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Liturgical Calendar for Sundays and feasts

— 2021 — 2022 —

November

28 Su 1
29 M 2

December

1 W 4
2 Th 5
3 F 6
4 Sa 7
5 Su 8
6 M 9
7 Tu 10
9 Th 12
10 F 13
11 Sa 14
12 Su 15
13 M 16
14 Tu 17
15 W 18
16 Th 19
17 F 22
18 Sa 23
19 Su 21
20 M 25
21 Tu 26
22 W 27
23 Th 28
24 F 30
25 Sa 31
26 Su 37
27 M 35
28 Tu 36

January

2 Su 38
9 Su 39
10 M 40
16 Su 102
23 Su 103
30 Su 104

February

6 Su 105
13 Su 106
20 Su 107
27 Su 108

March

2 W 41
3 Th 42
4 F 43
5 Sa 44
6 Su 45
7 M 46
8 Tu 47
9 W 48
10 Th 49
11 F 50
12 Sa 51
13 Su 52
14 M 53
15 Tu 54
16 W 55
17 Th 56
18 F 57
20 Su 59
21 M 60

22 Tu 61
23 W 62
24 Th 63
26 Sa 65
27 Su 66
28 M 67
29 Tu 68
30 W 69
31 Th 70

April

1 F 71
2 Sa 72
3 Su 73
4 M 74
5 Tu 75
6 W 76
7 Th 77
8 F 78
9 Sa 79
10 Su 80
11 M 81
12 Tu 82
13 W 83
14 Th 85
15 F 86
16 Sa 87
17 Su 88
18 M 89
24 Su 90

May

1 Su 91
8 Su 92

15 Su 93
22 Su 94
26 Th 95
29 Su 96

June

5 Su 97
12 Su 99
16 Th 100
26 Su 112

July

3 Su 113
10 Su 114
17 Su 115
24 Su 116
31 Su 117

August

7 Su 118
21 Su 119
28 Su 120

September

4 Su 121
11 Su 122
18 Su 123

October

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

November

6 Su 128
20 Su 129

— 2024 — 2025 —

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

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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
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February

2 Su 104
9 Su 105
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23 Su 107

March

2 Su 108
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6 Th 42
7 F 43
8 Sa 44

9 Su 45
10 M 46
11 Tu 47
12 W 48
13 Th 49
14 F 50
15 Sa 51
16 Su 52
17 M 53
18 Tu 54
20 Th 56
21 F 57
22 Sa 58
23 Su 59
24 M 60
26 W 62
27 Th 63
28 F 64
29 Sa 65
30 Su 66
31 M 67

April

1 Tu 68
2 W 69
3 Th 70
4 F 71

5 Sa 72
6 Su 73
7 M 74
8 Tu 75
9 W 76
10 Th 77
11 F 78
12 Sa 79
13 Su 80
14 M 81
15 Tu 82
16 W 83
17 Th 85
18 F 86
19 Sa 87
20 Su 88
21 M 89
27 Su 90

May

4 Su 91
11 Su 92
18 Su 93
25 Su 94
29 Th 95

June

1 Su 96

8 Su 97
15 Su 99
19 Th 100
27 F 101

July

6 Su 113
13 Su 114
20 Su 115
27 Su 116

August

3 Su 117
10 Su 118
24 Su 119
31 Su 120

September

7 Su 121
14 Su 122
21 Su 123

October

12 Su 124
19 Su 125
26 Su 126

November

9 Su 128
23 Su 129

— 2027 — 2028 —

November

28 Su 1
29 M 2

December

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2 Th 5
3 F 6
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April

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May

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June

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11 Su	99

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18 Su	111
23 F	101

July

2 Su	112
9 Su	113
16 Su	114
23 Su	115
30 Su	116

August

6 Su	117
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October

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November

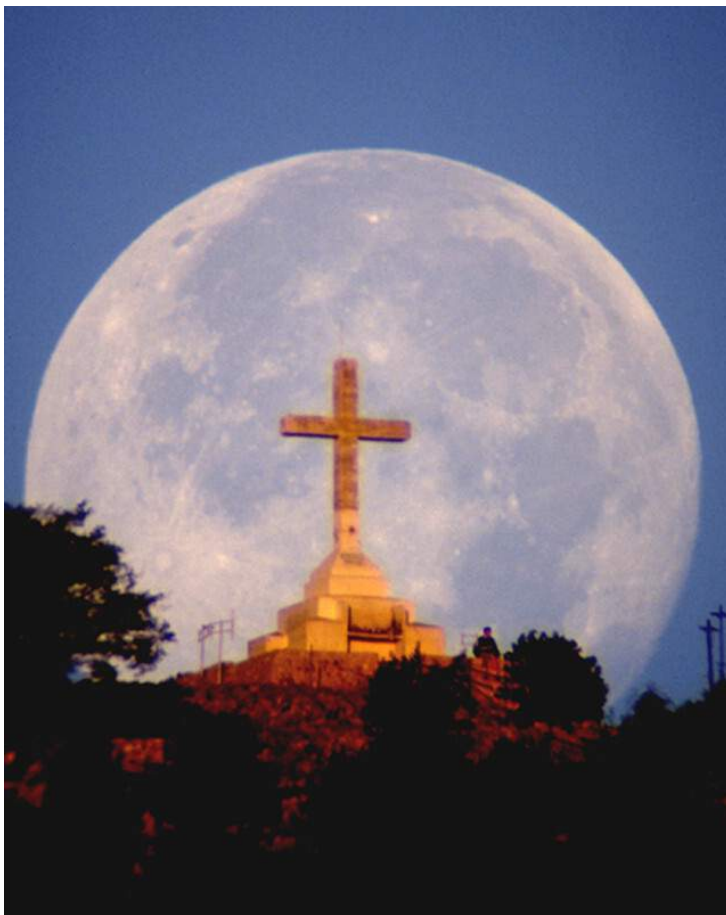
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**READINGS FOR
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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Lc 21:25-26

"There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on earth nations will be in dismay, perplexed by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will die of fright in anticipation of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken.



Larry Landolfi, Medjugorje Moonrise

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

But a shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse, and from his roots a bud shall blossom.

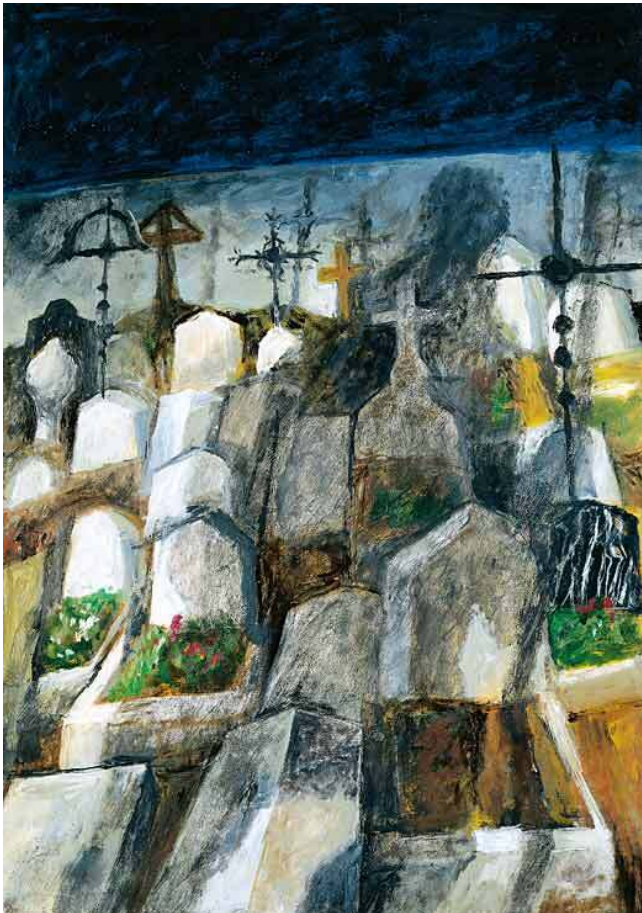


Geertgen tot Sint Jans, Tree of Jesse, c. 1500 (Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam)

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

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

Lc 3:6

‘And all flesh shall see the salvation of God.’”.



