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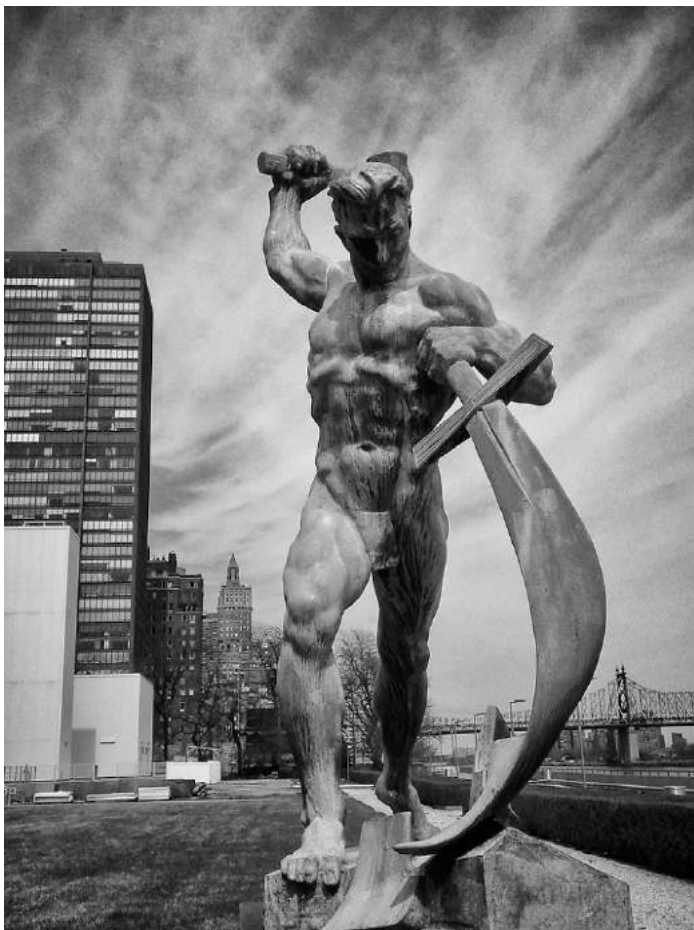




## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*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

## 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 11:6-8*

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 25:8*

he will destroy death forever. The Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces;  
The reproach of his people he will remove from the whole earth; for the LORD has spoken.

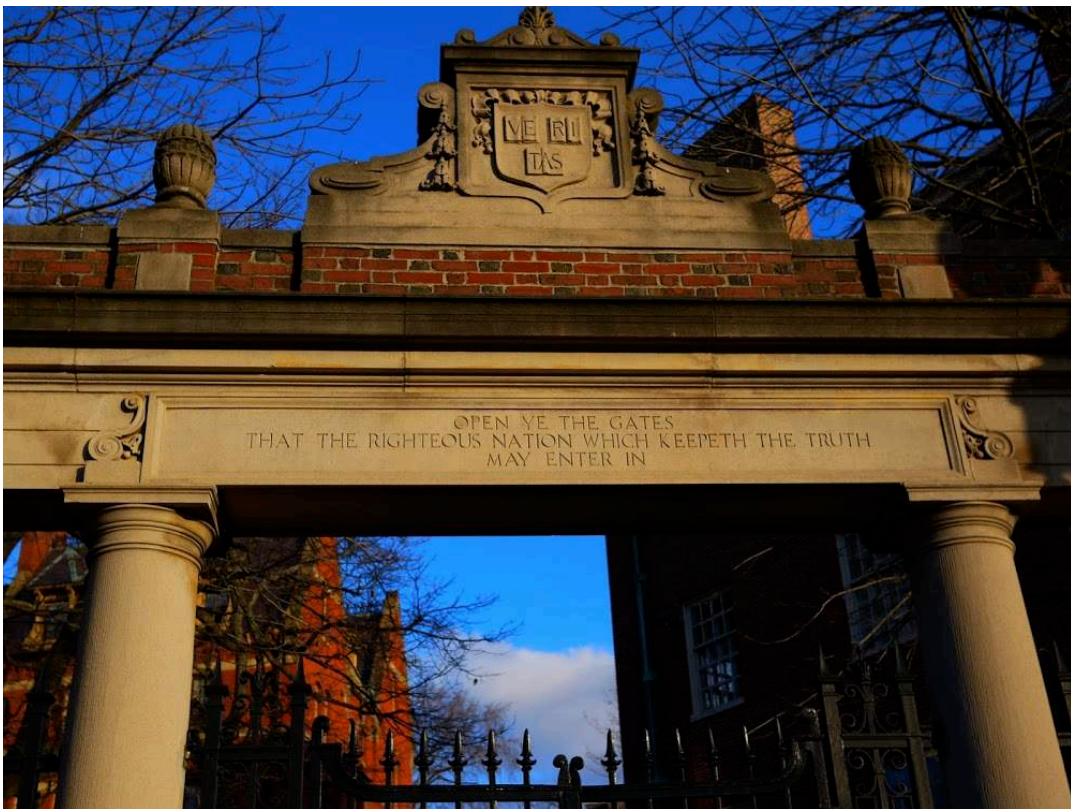


He will swallow up death in victory

## 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 10:1-4*

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



12 aposteles

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*Isa 11:1-2*

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



Simon Dewey, Hallowed Be Thy Name - ©Simon Dewey



## 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

*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.

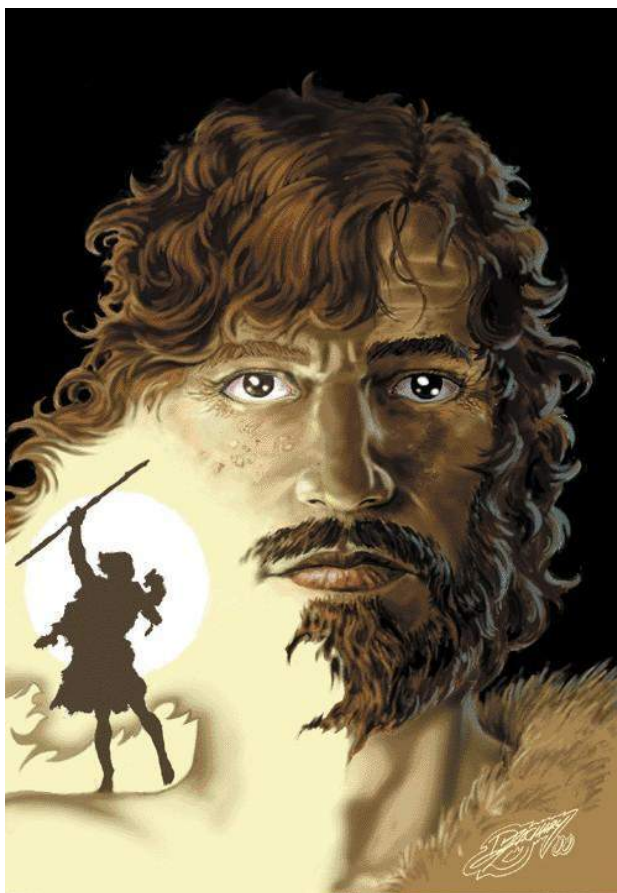


River with stepping stones

## SATURDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

*mt 17:11-13*

He said in reply, "Elijah will indeed come and restore all things; but I tell you that Elijah has already come, and they did not recognize him but did to him whatever they pleased. So also will the Son of Man suffer at their hands." Then the disciples understood that he was speaking to them of John the Baptist.



John the Baptist

## THIRD SUNDAY 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.



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## MONDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT

*num 24:2-5*

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



Christina Mattison Ebert, Parashat Balak - ©Christina Mattison Ebert



## TUESDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT

*Mt 21:28-31a*

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



Ang Talinghaga Patungkol sa Dalawang Anak

## WEDNESDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT

*isa 45:22-23*

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



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

## THURSDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT

*isa 54:1-5*

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



Jump For Joy-Mary en Elizabeth - ©ArtByCorby

## FRIDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT

*isa 56:1-2*

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



Jesus' Sermon on the Mount



## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*Mt 1:20-24*

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 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

*Mt 1:20b-21*

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



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



## DECEMBER 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 1:31-33*

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



Silouan, Moeder Gods van het Teken, 2008

## DECEMBER 21ST

*song 2:11*

For, lo, the winter is past; The rain is over and gone.



The winter is past - ©Faithlife

## 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.



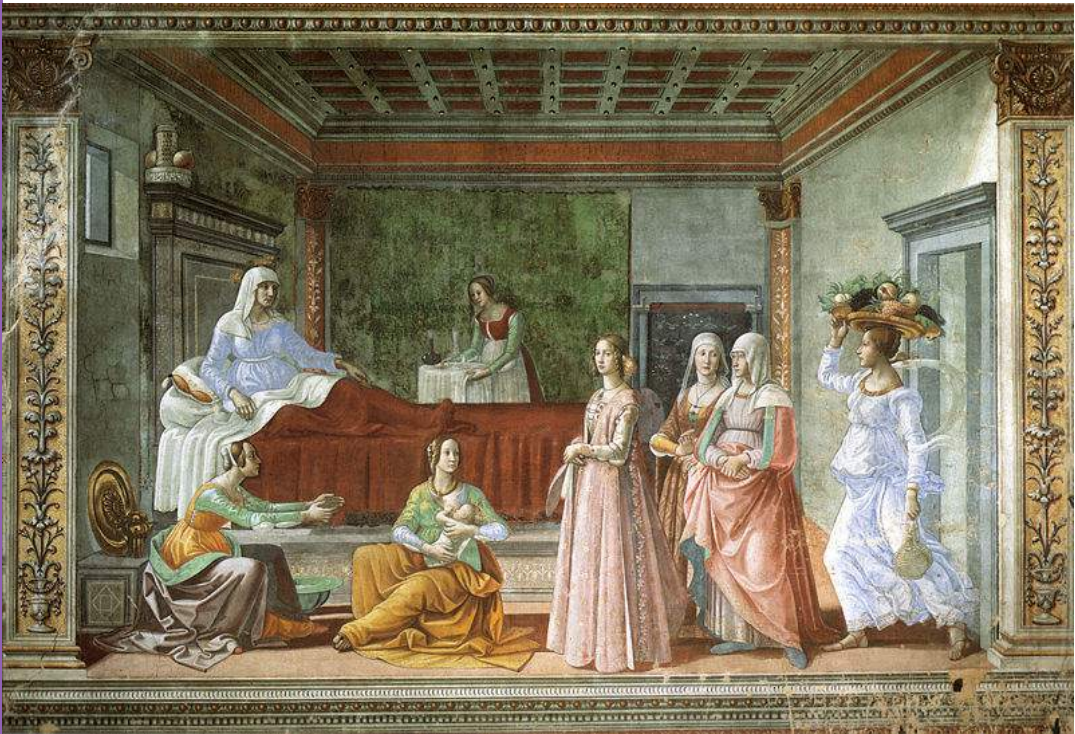
Sandro Botticelli, *Madonna of the Magnificat*, 1481 (Uffizi, Florence)



## DECEMBER 23RD

*Lc 1:57-58*

When the time arrived for Elizabeth to have her child she gave birth to a son. Her neighbors and relatives heard that the Lord had shown his great mercy toward her, and they rejoiced with her.

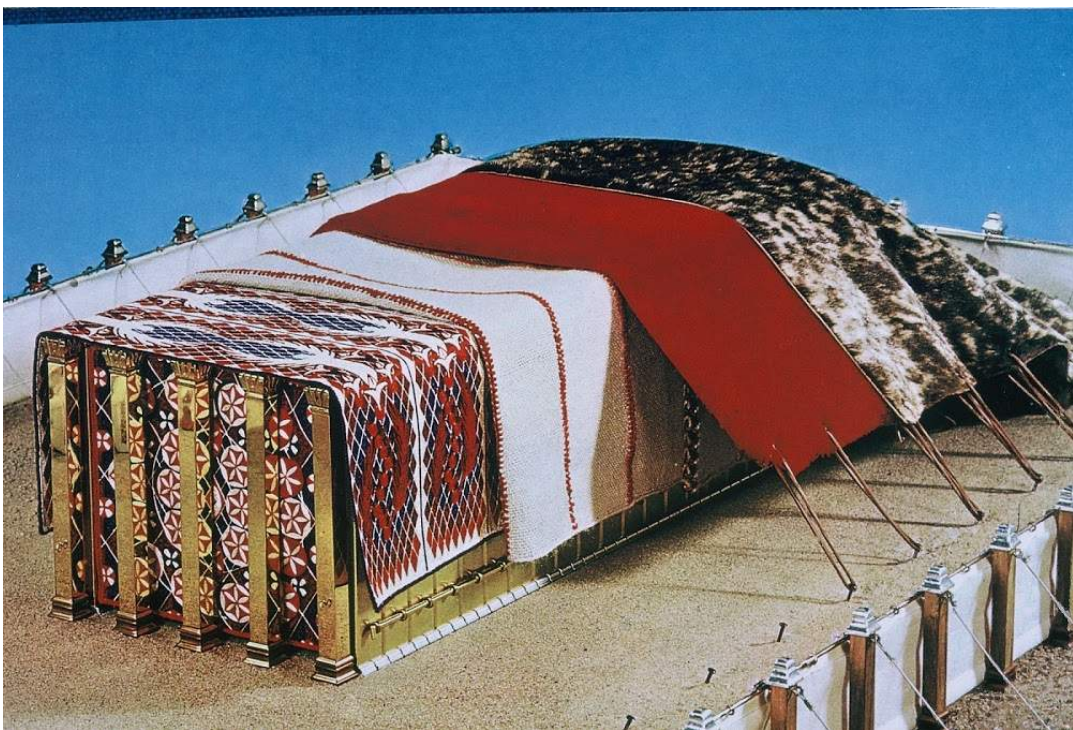


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## DECEMBER 24TH (MORNING MASS)

*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 1:23*

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



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



## CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS

December, 25th

*Lc 2:8-9*

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.



Thomas Cole, The Angel Appearing to the Shepherds, c. 1834 (Chrysler Museum of Art - Norfolk (Va) (United States - Norfolk, Virginia))

## 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.



omgeving van Bartolommeo Suardi, De aanbidding der herders, 1500 - 1535 (Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam)



## 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.



Tyrus Clutter, Word Made Flesh, 2004 - ©Tyrus Clutter

## **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, 27<sup>th</sup>

*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*

When they had departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Rise, take the child and his mother, flee to Egypt, and stay there until I tell you. Herod is going to search for the child to destroy him."



Kim Ki-chang, The Flight to Egypt



## THE HOLY FAMILY

*Mt 2:16*

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



Pieter Bruegel de Oude, *De Moord op de Onnozele Kinderen*, 1566 (Kunsthistorisches Museum, Wien)

## 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 2:1-2*

behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage."



Gustave Doré, De wijzen die door de ster geleid worden



## BAPTISM OF THE LORD

*Mt 3:16-17*

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



Joachim Patenier, The baptism of Christ, first half of 16th century (Kunsthistorisches Museum, Wien)



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



## 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 Berszoa, Corazón Inmaculado de María de Fátima, 2012 - ©Raul Berszoa



## SATURDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

*Isa 58:9-10*

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



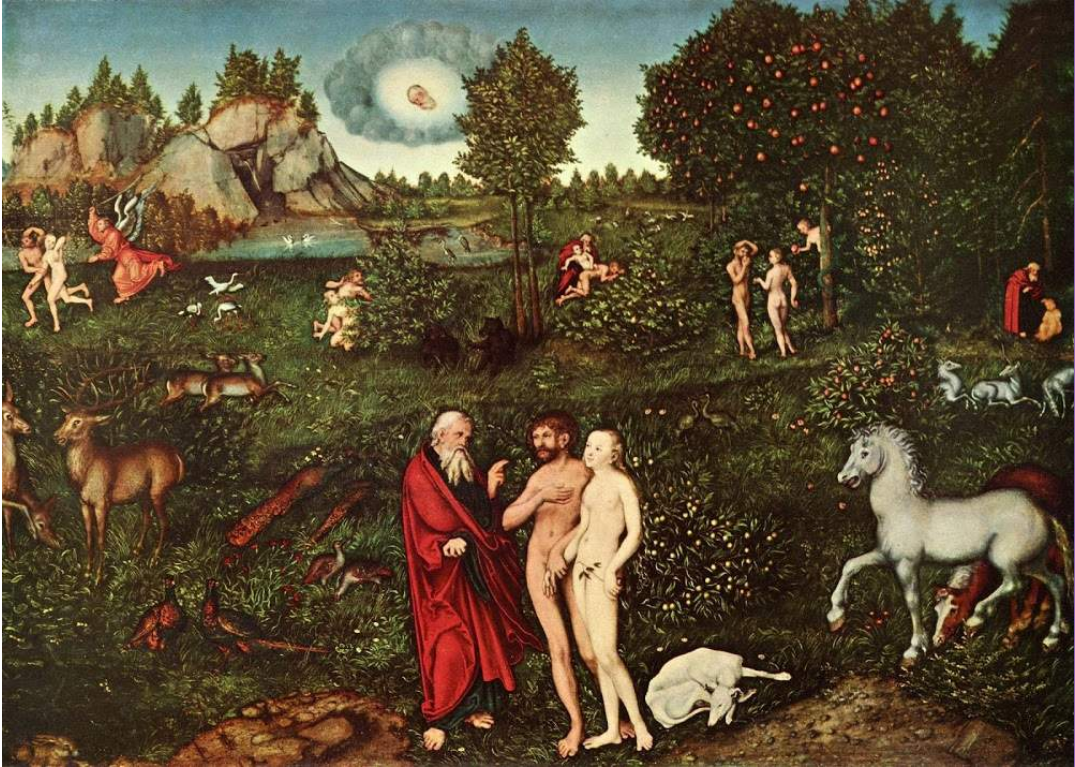
de Meester van Alkmaar, De zeven werken van barmhartigheid - De hongerigen voeden



## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

*Gen 2:16-17*

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



Lucas Cranach the Elder, Paradise, 1530 (Kunsthistorisches Museum, Vienna)

## 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

*Mt 6:9-13*

"This is how you are to pray: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and do not subject us to the final test, but deliver us from the evil one.



The Garden of Gethsemane

## WEDNESDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

*Jon 3:1*

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



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



## THURSDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

*mt* 7:7-8

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



Perseverance in faith



## FRIDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

*Mt 5:25-26*

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



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

## SATURDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

*mt 5:44*

But I say to you, love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you.



Jean Michel Basquiat, Jess Black And Jean Michel Basquiat Comparisons Subside

## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

*Mt 17:1-3*

After six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, conversing with him.



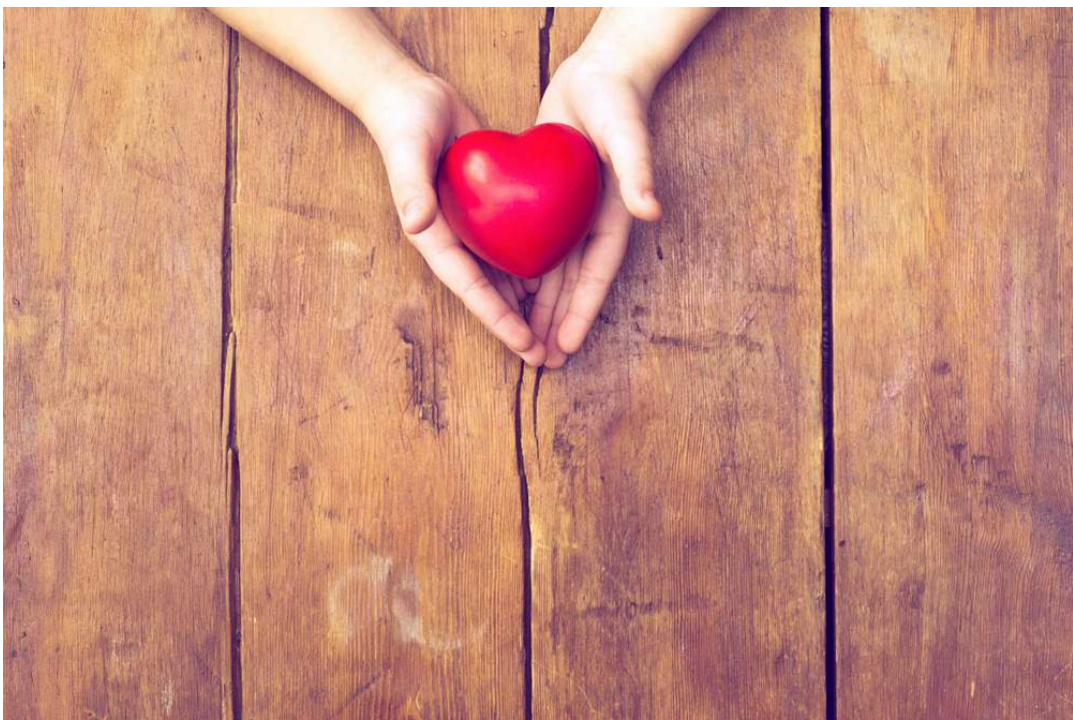
Jodi Simmons, The Transfiguration



## MONDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*lc 6:38*

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



Giving

## TUESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*mt 23:9*

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 20:20-23*

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

*lc 16:22-24*

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



The rich man and Lazarus

## 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

*mic 7:18-19*

Who is there like you, the God who removes guilt and pardons sin for the remnant of his inheritance. Who does not persist in anger forever, but delights rather in clemency. And will again have compassion on us, treading underfoot our guilt? You will cast into the depths of the sea all our sins.



Bible truths

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

*Jn 4:13-14*

Jesus answered and said to her, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."



