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Liturgical Calendar for Sundays and feasts

— 2020 — 2021 —

November

29 Su 1

December

1 Tu 3

2 W 4

3 Th 5

4 F 6

5 Sa 7

6 Su 8

7 M 9

9 W 11

10 Th 12

11 F 13

12 Sa 14

13 Su 15

14 M 16

15 Tu 17

16 W 18

17 Th 22

18 F 23

19 Sa 24

20 Su 21

21 M 26

22 Tu 27

23 W 28

24 Th 31

25 F 32

26 Sa 35

27 Su 38

28 M 37

January

3 Su 40

10 Su 41

17 Su 102

24 Su 103

31 Su 104

February

7 Su 105

14 Su 106

17 W 42

18 Th 43

19 F 44

20 Sa 45

21 Su 46

23 Tu 48

24 W 49

25 Th 50

26 F 51

27 Sa 52

28 Su 53

March

1 M 54

2 Tu 55

3 W 56

4 Th 57

5 F 58

6 Sa 59

7 Su 60

8 M 61

9 Tu 62

10 W 63

11 Th 64

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15 M 68

16 Tu 69

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18 Th 71

20 Sa 73

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April

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May

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June

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July

4 Su 114

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18 Su 116

25 Su 117

August

1 Su 118

8 Su 119

22 Su 121

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September

5 Su 123

12 Su 124

19 Su 125

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October

3 Su 127

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November

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— 2023 — 2024 —

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March

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— 2026 — 2027 —

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**READINGS FOR
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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

isa 63:16-17

for you are our father. Were Abraham not to know us, nor Israel to acknowledge us, You, LORD, are our father, our redeemer you are named forever. Why do you let us wander, O LORD, from your ways, and harden our hearts so that we fear you not? Return for the sake of your servants, the tribes of your heritage.

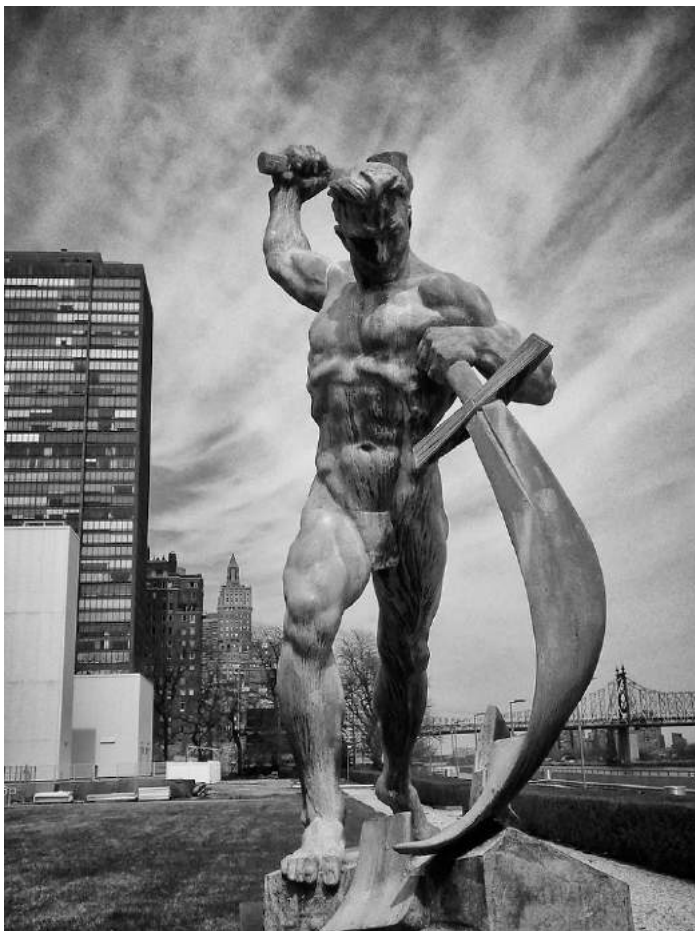


Anticipating the Coming King

MONDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

isa 2:4

He shall judge between the nations, and impose terms on many peoples. They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; One nation shall not raise the sword against another, nor shall they train for war again.



donated to the UN by the USSR in 1959, Let Us Beat Swords into Plowshares, 1959

TUESDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

isa 11:6-8

Then the wolf shall be a guest of the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid;
The calf and the young lion shall browse together, with a little child to guide them. The
cow and the bear shall be neighbors, together their young shall rest; the lion shall eat
hay like the ox. The baby shall play by the cobra's den, and the child lay his hand on
the adder's lair.

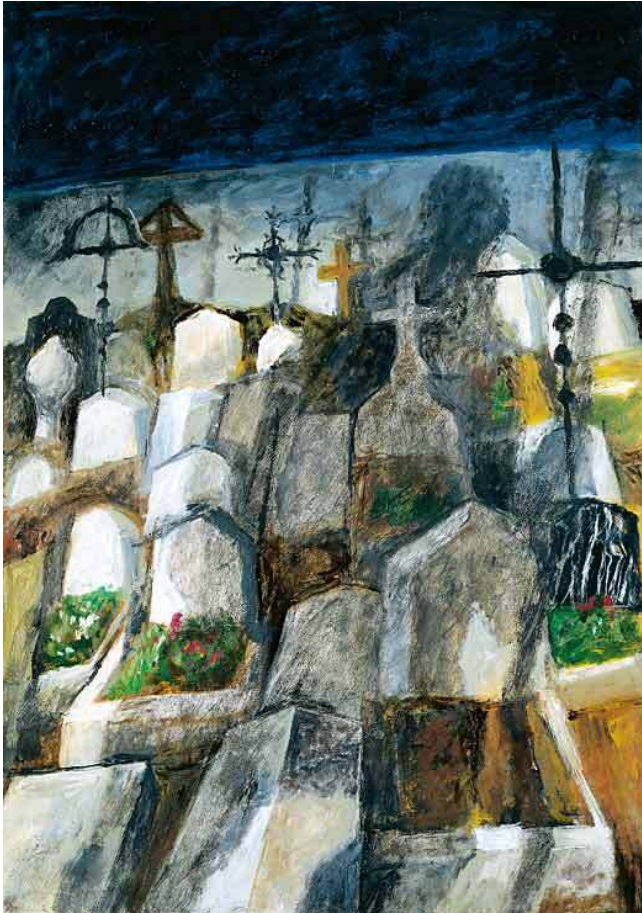


Edward Hicks, The Peaceable Kingdom, 1833 (National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC)

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

isa 26:2

Open up the gates to let in a nation that is just, one that keeps faith.



Open Ye the Gates (Harvard)

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

Mt 10:3

Philip and Bartholomew, Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James, the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddeus.



Caravaggio, St Matthew and the Angel, 1602 (San Luigi dei Francesi, Rome)

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Isa 40:11

Like a shepherd he feeds his flock; in his arms he gathers the lambs, Carrying them in his bosom, and leading the ewes with care.



Philippe de Champaigne, The Good Shepherd, 17th c.

MONDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

isa 35:3-5

Strengthen the hands that are feeble. make firm the knees that are weak. Say to those whose hearts are frightened. Be strong, fear not! Here is your God. he comes with vindication. With divine recompense he comes to save you. Then will the eyes of the blind be opened. the ears of the deaf be cleared.



Eustache Le Sueur, Christ Healing the Blind Man, eerste helft
17e eeuw (Bildergalerie (Sanssouci), Potsdam, Duitsland)

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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

isa 61:1-3

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, To announce a year of favor from the LORD and a day of vindication by our God, to comfort all who mourn; To place on those who mourn in Zion a diadem instead of ashes, To give them oil of gladness in place of mourning, a glorious mantle instead of a listless spirit. They will be called oaks of justice, planted by the LORD to show his glory.



Jesus' inauguration - ©www.freebibleimages.org

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

zeph 3:13

the remnant of Israel. They shall do no wrong and speak no lies; Nor shall there be found in their mouths a deceitful tongue; They shall pasture and couch their flocks with none to disturb them.



The tongue

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

Lc 1:26-28

In the sixth month, the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the house of David, and the virgin's name was Mary. And coming to her, he said, "Hail, favored one! The Lord is with you."



Ivanka Demchuk, Annunciation - ©Ivanka Demchuk

DECEMBER 17TH

Mt 1:1-6

The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham. Abraham became the father of Isaac, Isaac the father of Jacob, Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers. Judah became the father of Perez and Zerah, whose mother was Tamar. Perez became the father of Hezron, Hezron the father of Ram, Ram the father of Amminadab. Amminadab became the father of Nahshon, Nahshon the father of Salmon, Salmon the father of Boaz, whose mother was Rahab. Boaz became the father of Obed, whose mother was Ruth. Obed became the father of Jesse, Jesse the father of David the king. David became the father of Solomon, whose mother had been the wife of Uriah.



Master of the Life of the Virgin, The birth of Mary, 1470 (Alte Pinakothek, Munich)

DECEMBER 18TH

jer 23:6

In his days Judah shall be saved, Israel shall dwell in security. This is the name they give him: "The LORD our justice."



Jehova tsidkenu

DECEMBER 19TH

Lc 1:5-6

In the days of Herod, King of Judea, there was a priest named Zechariah of the priestly division of Abijah; his wife was from the daughters of Aaron, and her name was Elizabeth. Both were righteous in the eyes of God, observing all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blamelessly.



François-Xavier de Boissoudy, Zacharie et Élisabeth, 2014 - ©François-Xavier de Boissoudy

DECEMBER 20TH

Lc 1:35

And the angel said to her in reply, "The holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God.