Harrowing of Hell, c 1240

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)

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

isa 41:17-20

The afflicted and the needy seek water in vain, their tongues are parched with thirst. I, the LORD, will answer them; I, the God of Israel, will not forsake them. I will open up rivers on the bare heights, and fountains in the broad valleys; I will turn the desert into a marshland, and the dry ground into springs of water. I will plant in the desert the cedar, acacia, myrtle, and olive; I will set in the wasteland the cypress, together with the plane tree and the pine, That all may see and know, observe and understand, That the hand of the LORD has done this, the Holy One of Israel has created it.



gogol, HD Wallpaper River - ©gogol

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

Lc 3:15-17

Now the people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Messiah. John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fan is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."



Holy Spirit in Fire

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 1:41

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



Arcabas, Visitation - ©Arcabas

DECEMBER 17TH

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)")

DECEMBER 18TH

Mt 1:20-24

Such was his intention when, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. 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." 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." When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home.



Lily Padula, Joseph Sticks with Mary - ©Lily Padula

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 1:28-33

And coming to her, he said, "Hail, favored one! The Lord is with you." But she was greatly troubled at what was said and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. 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."



Hermine David, Annunciation - ©Hermine David

DECEMBER 21ST

Lc 1:39-40

During those days Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.



Maurice Denis, Visitación

DECEMBER 22ND

Lc 1:46-49

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. The Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name.



Joseph J. Wan, The Assumption, 2012 - ©Joseph J. Wan

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)

2 sam 7:2-3

he said to Nathan the prophet, "Here I am living in a house of cedar, while the ark of God dwells in a tent!" Nathan answered the king, "Go, do whatever you have in mind, for the LORD is with you."



The ark of God

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 2:10-14

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. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Messiah and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel, praising God and saying: "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."



Bradi Barth, Gloria - ©Herbronnen vzw.

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

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.



Teresa Kogut, Divine Grace

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 20:6-7

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.



George Richardson, The Empty Tomb, 2011 - ©George Richardson

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

1 Jn 3:1-3

‘See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. Yet so we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God’s children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. Everyone who has this hope based on him makes himself pure, as he is pure.



Mass attended by all the angels, saints and our blessed departed souls

SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

Jn 1:16-18

From his fullness we have all received, grace in place of grace, because while the law was given through Moses, grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. The only Son, God, who is at the Father's side, has revealed him.

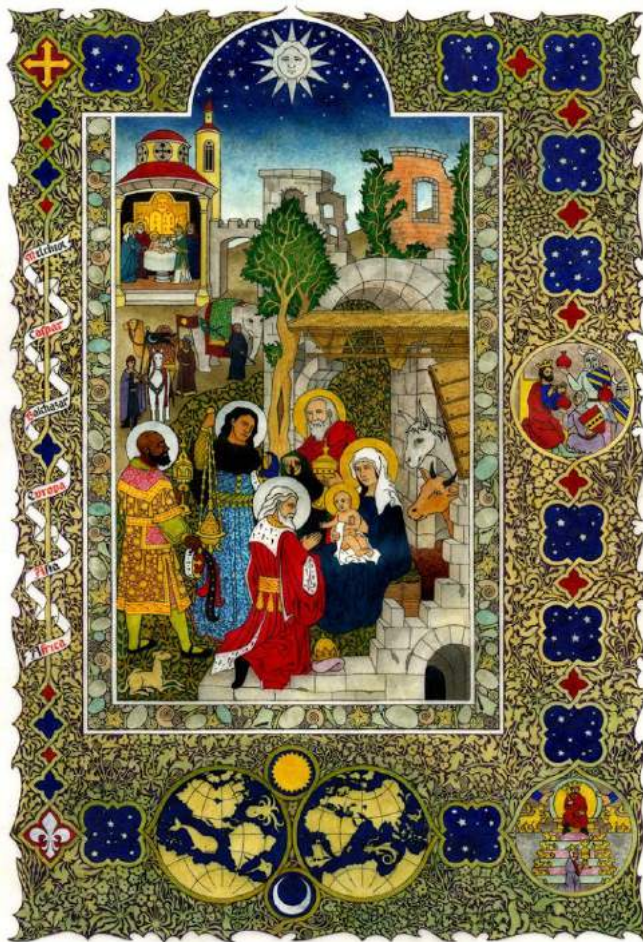


David Binnig, The Ten Commandments - ©David Binnig

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.



Daniel Mitsui, Adoration of the Magi - ©Daniel Mitsui

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

isa 40:3-5

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ASH WEDNESDAY

Mt 6:6

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.



Jongentje bidt het avondgebed

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

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

Lc 4:9-12

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



James Tissot, Satan Tried to Tempt Christ, 1895

MONDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

Mt 25:40

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 3:10

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")

THURSDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

mt 7:9-11

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



Bread and stones

FRIDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

Mt 5:23-24

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



Reconciliation

Reconciliation

SATURDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

Mt 5:46-48

For if you love those who love you, what recompense will you have? Do not the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet your brothers only, what is unusual about that? Do not the pagans do the same? So be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect.



Do you have the courage to love your enemies?

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Lc 9:28-31

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

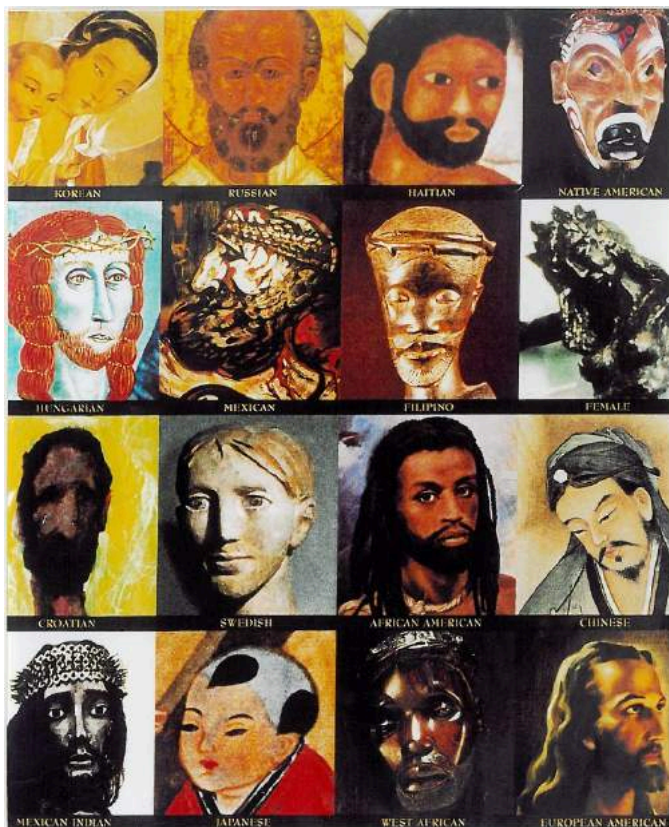


The transfiguration (drawing)

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

mt 23:9

Call no one on earth your father; you have but one Father in heaven.