Odilon Redon, Cristo y la samaritana



## 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.

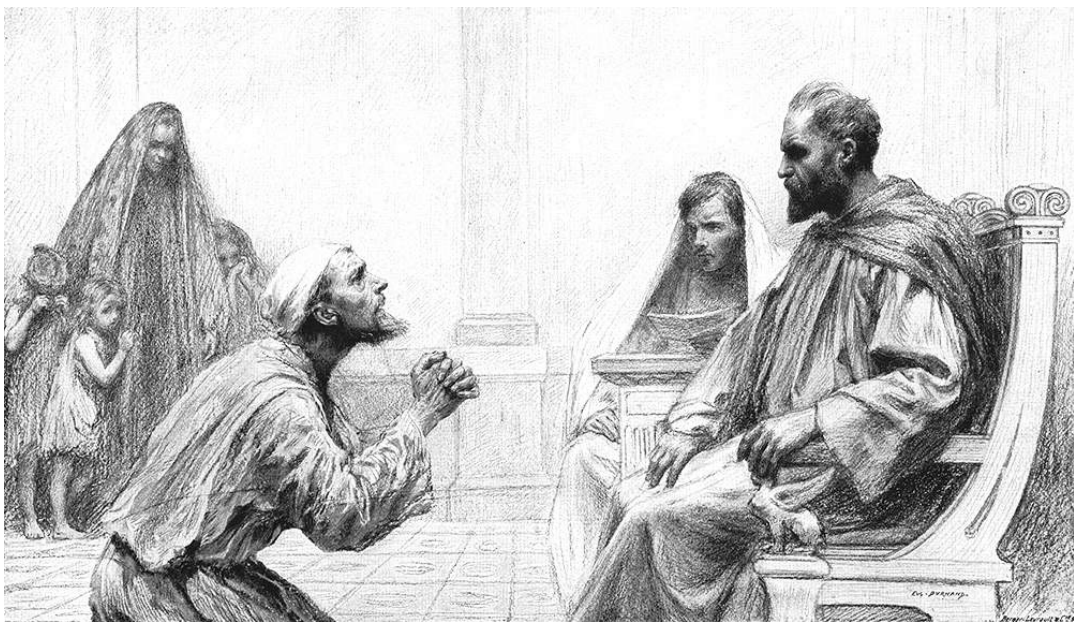


Jesus Declares He Is the Messiah

## 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

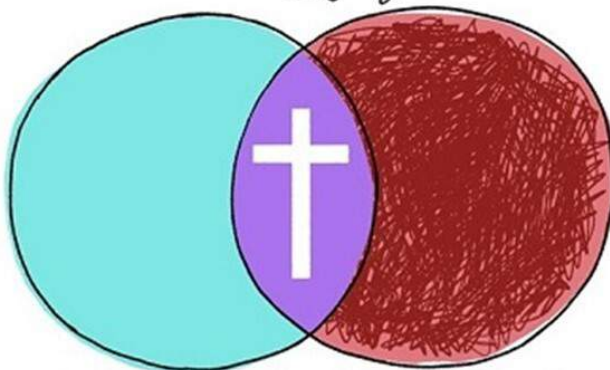
*jer 7:23*

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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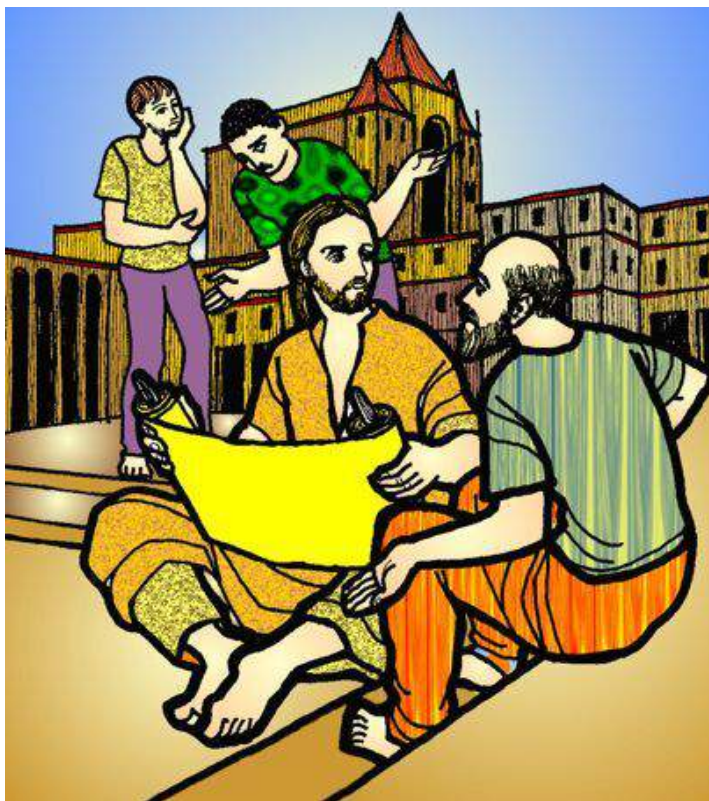
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## FRIDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

*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."



Crezo Barredo, Domingo 31° ordinario, 1999 - ©Crezo Barredo



SATURDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

Lc 18:14b

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



The pharisee and the publican

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

*1 Sam 16:12-13*

Jesse sent and had the young man brought to them. He was ruddy, a youth handsome to behold and making a splendid appearance. The LORD said, "There-anoint him, for this is he!" Then Samuel, with the horn of oil in hand, anointed him in the midst of his brothers; and from that day on, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David. When Samuel took his leave, he went to Ramah.

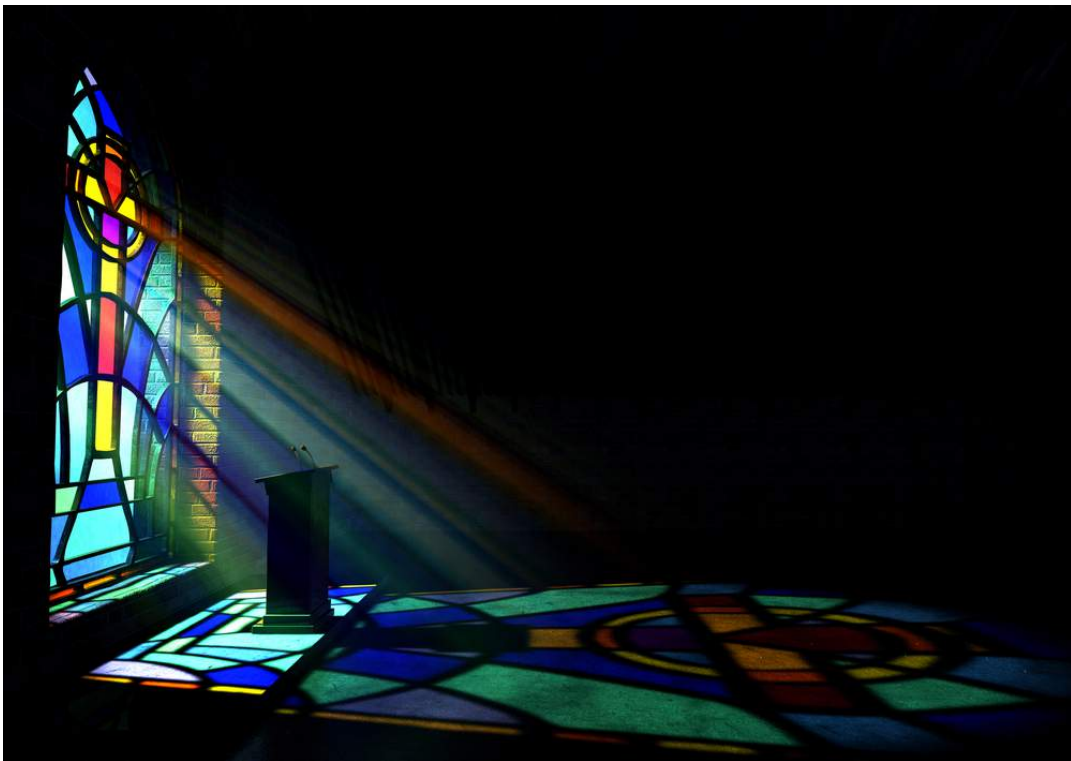


Oleksandr Antonyuk, Samuel anoints David - ©Oleksandr Antonyuk

## MONDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*jn 4:48*

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



Glasraam

## TUESDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*jn 5:2-7*

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."



Robert Bateman, The Pool of Bethesda, 1877 (Yale Center for British Art)

## WEDNESDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*Isa 49:13-15*

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. But Zion said, "The LORD has forsaken me; my Lord has forgotten me." Can a mother forget her infant, be without tenderness for the child of her womb? Even should she forget, I will never forget you.



Lorenzo di Credi, Virgin with the baby



## THURSDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*ex 32:9-14*

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



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

## FRIDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*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

## SATURDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*jer 11:19-20*

But then the Lord told me that they had planned to chop me down like a tree— fruit and all— so that no one would ever remember me again. I prayed, “Lord All-Powerful, 11.20 Ws 1.6 you always do what is right, and you know every thought. So I trust you to help me and to take revenge.”.

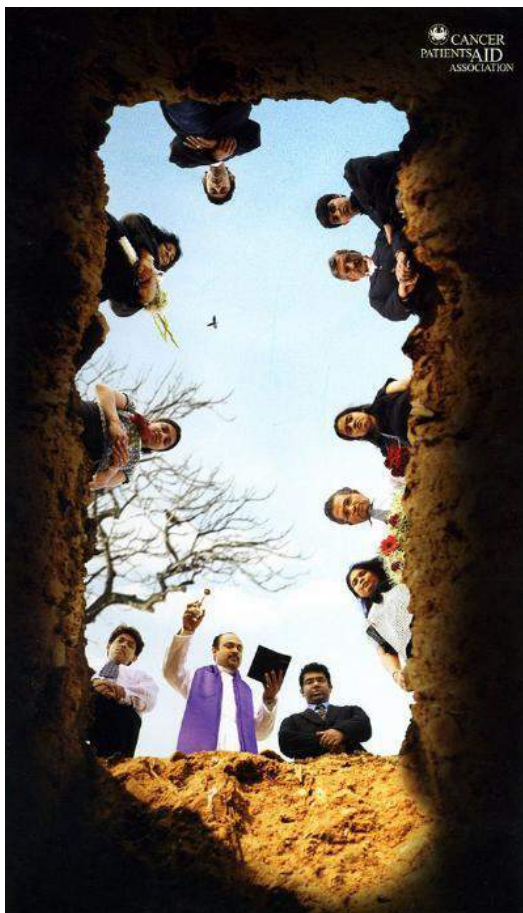


Francisco de Zurbarán, Agnus Dei, 1635–40 (Prado Museum in Madrid, Spain)

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

*Ezek 37:12-13*

Therefore, prophesy and say to them: Thus says the Lord GOD: O my people, I will open your graves and have you rise from them, and bring you back to the land of Israel. Then you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves and have you rise from them, O my people!



Creative Ceiling Art in a Smoking Room - ©designed by the Indian firm, Everest Branding Solutions for client Cancer Patients Aid Association (CPAA)



## TUESDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

*Num 21:8*

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."



Anthony Van Dyck, Moses and the Brazen Serpent, 1620 (Museo del Prado, Madrid)

## 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

*jn 8:55-58*

You do not know him, but I know him. And if I should say that I do not know him, I would be like you a liar. But I do know him and I keep his word. Abraham your father rejoiced to see my day; he saw it and was glad. So the Jews said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old and you have seen Abraham?" Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen, I say to you, before Abraham came to be, I AM."



Audrey, Before Abraham was, I am - ©Audrey



# 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

*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.

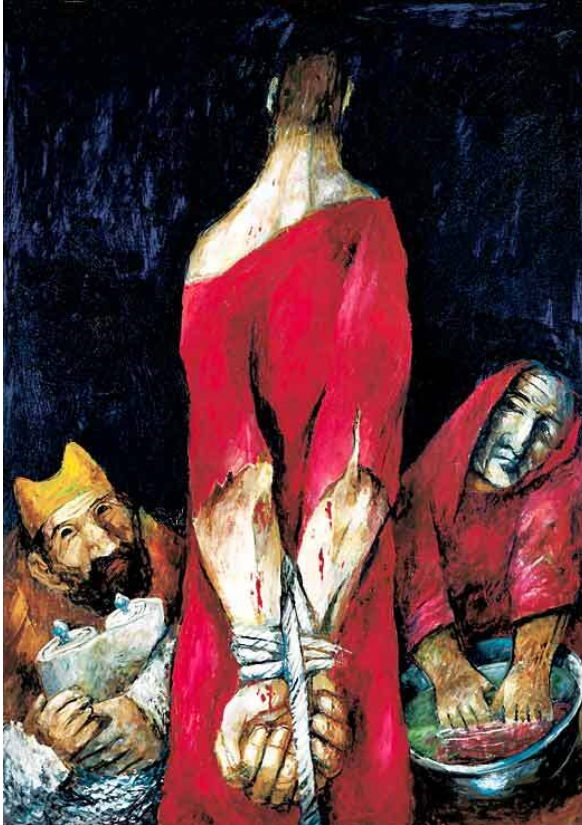


Mass

## PALM SUNDAY

*Mt 27:22-24*

Pilate said to them, “Then what shall I do with Jesus called Messiah?” They all said, “Let him be crucified!” But he said, “Why? What evil has he done?” They only shouted the louder, “Let him be crucified!” When Pilate saw that he was not succeeding at all, but that a riot was breaking out instead, he took water and washed his hands in the sight of the crowd, saying, “I am innocent of this man’s blood. Look to it yourselves.”.



Sieger Köder, Verurteilung - ©Sieger Köder

## 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 13:31-32*

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



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



## 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.”.

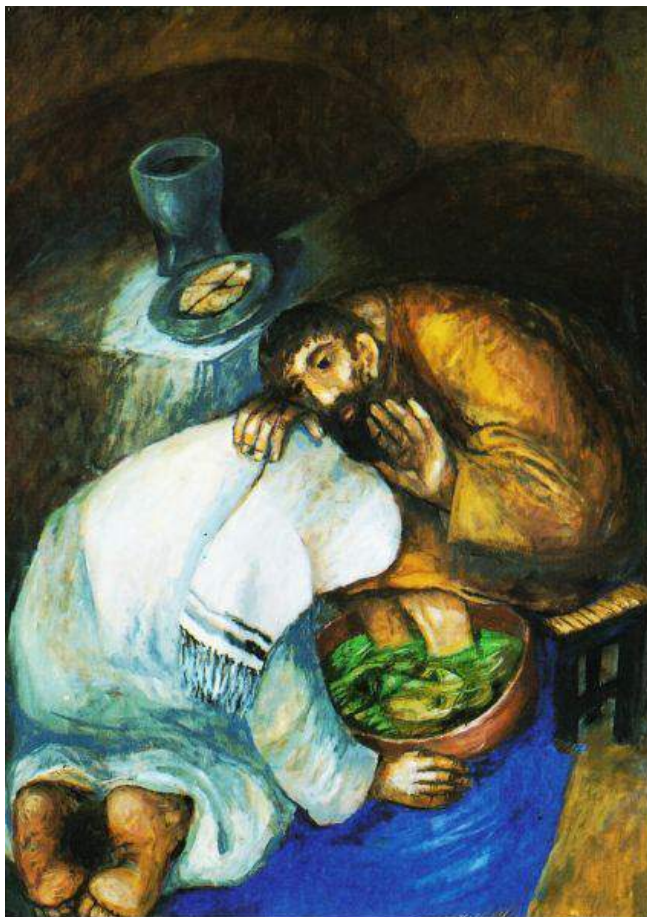


Matthew Garrett, Ascension of Christ, 2009 (Church of the Nativity of the Virgin Mary (OCA) in Monongahela PA) - ©Matthew Garrett

## HOLY THURSDAY

*Jn 13:13-15*

You call me 'teacher' and 'master,' and rightly so, for indeed I am. If I, therefore, the master and teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash one another's feet. I have given you a model to follow, so that as I have done for you, you should also do.



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## GOOD FRIDAY

*Jn 18:33-37*

So Pilate went back into the praetorium and summoned Jesus and said to him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you say this on your own or have others told you about me?" Pilate answered, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests handed you over to me. What have you done?" 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."



William Brassey Hole, Jesus Being Interviewed Privately



## EASTER VIGIL

*gen 22:2*

Then God said: "Take your son Isaac, your only one, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him up as a holocaust on a height that I will point out to you."



Abraham is about to sacrifice his son Isaac when he sees a ram in the thicket - ©DEA PICTURE LIBRARY / Getty Images

EASTER SUNDAY

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! - ©#####

## MONDAY OF EASTER WEEK

*Mt 28:8-9*

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



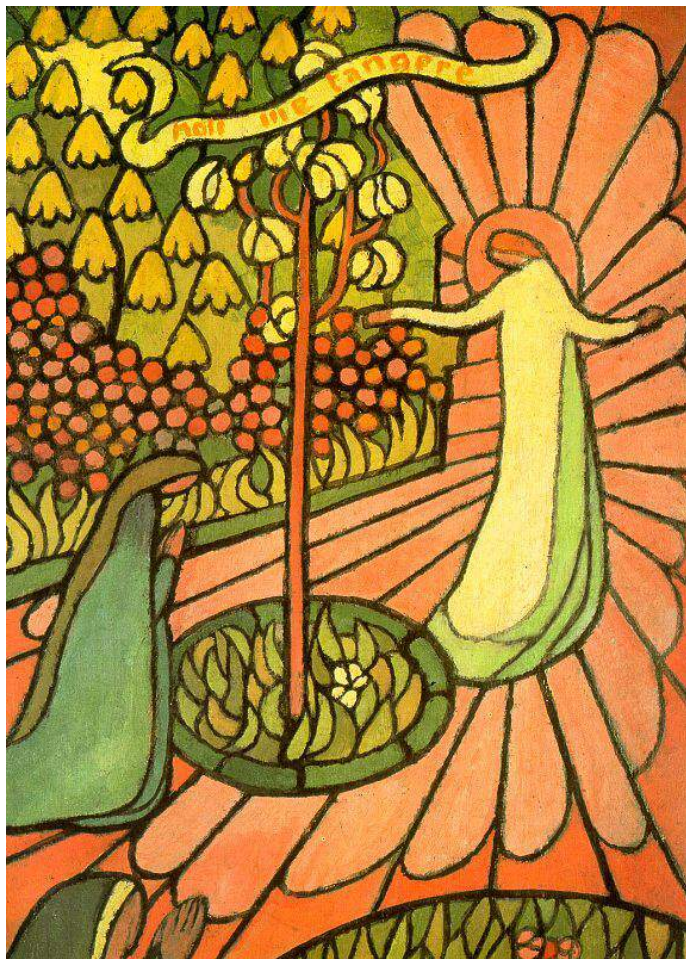
Daniel Owen, Detail from Stained Glass, 2010 (Church of the Ascension, Timoleague, Co. Cork) - ©Daniel Owen



## TUESDAY OF EASTER WEEK

*Jn 20:17*

Jesus said to her, "Stop holding on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and tell them, 'I am going to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"



Maurice Denis, *Noli me tangere*



## WEDNESDAY OF EASTER WEEK

*Lc 24:32*

Then they said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning (within us) while he spoke to us on the way and opened the scriptures to us?"



François-Xavier de Boissoudy, Emmaüs, 2015 - ©François-Xavier de Boissoudy

## THURSDAY OF EASTER WEEK

*Lc 24:45-47*

Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures. And he said to them, “Thus it is written that the Messiah would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem.



The Sacrament of Penance

## FRIDAY OF EASTER WEEK

*Jn 21:4-7*

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



François-Xavier de Boissoudy, *C'est le Seigneur!*, 2015 - ©François-Xavier de Boissoudy

## SATURDAY OF EASTER WEEK

*Mc 16:11-13*

When they heard that he was alive and had been seen by her, they did not believe. After this he appeared in another form to two of them walking along on their way to the country. They returned and told the others; but they did not believe them either.



Janet Brooks Gerloff, Emmaus - ©Janet Brooks Gerloff



## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Jn 20:19*

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



Peace be with you

## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Lc 24:29-30*

But they urged him, “Stay with us, for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over.” So he went in to stay with them. And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them.



Jacopo da Pontormo, Supper at Emmaus, 1525 (Uffizi, Florence)

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*1 Pet 2:24*

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



Graffiti

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*1 Pet 2:5*

Into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.



pope-benedict-xvi-celebrating-ad-orientem-in-sistine-chapel.jpg



## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Jn 14:17-20*

Which the world cannot accept, because it neither sees nor knows it. But you know it, because it remains with you, and will be in you.

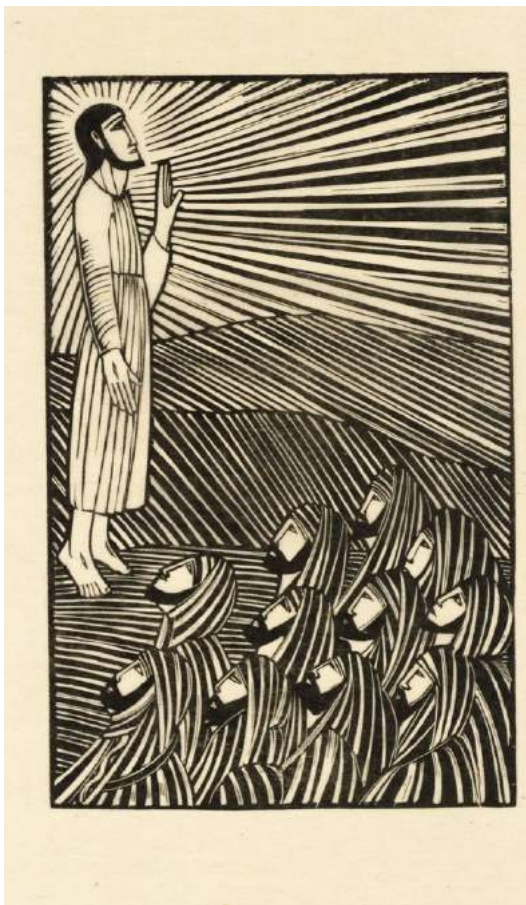


Agnolo Gaddi, *The Trinity*, ca. 1390–96 (The Metropolitan Museum of Art)

## ASCENSION OF THE LORD

*Acts 1:7-8*

He answered them, "It is not for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has established by his own authority. But you will receive power when the holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

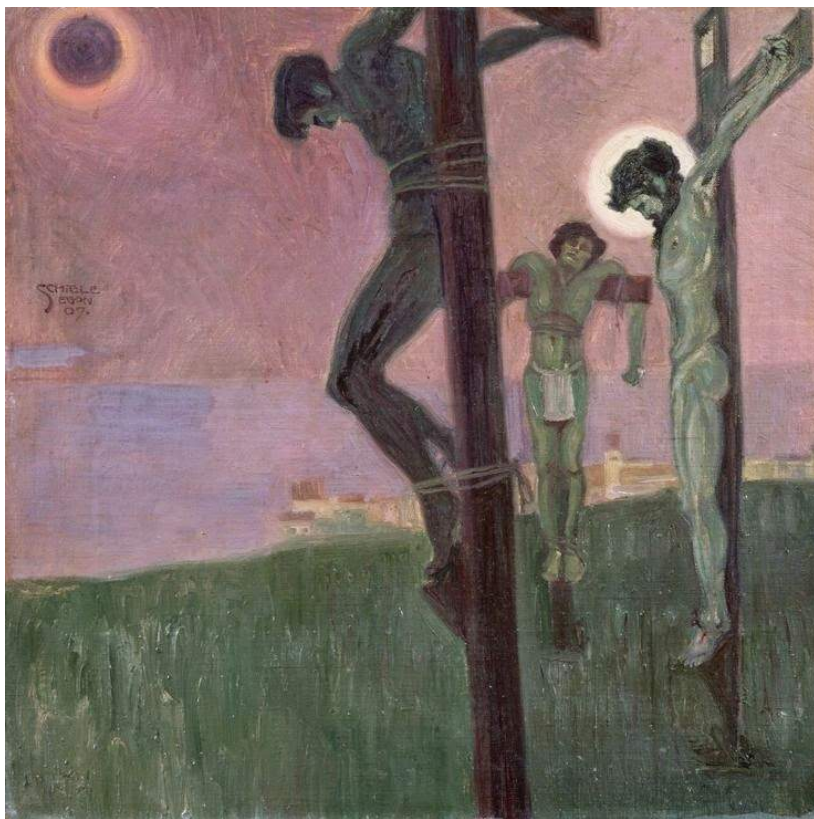


Eric Gill, Ascension, 1918 (Tate Gallery)

## SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*1 Pet 4:13-16*

But rejoice to the extent that you share in the sufferings of Christ, so that when his glory is revealed you may also rejoice exultantly. If you are insulted for the name of Christ, blessed are you, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. But let no one among you be made to suffer as a murderer, a thief, an evildoer, or as an intriguer. But whoever is made to suffer as a Christian should not be ashamed but glorify God because of the name.