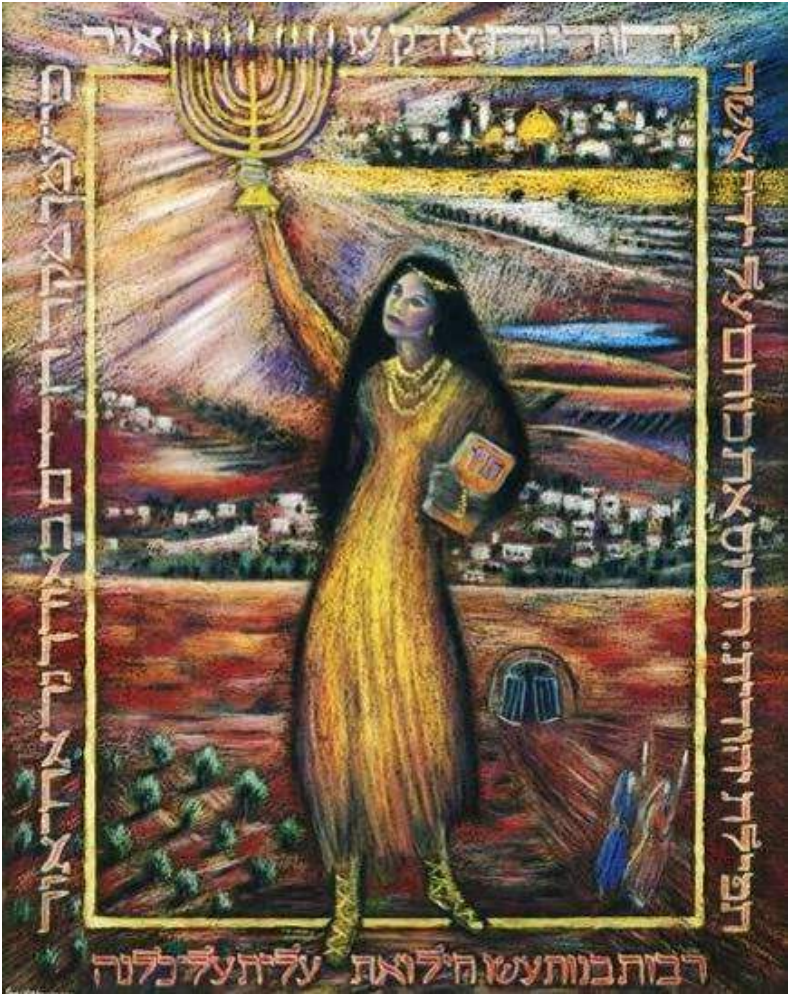


Annunciation (ORATORIO DELLA SS. TRINITÀ NEL PALAZZO VESCOVILE)

DECEMBER 21ST

zeph 3:14

Shout for joy, O daughter Zion! sing joyfully, O Israel! Be glad and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem!



Daughter of Zion

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

Lc 1:59-63

When they came on the eighth day to circumcise the child, they were going to call him Zechariah after his father, but his mother said in reply, "No. He will be called John." But they answered her, "There is no one among your relatives who has this name." So they made signs, asking his father what he wished him to be called. He asked for a tablet and wrote, "John is his name," and all were amazed.



Fra Angelico, Naming of John, 1435 (Museo di San Marco, Florence)

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)

SATURDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF ADVENT

Lc 1:76

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VIGIL FOR CHRISTMAS

December, 24th

Mt 1:1

The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham.



Jean Bourdichon, Saint Matthieu ("Grandes Heures d'Anne de Bretagne, Reine de France (1477-1514)")

CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS

December, 25th

Lc 2:8-10

Now there were shepherds in that region living in the fields and keeping the night watch over their flock. The angel of the Lord appeared to them and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were struck with great fear. The angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people.



Angels appear to the shepherds

CHRISTMAS DAWN MASS

December, 25th

isa 62:11

See, the LORD proclaims to the ends of the earth: Say to daughter Zion, your savior comes! Here is his reward with him, his recompense before him.



Hosanna!

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS

December, 25th

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

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 2:13-14

And stay there until I tell you. Herod is going to search for the child to destroy him." Joseph rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed for Egypt.



Rose Datoc Dall, Escape by night - ©Rose Datoc Dall

THE HOLY FAMILY

Lc 2:34-35

And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, "Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be contradicted (and you yourself a sword will pierce) so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed."



Votre coeur ô Mère divine

SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

Jn 1:14

And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us, and we saw his glory, the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth.



William Bouguereau, La vierge au Lys, 1899

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.

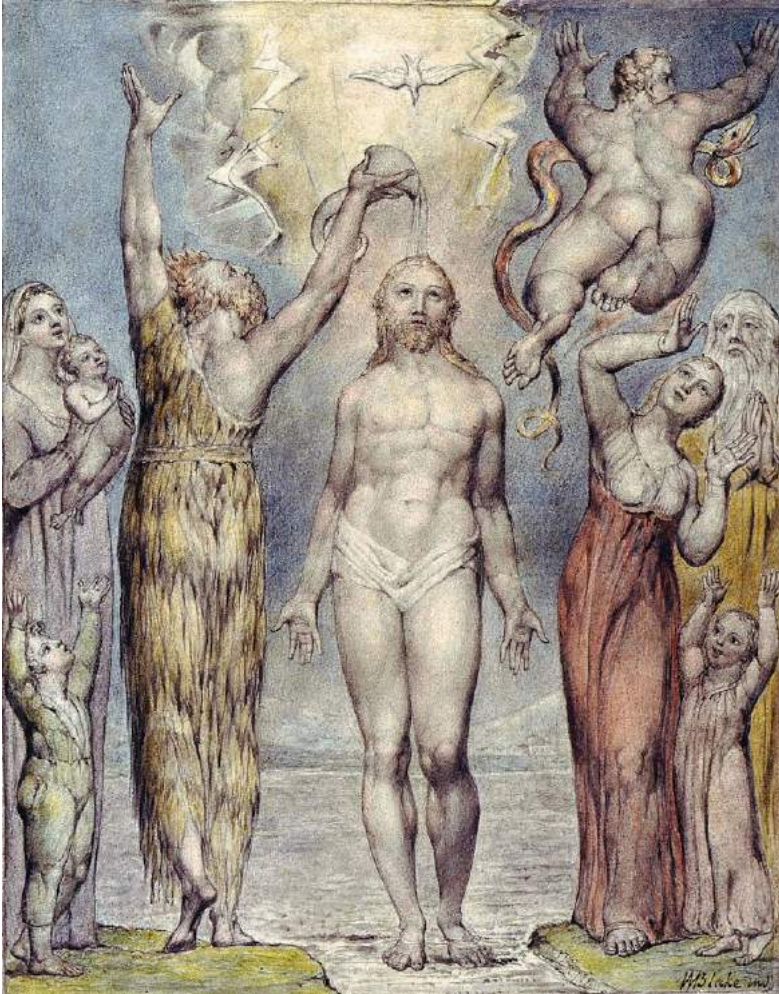


Andrea Mantegna, *The Adoration of the Magi*, c. 1461 (Galleria degli Uffizi, Florence)

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Mc 1:10

On coming up out of the water he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit, like a dove, descending upon him.



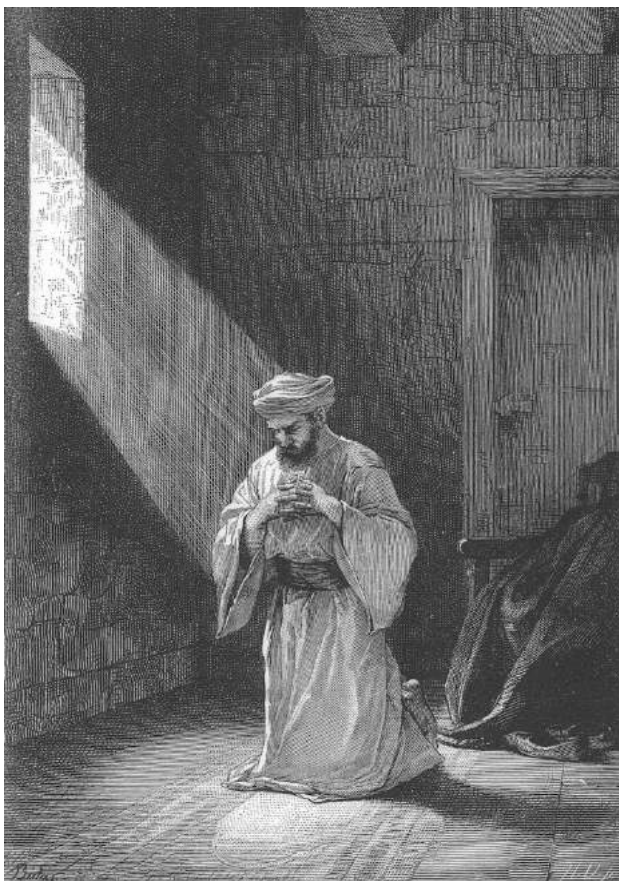
William Blake, Baptism of Jesus, 1820

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ASH WEDNESDAY

Mt 6:5-6

"When you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, who love to stand and pray in the synagogues and on street corners so that others may see them. Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you pray, go to your inner room, close the door, and pray to your Father in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will repay you.



Alexandre Bida, The Prayer in Secret

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

Isa 58:7-8

Sharing your bread with the hungry, sheltering the oppressed and the homeless;
Clothing the naked when you see them, and not turning your back on your own. Then
your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your wound shall quickly be healed;
Your vindication shall go before you, and the glory of the LORD shall be your rear
guard.



de Meester van Alkmaar, De zeven werken van barmhartigheid - De vreemdelingen herbergen

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.

