, "Whose image is this and whose inscription?" They replied, "Caesar's." At that he said to them, "Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."



Geef dan aan de keizer wat de keizer toekomt, en aan God wat God toekomt

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mt 22:37-40

He said to him, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. The whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments."

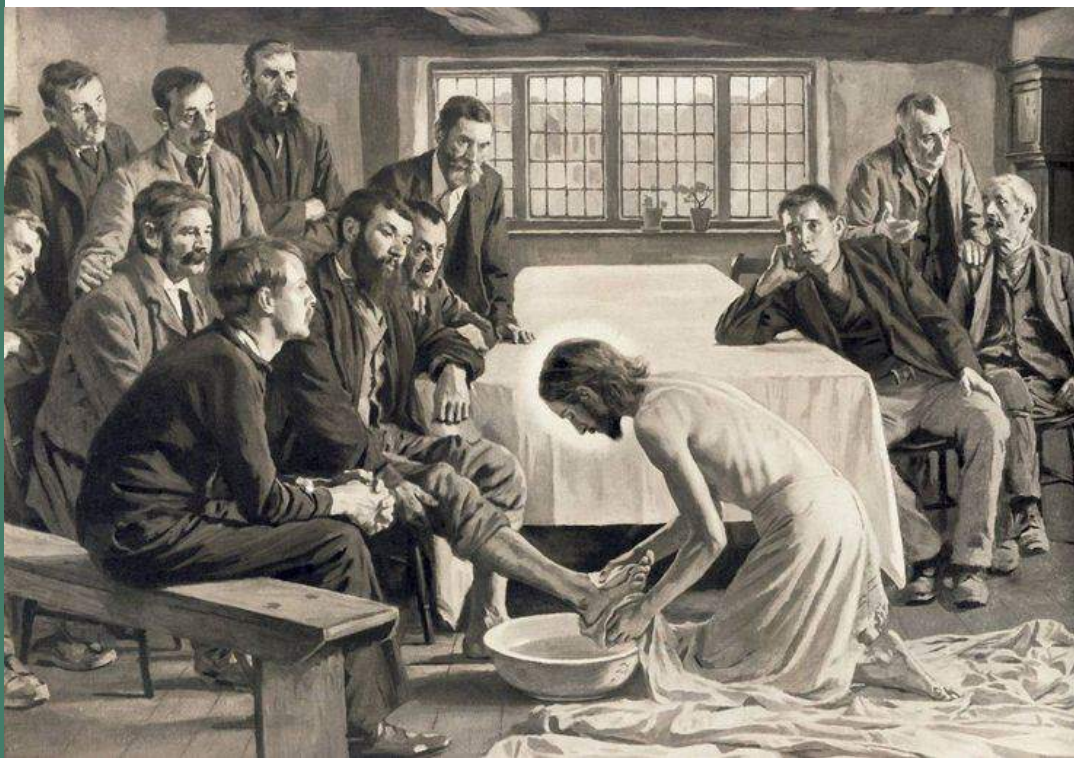


Ten Commandments

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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.