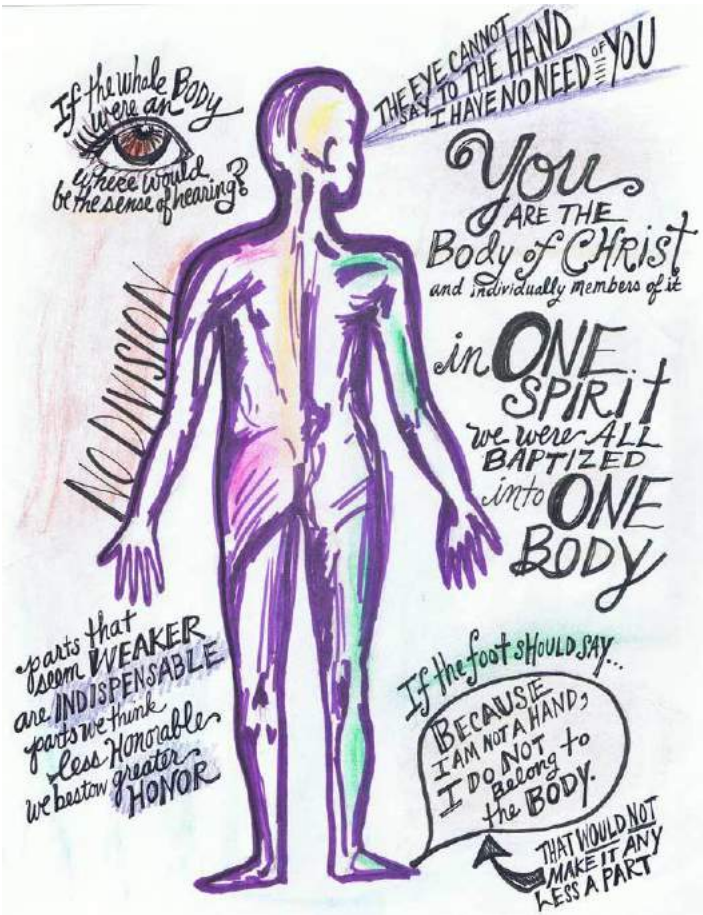


Egon Schiele, Crucifixión, 1912

PENTECOST

1 cor 12:12-13

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



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



## 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

### *2 Cor 13:11-13*

Finally, brothers, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the holy ones greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the holy Spirit be with all of you.



Pope Benedict XVI greeting



## CORPUS CHRISTI

*1 Cor 10:17*

Because the loaf of bread is one, we, though many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf.



Anton Schmidt, The Resurrected Christ, 1750 (Upper church, Calvary Banská Štiavnica, Slovakia)

## SACRED HEART OF JESUS

*1 Jn 4:10*

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



Sacred heart

## IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

*Mt 9:14-15*

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



Raul Berszoa, Corazón Inmaculado de María de Fátima, 2012 - ©Raul Berszoa



## SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Jn 1:29-30*

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



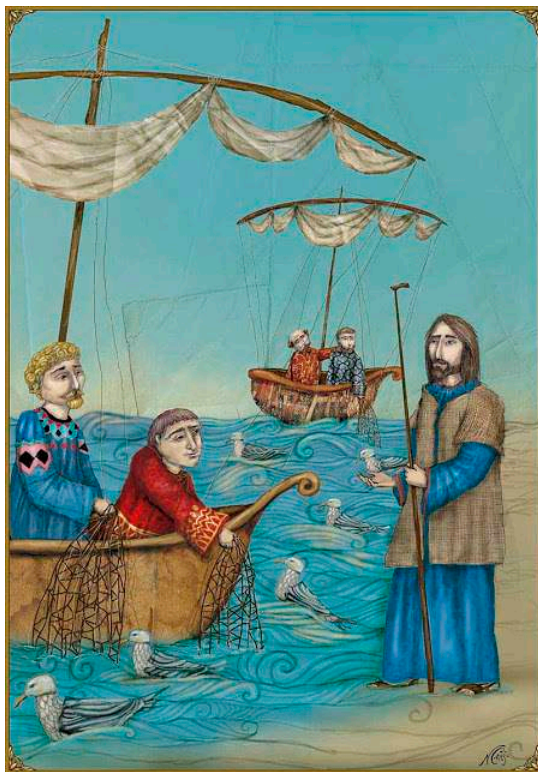
Alexander Ivanov, De verschijning van Jezus aan de mensen, 1837-1857 (Galerie Tretjakov, Moskou)



## THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mt 4:18-22*

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



Nerina Canzi, CON SUS AMIGOS ,LOS APÓSTOLES, 2015 - ©Nerina Canzi

## FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*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

## FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*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

## SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*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



## SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*mt 5:44*

But I say to you, love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you.



Jean Michel Basquiat, Jess Black And Jean Michel Basquiat Comparisons Subside

## EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mt 6:26*

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

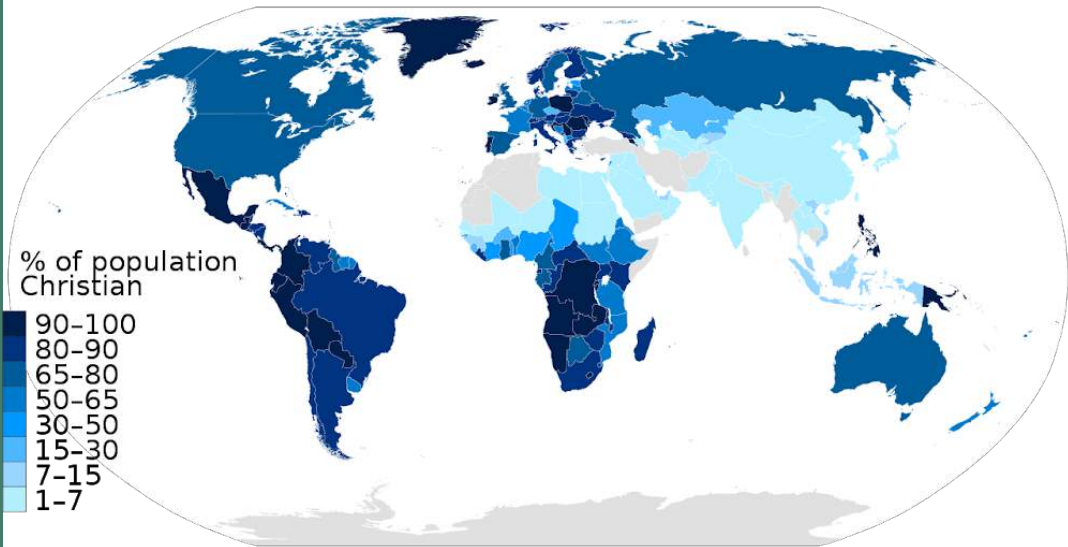


Pauline Baynes, Saint Francis of Assisi - ©Pauline Baynes

NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

deut 11:24

Every place where you set foot shall be yours: from the desert and from Lebanon, from the Euphrates River to the Western Sea, shall be your territory.



Christianity percent population in each nation World Map Christian data by Pew Research, 2014

## TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Hos 6:4-6*

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



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



## ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mt 10:1-4*

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



12 aposteles

## TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Rom 5:12-14*

Therefore, just as through one person sin entered the world, and through sin, death, and thus death came to all, inasmuch as all sinned - for up to the time of the law, sin was in the world, though sin is not accounted when there is no law. But death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who did not sin after the pattern of the trespass of Adam, who is the type of the one who was to come.



Eric Armusik, Crucifixion of Jesus Christ, 2015 (St. Sebastian RC Church, Akron OH) - ©Eric Armusik

## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Rom 6:3-5*

Or are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life. For if we have grown into union with him through a death like his, we shall also be united with him in the resurrection.



Ivanka Demchuk, Baptism - ©Ivanka Demchuk



## FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Zech 9:9*

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



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



FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mt 13:18-19

"Hear then the parable of the sower. The seed sown on the path is the one who hears the word of the kingdom without understanding it, and the evil one comes and steals away what was sown in his heart.



David Popiashvili, Parable of the Sower - ©#####

## SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mt 13:24-30*

He proposed another parable to them. "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everyone was asleep his enemy came and sowed weeds all through the wheat, and then went off. When the crop grew and bore fruit, the weeds appeared as well. The slaves of the householder came to him and said, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where have the weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' His slaves said to him, 'Do you want us to go and pull them up?' He replied, 'No, if you pull up the weeds you might uproot the wheat along with them. Let them grow together until harvest; then at harvest time I will say to the harvesters, "First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles for burning; but gather the wheat into my barn."'"



anjun, The Parable of the Wheat and the Tares, 2012 - ©anjun

## SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mt 13:44*

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



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



## EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Isa 55:1*

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



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## NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mt 14:25-26*

During the fourth watch of the night, he came toward them, walking on the sea. When the disciples saw him walking on the sea they were terrified. "It is a ghost," they said, and they cried out in fear.



William Brassey Hole, Jesus Walking Upon The Sea

## TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mt 15:21-28*

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

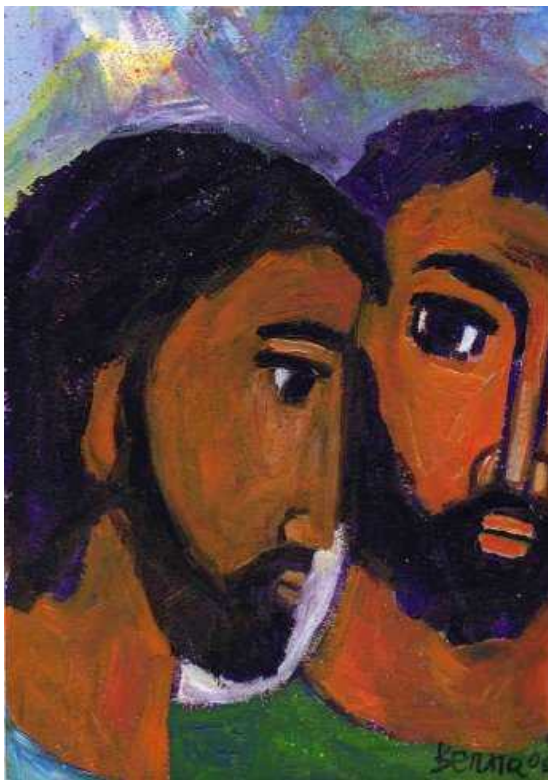


Pieter Lastman, *The Canaanite Woman*, 1617 (Museum Het Rembrandthuis, Amsterdam)

## TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mt 16:16-19*

Simon Peter said in reply, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." Jesus said to him in reply, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father. And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven."

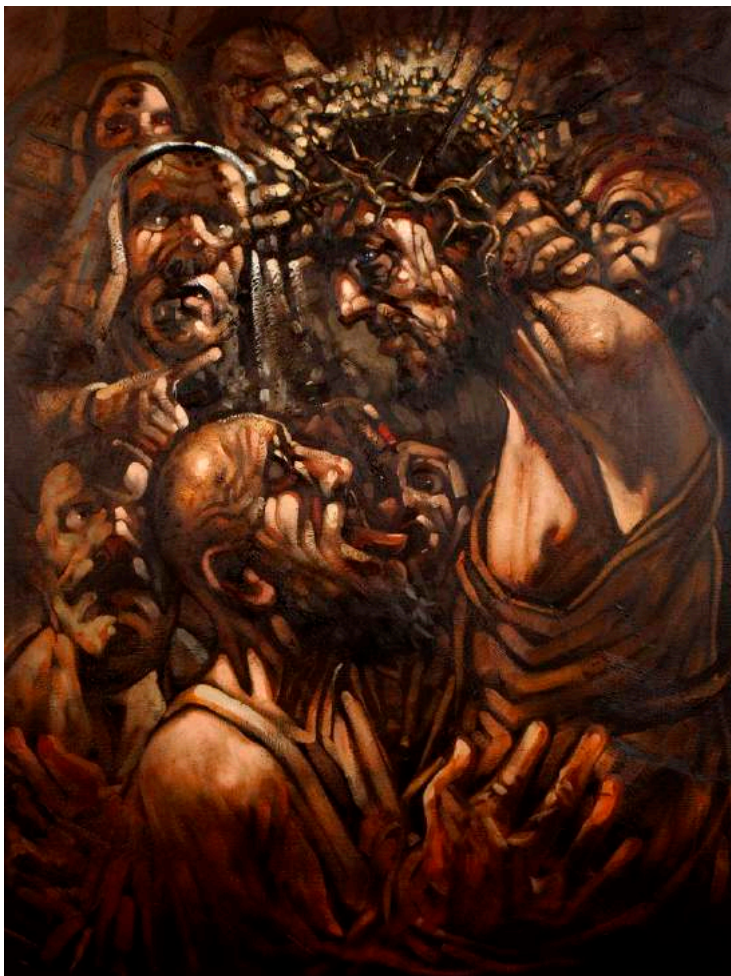


SS. Peter and Paul

## TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Jer 20:7*

You duped me, O LORD, and I let myself be duped; you were too strong for me, and you triumphed. All the day I am an object of laughter; everyone mocks me.



Peter Howson, Outcast, 2011 - ©Peter Howson



## TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mt 18:19-20*

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



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

## TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mt 18:21-22*

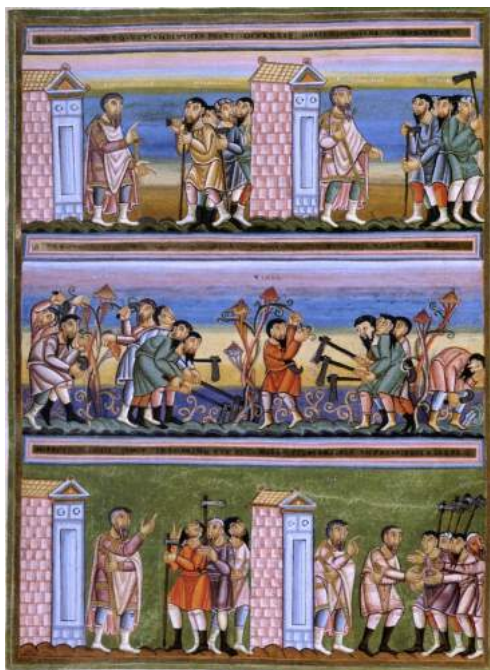
Then Peter approaching asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive him? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times.

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## TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mt 20:9-16*

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

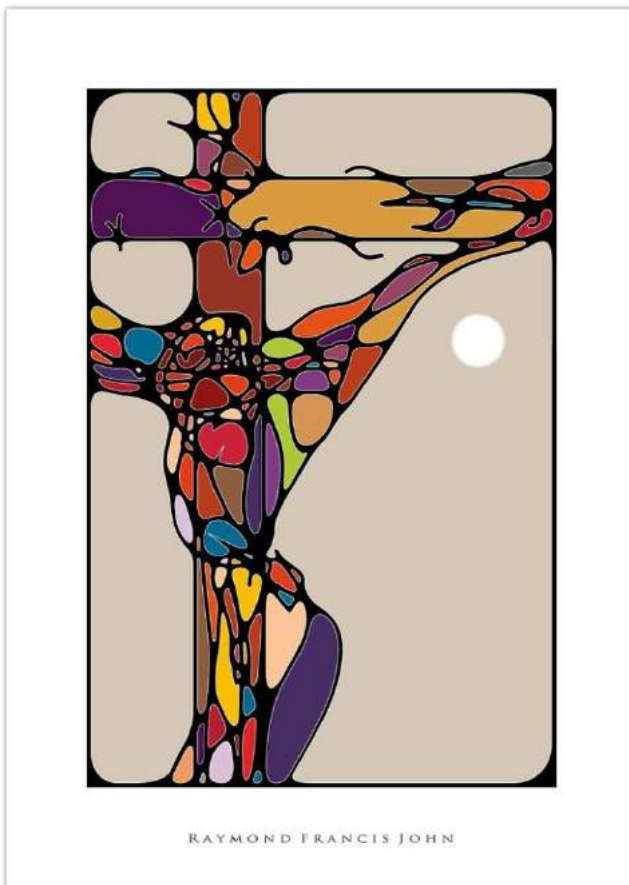


Codex Aureus Epternacensis, Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard, 11th century

## TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Phil 2:5-8*

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



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



## TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mt 21:33-40*

Put a hedge around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went on a journey. When vintage time drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to obtain his produce. But the tenants seized the servants and one they beat, another they killed, and a third they stoned. Again he sent other servants, more numerous than the first ones, but they treated them in the same way. Finally, he sent his son to them, thinking, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to one another, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and acquire his inheritance.' They seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. What will the owner of the vineyard do to those tenants when he comes?''.

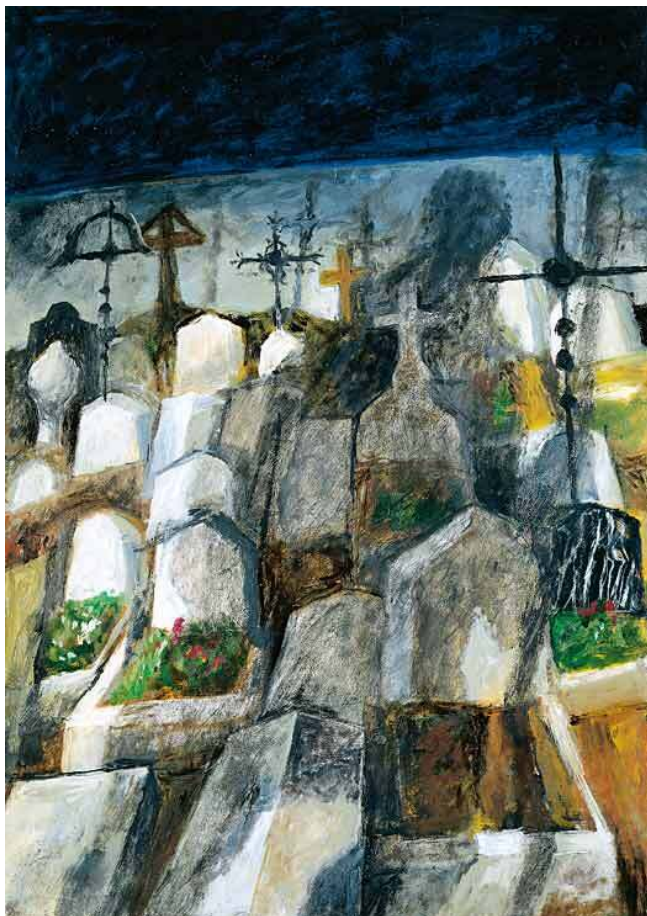


Derrick Grant, The Crucifixion - ©Derrick Grant

## TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*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

## TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mt 22:15-21*

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



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

## THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mt 22:37-40*

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



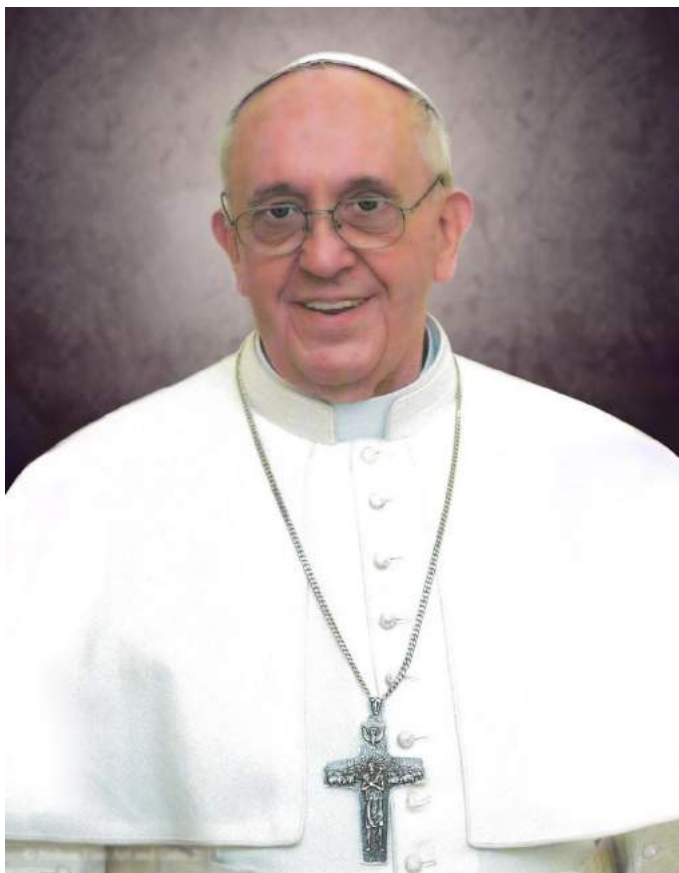
Ten Commandments



## THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mt 23:8-12*

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



Pope Francis official photograph, 2013

## THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mt 25:10-13*

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

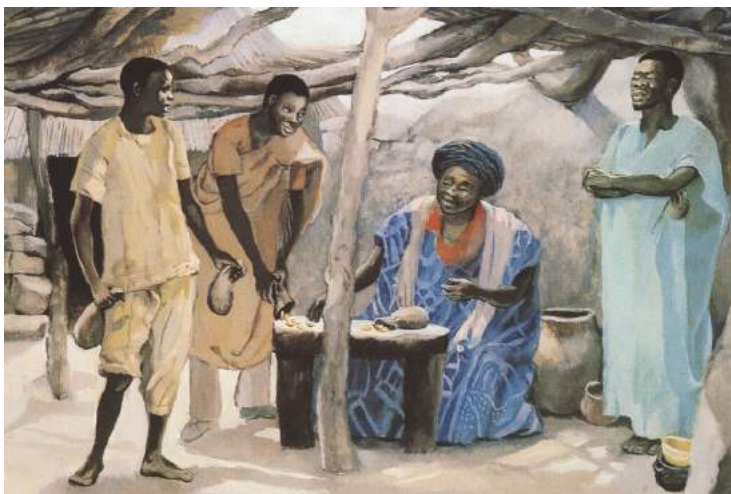


The Parable of the Ten Virgins

## THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mt 25:20-26*

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



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

## CHRIST THE KING

*Ezek 34:11-12*

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.