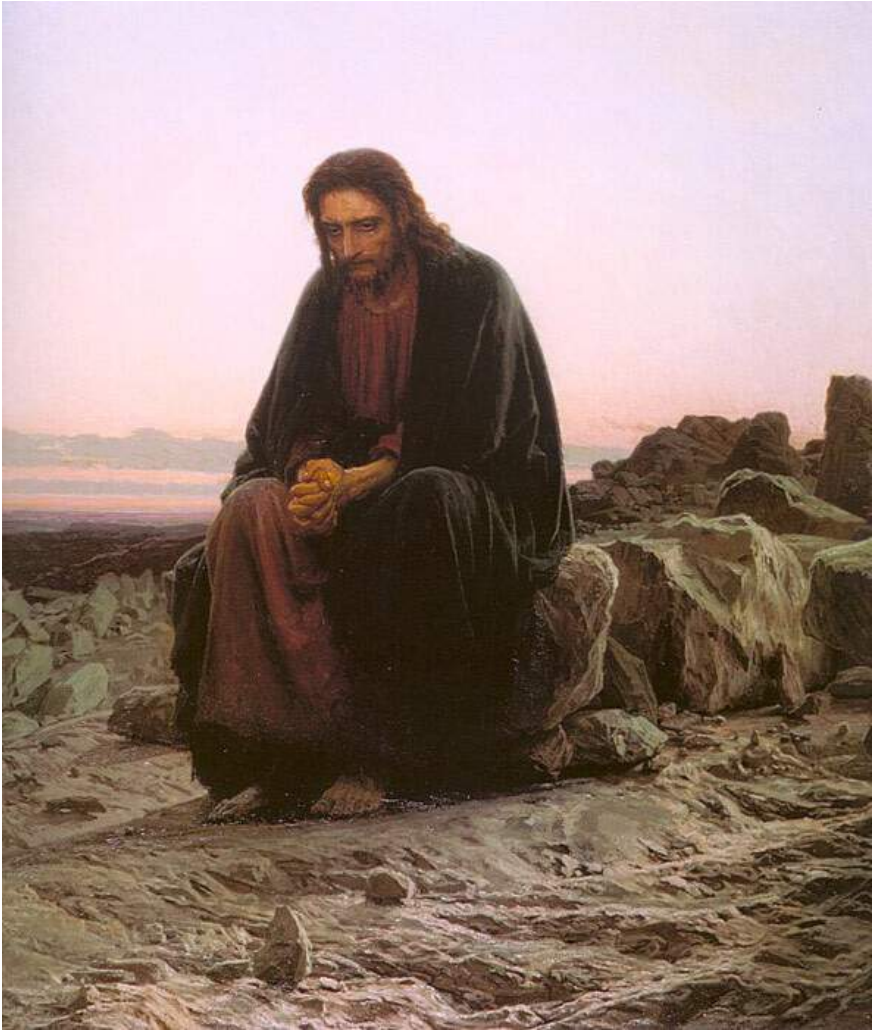


de Meester van Alkmaar, De zeven werken van barmhartigheid - De hongerigen voeden

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Mc 1:12

At once the Spirit drove him out into the desert.



Ivan Nikolaevich Kramskoy, Christ in the Wilderness, 1872 (Tretyakov Gall. Moscow)

MONDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

mt 25:31

"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne.



When the Son of Man comes in his glory

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 3:2-5

"Set out for the great city of Nineveh, and announce to it the message that I will tell you." So Jonah made ready and went to Nineveh, according to the LORD'S bidding. Now Nineveh was an enormously large city; it took three days to go through it. Jonah began his journey through the city, and had gone but a single day's walk announcing, "Forty days more and Nineveh shall be destroyed," when the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast and all of them, great and small, put on sackcloth.



Jan van den Berge, Jona bij Nineve - ©Jan van den Berge

THURSDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

mt 7:12

"Do to others whatever you would have them do to you. This is the law and the prophets.



Per Krohg, 1950 (United Nations Security Council Chamber) - ©United Nations

FRIDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

ezek 18:25-28

You say, "The LORD'S way is not fair!" Hear now, house of Israel: Is it my way that is unfair, or rather, are not your ways unfair? When a virtuous man turns away from virtue to commit iniquity, and dies, it is because of the iniquity he committed that he must die. But if a wicked man, turning from the wickedness he has committed, does what is right and just, he shall preserve his life; since he has turned away from all the sins which he committed, he shall surely live, he shall not die.

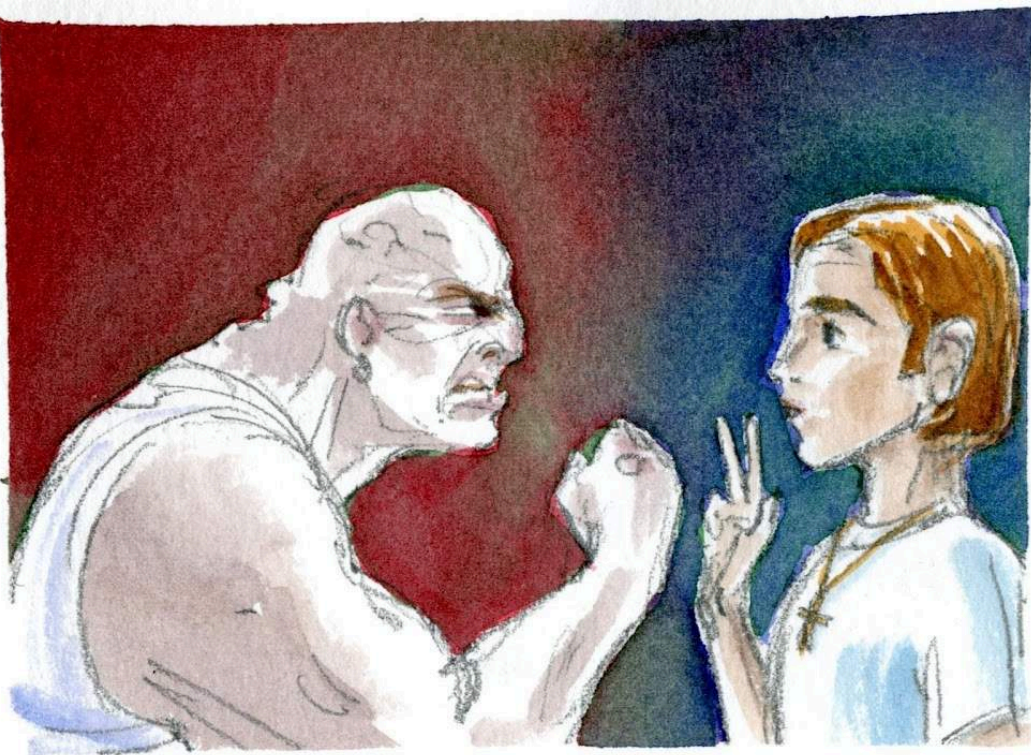


Good and evil

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

Gen 22:10

9. When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood on it. Next he tied up his son Isaac, and put him on top of the wood on the altar.

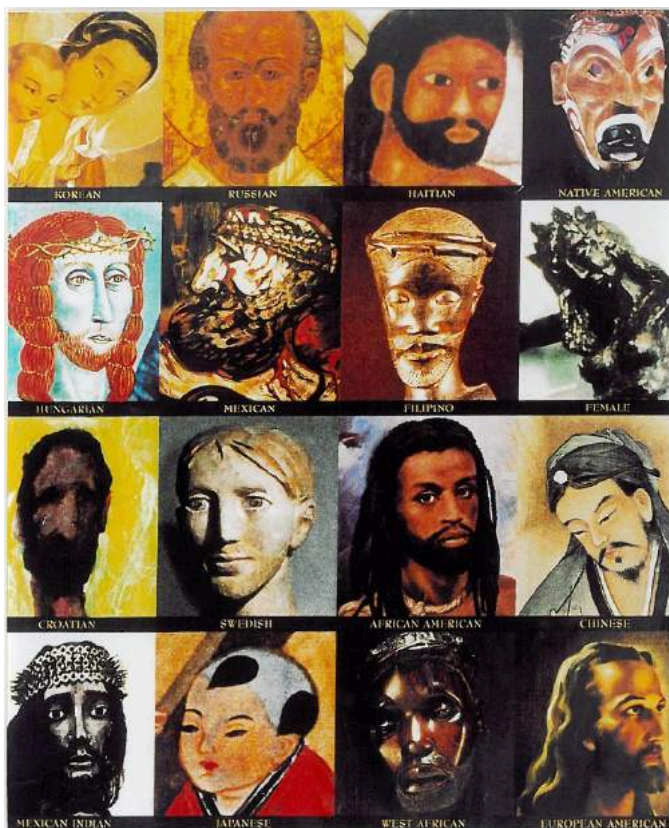


Caravaggio, *The Sacrifice of Isaac*, ca. 1603 (Galleria degli Uffizi, Florence)

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 20:20-23

Of the sons of Zebedee approached him with her sons and did him homage, wishing to ask him for something. He said to her, "What do you wish?" She answered him, "Command that these two sons of mine sit, one at your right and the other at your left, in your kingdom." Jesus said in reply, "You do not know what you are asking. Can you drink the cup that I am going to drink?" They said to him, "We can." He replied, "My cup you will indeed drink, but to sit at my right and at my left (, this) is not mine to give but is for those for whom it has been prepared by my Father."



Veronese, Le Christ rencontrant la femme et les fils de Zébédée, 3e quart 16e siècle (Musée de Grenoble)

THURSDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

jer 17:5-7

Thus says the LORD: Cursed is the man who trusts in human beings, who seeks his strength in flesh, whose heart turns away from the LORD. He is like a barren bush in the desert that enjoys no change of season, But stands in a lava waste, a salt and empty earth. Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD, whose hope is the LORD.



Don't trust in man

FRIDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

gen 37:23-24

So when Joseph came up to them, they stripped him of the long tunic he had on; then they took him and threw him into the cistern, which was empty and dry.



Coat of blood

SATURDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

Lc 15:21

His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.'



Rembrandt Harmensz. van Rijn, The Return of the Prodigal Son, 1668-69 (Hermitage, St. Petersburg)

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Jn 2:14-15

He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, as well as the money-changers seated there. He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area, with the sheep and oxen, and spilled the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables.