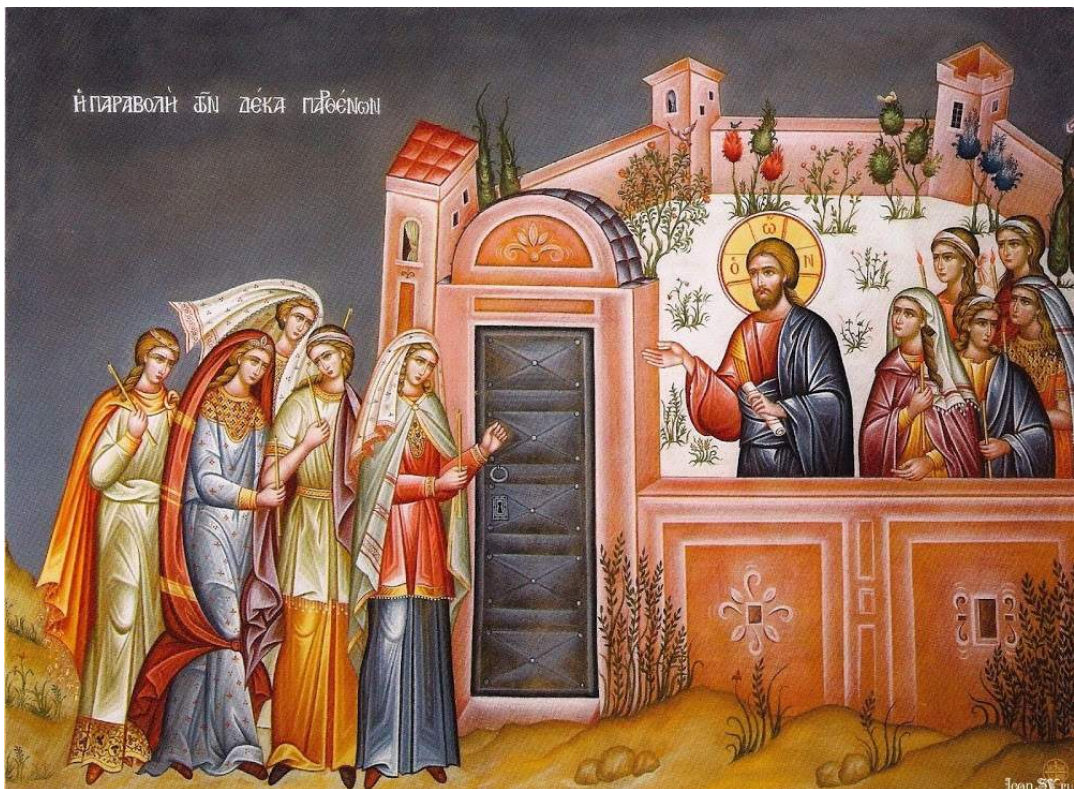


Gunning King, *But He That Is Greatest Among You Shall Be Your Servant*, 1911

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mt 25:10-13

While they went off to buy it, the bridegroom came and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him. Then the door was locked. Afterwards the other virgins came and said, 'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.' Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

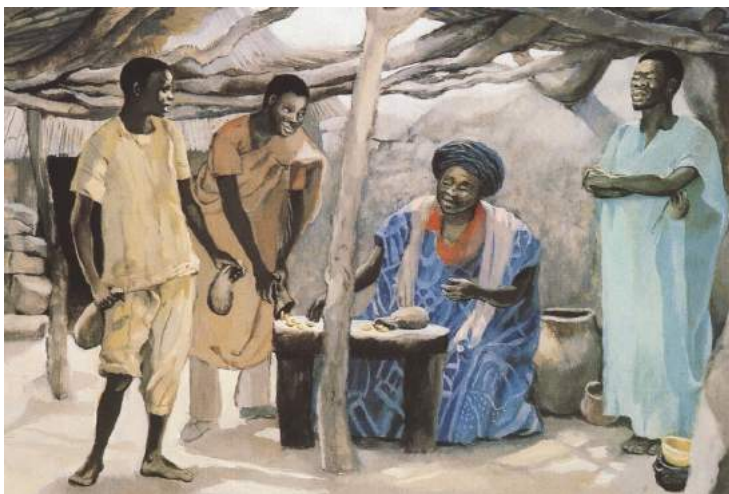


The Parable of the Ten Virgins

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mt 25:20-26

The one who had received five talents came forward bringing the additional five. He said, 'Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.' (Then) the one who had received two talents also came forward and said, 'Master, you gave me two talents. See, I have made two more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.' Then the one who had received the one talent came forward and said, 'Master, I knew you were a demanding person, harvesting where you did not plant and gathering where you did not scatter; so out of fear I went off and buried your talent in the ground. Here it is back.' His master said to him in reply, 'You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I did not plant and gather where I did not scatter?'



Jesus Mafa, Parable of the Three Servants, 1973 ("Art in the Christian Tradition") - ©Jesus Mafa

CHRIST THE KING

1 Cor 15:22-23

For just as in Adam all die, so too in Christ shall all be brought to life, but each one in proper order: Christ the firstfruits; then, at his coming, those who belong to Christ.



Ezio Anichini, Assumption of Mary - ©Ezio Anichini

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