Christ the Good Shepherd (Sacred Heart)





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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 2:2-3*

In days to come, The mountain of the LORD'S house shall be established as the highest mountain and raised above the hills. All nations shall stream toward it; many peoples shall come and say: "Come, let us climb the LORD'S mountain, to the house of the God of Jacob, That he may instruct us in his ways, and we may walk in his paths." For from Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.



Mount Zion

## TUESDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

*Isa 11:1-2*

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

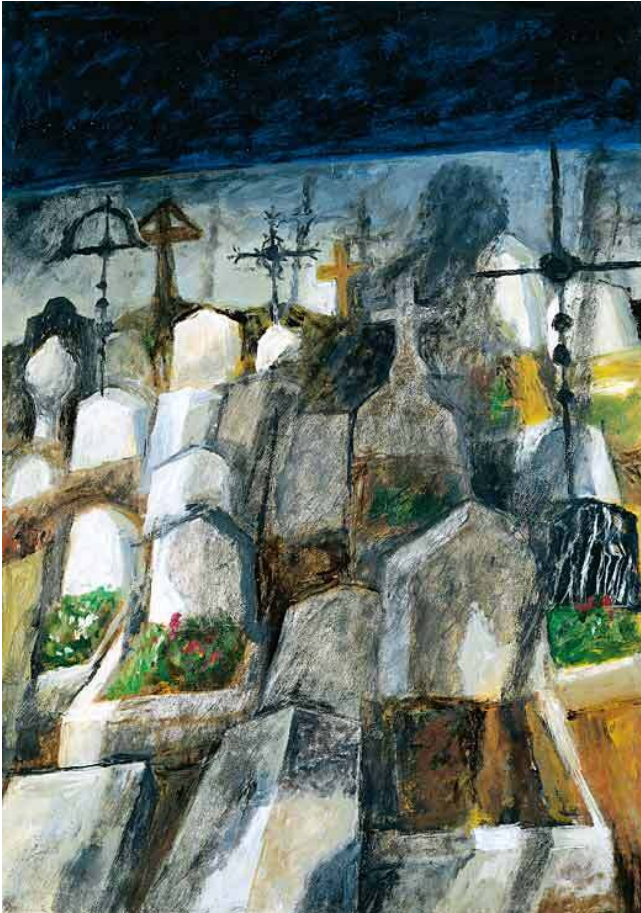


Giotto, Nativity, 1305 (Scrovegni Chapel)

## WEDNESDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

*Isa 25:7-8*

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



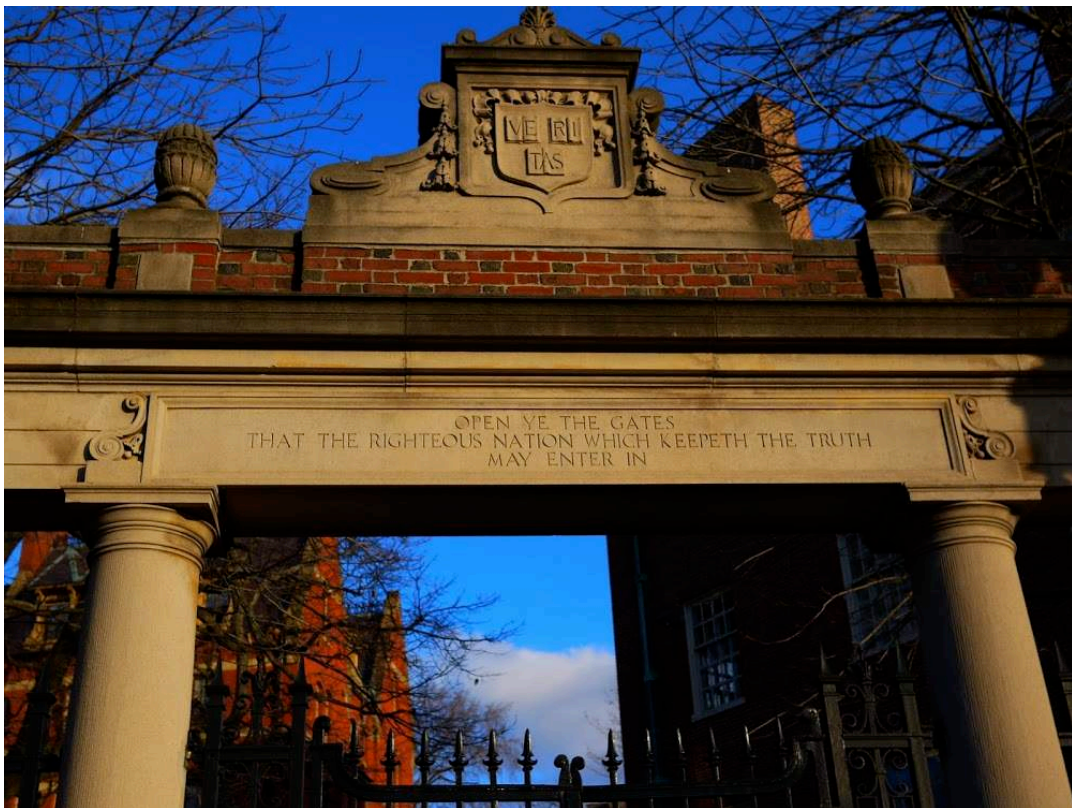
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## THURSDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

*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.

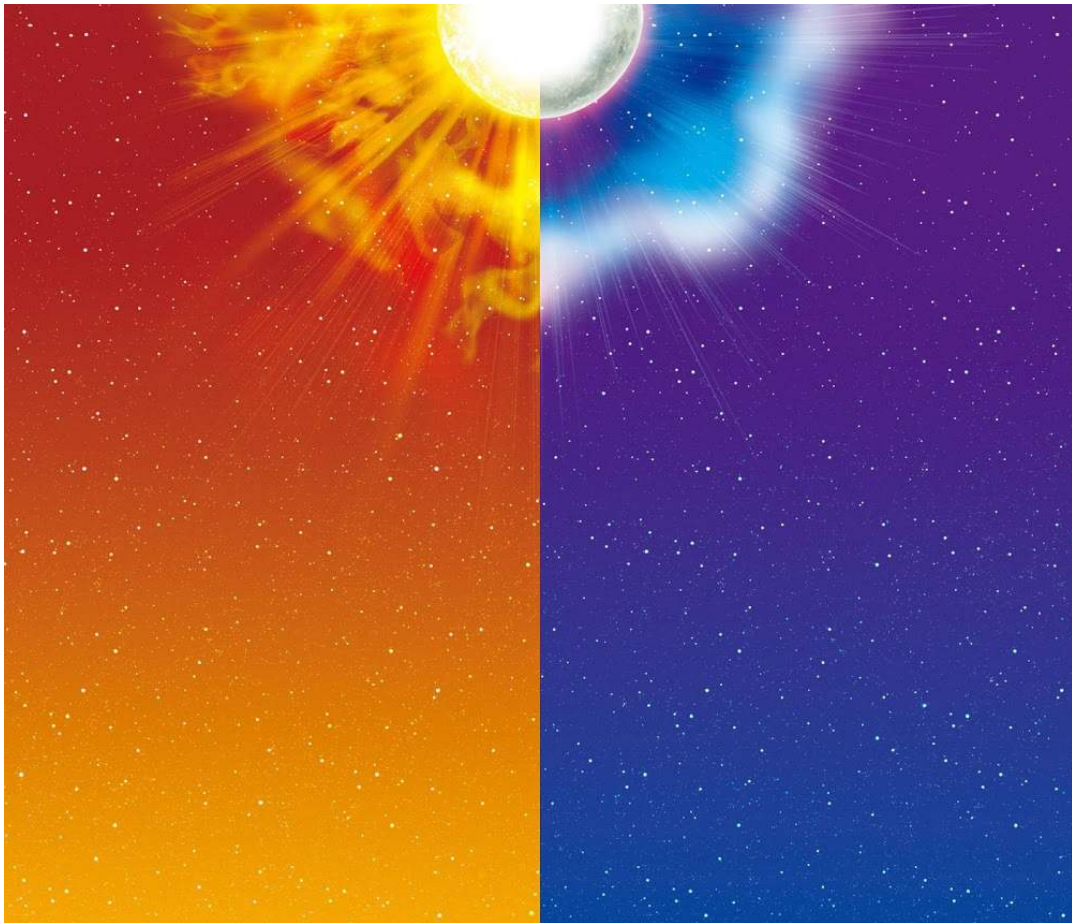


Be blessed

## SATURDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

*isa 30:26*

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



Pokémon Sun and Pokémon Moon

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Mc 1:1

The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ (the Son of God).



David Popiashvili, The good news - ©#####



## 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

*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.



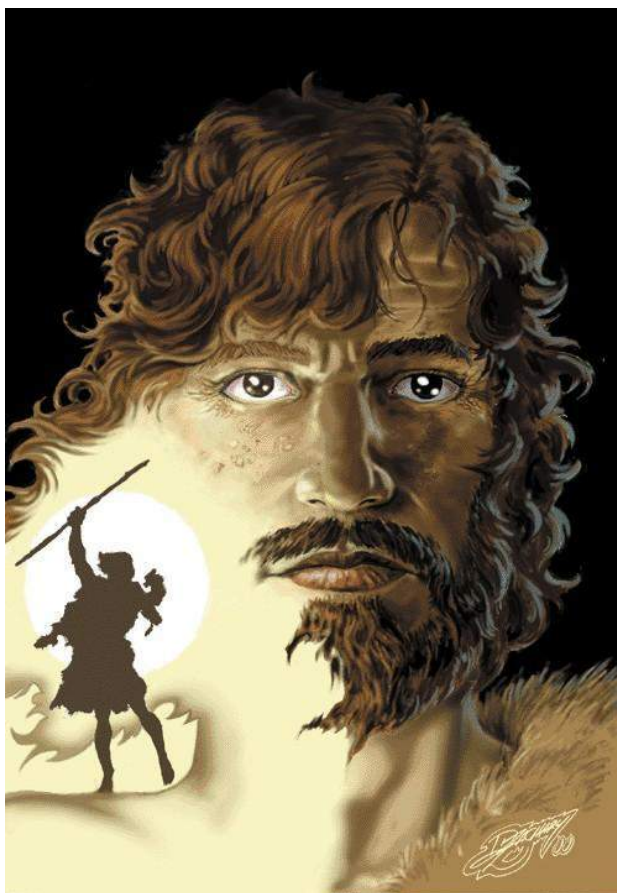
River with stepping stones



## SATURDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

*mt 17:11-13*

He said in reply, "Elijah will indeed come and restore all things; but I tell you that Elijah has already come, and they did not recognize him but did to him whatever they pleased. So also will the Son of Man suffer at their hands." Then the disciples understood that he was speaking to them of John the Baptist.



John the Baptist

## THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*Isa 61:10*

I rejoice heartily in the LORD, in my God is the joy of my soul; For he has clothed me with a robe of salvation, and wrapped me in a mantle of justice, Like a bridegroom adorned with a diadem, like a bride bedecked with her jewels.



Renate Rohn, *Angelic Host* (St. Joseph Catholic Church, Macon, Georgia)

## MONDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT

*num 24:2-5*

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



Christina Mattison Ebert, Parashat Balak - ©Christina Mattison Ebert

## TUESDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT

*Mt 21:28-31a*

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



Ang Talinghaga Patungkol sa Dalawang Anak



## WEDNESDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT

*isa 45:22-23*

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



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

## THURSDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT

*isa 54:1-5*

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



Jump For Joy-Mary en Elizabeth - ©ArtByCorby

## FRIDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT

*isa 56:1-2*

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



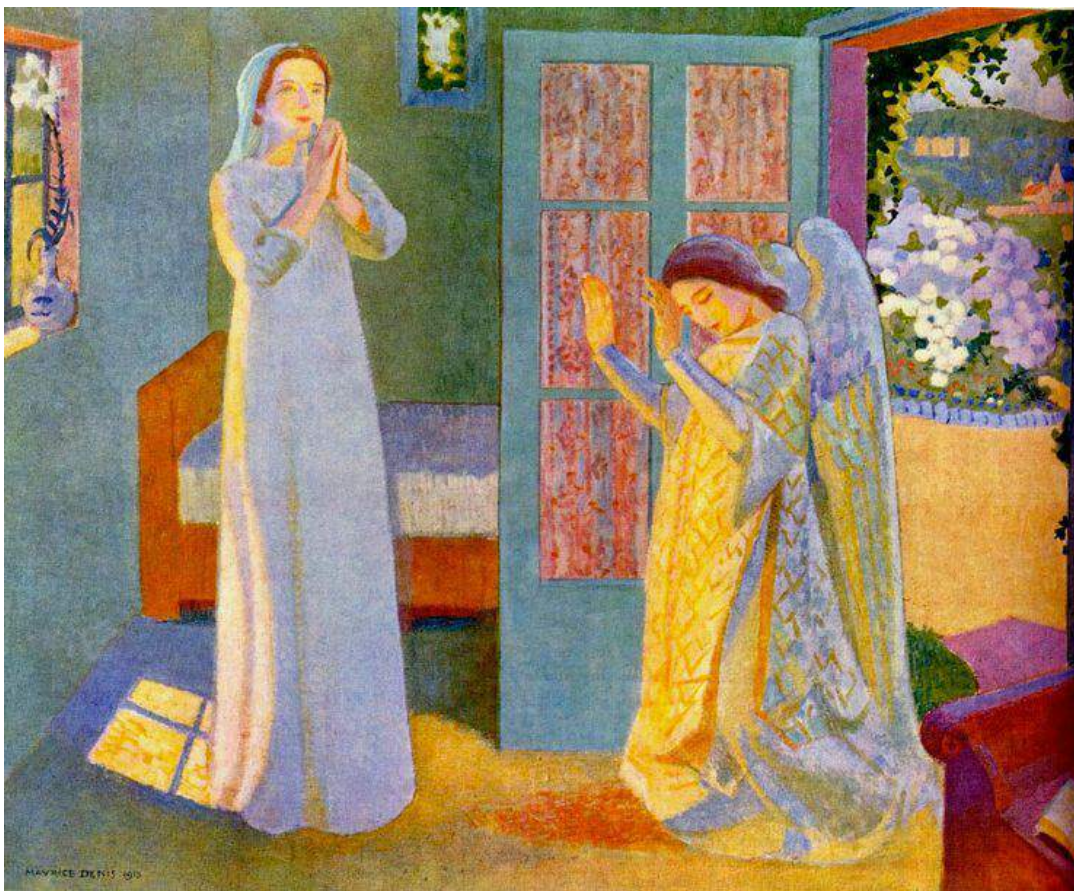
Jesus' Sermon on the Mount



## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*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."



Maurice Denis, annunciation



## DECEMBER 17TH

*gen 49:8-10*

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



Aslan

## DECEMBER 18TH

*Mt 1:22-23*

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



Gertrude Käsebier, *Blessed Art Thou among Women*, 1899 (The Metropolitan Museum of Art)

## DECEMBER 19TH

*judg 13:24*

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



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

## DECEMBER 20TH

*Lc 1:28-30*

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.



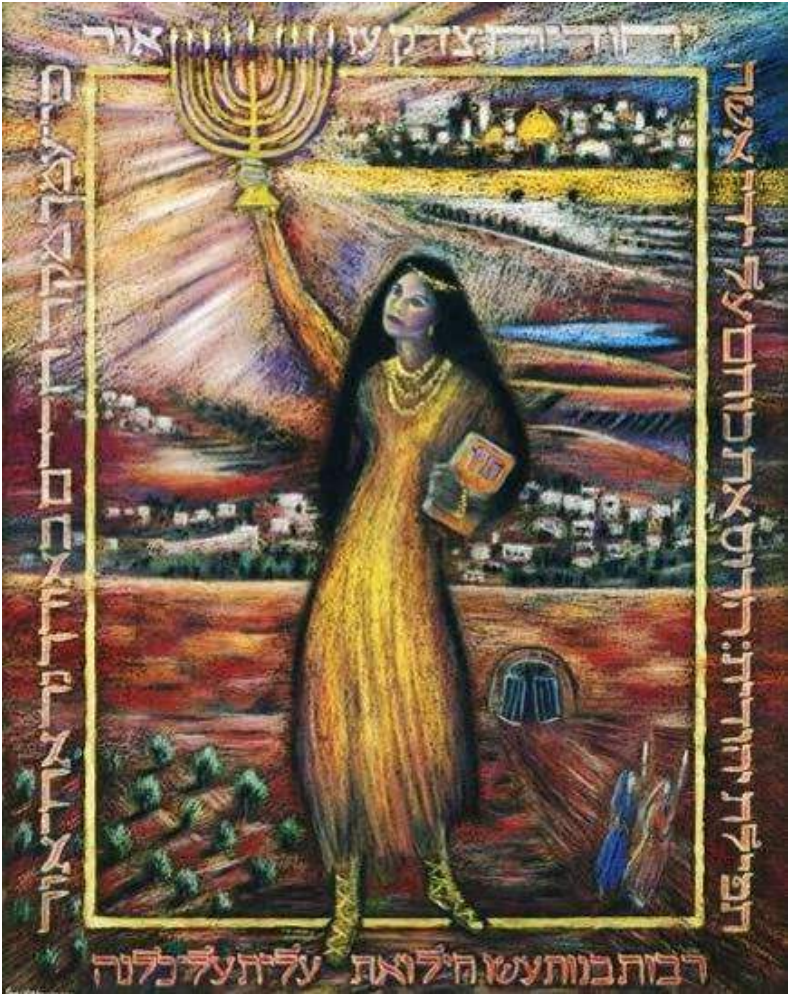
Our Lady of the Rosary



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)

*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



## SATURDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF ADVENT

*Lc 1:76*

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



Jacob Jordaens, John the Baptist (Rubenshuis, Antwerpen)

## VIGIL FOR CHRISTMAS

December, 24th

*Mt 1:18-25*

But before they lived together, she was found with child through the holy Spirit. Joseph her husband, since he was a righteous man, yet unwilling to expose her to shame, decided to divorce her quietly. 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. He had no relations with her until she bore a son, and he named him Jesus.



Joseph's dream

# CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS

## December, 25th

*Lc 2:1*

That the whole world should be enrolled.



Pieter Bruegel the Elder, *Census at Bethlehem*, 1566 (Royal Museums of Fine Arts of Belgium, Brussels)



## CHRISTMAS DAWN MASS

December, 25th

*Lc 2:15-16*

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



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



## CHRISTMAS DAY MASS

December, 25th

*Heb 1:4-5*

As far superior to the angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. For to which of the angels did God ever say: "You are my son; this day I have begotten you"? Or again: "I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me"?



Angel greeting

## 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, 27<sup>th</sup>

*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, 28<sup>th</sup>

*Mt 2:13b*

Herod is going to search for the child to destroy him."



Albrecht Dürer, De zeven smarten van de Heilige Maagd - de vlucht naar Egypte, 1496 (Gemäldegalerie, Dresden)



## THE HOLY FAMILY

*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.



Ivanka Demchuk, Sacrifice of Isaac - ©Ivanka Demchuk

## 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 2:1-2*

behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage."



Gustave Doré, De wijzen die door de ster geleid worden



## BAPTISM OF THE LORD

*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)





**READINGS FOR  
SUNDAYS AND FEASTS  
ORDINARY FORM OF  
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## ASH WEDNESDAY

*Joel 2:12-13*

Yet even now—oracle of the L—return to me with your whole heart,with fasting, weeping, and mourning. Rend your hearts, not your garments,and return to the L, your God,For he is gracious and merciful,slow to anger, abounding in steadfast love,and relenting in punishment.



Carl Spitzweg, Ash Wednesday, 1860 (Staatsgalerie Stuttgart, Stuttgart, Germany)



## 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 Berszoa, Corazón Inmaculado de María de Fátima, 2012 - ©Raul Berszoa

## SATURDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

*Isa 58:9-10*

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

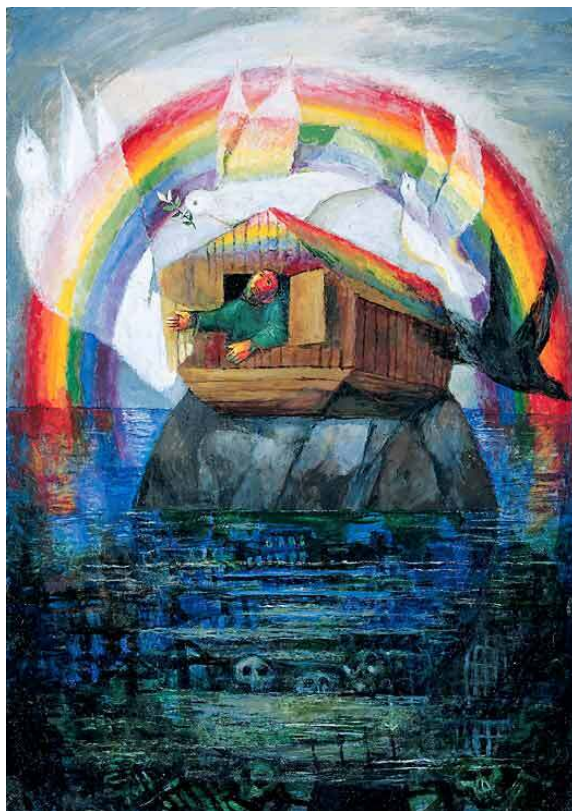


de Meester van Alkmaar, De zeven werken van barmhartigheid - De hongerigen voeden

## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

*Gen 9:12-15*

God said: This is the sign of the covenant that I am making between me and you and every living creature with you for all ages to come: I set my bow in the clouds to serve as a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth, and the bow appears in the clouds, I will remember my covenant between me and you and every living creature—every mortal being—so that the waters will never again become a flood to destroy every mortal being.