Caravaggio, cleansing of the temple, 1610 (Gemäldegalerie der Staatlichen Museen zu Berlin)

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

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

THURSDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

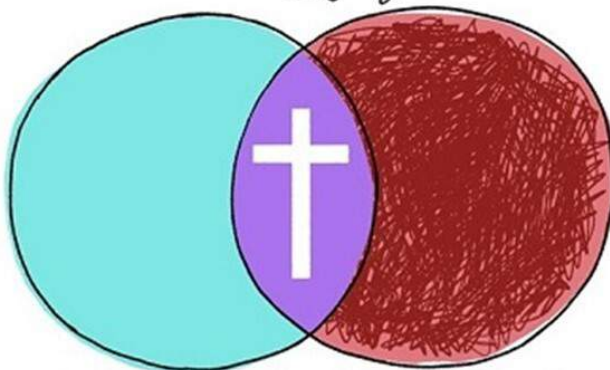
jer 7:23

This rather is what I commanded them: Listen to my voice; then I will be your God and you shall be my people. Walk in all the ways that I command you, so that you may prosper.

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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 6:4-6

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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Jn 3:19-21

And this is the verdict, that the light came into the world, but people preferred darkness to light, because their works were evil. For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come toward the light, so that his works might not be exposed. But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God.



Henry Ossawa Tanner, Nicodemus Visiting Jesus, 1899
(Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts (United States))

MONDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

isa 65:18-19

Instead, there shall always be rejoicing and happiness in what I create. For I create Jerusalem to be a joy and its people to be a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem and exult in my people. No longer shall the sound of weeping be heard there, or the sound of crying.



Joy

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

Jn 5:28-29

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.



Sheila Massey Conner, *The Harrowing of Hell*, 2011 - ©Sheila Massey Conner

THURSDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

jn 5:31-36

"If I testify on my own behalf, my testimony cannot be verified. But there is another who testifies on my behalf, and I know that the testimony he gives on my behalf is true. You sent emissaries to John, and he testified to the truth. I do not accept testimony from a human being, but I say this so that you may be saved. He was a burning and shining lamp, and for a while you were content to rejoice in his light. But I have testimony greater than John's. The works that the Father gave me to accomplish, these works that I perform testify on my behalf that the Father has sent me.



Pieter Bruegel the Elder, *The Preaching of St. John the Baptist*, 1566 (Museum of Fine Arts, Budapest)

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

jn 7:50-53

Nicodemus, one of their members who had come to him earlier, said to them, "Does our law condemn a person before it first hears him and finds out what he is doing?" They answered and said to him, "You are not from Galilee also, are you? Look and see that no prophet arises from Galilee." Then each went to his own house.

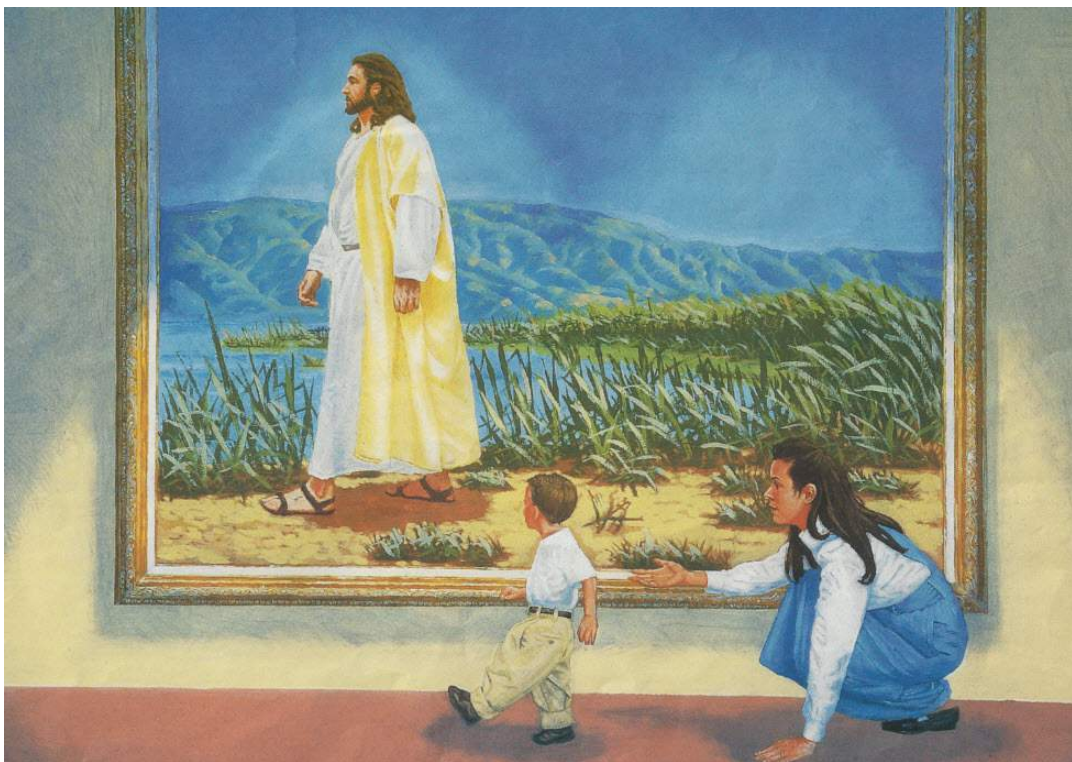


The pharisees

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Jn 12:26

Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me.



Walking with Jesus

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

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

Jn 8:56

Abraham your father rejoiced to see my day; he saw it and was glad.



William Blake, Abraham Preparing to Sacrifice Isaac, 1783 (Museum of Fine Arts, Boston)

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

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

PALM SUNDAY

Mc 15:39

When the centurion who stood facing him saw how he breathed his last he said, "Truly this man was the Son of God!".



Nathan Greene, The Roman Centurion - ©Nathan Greene

MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK

Jn 12:1-8

‘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. Then Judas the Iscariot, one [of] his disciples, and the one who would betray him, said, “Why was this oil not sold for three hundred days’ wages and given to the poor?” He said this not because he cared about the poor but because he was a thief and held the money bag and used to steal the contributions. So Jesus said, “Leave her alone. Let her keep this for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.”’.



The unction of Jezus, 2009

TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

Jn 13:21

When he had said this, Jesus was deeply troubled and testified, "Amen, amen, I say to you, one of you will betray me."



Il Tintoretto, The Last Supper, 1592-94 (San Giorgio Maggiore, Venice)

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

lc 4:16-20

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.

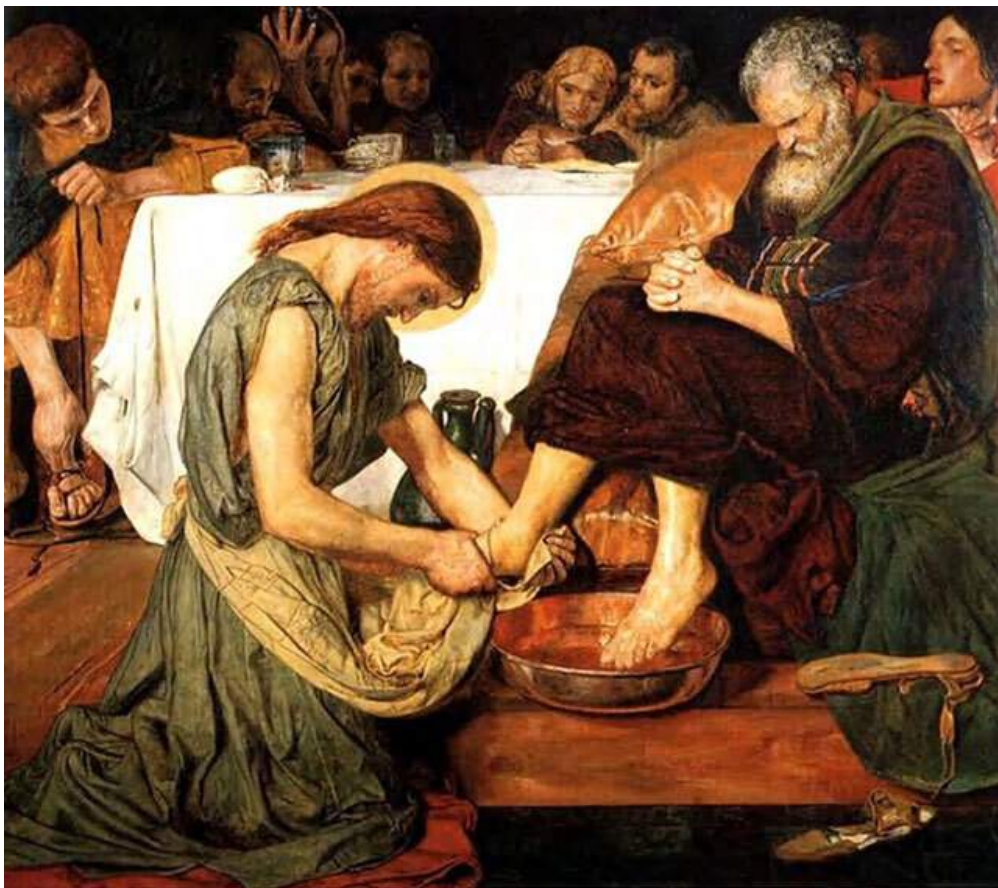


Peter Dennis, Jesus Reads from the Scroll of Isaiah - ©Peter Dennis

HOLY THURSDAY

Jn 13:6-8

He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Master, are you going to wash my feet?" Jesus answered and said to him, "What I am doing, you do not understand now, but you will understand later." Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered him, "Unless I wash you, you will have no inheritance with me."



Ford Madox Brown, Jesus Washing Peter's Feet, 1852-56 (Tate Gallery, London)

GOOD FRIDAY

Jn 18:36

Jesus answered, "My kingdom does not belong to this world. If my kingdom did belong to this world, my attendants (would) be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not here."



Leslie Hill, Fifty-two verses, 2014 - ©Leslie Hill

Gen 1:1

In the beginning, when God created the heavens and the earth.



The Old Testament

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EASTER SUNDAY

Jn 20:3-4

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.



Eugene Burnand, Les Disciples Pierre et Jean courant au sépulcre
le matin de la Résurrection, 1898 (Musée d'Orsay, Paris)

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

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jn 20:29

Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."