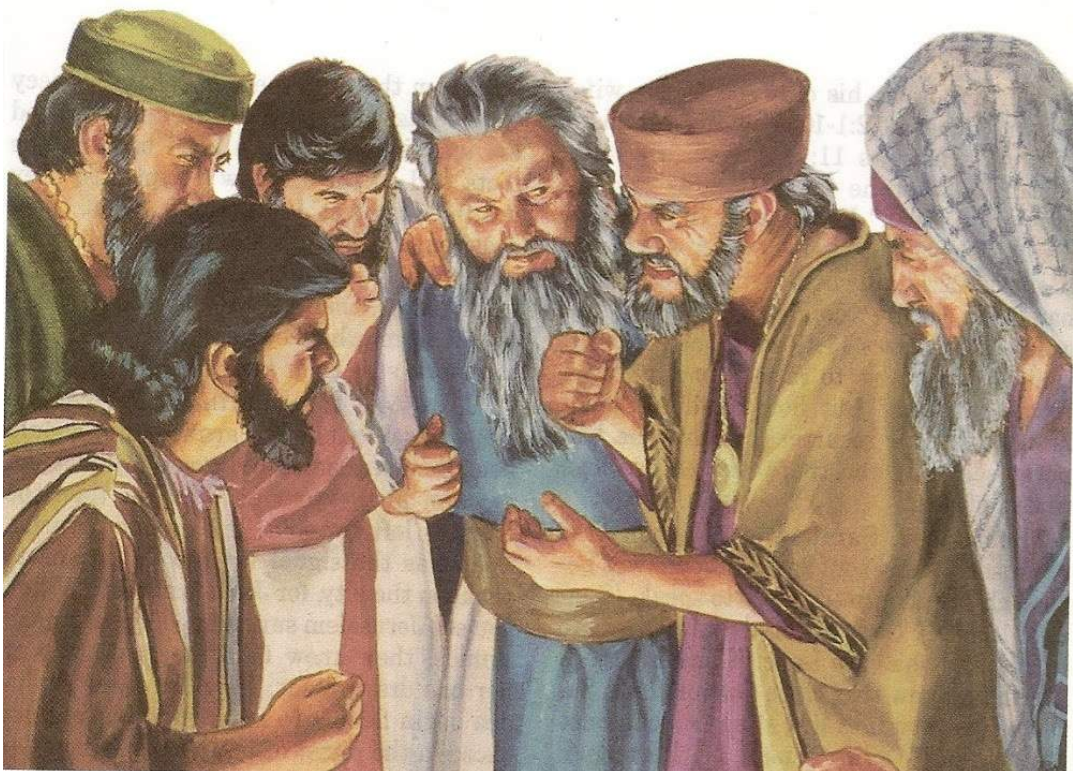


God the Father

WEDNESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

mt 20:17-19

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



Pharisees

THURSDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

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

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?'

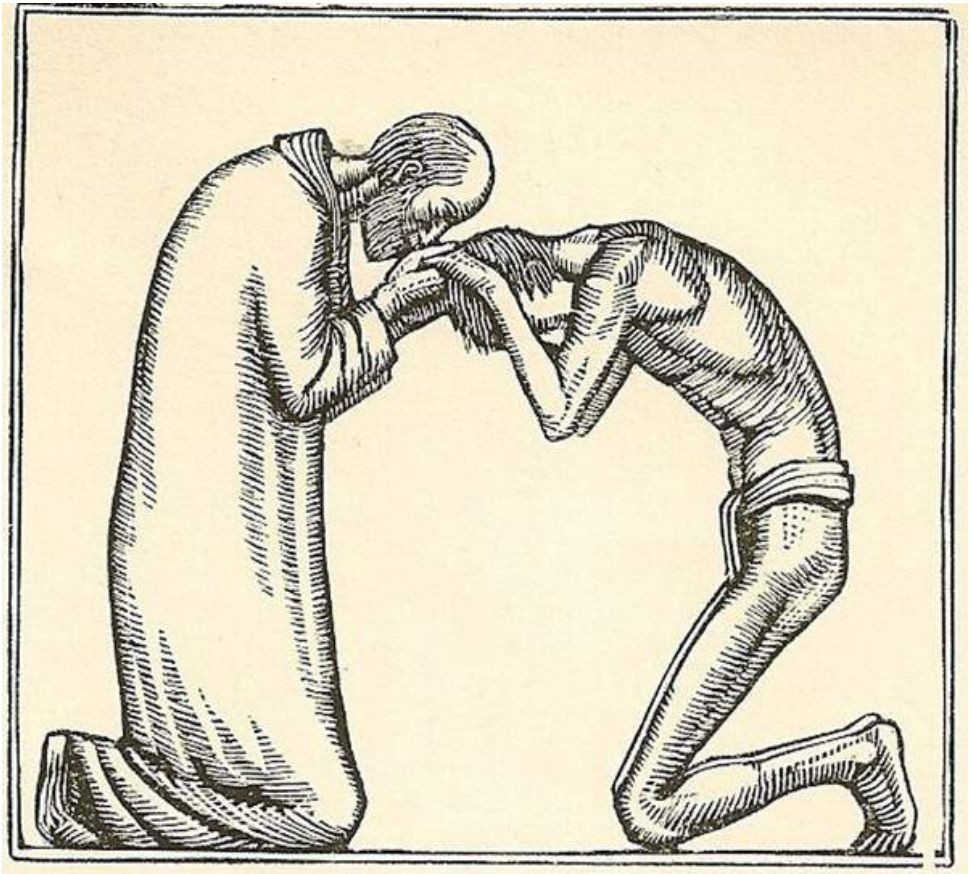


The Lord of the vineyard

SATURDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

Lc 15:22-24

But his father ordered his servants, 'Quickly bring the finest robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Take the fattened calf and slaughter it. Then let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again; he was lost, and has been found.' Then the celebration began.



Gwen Raverat, The prodigal son

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Ex 3:2-4

There an angel of the LORD appeared to him in fire flaming out of a bush. As he looked on, he was surprised to see that the bush, though on fire, was not consumed. So Moses decided, "I must go over to look at this remarkable sight, and see why the bush is not burned." When the LORD saw him coming over to look at it more closely, God called out to him from the bush, "Moses! Moses!" He answered, "Here I am."



Miguel Deveze, The Burning Bush

MONDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

lc 4:24-28

And he said, "Amen, I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own native place. Indeed, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah when the sky was closed for three and a half years and a severe famine spread over the entire land. It was to none of these that Elijah was sent, but only to a widow in Zarephath in the land of Sidon. Again, there were many lepers in Israel during the time of Elisha the prophet; yet not one of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian." When the people in the synagogue heard this, they were all filled with fury.

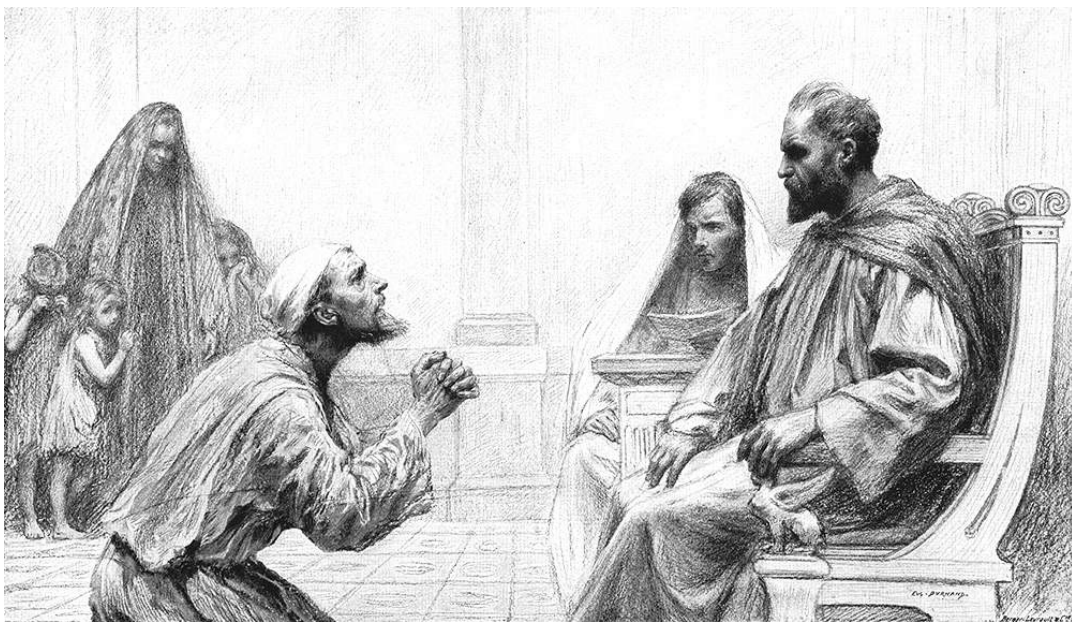


Jesus Declares He Is the Messiah

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

mt 5:18

Amen, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or the smallest part of a letter will pass from the law, until all things have taken place.