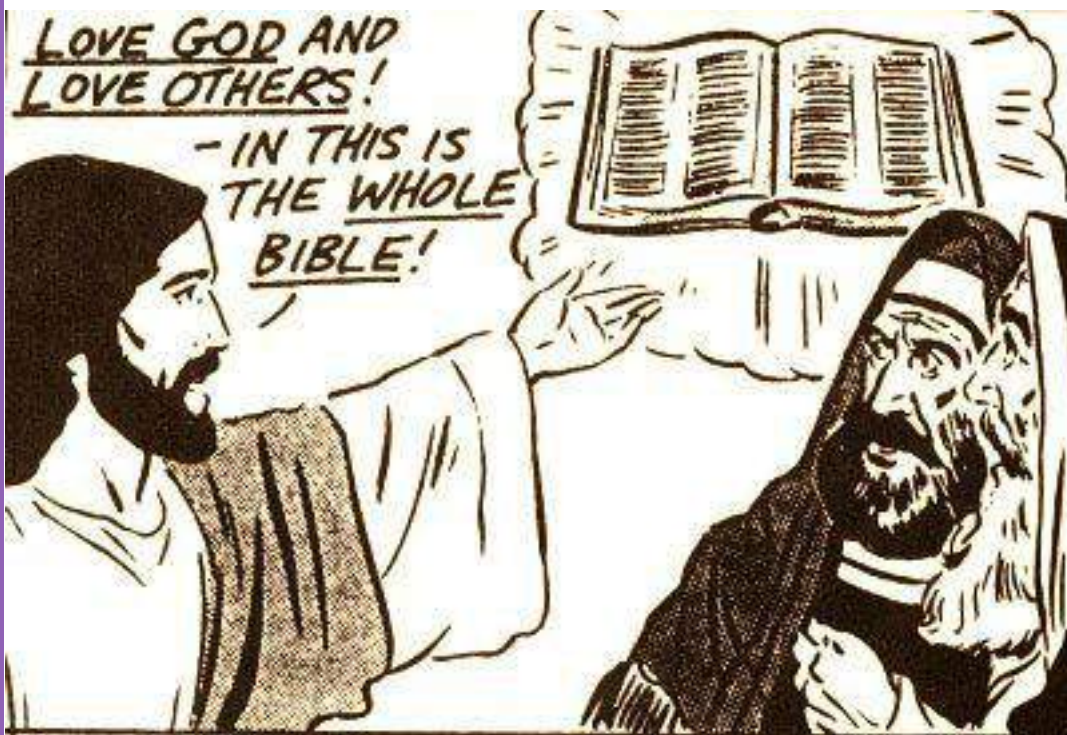
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## MONDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

*Lev 19:18*

If a man lies in sexual intercourse with a woman during her menstrual period, both of them shall be cut off from their people, because they have laid bare the flowing fountain of her blood.



Love God and love others, in this is the whole bible

## TUESDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

*Mt 6:9-13*

"This is how you are to pray: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and do not subject us to the final test, but deliver us from the evil one.



The Garden of Gethsemane

## 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 7:12*

"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

*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.



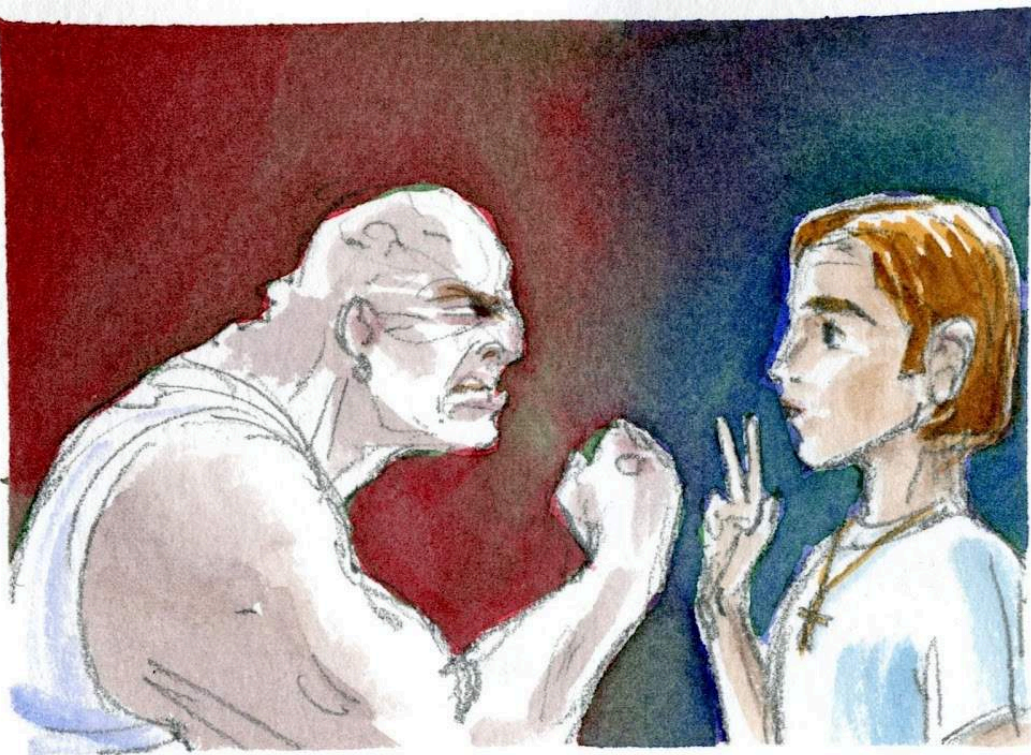
Reconciliation

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## SATURDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

*Mt 5:43-45*

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



Love your enemies

## 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

*lc 6:38*

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



Giving



## TUESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*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.

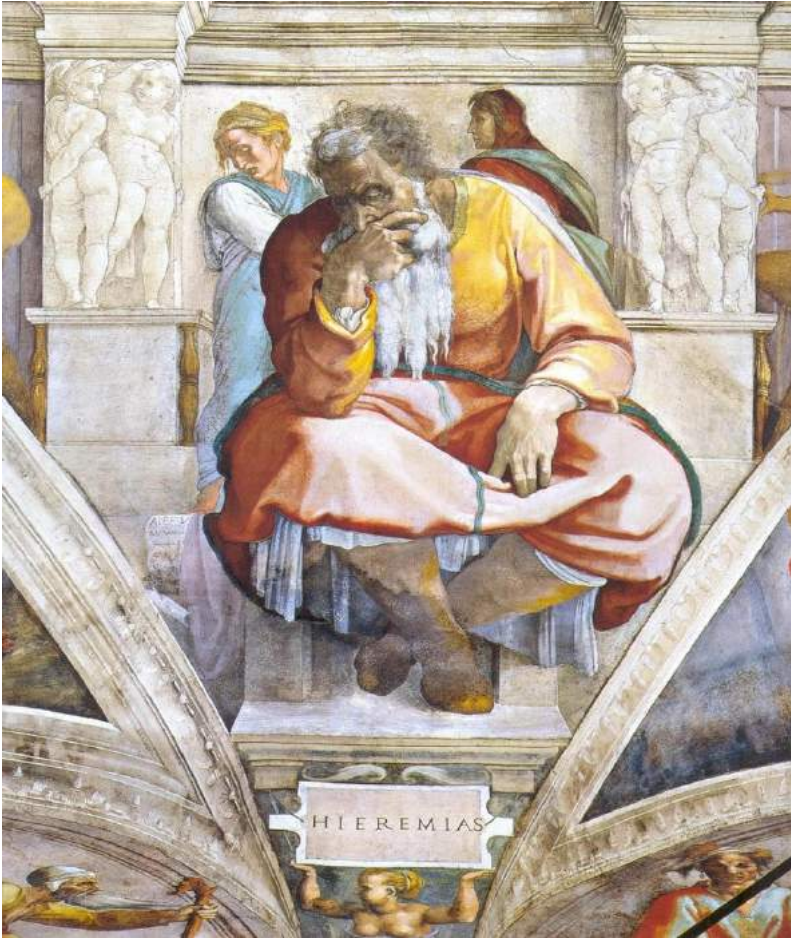


White as snow

## WEDNESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*jer 18:19-20*

Heed me, O LORD, and listen to what my adversaries say. Must good be repaid with evil that they should dig a pit to take my life? Remember that I stood before you to speak in their behalf, to turn away your wrath from them.



Michelangelo, Prophet Jeremiah (Sistine Chapel)

## THURSDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*lc 16:22-24*

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



The rich man and Lazarus



## 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

*mic 7:18-19*

Who is there like you, the God who removes guilt and pardons sin for the remnant of his inheritance. Who does not persist in anger forever, but delights rather in clemency. And will again have compassion on us, treading underfoot our guilt? You will cast into the depths of the sea all our sins.



Bible truths

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

*Ex 20:1-17*

‘Then God spoke all these words: I am the L your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. You shall not have other gods beside me. You shall not make for yourself an idol or a likeness of anything in the heavens above or on the earth below or in the waters beneath the earth; you shall not bow down before them or serve them. For I, the L, your God, am a jealous God, inflicting punishment for their ancestors’ wickedness on the children of those who hate me, down to the third and fourth generation; but showing love down to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. You shall not invoke the name of the L, your God, in vain. For the L will not leave unpunished anyone who invokes his name in vain. Remember the sabbath day—keep it holy. Six days you may labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is a sabbath of the L your God. You shall not do any work, either you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your work animal, or the resident alien within your gates. For in six days the L made the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that is in them; but on the seventh day he rested. That is why the L has blessed the sabbath day and made it holy. Honor your father and your mother, that you may have a long life in the land the L your God is giving you. You shall not kill. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor’s house. You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, his male or female slave, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.



Sieger Köder, Das Gesetz vom Sinai - ©Sieger Köder

## 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 18:23-27*

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.



John Everett Millais, *The Unmerciful Servant*, 1864



## 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.



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## THURSDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

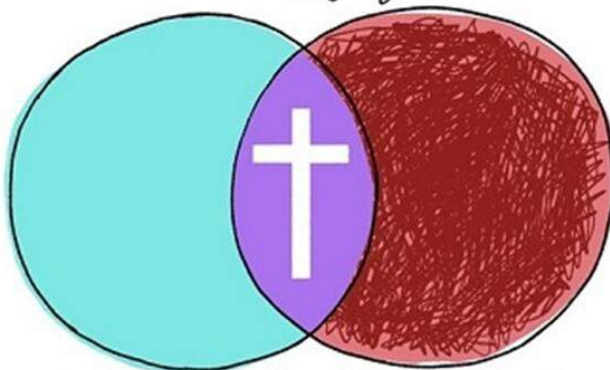
*jer 7:23*

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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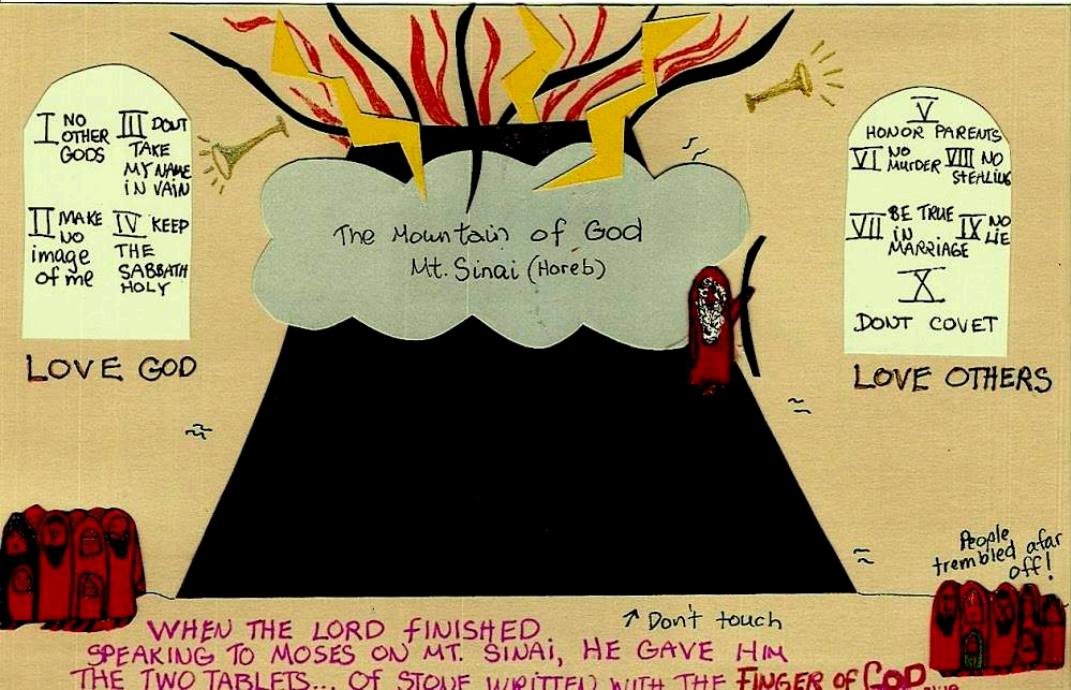
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FRIDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

Mc 12:28-31

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



The two commandments (numbering according to protestant tradition)

## 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 3:14-15*

And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life."

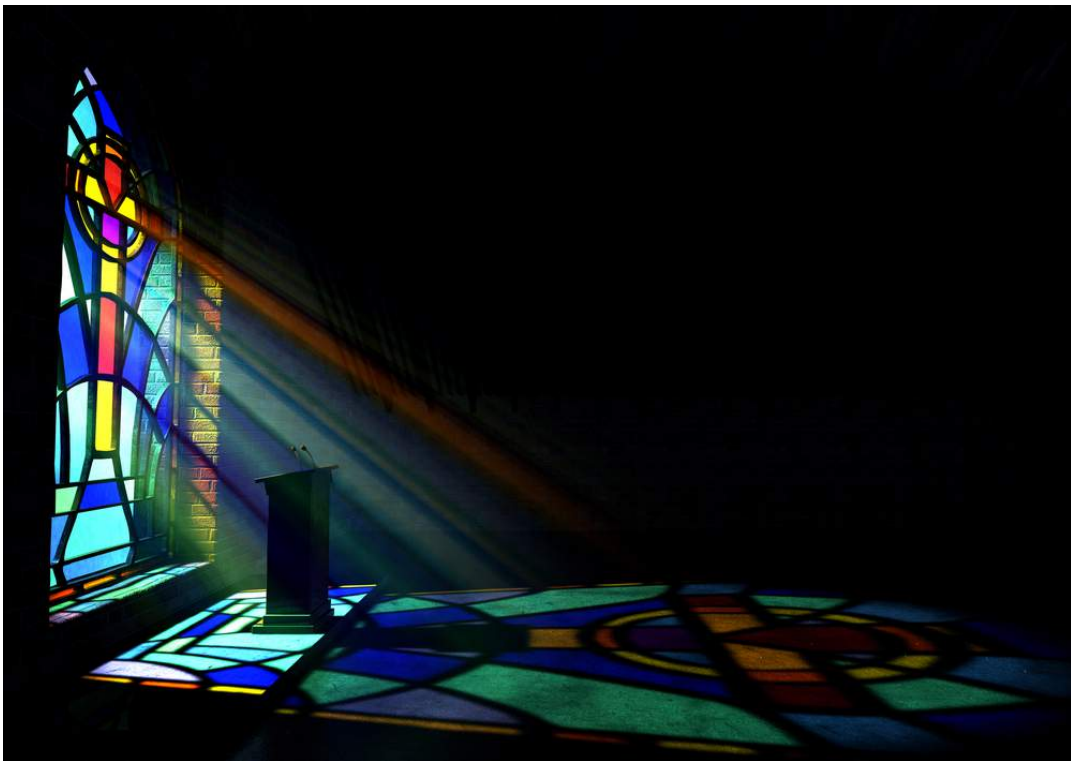


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## MONDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*jn 4:48*

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



Glasraam

## TUESDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

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

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



William Blake, The river of life

## WEDNESDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*isa 49:11-13*

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



Road



## THURSDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*ex 32:9-14*

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



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

## FRIDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*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

## SATURDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*jer 11:19-20*

But then the Lord told me that they had planned to chop me down like a tree— fruit and all— so that no one would ever remember me again. I prayed, “Lord All-Powerful, 11.20 Ws 1.6 you always do what is right, and you know every thought. So I trust you to help me and to take revenge.”.



Francisco de Zurbarán, Agnus Dei, 1635–40 (Prado Museum in Madrid, Spain)

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

*Jn 12:27-32*

"I am troubled now. Yet what should I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it and will glorify it again." The crowd there heard it and said it was thunder; but others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered and said, "This voice did not come for my sake but for yours. Now is the time of judgment on this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself."



Jan Provoost, Last Judgment, 1525 (Groeningemuseum, Brugge)



## 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 8:55-58*

You do not know him, but I know him. And if I should say that I do not know him, I would be like you a liar. But I do know him and I keep his word. Abraham your father rejoiced to see my day; he saw it and was glad. So the Jews said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old and you have seen Abraham?" Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen, I say to you, before Abraham came to be, I AM."



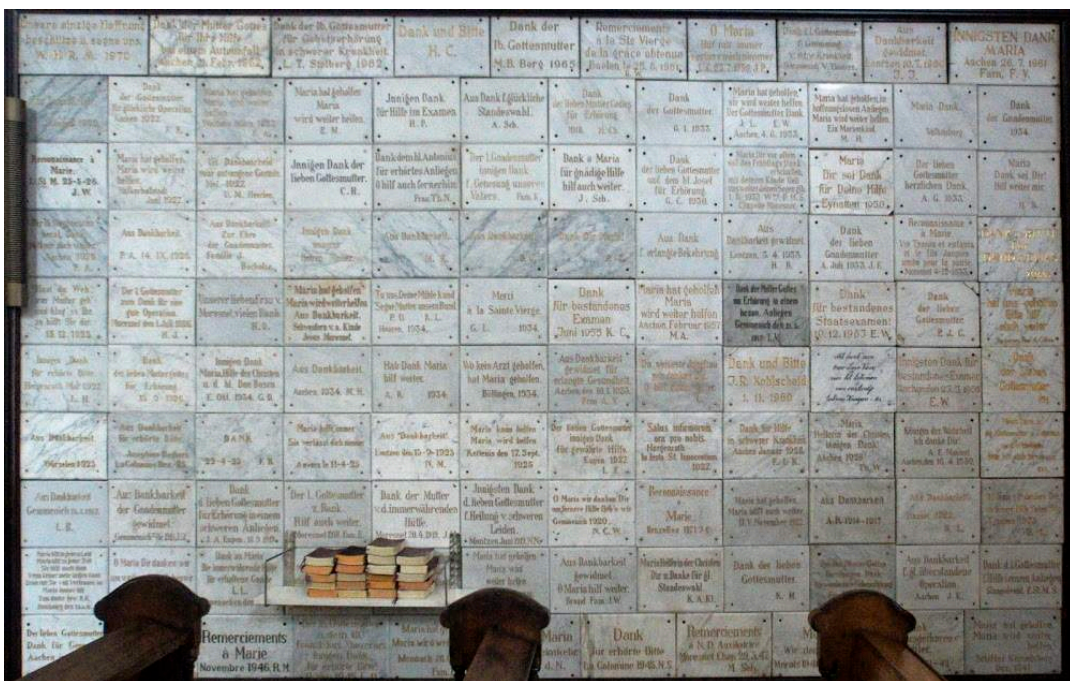
Audrey, Before Abraham was, I am - ©Audrey



# 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

*Mc 14:24-25*

He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many. Amen, I say to you, I shall not drink again the fruit of the vine until the day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."



Gaston La Touche, The Last Supper, 1897 (Hermitage Museum - St-Petersburg)

## MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK

*jn 12:3-8*

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."



Jan van Scorel, Maria Magdalena (Rijksmuseum Amsterdam)

## 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.



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## CHRISM MASS

*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

## HOLY THURSDAY

*1 Cor 11:24*

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



Tradição em foco com Roma

a Corpus Christi procession in Valencia, Spain, 2015

## GOOD FRIDAY

*Jn 19:4-6*

Once more Pilate went out and said to them, "Look, I am bringing him out to you, so that you may know that I find no guilt in him." So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple cloak. And he said to them, "Behold, the man!" When the chief priests and the guards saw him they cried out, "Crucify him, crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and crucify him. I find no guilt in him."



Horace Pippin, Christ Before Pilate - ©Horace Pippin



## EASTER VIGIL

### *Gen 1:20-25*

God created the great sea monsters and all kinds of swimming creatures with which the water teems, and all kinds of winged birds. God saw how good it was, Evening came, and morning followed - the fifth day. God made all kinds of wild animals, all kinds of cattle, and all kinds of creeping things of the earth. God saw how good it was.



Creation of the creatures

EASTER SUNDAY

*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! - ©#####

## 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 20:22-23*

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)



## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Lc 24:44-48*

He said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures. And he said to them, "Thus it is written that the Messiah would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.



Hans Holbein the Younger, An Allegory of the Old and New Testaments - detail of the New Testament, 1530 (National Gallery of Scotland, Edinburgh)

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Jn 10:14-15*

I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep.



Good Shepherd Icon of Bessarabia, 18th. century

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Acts 9:26-27*

When he arrived in Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him, not believing that he was a disciple. Then Barnabas took charge of him and brought him to the apostles, and he reported to them how on the way he had seen the Lord and that he had spoken to him, and how in Damascus he had spoken out boldly in the name of Jesus.



Brian Doc Reed, THE ROAD TO DAMASCUS - ©Brian Doc Reed



## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*1 Jn 4:10*

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



Sacred heart



## ASCENSION OF THE LORD

*Mc 16:15-16*

He said to them, "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved; whoever does not believe will be condemned.



Monsignor Anthony La Femina, The Ministerial Priesthood, 2002 - ©Monsignor Anthony La Femina

## SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Jn 17:13-15*

But now I am coming to you. I speak this in the world so that they may share my joy completely. 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.

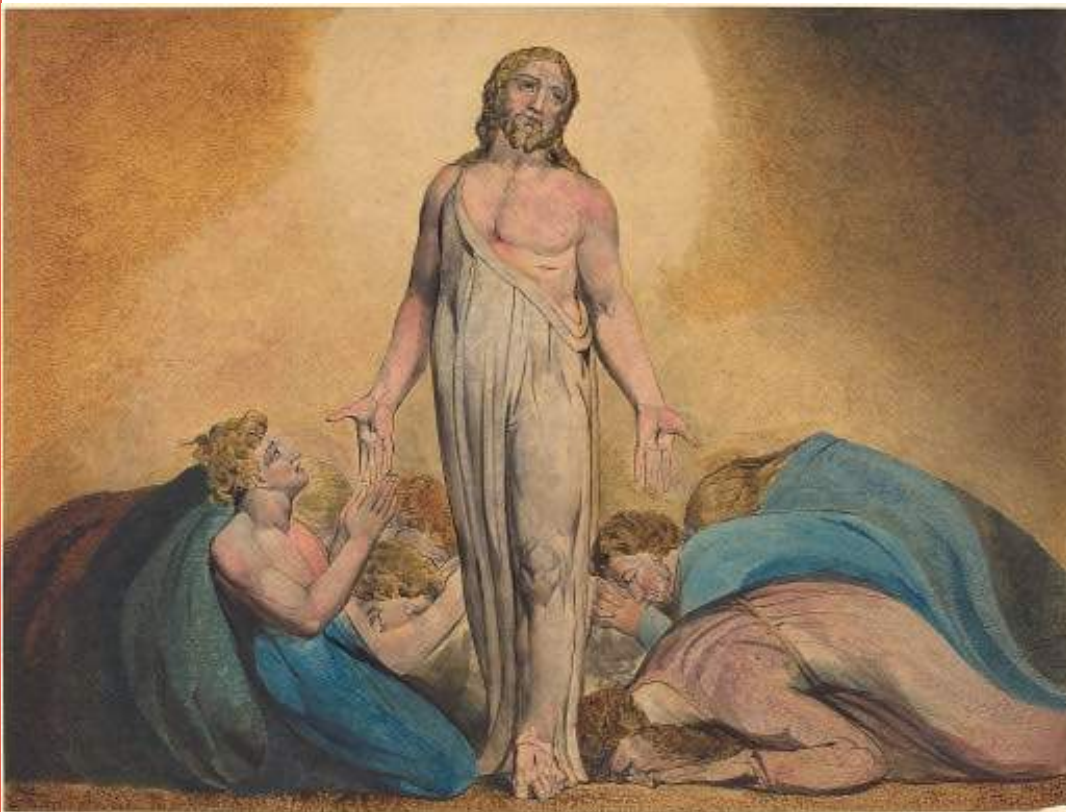


Jan Provoost, Christian Allegory, ca. 1510-1515 (Louvre, Paris)

## PENTECOST

*Jn 20:22-23*

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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





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## THE HOLY TRINITY

*Mt 28:19-20a*

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, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.