Paolo Bartoli, San Tomasso - ©Paolo Bartoli

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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.

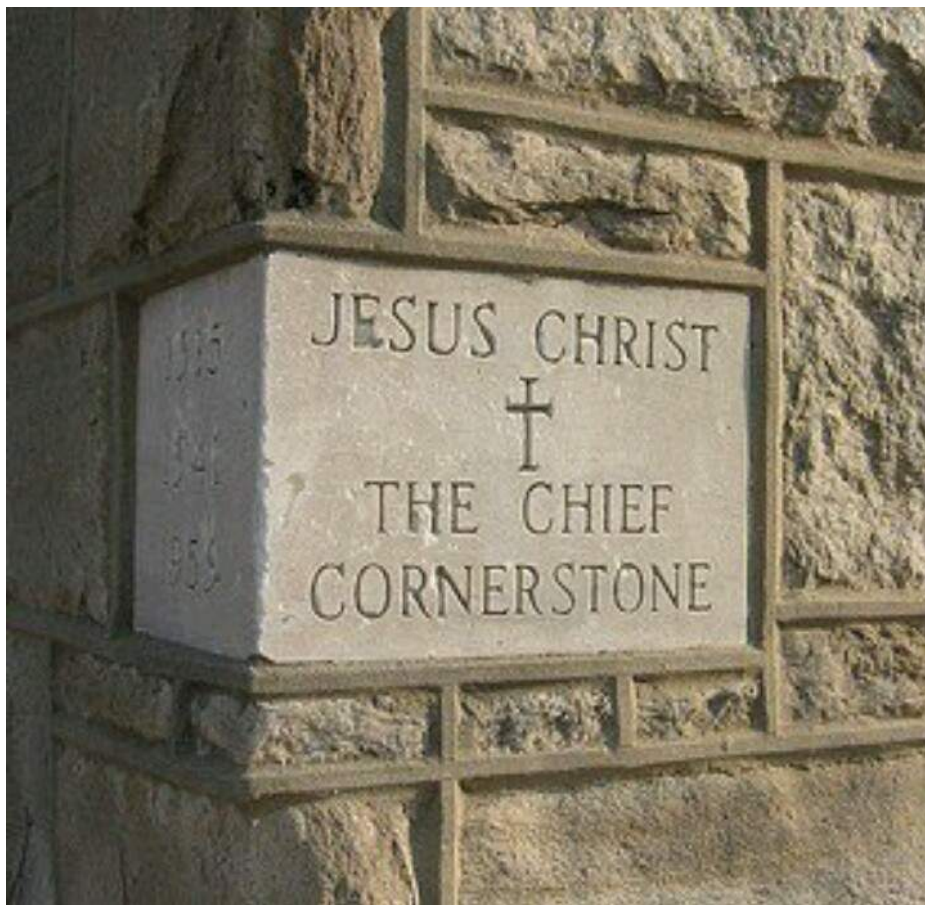


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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jn 15:1-3

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and everyone that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit. You are already pruned because of the word that I spoke to you.



Mark Lawrence, Jesus Christ The True Vine - ©Mark Lawrence

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jn 15:9-10

As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love.

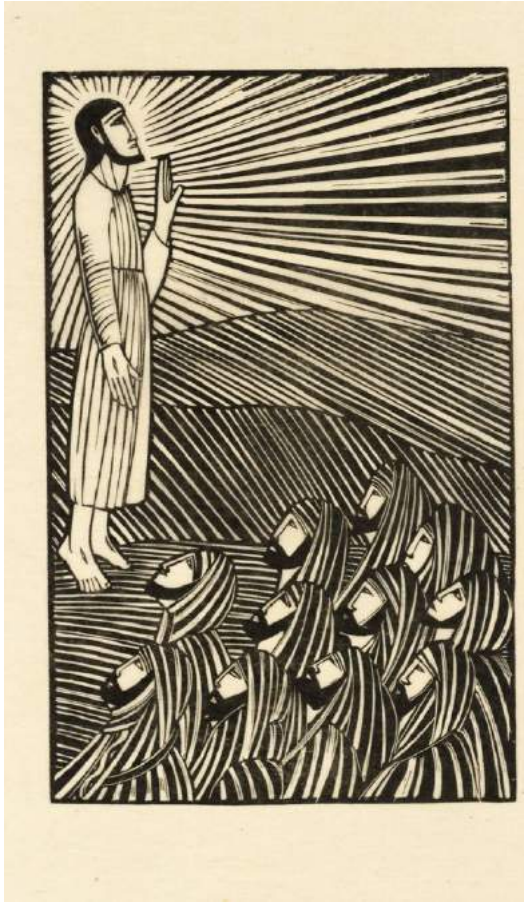


GAB, Sacred Heart, 2006 - ©GAB

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."

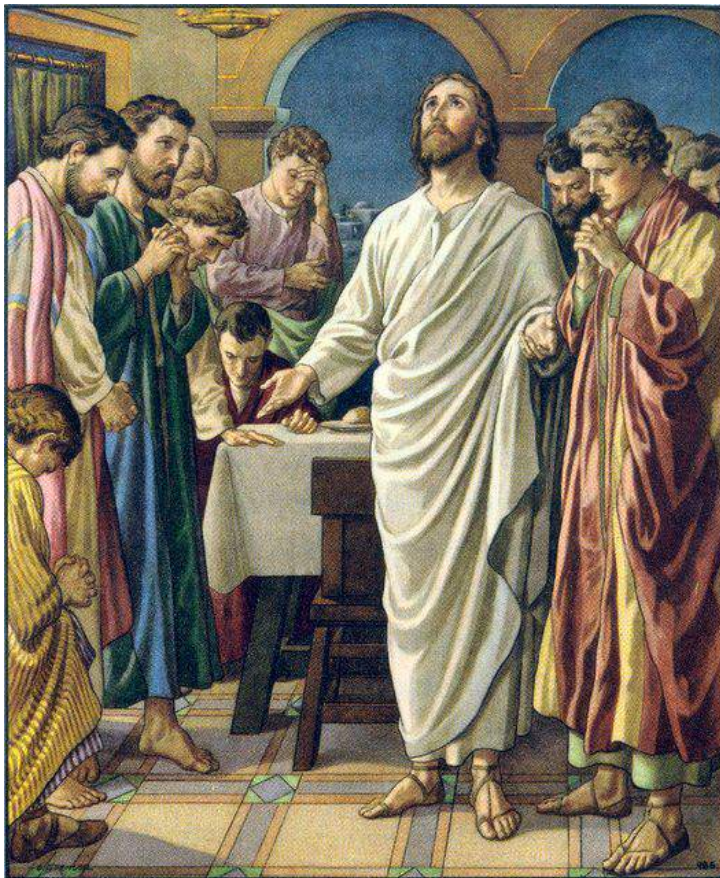


Eric Gill, Ascension, 1918 (Tate Gallery)

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jn 17:14-17

I gave them your word, and the world hated them, because they do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world. I do not ask that you take them out of the world but that you keep them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world. Consecrate them in the truth. Your word is truth.



Standard Bible Story Readers, Book Four, Jesus prays for his disciples, 1925

PENTECOST

Acts 2:1-3

When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, they were all in one place together. And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them.



Emma Munneke, Pinksteren, 2005 - ©Emma Munneke

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

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THE HOLY TRINITY

Mt 28:19

Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Spirit.

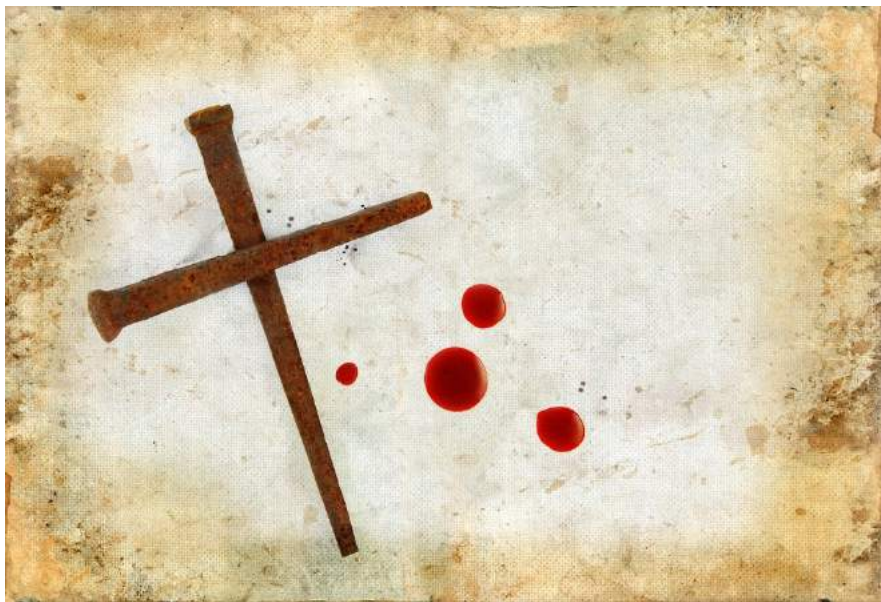


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CORPUS CHRISTI

heb 9:11-15

But when Christ came as high priest of the good things that have come to be, passing through the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made by hands, that is, not belonging to this creation, he entered once for all into the sanctuary, not with the blood of goats and calves but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls and the sprinkling of a heifer's ashes can sanctify those who are defiled so that their flesh is cleansed, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from dead works to worship the living God. For this reason he is mediator of a new covenant: since a death has taken place for deliverance from transgressions under the first covenant, those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance.



The blood and the nails

SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Jn 19:33-35

But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs, but one soldier thrust his lance into his side, and immediately blood and water flowed out. An eyewitness has testified, and his testimony is true; he knows that he is speaking the truth, so that you also may (come to) believe.