Jewish new year

THURSDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

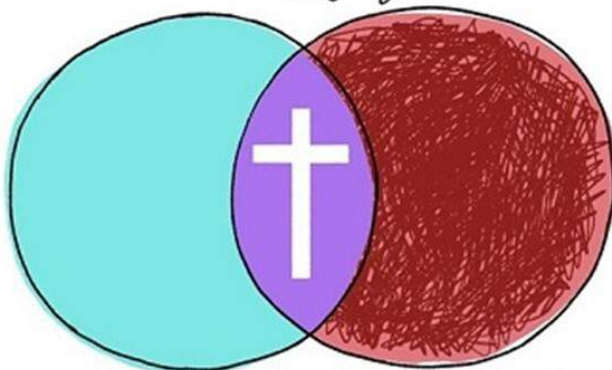
jer 7:23

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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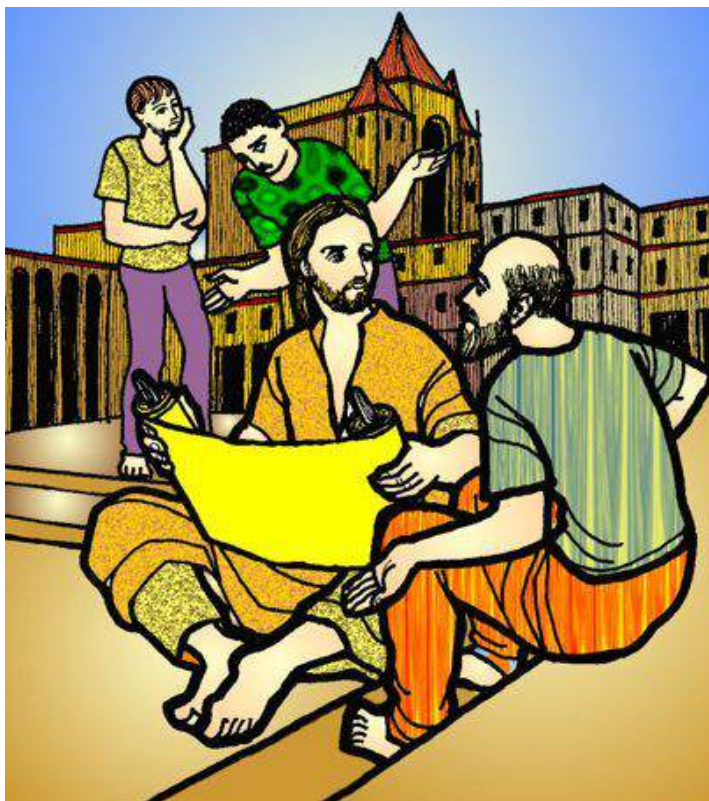
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I will be your God and you will be my people

FRIDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

Mc 12:28-31

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

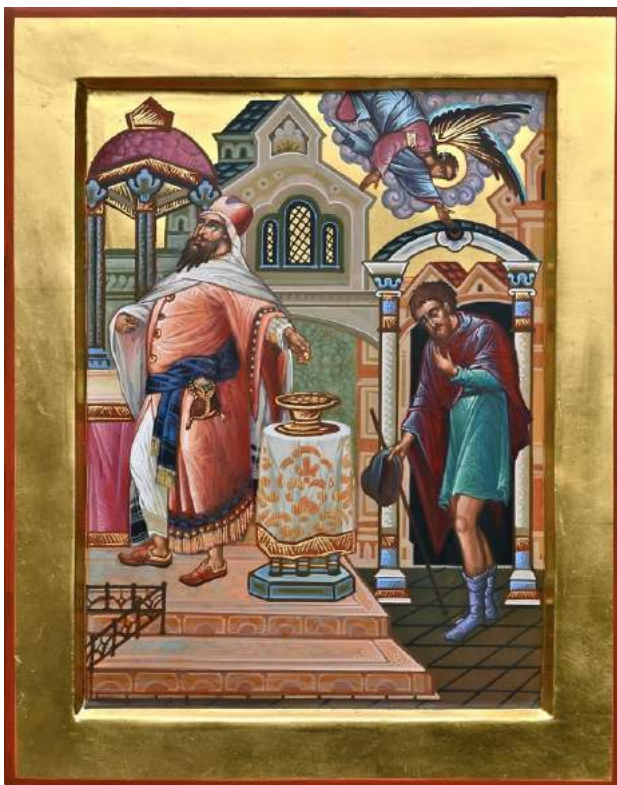


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SATURDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

lc 18:10-13

"Two people went up to the temple area to pray; one was a Pharisee and the other was a tax collector. The Pharisee took up his position and spoke this prayer to himself, 'O God, I thank you that I am not like the rest of humanity--greedy, dishonest, adulterous--or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, and I pay tithes on my whole income.' But the tax collector stood off at a distance and would not even raise his eyes to heaven but beat his breast and prayed, 'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.'"



The publican and the pharisee

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Lc 15:18-21

I shall get up and go to my father and I shall say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as you would treat one of your hired workers." 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.'

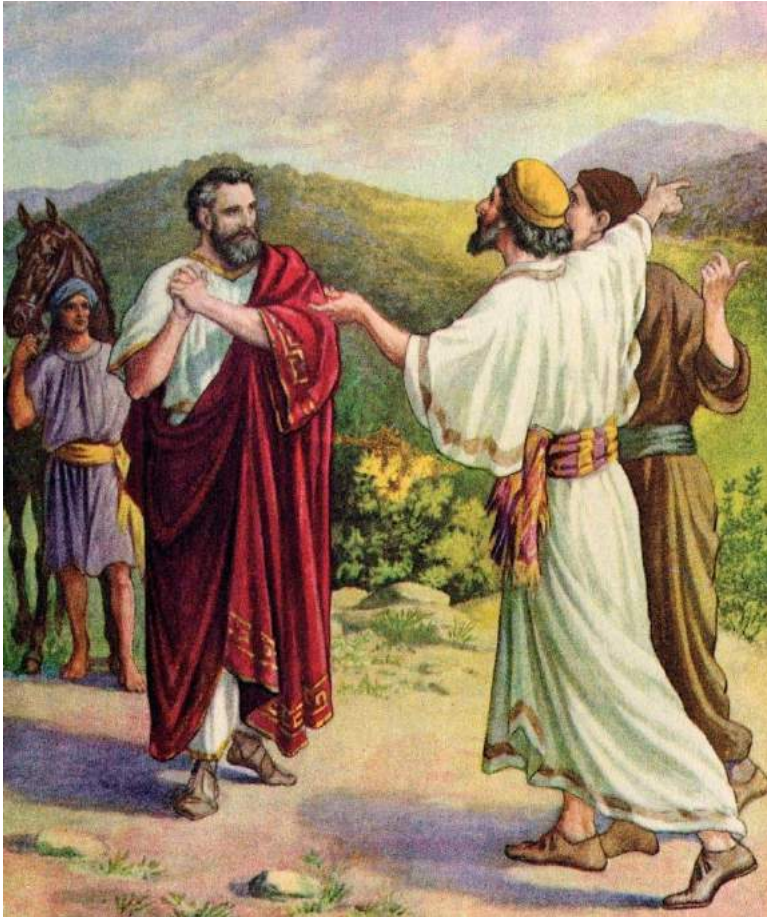


Jan van't Hoff, De verloren zoon - ©Jan van't Hoff

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

Jn 5:1-8

After this, there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now there is in Jerusalem at the Sheep (Gate) a pool called in Hebrew Bethesda, with five porticoes. In these lay a large number of ill, blind, lame, and crippled. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been ill for a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be well?" The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; while I am on my way, someone else gets down there before me." Jesus said to him, "Rise, take up your mat, and walk."



Pieter Aertsen, *The Healing of the Cripple of Bethesda*, 1575 (Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam)

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

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 7:19-24

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



Judge by faith and not by sight

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 8:7-11

But when they continued asking him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." Again he bent down and wrote on the ground. And in response, they went away one by one, beginning with the elders. So he was left alone with the woman before him. Then Jesus straightened up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" She replied, "No one, sir." Then Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, (and) from now on do not sin any more."