Pieter Franciscus Dierckx, St. Willibrordus predikt langs de Schelde, 1939 (Heilig-Hartkerk, Antwerpen)



## CORPUS CHRISTI

*Mc 14:24-25*

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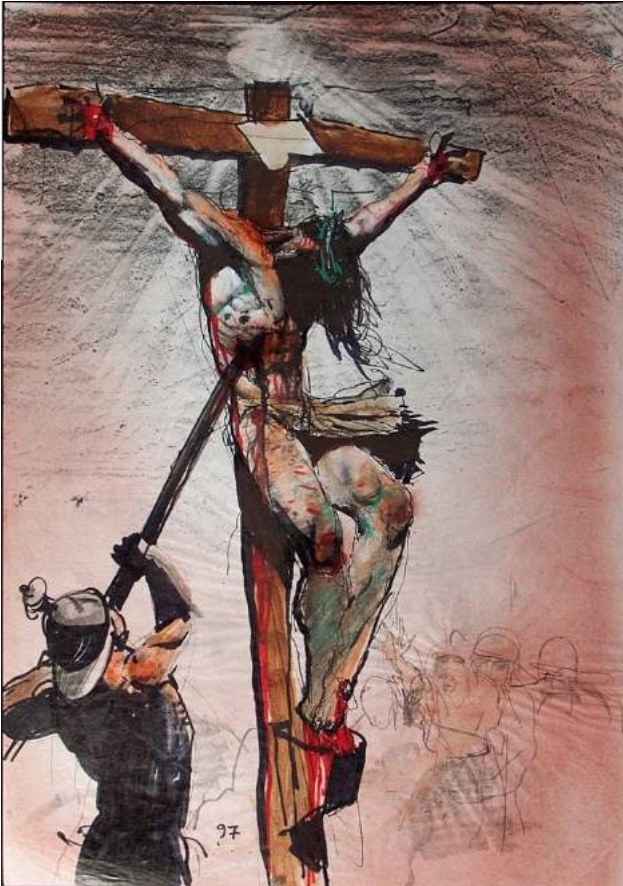


Gaston La Touche, The Last Supper, 1897 (Hermitage Museum - St-Petersburg)

## 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.



Simon Bisley, A Roman pierces Jesus' side with a spear - ©Simon Bisley

## 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."

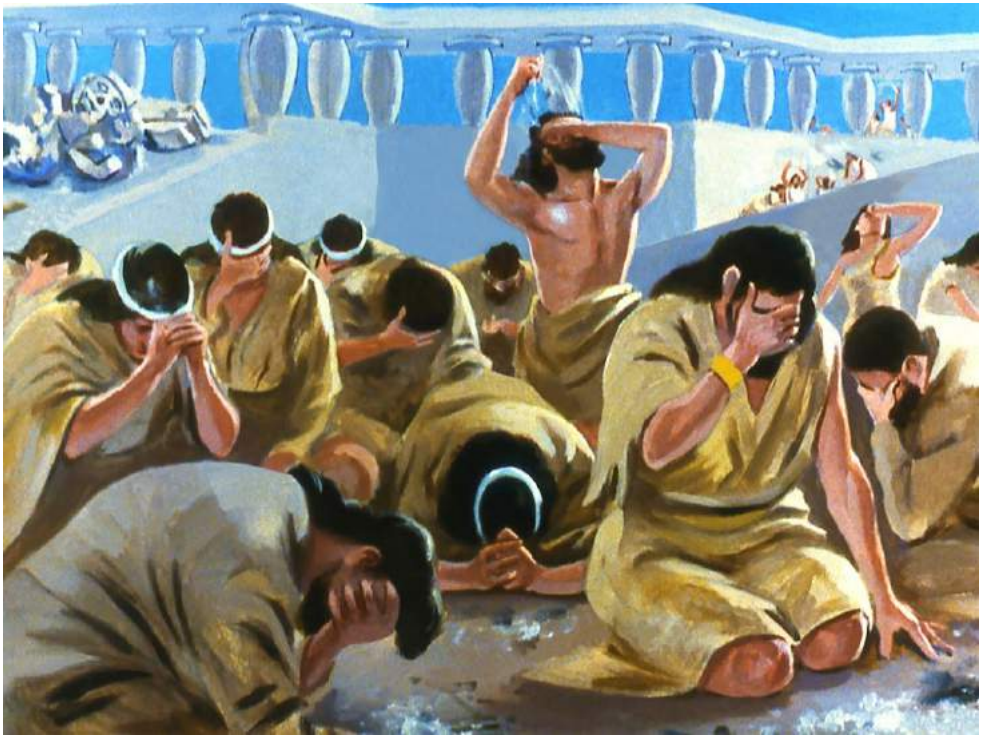


Corbin Watkins, SAMUEL HEARS GOD'S VOICE - ©Corbin Watkins

## THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*jon 3:7-10*

Then he had this proclaimed throughout Nineveh, by decree of the king and his nobles: "Neither man nor beast, neither cattle nor sheep, shall taste anything; they shall not eat, nor shall they drink water. Man and beast shall be covered with sackcloth and call loudly to God; every man shall turn from his evil way and from the violence he has in hand. Who knows, God may relent and forgive, and withhold his blazing wrath, so that we shall not perish." 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.



Let people and animals be covered with sackcloth



## 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.

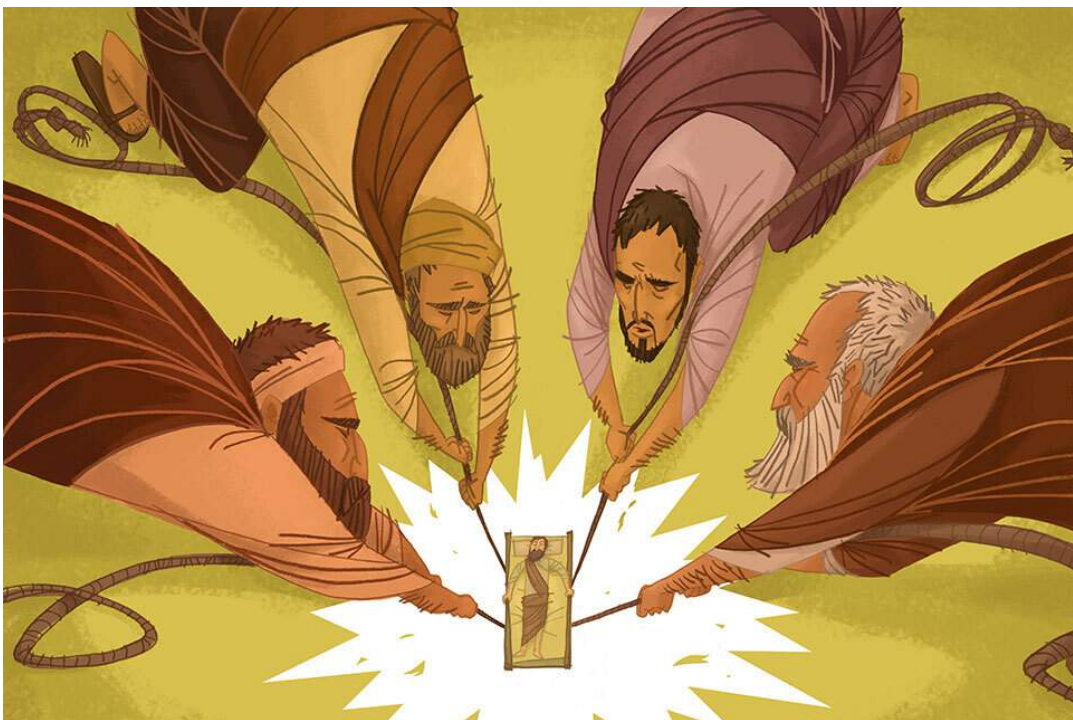


Rembrandt Harmensz. van Rijn, Jesus and the leper

## SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mc 2:3-4*

They came bringing to him a paralytic carried by four men. 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.



Ward Jenkins, Dropped through the ceiling - ©Ward Jenkins



## 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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MMBOX, New wine in old wineskins, 2012 (Mc 2:22) - ©MMBOX

## NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*mc 2:23-24*

And it came to pass, that he was going on the sabbath day through the grainfields; and his disciples began, as they went, to pluck the ears. And the Pharisees said unto him, Behold, why do they on the sabbath day that which is not lawful?

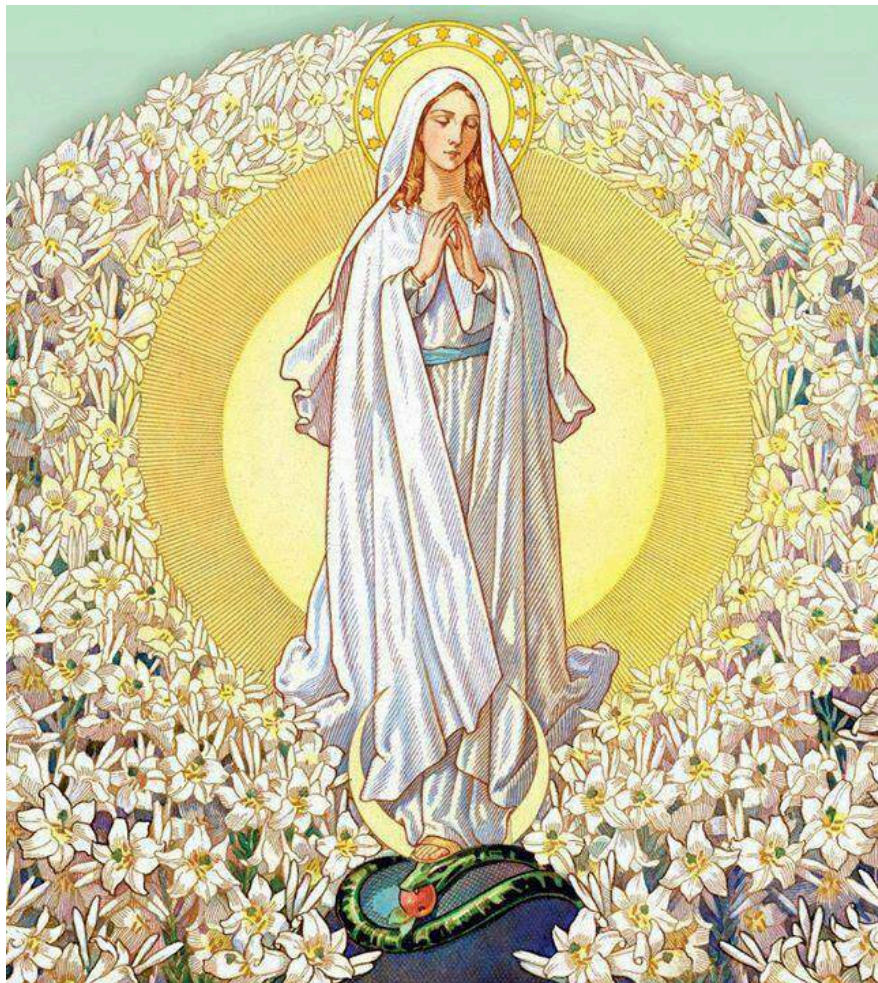


Picking ares on the sabbat

## 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."



Agnes Leung, Faith as a mustard seed, 2006 - ©Agnes Leung



## TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mc 4:35-38*

On that day, as evening drew on, he said to them, "Let us cross to the other side." Leaving the crowd, they took him with them in the boat just as he was. And other boats were with him. 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?"



Ernest Vincent Wood III, Struggling Sailor Sleeping Savior - ©Ernest Vincent Wood III

## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*the book of wisdom 2:18-20*

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## FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mc 6:2-3*

When the sabbath came he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What kind of wisdom has been given him? What mighty deeds are wrought by his hands! Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary, and the brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? And are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him.



John Everett Millais, Christ in the House of His Parents ('The Carpenter's Shop'), 1849 (Tate Britain)

## 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

*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

## SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Jn 6:11*

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.

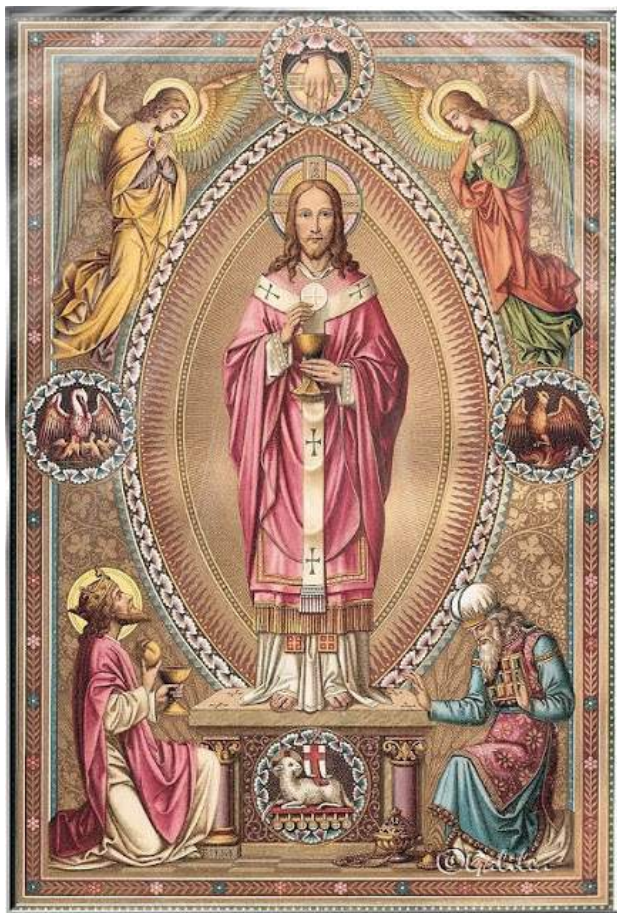


Jacques Muller, La multiplication des pains, 1992 - ©Jacques Muller

## EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Jn 6:33-35*

For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." So they said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst.



Corazón de Jesús

## 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.



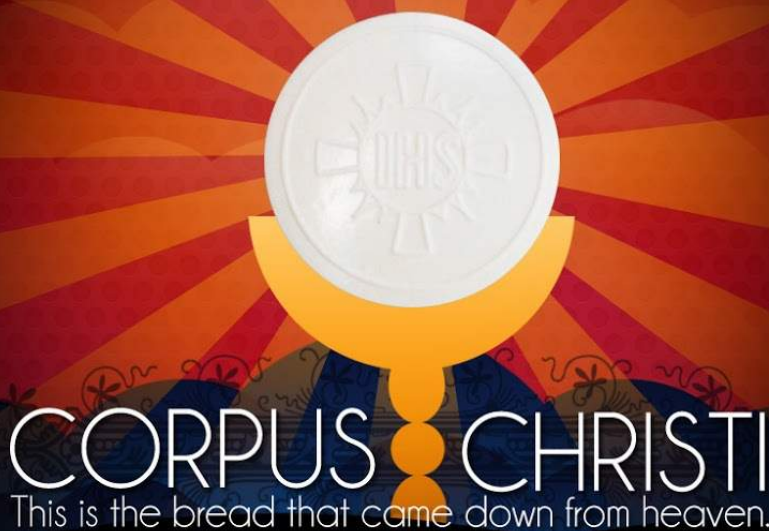
Jesus returning with parents Mary and Joseph to Nazareth



## TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Jn 6:57-58a*

Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven.



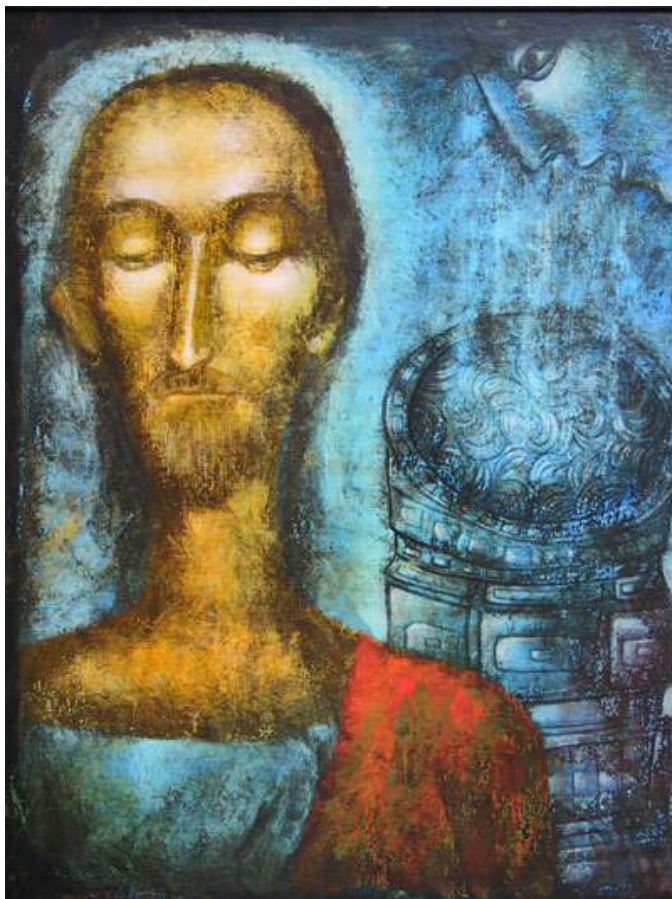
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Fr. Stephen, MSC, Corpus Christi, 2011 - ©Fr. Stephen, MSC

## 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

*Jas 1:17-18,21-22*

All good giving and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no alteration or shadow caused by change. He willed to give us birth by the word of truth that we may be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures. Therefore, put away all filth and evil excess and humbly welcome the word that has been planted in you and is able to save your souls. Be doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves.

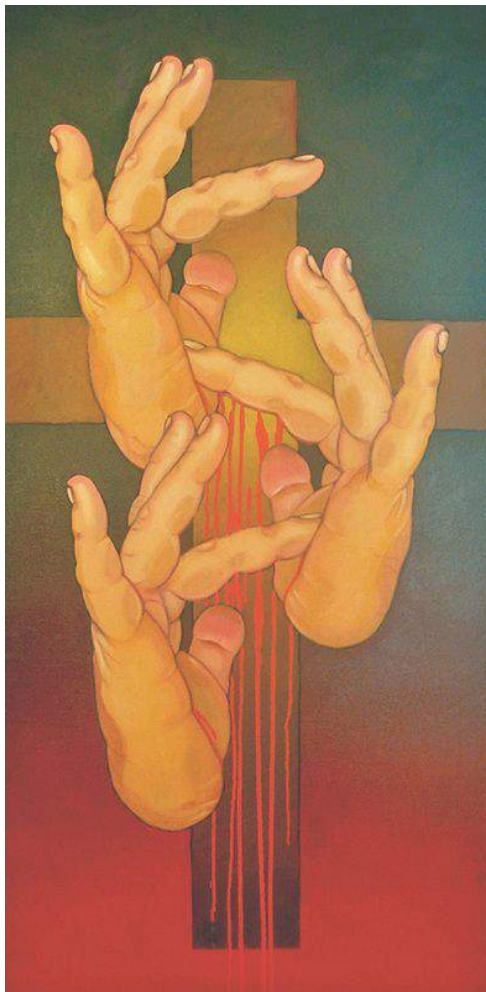


Michael D. O'Brien, Jonas - ©Michael D. O'Brien

## 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."



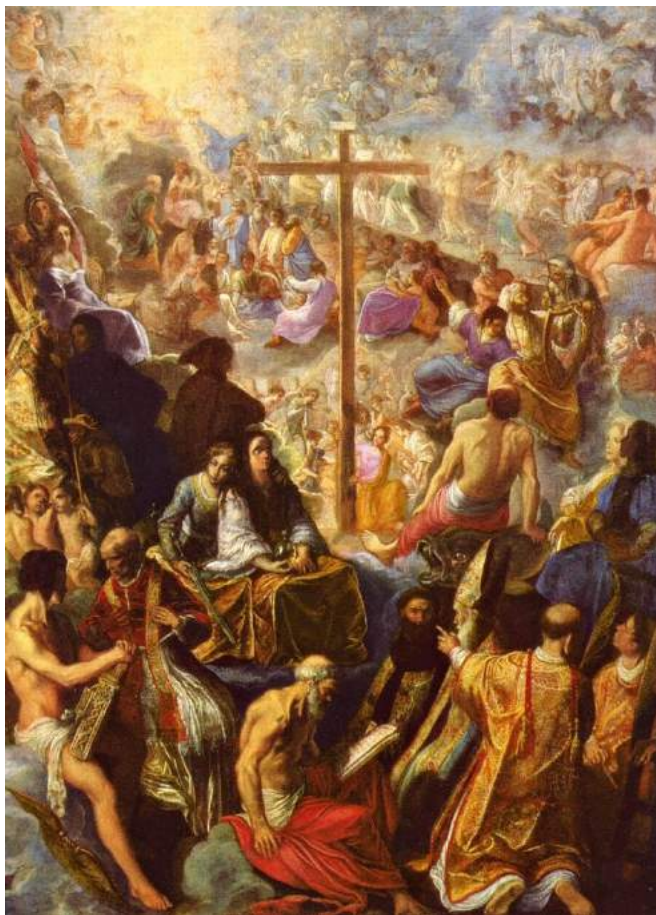
Chuck Baird, Sign for "Jesus" - ©Chuck Baird



## TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mc 8:34-35*

He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it.



Adam Elsheimer, *Glorification of the Cross*, 1605 (Städelsches Kunstinstitut, Frankfurt)

## TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mc 9:33-35*

They came to Capernaum and, once inside the house, he began to ask them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they remained silent. They had been discussing among themselves on the way who was the greatest. Then he sat down, called the Twelve, and said to them, "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all."