James Tissot, One of the Soldiers with a Spear Pierced His Side, c. 1886-94

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1 Sam 3:9-10

So he said to Samuel, "Go to sleep, and if you are called, reply, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" When Samuel went to sleep in his place, the LORD came and revealed his presence, calling out as before, "Samuel, Samuel!" Samuel answered, "Speak, for your servant is listening."



Corbin Watkins, SAMUEL HEARS GOD'S VOICE - ©Corbin Watkins

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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")

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mc 1:23-26

In their synagogue was a man with an unclean spirit; Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are--the Holy One of God!" Jesus rebuked him and said, "Quiet! Come out of him!" The unclean spirit convulsed him and with a loud cry came out of him.



Ian Pollock, Miracle 24: Man with the Unclean Spirit, 2000 - ©Ian Pollock

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mc 1:29-39

On leaving the synagogue he entered the house of Simon and Andrew with James and John. Simon's mother-in-law lay sick with a fever. They immediately told him about her. He approached, grasped her hand, and helped her up. Then the fever left her and she waited on them. When it was evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by demons. The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons, not permitting them to speak because they knew him. Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed. Simon and those who were with him pursued him and on finding him said, "Everyone is looking for you." He told them, "Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come." So he went into their synagogues, preaching and driving out demons throughout the whole of Galilee.



"Très Riches Heures du Duc de Berry", Jesus drives out a demon

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mc 1:40-42

A leper came to him (and kneeling down) begged him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, "I do will it. Be made clean." The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean.



Rembrandt Harmensz. van Rijn, Jesus and the leper

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mc 2:4

Unable to get near Jesus because of the crowd, they opened up the roof above him. After they had broken through, they let down the mat on which the paralytic was lying.



Anonymous, The Healing of the Lame of Capernaum (Armenian Museum, Isfahan)

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mc 2:18-22

The disciples of John and of the Pharisees were accustomed to fast. People came to him and objected, "Why do the disciples of John and the disciples of the Pharisees fast, but your disciples do not fast?" Jesus answered them, "Can the wedding guests fast while the bridegroom is with them? As long as they have the bridegroom with them they cannot fast. But the days will come when the bridegroom is taken away from them, and then they will fast on that day. No one sews a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old cloak. If he does, its fullness pulls away, the new from the old, and the tear gets worse. Likewise, no one pours new wine into old wineskins. Otherwise, the wine will burst the skins, and both the wine and the skins are ruined. Rather, new wine is poured into fresh wineskins."



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NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2 cor 4:6-7

Seeing it is God, that said, Light shall shine out of darkness, who shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the exceeding greatness of the power may be of God, and not from ourselves.

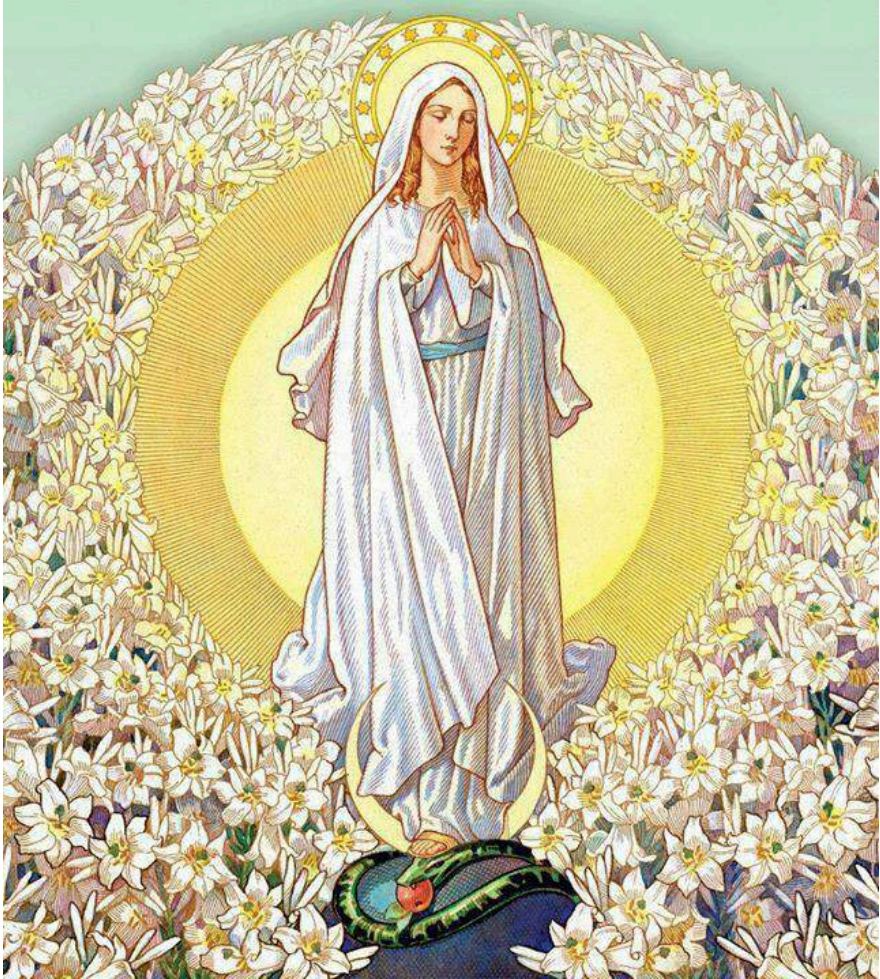


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TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Gen 3:15

I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers;
He will strike at your head, while you strike at his heel."



Purest Lily

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mc 4:30-32

He said, "To what shall we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable can we use for it? It is like a mustard seed that, when it is sown in the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on the earth. But once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the sky can dwell in its shade."

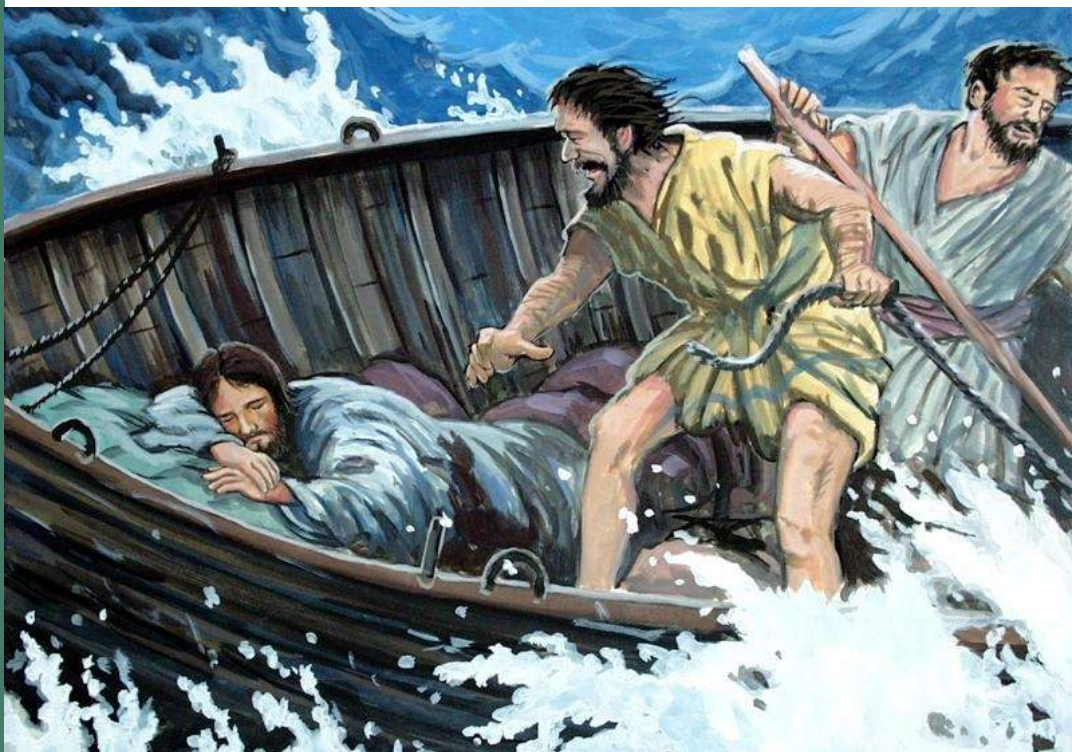


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TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mc 4:37-38

A violent squall came up and waves were breaking over the boat, so that it was already filling up. Jesus was in the stern, asleep on a cushion. They woke him and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?"



Jesus sleeping in the boat

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mc 5:39-41

So he went in and said to them, "Why this commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but asleep." And they ridiculed him. Then he put them all out. He took along the child's father and mother and those who were with him and entered the room where the child was. He took the child by the hand and said to her, "Talitha koum," which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise!".



François-Xavier de Boissoudy, Talitha Koum, 2016 - ©François-Xavier de Boissoudy

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2 Cor 12:7

Because of the abundance of the revelations. Therefore, that I might not become too elated, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, an angel of Satan, to beat me, to keep me from being too elated.



Crown of Thorns graffiti

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mc 6:10-12

He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave from there. Whatever place does not welcome you or listen to you, leave there and shake the dust off your feet in testimony against them." So they went off and preached repentance.



mappystyle, Converse hipster

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Eph 2:13-16

But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have become near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace, he who made both one and broke down the dividing wall of enmity, through his flesh, abolishing the law with its commandments and legal claims, that he might create in himself one new person in place of the two, thus establishing peace, and might reconcile both with God, in one body, through the cross, putting that enmity to death by it.



Stanley Spencer, The crucifixion, 1958

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jn 6:8-11

One of his disciples, Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?" Jesus said, "Have the people recline." Now there was a great deal of grass in that place. So the men reclined, about five thousand in number. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted.