Lucas Cranach de Oude, Jezus en de overspelige vrouw,
1532 (Museum voor Schone Kunsten, Boedapest)

MONDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

jn 8:17-18

Even in your law it is written that the testimony of two men can be verified. I testify on my behalf and so does the Father who sent me."



Jesus Graffiti

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

jn 8:37-42

I know that you are descendants of Abraham. But you are trying to kill me, because my word has no room among you. I tell you what I have seen in the Father's presence; then do what you have heard from the Father." They answered and said to him, "Our father is Abraham." Jesus said to them, "If you were Abraham's children, you would be doing the works of Abraham. But now you are trying to kill me, a man who has told you the truth that I heard from God; Abraham did not do this. You are doing the works of your father!" (So) they said to him, "We are not illegitimate. We have one Father, God." Jesus said to them, "If God were your Father, you would love me, for I came from God and am here; I did not come on my own, but he sent me.



Holy Trinity

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

jn 10:37-38

If I do not perform my Father's works, do not believe me; but if I perform them, even if you do not believe me, believe the works, so that you may realize (and understand) that the Father is in me and I am in the Father."



Ex votos (Moresnet (Moresnet-Chapelle), Belgique)

SATURDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

jn 11:47-53

So the chief priests and the Pharisees convened the Sanhedrin and said, "What are we going to do? This man is performing many signs. If we leave him alone, all will believe in him, and the Romans will come and take away both our land and our nation."

But one of them, Caiaphas, who was high priest that year, said to them, "You know nothing, nor do you consider that it is better for you that one man should die instead of the people, so that the whole nation may not perish." He did not say this on his own, but since he was high priest for that year, he prophesied that Jesus was going to die for the nation, and not only for the nation, but also to gather into one the dispersed children of God. So from that day on they planned to kill him.



Every Time I Look At You I Don't Understand (Jesus Christ Superstar) - ©Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber

PALM SUNDAY

Lc 22:19

Then he took the bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, “This is my body, which will be given for you; do this in memory of me.”.



"Do This In Remembrance of Me"

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

jn 13:21-26

When he had said this, Jesus was deeply troubled and testified, "Amen, amen, I say to you, one of you will betray me." The disciples looked at one another, at a loss as to whom he meant. One of his disciples, the one whom Jesus loved, was reclining at Jesus' side. So Simon Peter nodded to him to find out whom he meant. He leaned back against Jesus' chest and said to him, "Master, who is it?" Jesus answered, "It is the one to whom I hand the morsel after I have dipped it." So he dipped the morsel and (took it and) handed it to Judas, son of Simon the Iscariot.



He is it

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

Rev 1:7-8

Behold, he is coming amid the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him. All the peoples of the earth will lament him. Yes. Amen. “I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “the one who is and who was and who is to come, the almighty.”.

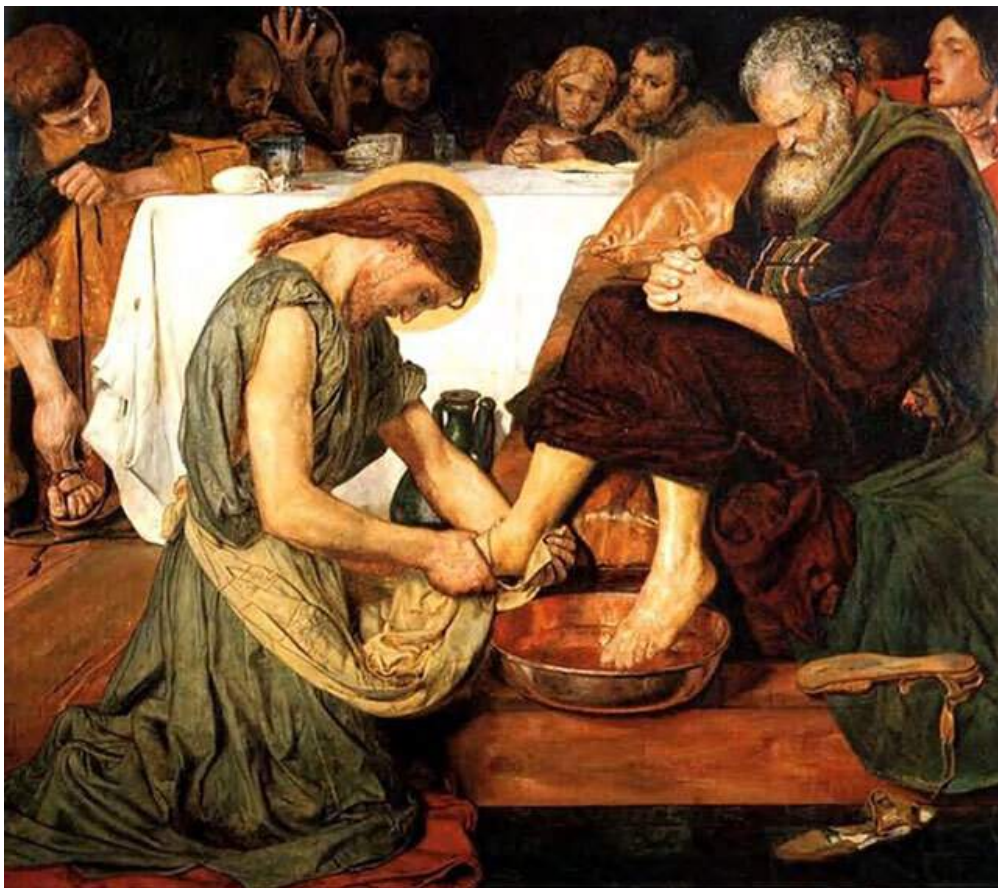


Matthew Garrett, Ascension of Christ, 2009 (Church of the Nativity of the Virgin Mary (OCA) in Monongahela PA) - ©Matthew Garrett

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 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.



Rene van Tol, Kruisiging no 1 (Museum Catharijneconvent, Utrecht) - ©Rene van Tol

EASTER VIGIL

Gen 1:26-27

God created man in his image; in the divine image he created him; male and female he created them.



Chris Kolle, In His Own Image - ©Chris Kolle

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

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

Jn 21:15-17

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." He then said to him a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was distressed that he had said to him a third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." (Jesus) said to him, "Feed my sheep.

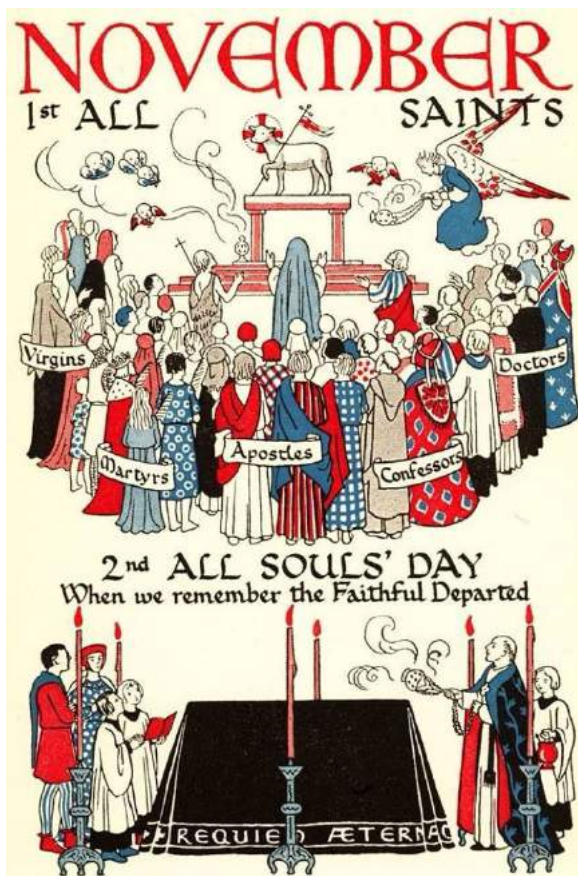


J. Kirk Richards, Christ and the Fishermen (Lovest Thou Me More Than These?) - ©J. Kirk Richards

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Rev 7:9-10

After this I had a vision of a great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue. They stood before the throne and before the Lamb, wearing white robes and holding palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice: “Salvation comes from our God, who is seated on the throne, and from the Lamb.”.