J. Kirk Richards, Servant of all - ©J. Kirk Richards

## 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.

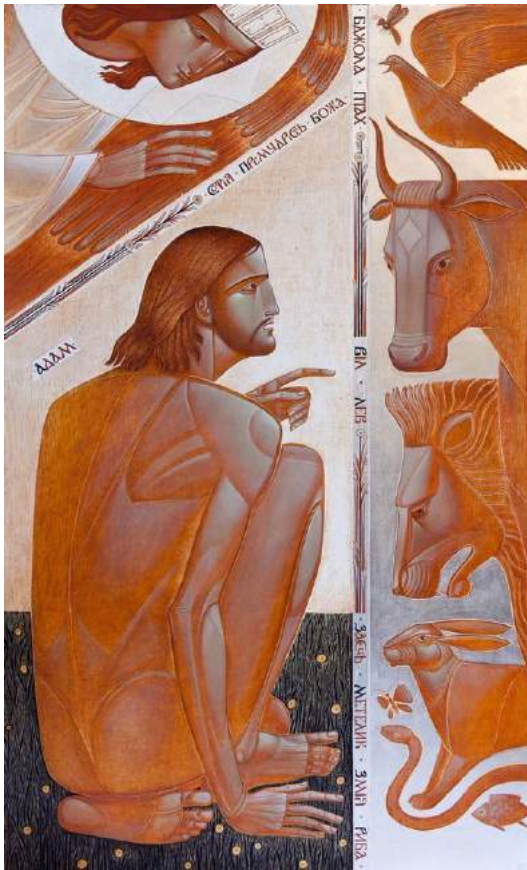


Geef geen ergernis, 1891

## TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Gen 2:19-20*

So the LORD God formed out of the ground various wild animals and various birds of the air, and he brought them to the man to see what he would call them; whatever the man called each of them would be its name. The man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of the air, and all the wild animals; but none proved to be the suitable partner for the man.



Lyuba Yatskiv, Adam giving names to animals, 2015 - ©Lyuba Yatskiv



## TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mc 10:17-22*

As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up, knelt down before him, and asked him, "Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus answered him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not kill; you shall not commit adultery; you shall not steal; you shall not bear false witness; you shall not defraud; honor your father and your mother.'" He replied and said to him, "Teacher, all of these I have observed from my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said to him, "You are lacking in one thing. Go, sell what you have, and give to (the) poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." At that statement his face fell, and he went away sad, for he had many possessions.



Michael Belk, Quandary, the things that hold us back - ©Michael Belk

## 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.



Hans Memling, The Man of Sorrows in the Arms of the Virgin, 1475 (Capilla Real, Granada, Spain)

## 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.

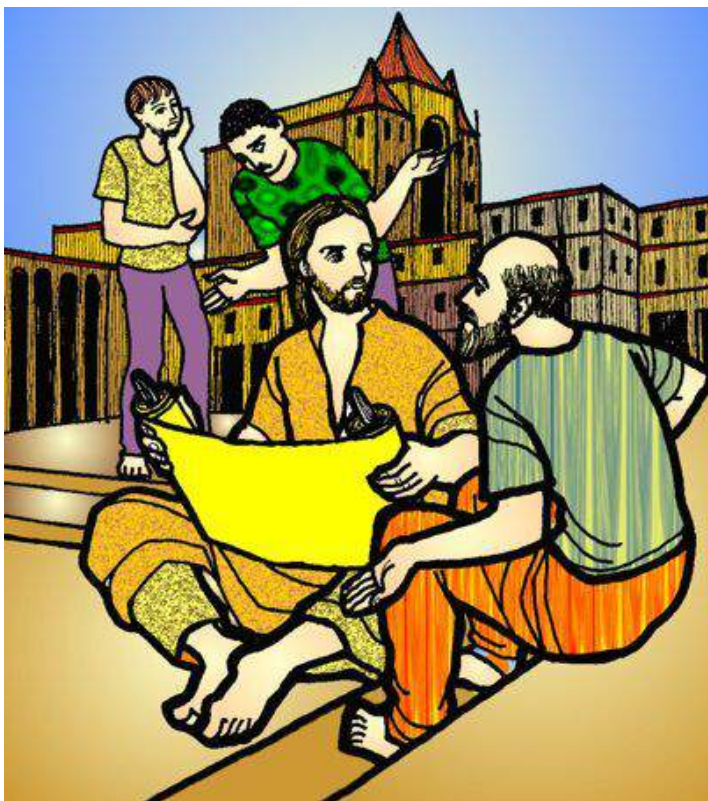


kevart, Blind Beggar Bartimaeus - ©kevart

## 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."



Crezo Barredo, Domingo 31° ordinario, 1999 - ©Crezo Barredo



## 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.



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

## CHRIST THE KING

*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.”.



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## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*Lc 21:25-28*

"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. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand."



Cristo Redentor, 1931 (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil)

## MONDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

*isa 2:2-3*

In days to come, The mountain of the LORD'S house shall be established as the highest mountain and raised above the hills. All nations shall stream toward it; many peoples shall come and say: "Come, let us climb the LORD'S mountain, to the house of the God of Jacob, That he may instruct us in his ways, and we may walk in his paths." For from Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.



Mount Zion

## TUESDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

*Isa 11:2*

The spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him: a spirit of wisdom and of understanding, A spirit of counsel and of strength, a spirit of knowledge and of fear of the LORD.



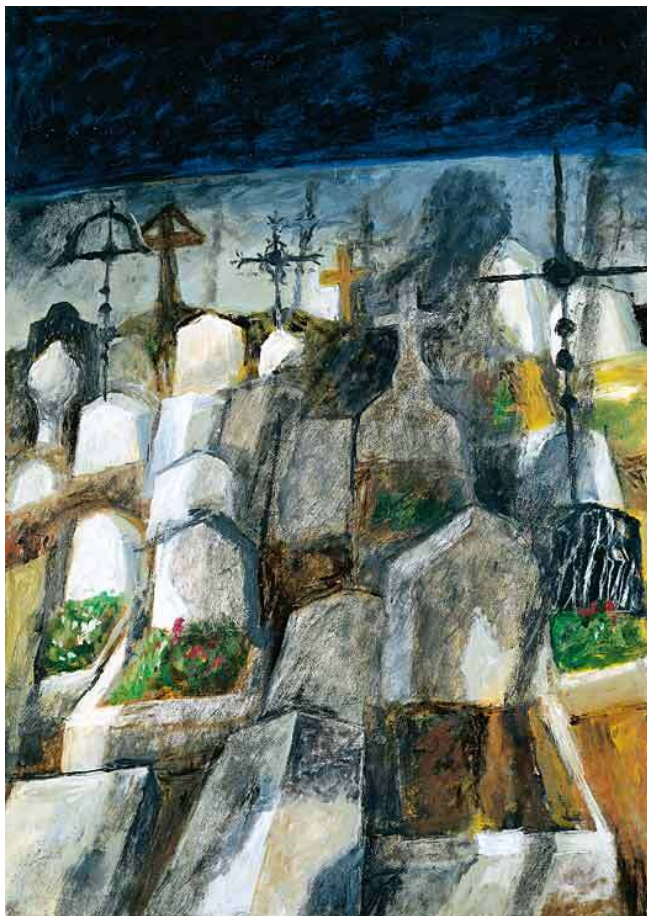
Francesco Trevisani, El bautismo de Jesucristo, el Hijo de Dios



## 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.

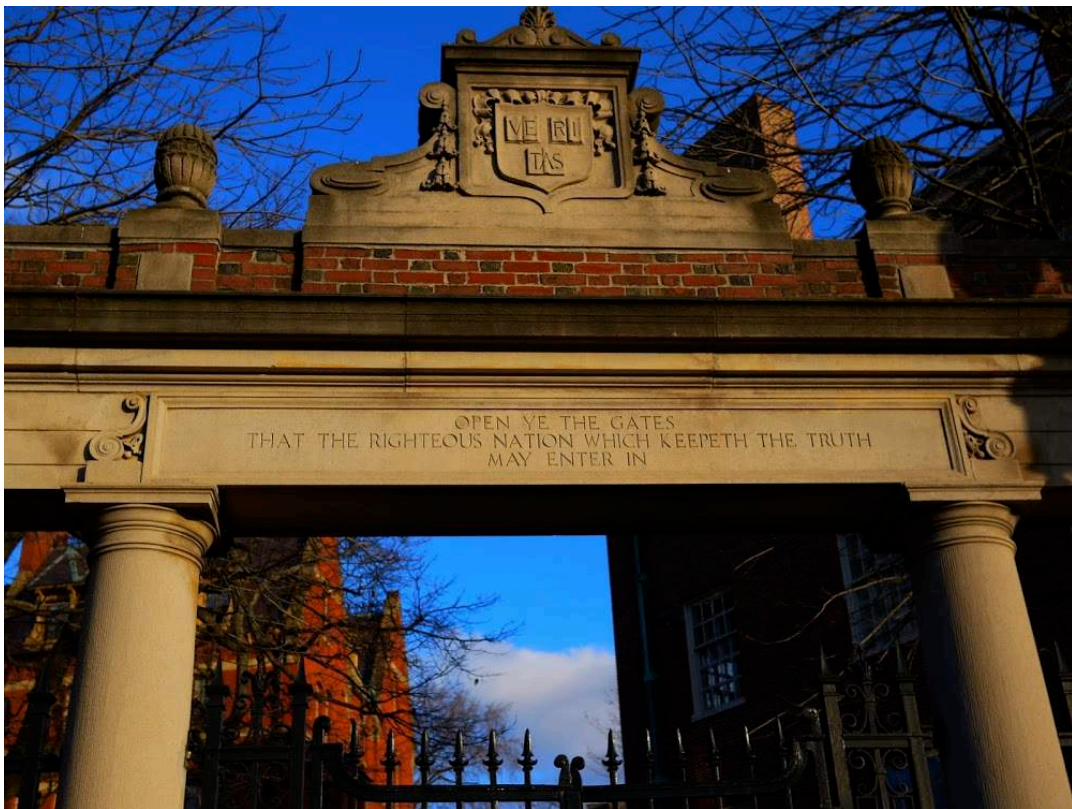


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## THURSDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

*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

*Lc 3:6*

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

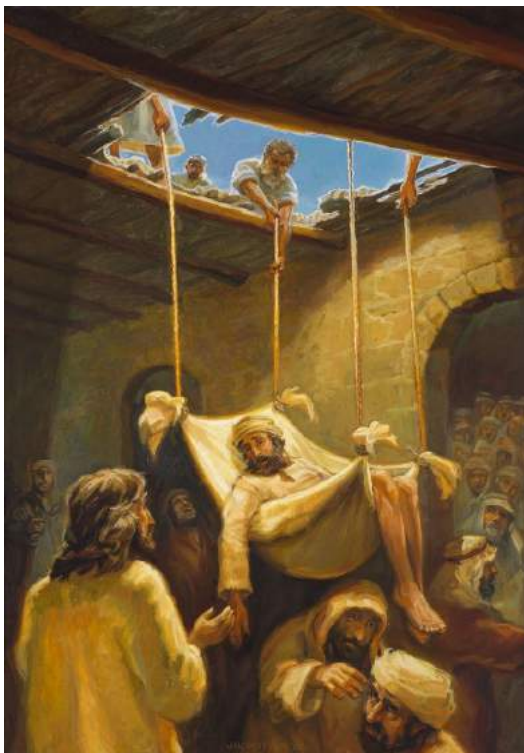


Harrowing of Hell, c 1240

## MONDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

*Lc 5:17-20*

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



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

## TUESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

*isa 40:3-5*

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



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



WEDNESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

isa 40:29-31

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



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



## THURSDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

*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.



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## 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 56:6-7*

And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, ministering to him, Loving the name of the LORD, and becoming his servants - All who keep the sabbath free from profanation and hold to my covenant, Them I will bring to my holy mountain and make joyful in my house of prayer; Their holocausts and sacrifices will be acceptable on my altar, For my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.



Procession

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*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.

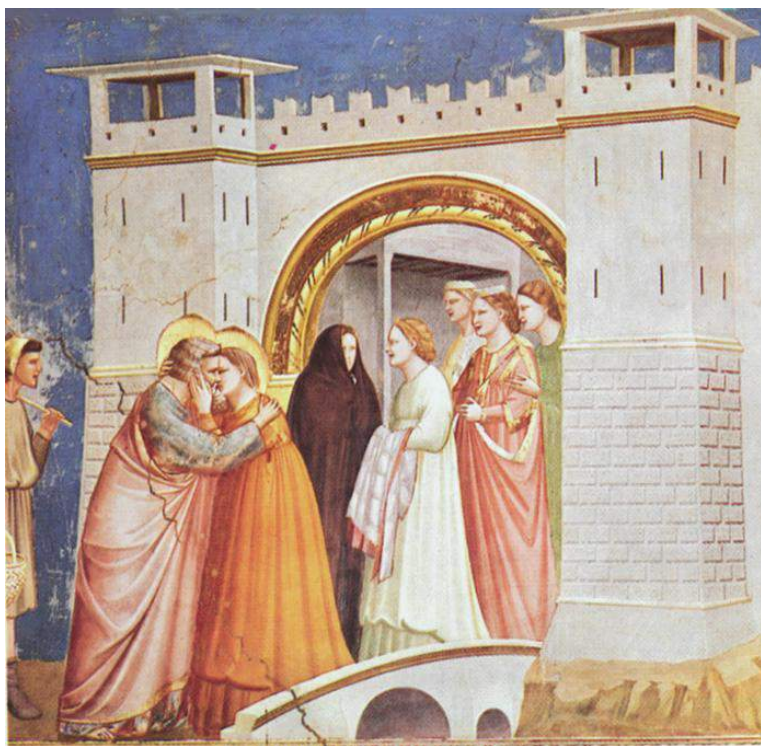


Maurice Denis, Visitación

## DECEMBER 17TH

*Mt 1:6-11*

Jesse the father of David the king. David became the father of Solomon, whose mother had been the wife of Uriah. Solomon became the father of Rehoboam, Rehoboam the father of Abijah, Abijah the father of Asaph. Asaph became the father of Jehoshaphat, Jehoshaphat the father of Joram, Joram the father of Uzziah. Uzziah became the father of Jotham, Jotham the father of Ahaz, Ahaz the father of Hezekiah. Hezekiah became the father of Manasseh, Manasseh the father of Amos, Amos the father of Josiah. Josiah became the father of Jechoniah and his brothers at the time of the Babylonian exile.



Giotto di Bondone, Legend of St Joachim, Meeting at the Golden Gate, 1304-1306 (Cappella Scrovegni a Padova)



## DECEMBER 18TH

*Mt 1:22-23*

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



Gian, Hail Mary - ©Gian



## DECEMBER 19TH

*judg 13:24*

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



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

## DECEMBER 20TH

*Lc 1:26-28*

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."

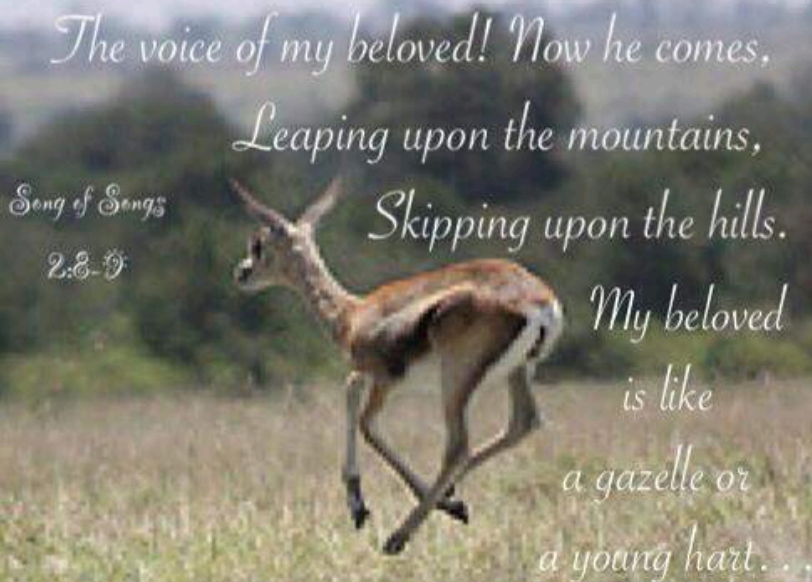


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## DECEMBER 21ST

*song 2:8-9*

Hark! my lover—here he comes springing across the mountains, leaping across the hills. My lover is like a gazelle or a young stag. Here he stands behind our wall, gazing through the windows, peering through the lattices.



*The voice of my beloved! Now he comes,  
Leaping upon the mountains,  
Skipping upon the hills.  
My beloved  
is like  
a gazelle or  
a young hart...*

*Song of Songs  
2:8-9*

The voice of my beloved

## 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)

*Lc 1:76*

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



Jacob Jordaens, John the Baptist (Rubenshuis, Antwerpen)

## VIGIL FOR CHRISTMAS

December, 24th

*Mt 1:6-11*

Jesse the father of David the king. David became the father of Solomon, whose mother had been the wife of Uriah. Solomon became the father of Rehoboam, Rehoboam the father of Abijah, Abijah the father of Asaph. Asaph became the father of Jehoshaphat, Jehoshaphat the father of Joram, Joram the father of Uzziah. Uzziah became the father of Jotham, Jotham the father of Ahaz, Ahaz the father of Hezekiah. Hezekiah became the father of Manasseh, Manasseh the father of Amos, Amos the father of Josiah. Josiah became the father of Jechoniah and his brothers at the time of the Babylonian exile.



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## 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.



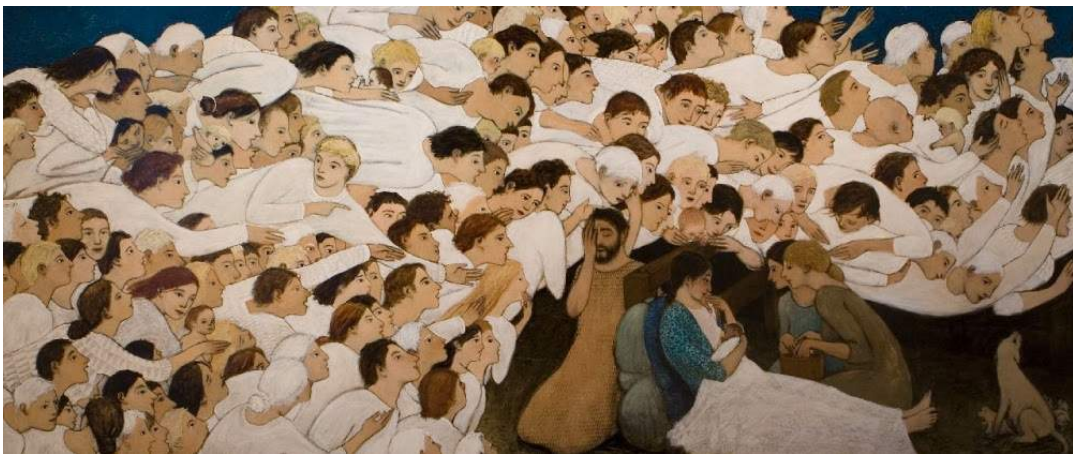
Hosanna!

## CHRISTMAS DAY MASS

December, 25th

*Heb 1:5-6*

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



Brian Kershisnik, Nativity, 2007 - ©Brian Kershisnik

## **SAINT STEPHEN, FIRST MARTYR**

### **December, 26th**

*Mt 10:19-20*

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



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



## SAINT JOHN, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST

### December, 27<sup>th</sup>

*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*

When they had departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Rise, take the child and his mother, flee to Egypt, and stay there until I tell you. Herod is going to search for the child to destroy him."



Kim Ki-chang, The Flight to Egypt

## THE HOLY FAMILY

*Lc 2:49*

'And he said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?"'.



James Tissot, Jesus Found in the Temple, 1886-1894 (Brooklyn Museum, New York)

## SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

*Jn 1:1*

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.



Raul Berzosa, Niño Jesús, 2007 - ©Raul Berzosa



## EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

*Mt 2:1-2*

behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.".



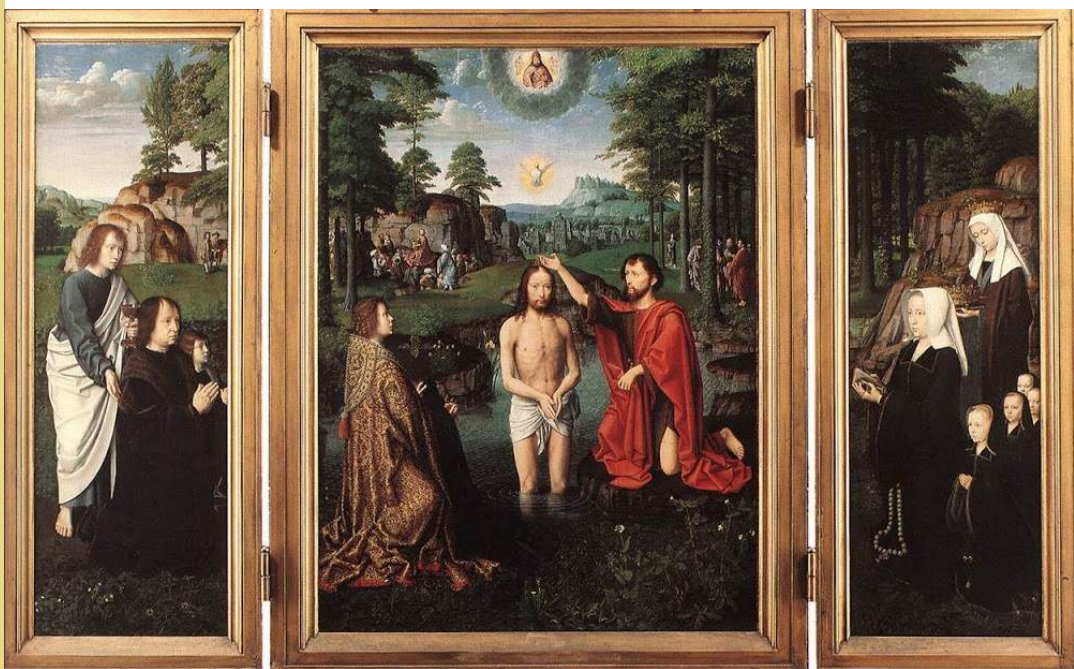
Gustave Doré, De wijzen die door de ster geleid worden



## BAPTISM OF THE LORD

*Lc 3:22*

And the holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."