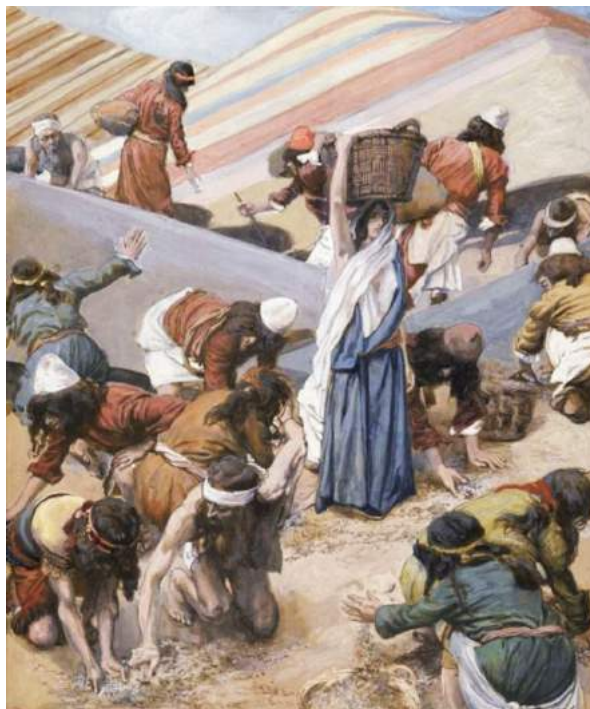


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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ex 16:2-5

Here in the desert the whole Israelite community grumbled against Moses and Aaron. The Israelites said to them, "Would that we had died at the LORD'S hand in the land of Egypt, as we sat by our fleshpots and ate our fill of bread! But you had to lead us into this desert to make the whole community die of famine!" Then the LORD said to Moses, "I will now rain down bread from heaven for you. Each day the people are to go out and gather their daily portion; thus will I test them, to see whether they follow my instructions or not. On the sixth day, however, when they prepare what they bring in, let it be twice as much as they gather on the other days."



James Tissot, The Gathering of the Manna

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jn 6:41-44

The Jews murmured about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven," and they said, "Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph? Do we not know his father and mother? Then how can he say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Stop murmuring among yourselves. No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draw him, and I will raise him on the last day.



Jesus returning with parents Mary and Joseph to Nazareth

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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."

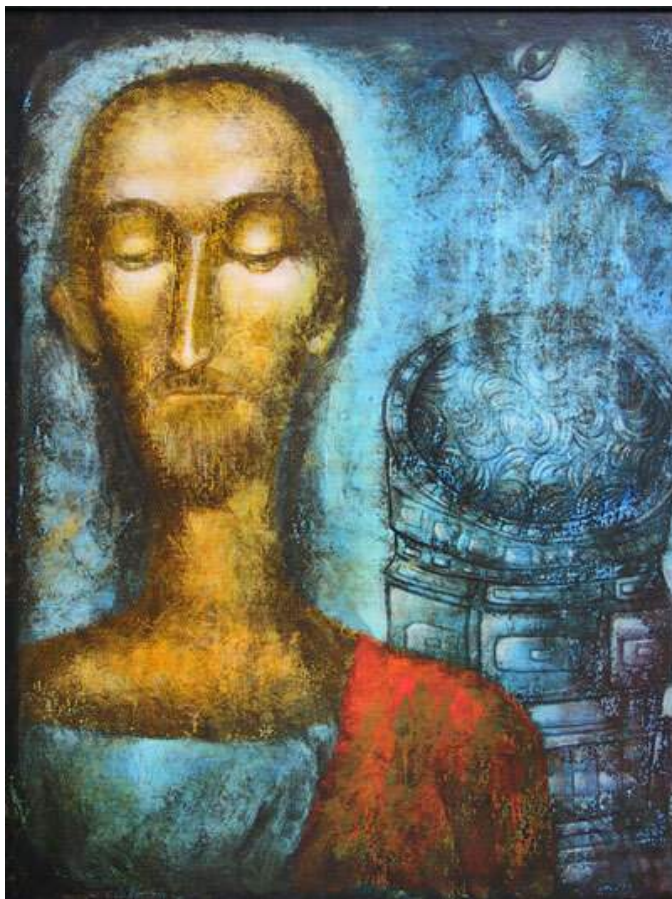


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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Eph 5:25-27

Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ loved the church and handed himself over for her to sanctify her, cleansing her by the bath of water with the word, that he might present to himself the church in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish.

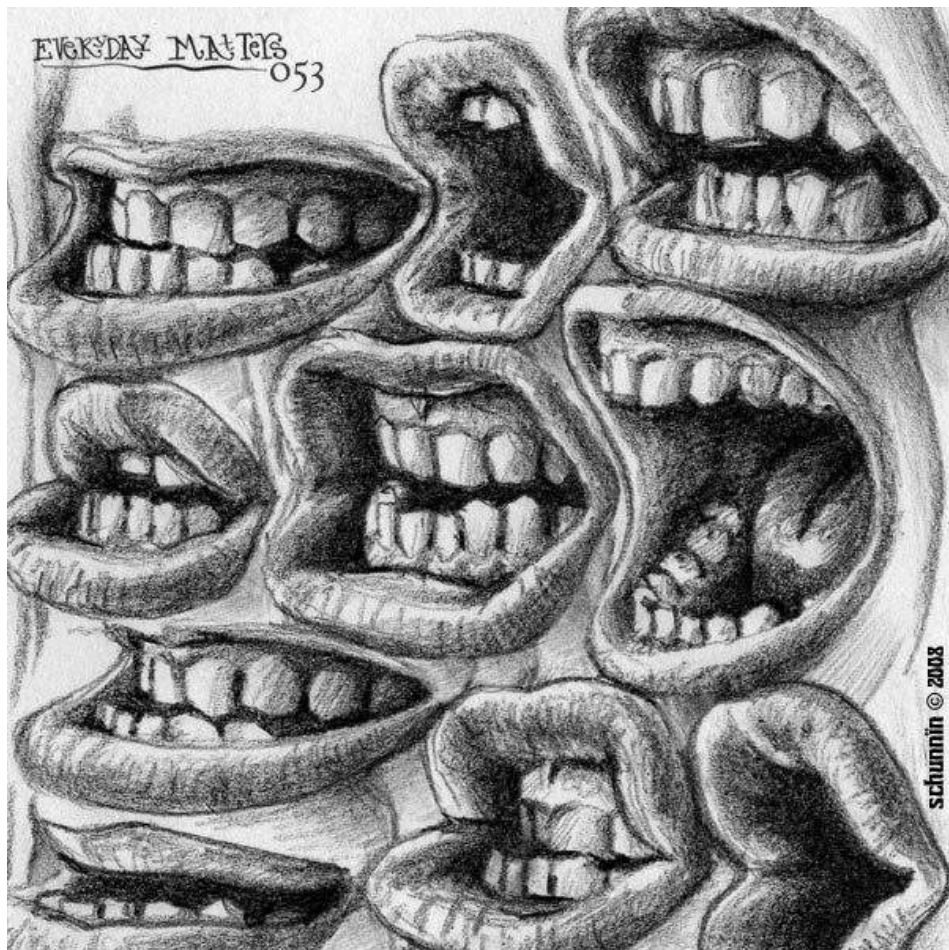


Christ and the Samaritan Woman

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mc 7:14-15

He summoned the crowd again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile."

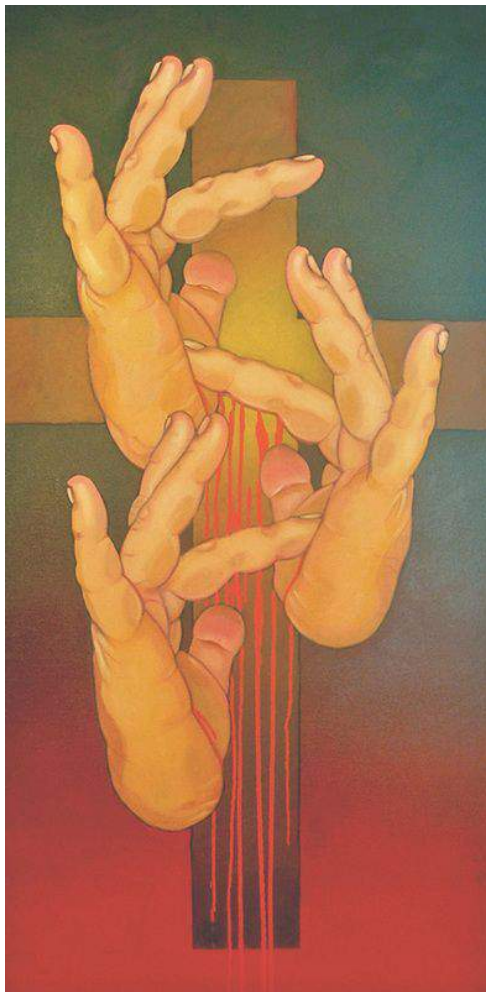


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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mc 7:37

They were exceedingly astonished and they said, "He has done all things well. He makes the deaf hear and (the) mute speak."