November 1st All Saints

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Rev 21:2-4

Coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. He will dwell with them and they will be his people and God himself will always be with them [as their God].



Frans van Hoffen, Het nieuwe Jeruzalem - ©Frans van Hoffen

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jn 14:24-26

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



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

ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Lc 24:51-52

As he blessed them he parted from them and was taken up to heaven. They did him homage and then returned to Jerusalem with great joy.



Ascension Day

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Rev 22:16-17

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



Natalya Rusetska, Christ - ©Natalya Rusetska

PENTECOST

Jn 20:22-23

And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."



William Blake, *Christ Appearing to His Disciples After the Resurrection*, 1795 (National Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C)

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
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THE HOLY TRINITY

Rom 5:1-2

With God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access (by faith) to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in hope of the glory of God.



Oleksandr Antonyuk, Jesus and the Samaritan woman - ©Oleksandr Antonyuk

CORPUS CHRISTI

Lc 9:13-16

He said to them, "Give them some food yourselves." They replied, "Five loaves and two fish are all we have, unless we ourselves go and buy food for all these people." Now the men there numbered about five thousand. Then he said to his disciples, "Have them sit down in groups of (about) fifty." They did so and made them all sit down. Then taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing over them, broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd.



Sacramentsprocessie (Antwerpen), 2012

SACRED HEART OF JESUS

ezek 34:11-13

For thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will look after and tend my sheep. As a shepherd tends his flock when he finds himself among his scattered sheep, so will I tend my sheep. I will rescue them from every place where they were scattered when it was cloudy and dark. I will lead them out from among the peoples and gather them from the foreign lands; I will bring them back to their own country and pasture them upon the mountains of Israel (in the land's ravines and all its inhabited places).



Herding - ©National Geographic

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jn 2:6-8

Now there were six stone water jars there for Jewish ceremonial washings, each holding twenty to thirty gallons. Jesus told them, "Fill the jars with water." So they filled them to the brim. Then he told them, "Draw some out now and take it to the headwaiter." So they took it.



Marten de Vos, De bruiloft te Kana, 1596 (O.-L. Vrouwekathedraal, Antwerp)

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Lc 4:24-28

And he said, "Amen, I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own native place. Indeed, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah when the sky was closed for three and a half years and a severe famine spread over the entire land. It was to none of these that Elijah was sent, but only to a widow in Zarephath in the land of Sidon. Again, there were many lepers in Israel during the time of Elisha the prophet; yet not one of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian." When the people in the synagogue heard this, they were all filled with fury.

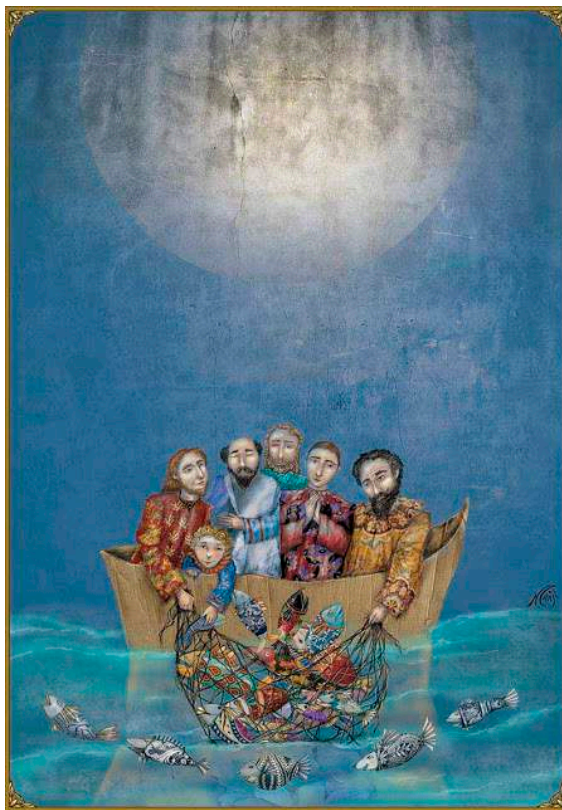


Jesus Declares He Is the Messiah

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Lc 5:4-7

After he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch." Simon said in reply, "Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing, but at your command I will lower the nets." When they had done this, they caught a great number of fish and their nets were tearing. They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come to help them. They came and filled both boats so that they were in danger of sinking.



Nerina Canzi, LA PESCA MILAGROSA, 2015 - ©Nerina Canzi

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

jer 17:5-7

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Don't trust in man

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

lc 6:38

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



Giving

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

sirach 27:5-8

As the test of what the potter molds is in the furnace, so in his conversation is the test of a man. The fruit of a tree shows the care it has had; so too does a man's speech disclose the bent of his mind. Praise no man before he speaks, for it is then that men are tested. If you strive after justice you will attain it, and put it on like a splendid robe.

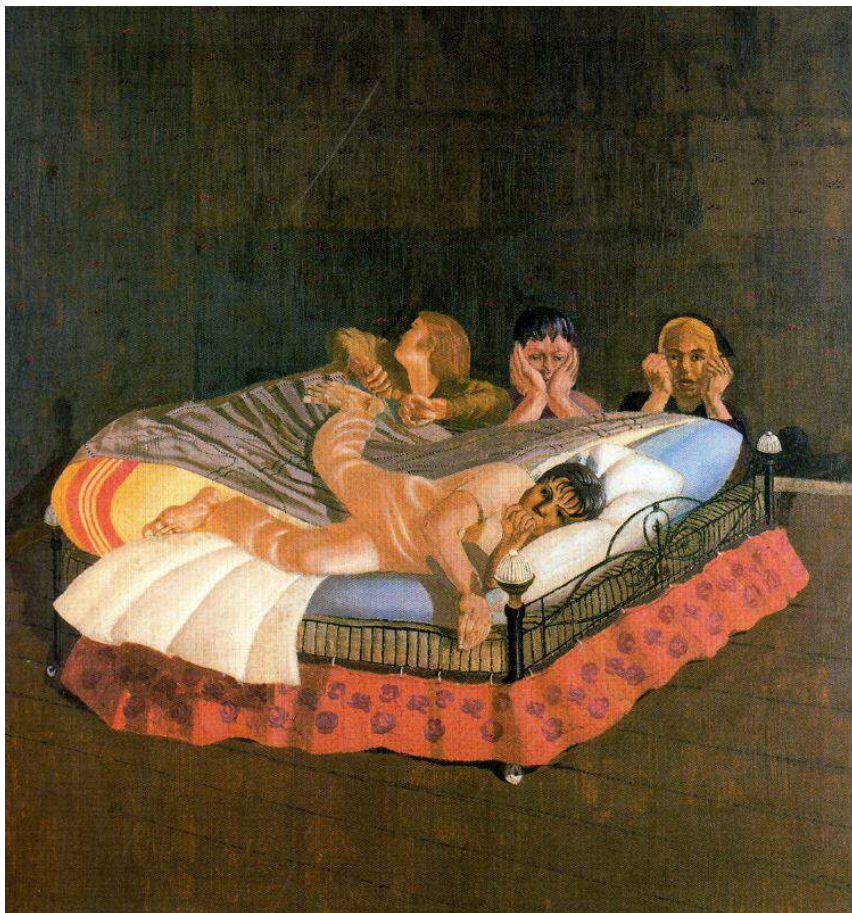


The test of what the potter molds is in the furnace

NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Lc 7:1-3

When he had finished all his words to the people, he entered Capernaum. A centurion there had a slave who was ill and about to die, and he was valuable to him. When he heard about Jesus, he sent elders of the Jews to him, asking him to come and save the life of his slave.



stanley spencer, the centurion's servant, 1914

TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

lc 7:11-14

Soon afterward he journeyed to a city called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd accompanied him. As he drew near to the gate of the city, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. A large crowd from the city was with her. When the Lord saw her, he was moved with pity for her and said to her, "Do not weep." He stepped forward and touched the coffin; at this the bearers halted, and he said, "Young man, I tell you, arise!".



Pierre Bouillon, Jesus Resurrecting the Son of the Widow of Nain (Musée de Tessé)

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Lc 7:44-48

Then he turned to the woman and said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? When I entered your house, you did not give me water for my feet, but she has bathed them with her tears and wiped them with her hair. You did not give me a kiss, but she has not ceased kissing my feet since the time I entered. You did not anoint my head with oil, but she anointed my feet with ointment. So I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven; hence, she has shown great love. But the one to whom little is forgiven, loves little." He said to her, "Your sins are forgiven."

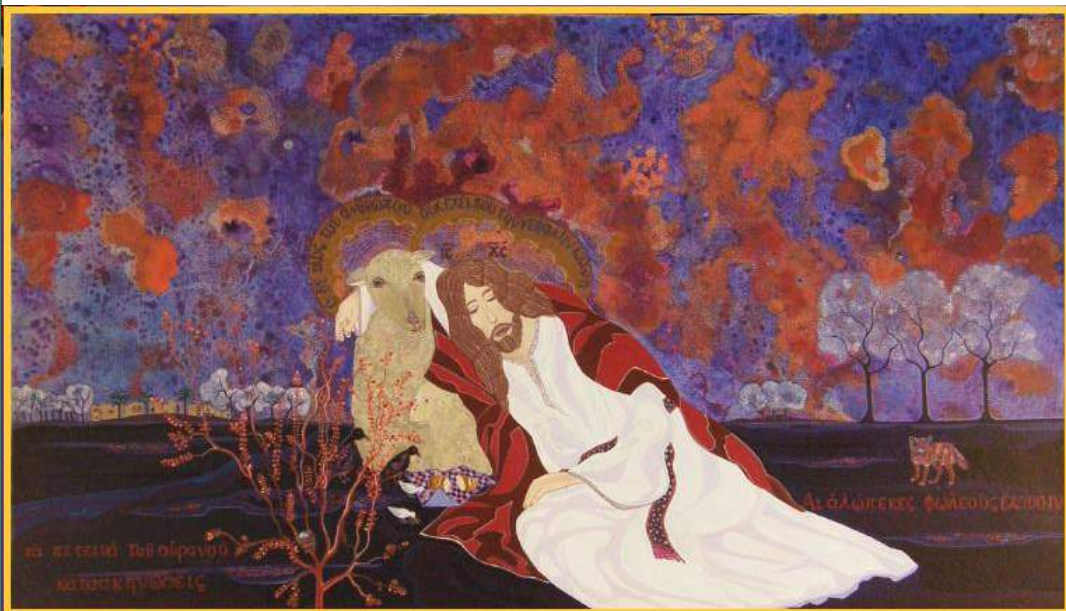


Mary anointing Jesus' feet

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Lc 9:57-58

As they were proceeding on their journey someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." Jesus answered him, "Foxes have dens and birds of the sky have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to rest his head."



Christine Oskirko, The Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head - ©Christine Oskirko

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Lc 10:13-16

"Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty deeds done in your midst had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would long ago have repented, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. [13-16] The call to repentance that is a part of the proclamation of the kingdom brings with it a severe judgment for those who hear it and reject it. But it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the judgment than for you. And as for you, Capernaum, 'Will you be exalted to heaven? You will go down to the netherworld.'" Whoever listens to you listens to me. Whoever rejects you rejects me. And whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

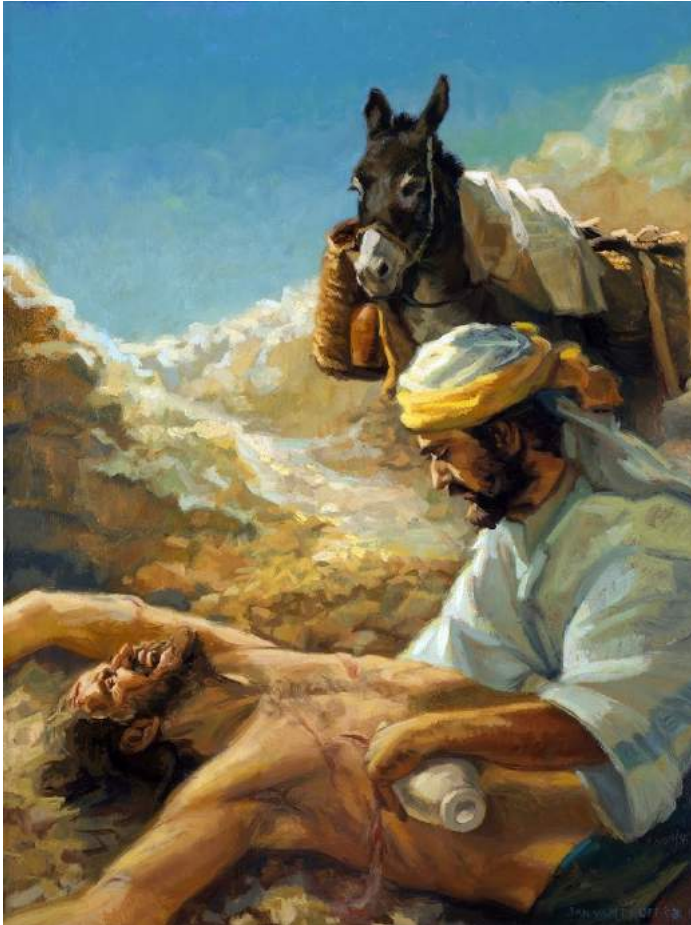


anonymous Italian painter, Saint Francis of Assisi preaches to the animals, 1626

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Lc 10:33-34

But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight. He approached the victim, poured oil and wine over his wounds and bandaged them. Then he lifted him up on his own animal, took him to an inn and cared for him.



Jan van't Hoff, De barmhartige Samaritaan - ©Jan van't Hoff

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Lc 10:38-39

As they continued their journey he entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him. She had a sister named Mary (who) sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak.



Jesus in the house of Mary and Martha

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Gen 18:32

But he persisted: “Please, do not let my Lord be angry if I speak up this last time. What if ten are found there?” For the sake of the ten, he replied, I will not destroy it.



Lucas van Leyden, Lot en zijn dochters, ca. 1521 (Musée du Louvre, Parijs)

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Col 3:3-5,9-10

For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory. Put to death, then, the parts of you that are earthly: immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and the greed that is idolatry. Stop lying to one another, since you have taken off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed, for knowledge, in the image of its creator.