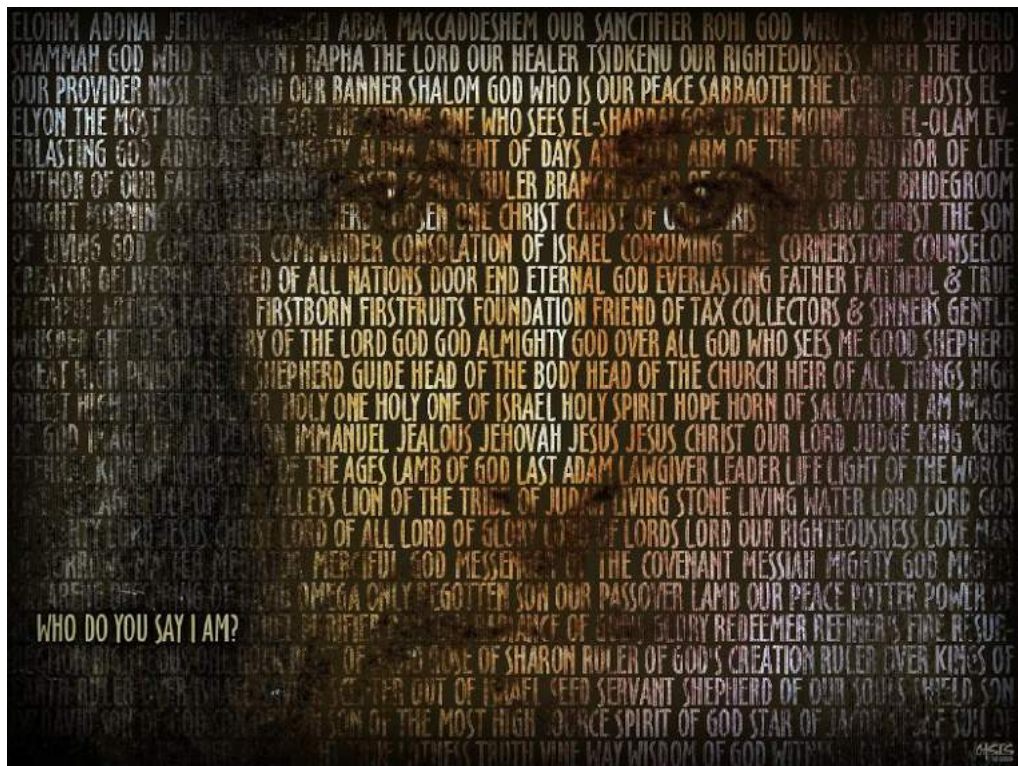


Chuck Baird, Sign for "Jesus" - ©Chuck Baird

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mc 8:27-31

Now Jesus and his disciples set out for the villages of Caesarea Philippi. Along the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" They said in reply, "John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others one of the prophets." And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter said to him in reply, "You are the Messiah." Then he warned them not to tell anyone about him. He began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer greatly and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and rise after three days.



Who do you say I am?

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

the book of wisdom 2:18-20

For if the just one be the son of God, he will defend him and deliver him from the hand of his foes. With revilement and torture let us put him to the test that we may have proof of his gentleness and try his patience. Let us condemn him to a shameful death; for according to his own words, God will take care of him."



Riverside, Vale Of Tears - ©Riverside

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mc 9:40-42

For whoever is not against us is for us. Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward. "Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe (in me) to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were put around his neck and he were thrown into the sea.



Geef geen ergernis, 1891

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mc 10:4-9

They replied, "Moses permitted him to write a bill of divorce and dismiss her." But Jesus told them, "Because of the hardness of your hearts he wrote you this commandment. But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female. For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother (and be joined to his wife), and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, no human being must separate."



Holy Matrimony

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mc 10:29-30

Jesus said, “Amen, I say to you, there is no one who has given up house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not receive a hundred times more now in this present age: houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and eternal life in the age to come.

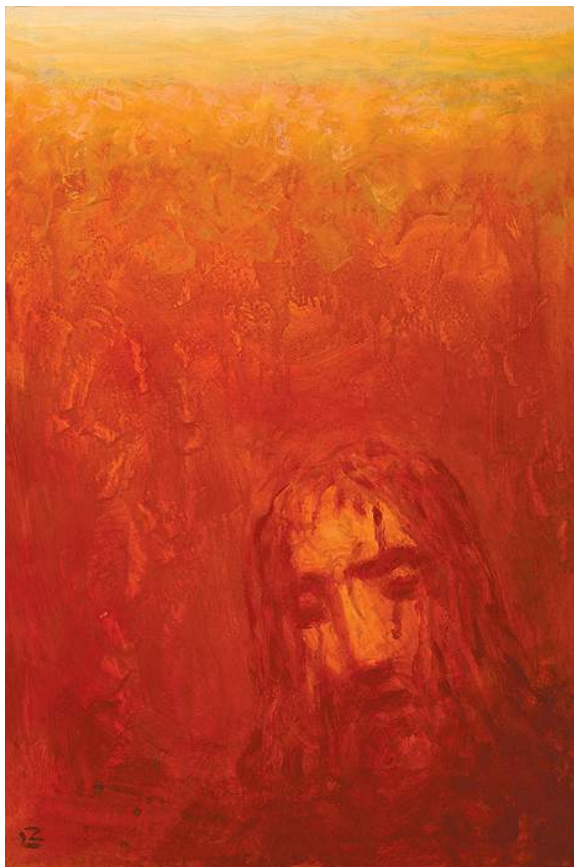


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TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Isa 53:10-11

(But the LORD was pleased to crush him in infirmity.) If he gives his life as an offering for sin, he shall see his descendants in a long life, and the will of the LORD shall be accomplished through him. Because of his affliction he shall see the light in fullness of days; Through his suffering, my servant shall justify many, and their guilt he shall bear.



Ladislav Záborský, Getsemane

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mc 10:51-52

Jesus said to him in reply, “What do you want me to do for you?” The blind man replied to him, “Master, I want to see.” Jesus told him, “Go your way; your faith has saved you.” Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way.

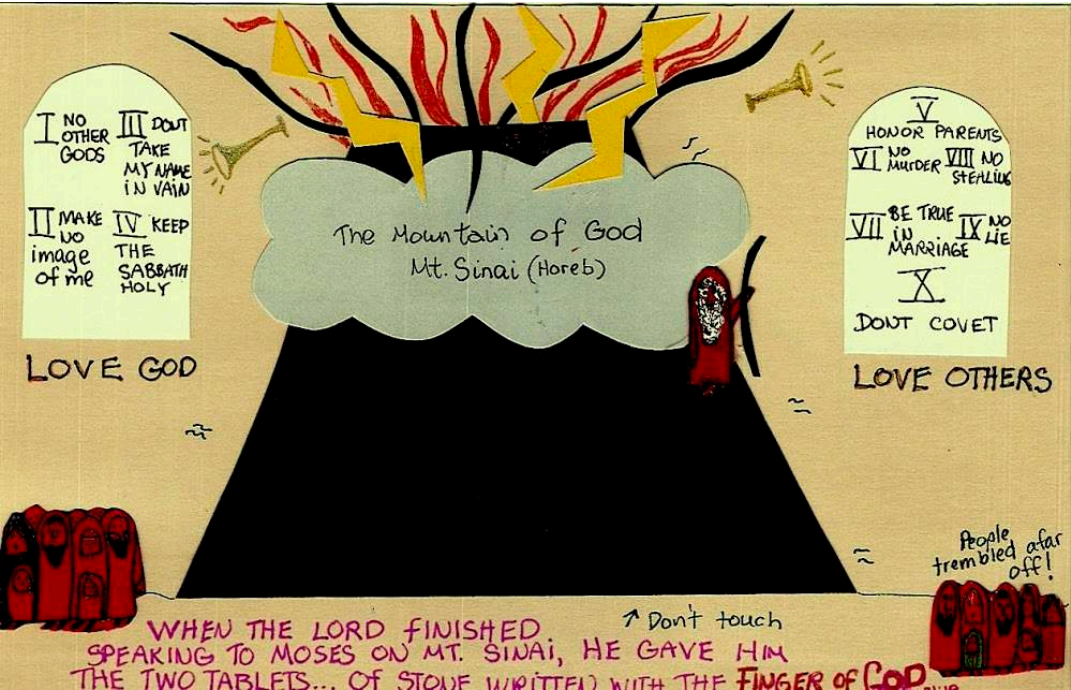


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THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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)

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mc 12:41-44

He sat down opposite the treasury and observed how the crowd put money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents. Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they have all contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood."



James C. Christensen, The widow's mite, 1988 - ©James C. Christensen

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mc 13:26-27

And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds' with great power and glory, and then he will send out the angels and gather (his) elect from the four winds, from the end of the earth to the end of the sky.

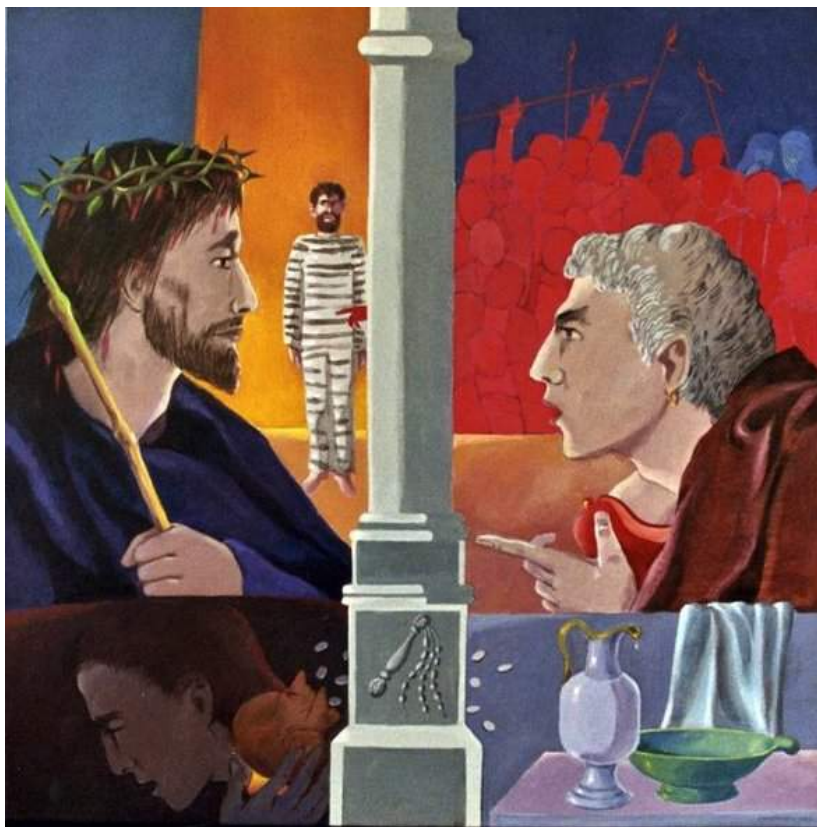


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CHRIST THE KING

Jn 18:36-37

Jesus answered, "My kingdom does not belong to this world. If my kingdom did belong to this world, my attendants (would) be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not here." 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."



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