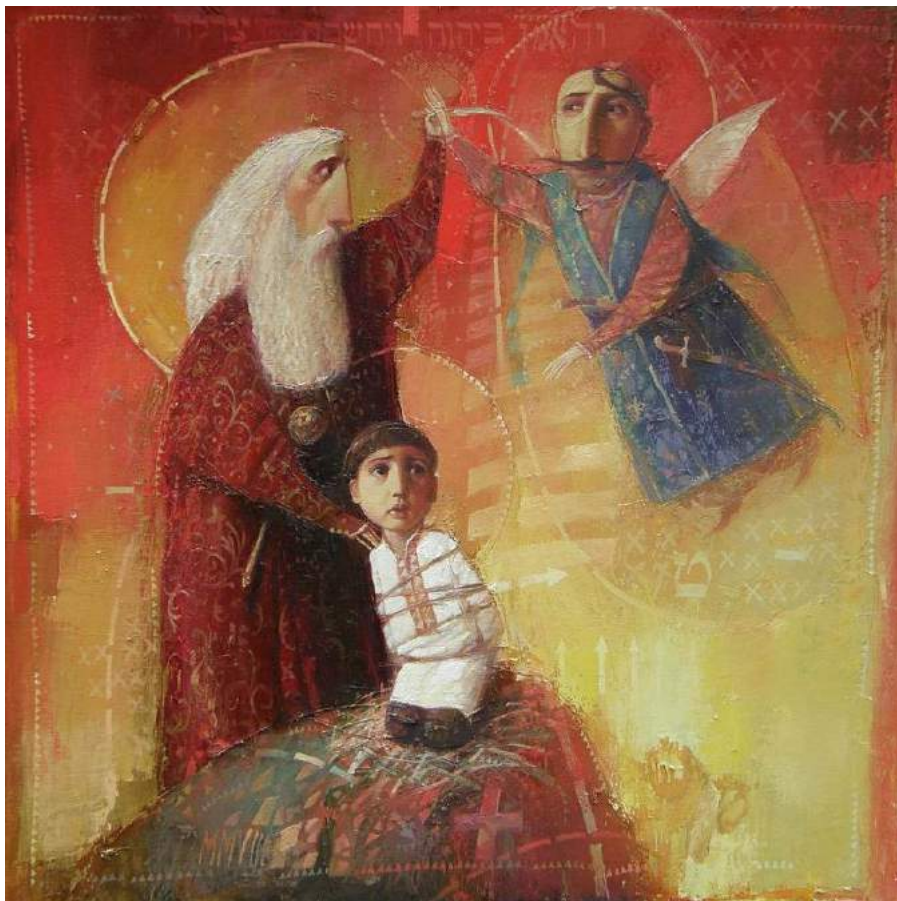


Emma, 2006

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Heb 11:17-19

By faith Abraham, when put to the test, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was ready to offer his only son, of whom it was said, "Through Isaac descendants shall bear your name." He reasoned that God was able to raise even from the dead, and he received Isaac back as a symbol.



Oleksandr Antonyuk, The sacrifice of Isaac - ©Oleksandr Antonyuk

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Lc 13:25-27

After the master of the house has arisen and locked the door, then will you stand outside knocking and saying, 'Lord, open the door for us.' He will say to you in reply, 'I do not know where you are from.' And you will say, 'We ate and drank in your company and you taught in our streets.' Then he will say to you, 'I do not know where (you) are from. Depart from me, all you evildoers!'



Cerezo Barredo, Domingo 25° Ordinario, 2000 - ©Cerezo Barredo

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Lc 14:10-11

Rather, when you are invited, go and take the lowest place so that when the host comes to you he may say, 'My friend, move up to a higher position.' Then you will enjoy the esteem of your companions at the table. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted."



Pieter Bruegel de Oude, Boerenbruiloft, 1567-1568 (Kunsthistorisches Museum, Wien)

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Lc 14:27

Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.

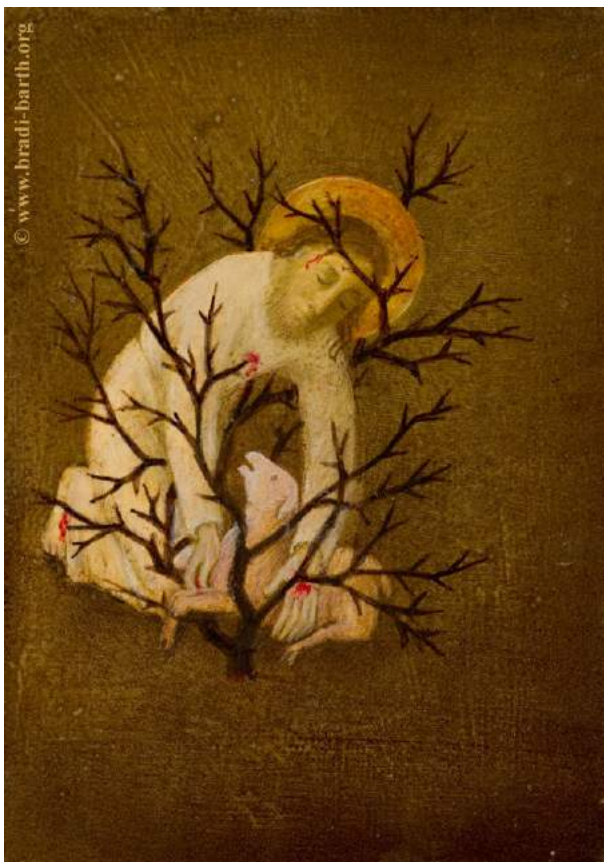


El Greco, Christ carrying the cross, 1600-1605 (Prado Museum)

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Lc 15:4-6

"What man among you having a hundred sheep and losing one of them would not leave the ninety-nine in the desert and go after the lost one until he finds it? And when he does find it, he sets it on his shoulders with great joy and, upon his arrival home, he calls together his friends and neighbors and says to them, 'Rejoice with me because I have found my lost sheep.'"



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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Lc 16:5-7

He called in his master's debtors one by one. To the first he said, 'How much do you owe my master?' He replied, 'One hundred measures of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Here is your promissory note. Sit down and quickly write one for fifty.' Then to another he said, 'And you, how much do you owe?' He replied, 'One hundred kors of wheat.' He said to him, 'Here is your promissory note; write one for eighty.'



Dan Lewis, The parable of the unjust steward, 2009 - ©Dan Lewis

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Lc 17:12-16

As he was entering a village, ten lepers met (him). They stood at a distance from him and raised their voice, saying, "Jesus, Master! Have pity on us!" And when he saw them, he said, "Go show yourselves to the priests." As they were going they were cleansed. And one of them, realizing he had been healed, returned, glorifying God in a loud voice; and he fell at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. He was a Samaritan.



Jesus heals ten lepers

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Lc 18:7-8

Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? Will he be slow to answer them? I tell you, he will see to it that justice is done for them speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

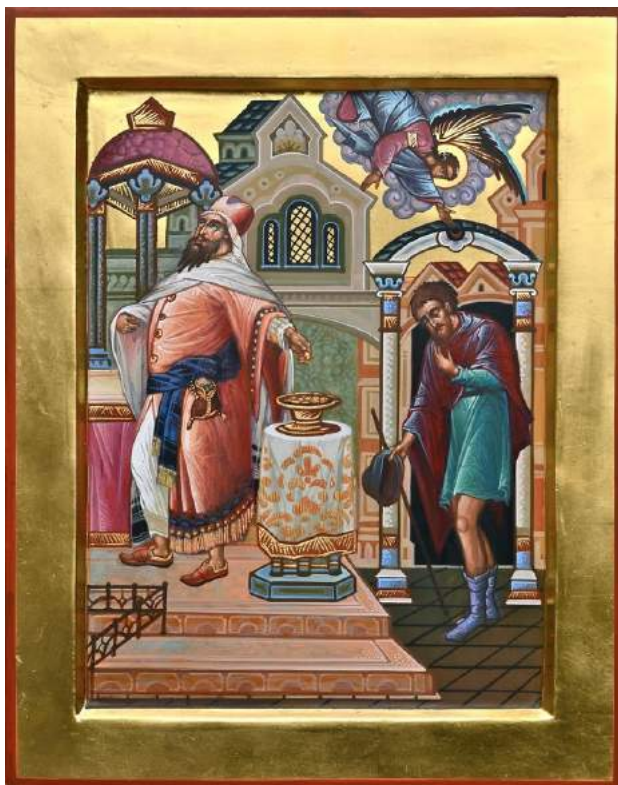


Milly Childers, Girl praying in church (Leeds Museums and Galleries)

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

lc 18:10-13

"Two people went up to the temple area to pray; one was a Pharisee and the other was a tax collector. The Pharisee took up his position and spoke this prayer to himself, 'O God, I thank you that I am not like the rest of humanity--greedy, dishonest, adulterous--or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, and I pay tithes on my whole income.' But the tax collector stood off at a distance and would not even raise his eyes to heaven but beat his breast and prayed, 'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.'"



The publican and the pharisee

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Lc 19:5

When he reached the place, Jesus looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, come down quickly, for today I must stay at your house."



Bernardo Strozzi, The Conversion of Zacchaeus, 2nd q 17th century (Musée des Beaux-Arts, Nantes)

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Lc 20:36-38

They can no longer die, for they are like angels; and they are the children of God because they are the ones who will rise. That the dead will rise even Moses made known in the passage about the bush, when he called 'Lord' the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob; and he is not God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive."



Stanley Spencer, The resurrection: reunion of families, 1945

CHRIST THE KING

Col 1:15-16

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For in him were created all things in heaven and on earth, the visible and the invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers; all things were created through him and for him.



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