Gerard David, Doopsel van Christus, 1502 - 1508 (Groeningemuseum Brugge)

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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

*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 Berszoa, Corazón Inmaculado de María de Fátima, 2012 - ©Raul Berszoa

## 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.

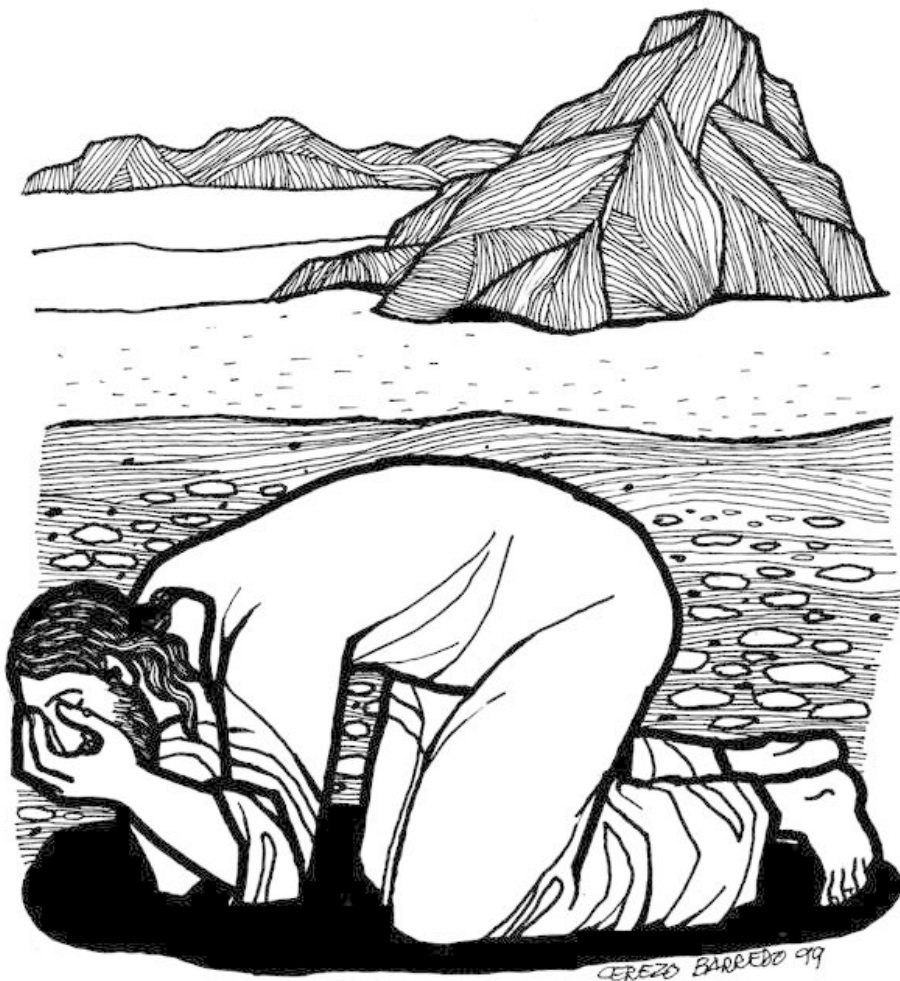


de Meester van Alkmaar, De zeven werken van barmhartigheid - De hongerigen voeden

## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

*Lc 4:1-2a*

Jesus returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, to be tempted by the devil.



Cerezo Barredo, Jesus tempted in the desert, 1999 - ©Cerezo Barredo



## 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* 7:7-8

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



Perseverance in faith



## FRIDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

*Mt 5:25-26*

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



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

## SATURDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

*deut 26:17-19*

Today you are making this agreement with the LORD: he is to be your God and you are to walk in his ways and observe his statutes, commandments and decrees, and to hearken to his voice. And today the LORD is making this agreement with you: you are to be a people peculiarly his own, as he promised you; and provided you keep all his commandments, he will then raise you high in praise and renown and glory above all other nations he has made, and you will be a people sacred to the LORD, your God, as he promised."

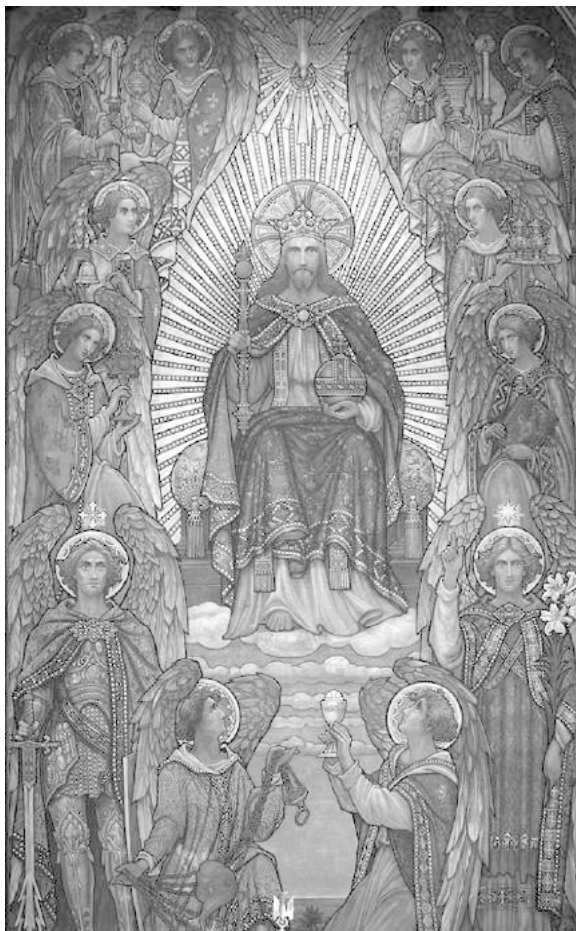


God's chosen people

## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

*Phil 3:20-21*

But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body by the power that enables him also to bring all things into subjection to himself.



The Adoration of Christ the King, through the Holy Eucharist



## MONDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*lc 6:38*

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



Giving



## TUESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*Mt 23:11-12*

The greatest among you must be your servant. Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted.

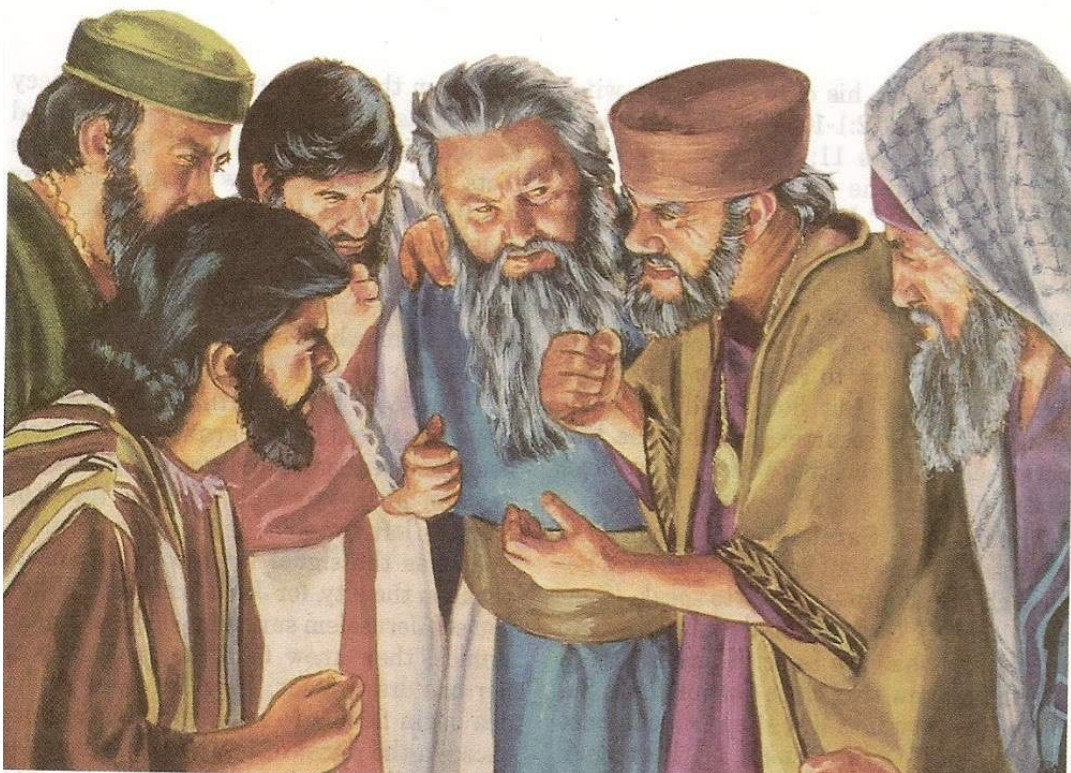


Christine Perdieus, Hoogmoed - ©Christine Perdieus

## WEDNESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*mt 20:17-19*

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



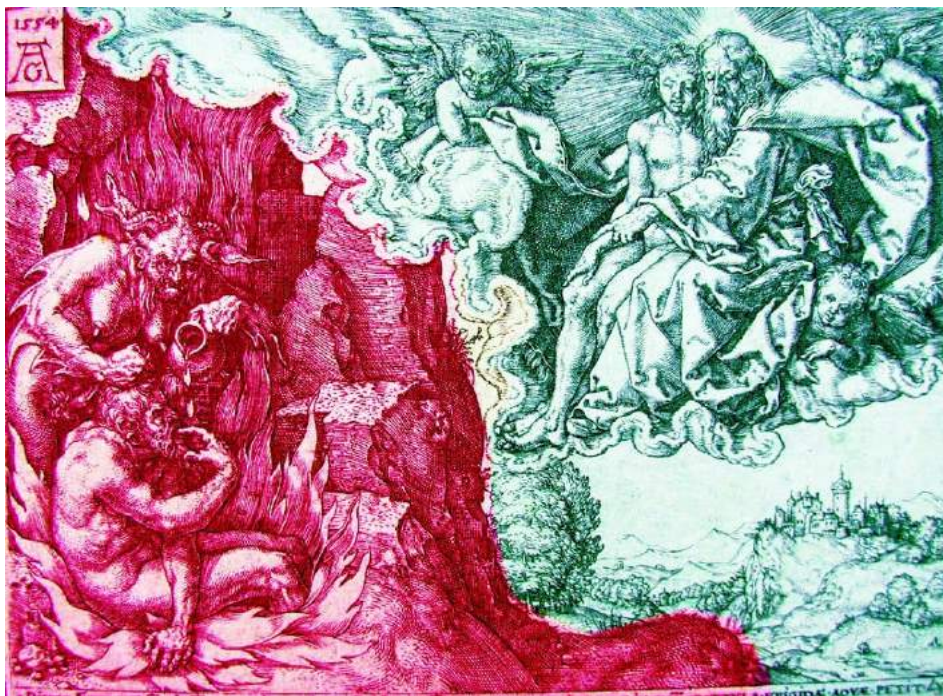
Pharisees



## THURSDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*Lc 16:19-24*

Who dressed in purple garments and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day. And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who would gladly have eaten his fill of the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even used to come and lick his sores. When the poor man died, he was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried, and from the netherworld, where he was in torment, he raised his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. And he cried out, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me. Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am suffering torment in these flames.'



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

## FRIDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*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 15:8*

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



J. Kirk Richards, The Lost Coin - ©J. Kirk Richards

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

*Lc 13:6-9*

And he told them this parable: "There once was a person who had a fig tree planted in his orchard, and when he came in search of fruit on it but found none, he said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none. (So) cut it down. Why should it exhaust the soil?' He said to him in reply, 'Sir, leave it for this year also, and I shall cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future. If not you can cut it down.'"



Abel Grimmer, Month of September or the Parable of the Barren Fig Tree, 1611

## MONDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

*2 kings 5:9-15*

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



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

## TUESDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

*Mt 18:21-22*

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

490



## 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

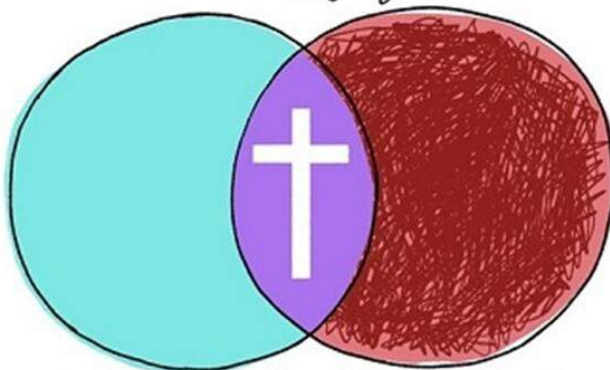
*jer 7:23*

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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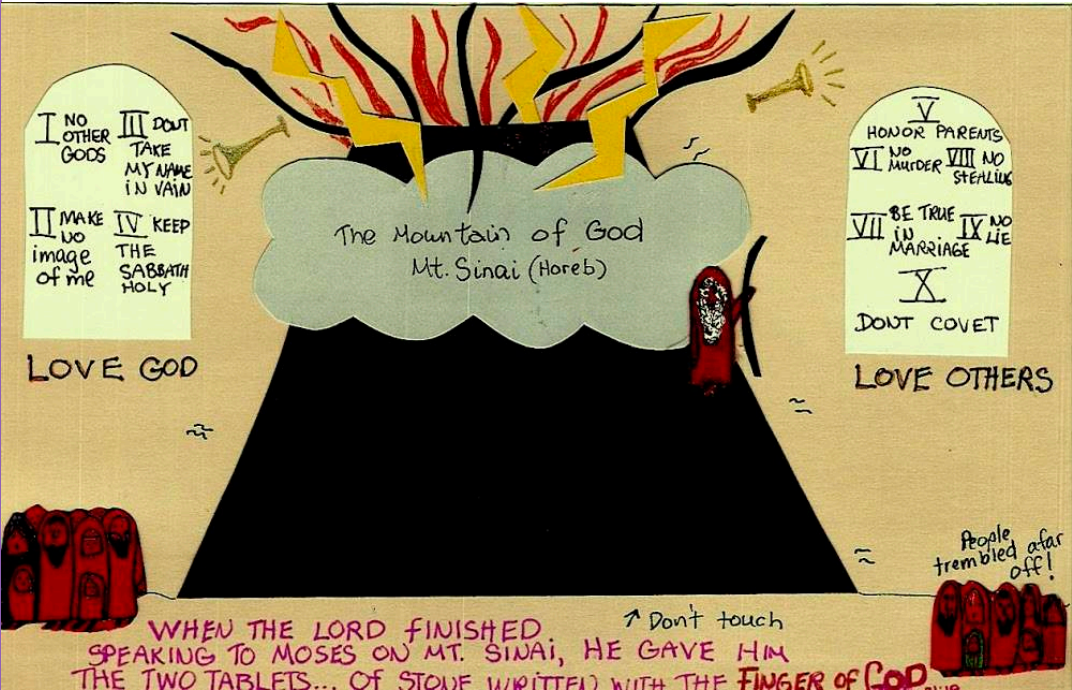
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# FRIDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

Mc 12:28-31

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

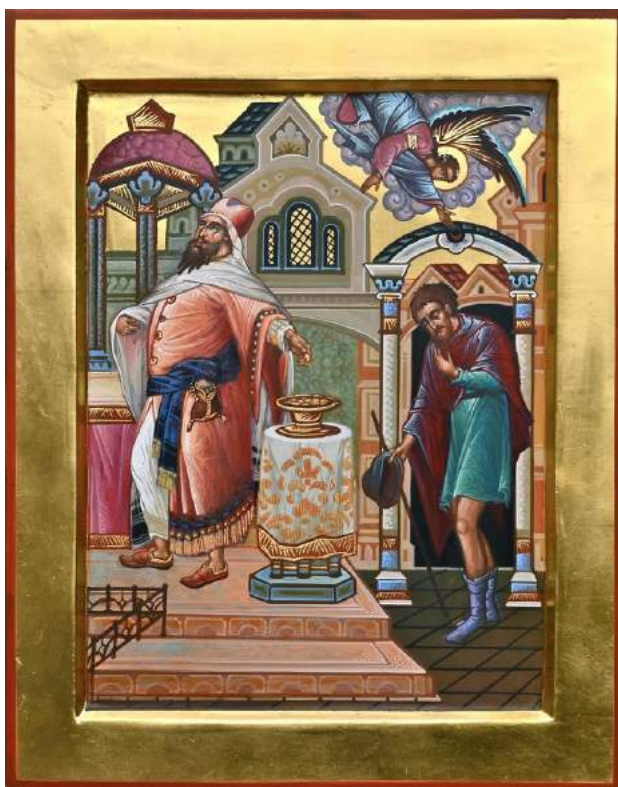


The two commandments (numbering according to protestant tradition)

## 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 15:21-24*

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



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

## 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 5:25-29*

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



Graveyard



## THURSDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*ex 32:9-14*

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



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

## FRIDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*jn 7:27-29*

But we know where he is from. When the Messiah comes, no one will know where he is from." So Jesus cried out in the temple area as he was teaching and said, "You know me and also know where I am from. Yet I did not come on my own, but the one who sent me, whom you do not know, is true. I know him, because I am from him, and he sent me."



Knowing Jesus

## SATURDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*jer 11:19-20*

But then the Lord told me that they had planned to chop me down like a tree— fruit and all— so that no one would ever remember me again. I prayed, “Lord All-Powerful, 11.20 Ws 1.6 you always do what is right, and you know every thought. So I trust you to help me and to take revenge.”.



Francisco de Zurbarán, Agnus Dei, 1635–40 (Prado Museum in Madrid, Spain)



## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

*Jn 8:7-8*

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.



Sieger Köder, Die Ehebrecherin - ©Sieger Köder



## 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 8:21-24*

He said to them again, "I am going away and you will look for me, but you will die in your sin. Where I am going you cannot come." So the Jews said, "He is not going to kill himself, is he, because he said, 'Where I am going you cannot come'?" 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. That is why I told you that you will die in your sins. For if you do not believe that I AM, you will die in your sins."



Mosaic

## 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

*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

*Lc 23:46*

Jesus cried out in a loud voice, “Father, into your hands I commend my spirit”; and when he had said this he breathed his last.



Into your hands I commit my spirit



## MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK

*jn 12:3-8*

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."



Jan van Scorel, Maria Magdalena (Rijksmuseum Amsterdam)



## TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

*Jn 13:31-32*

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



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

## 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

*1 Cor 11:24*

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



Tradição em foco com Roma

a Corpus Christi procession in Valencia, Spain, 2015



## GOOD FRIDAY

*Jn 19:25-27*

Standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary of Magdala. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple there whom he loved, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son." Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his home.



James Tissot, The Sorrowful Mother - Mater Dolorosa, 1886-1894 (Brooklyn Museum, New York)

## EASTER VIGIL

*Rom 6:3-5*

Or are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life. For if we have grown into union with him through a death like his, we shall also be united with him in the resurrection.



Ivanka Demchuk, Baptism - ©Ivanka Demchuk

## EASTER SUNDAY

*Jn 20:6-9*

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



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



## 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.



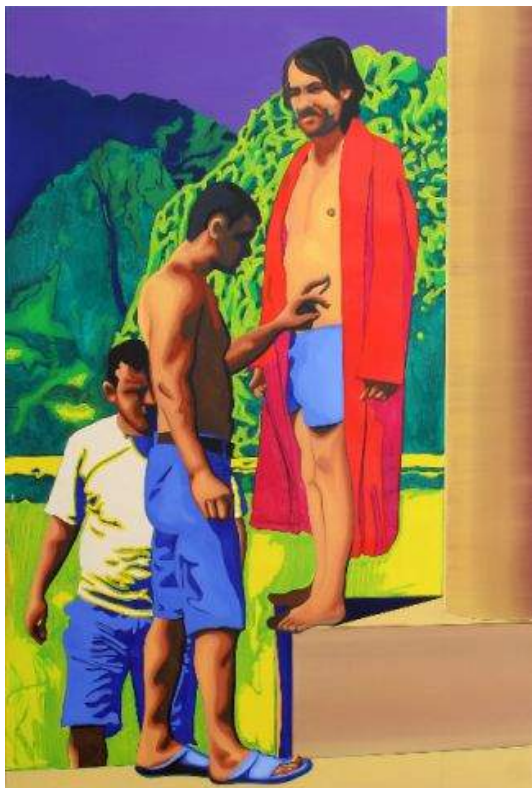
Daniel Owen, Detail from Stained Glass, 2010 (Church of the Ascension, Timoleague, Co. Cork) - ©Daniel Owen



## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Jn 20:26-29*

Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."



De ongelovige Thomas

## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Jn 21:17*

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.



François-Xavier de Boissoudy, Pierre, m'aimes-tu?, 2015 - ©François-Xavier de Boissoudy

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Jn 10:29-30*

My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one can take them out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."



Viktor Vasnetsov, Fatherhood, 1907 (State Tretyakov Gallery, Moscow, Russia)

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Jn 13:31-32*

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



## 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 24:50-51*

Then he led them (out) as far as Bethany, raised his hands, and blessed them. As he blessed them he parted from them and was taken up to heaven.

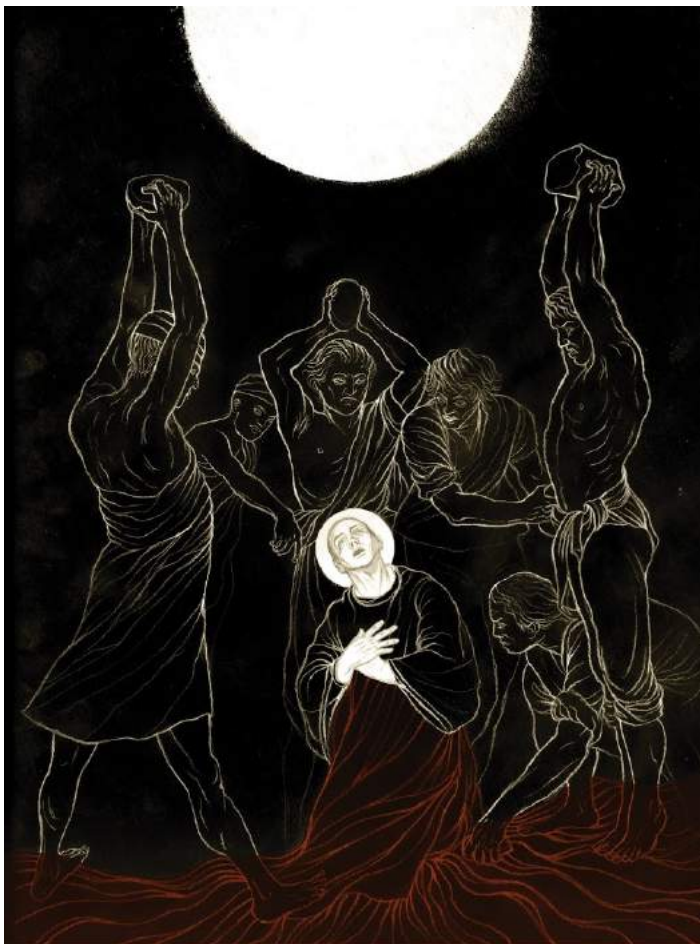


James Tissot, L'Ascension, 1886-1894 (Brooklyn Museum)

## SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Acts 7:59-60*

As they were stoning Stephen, he called out, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he fell to his knees and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them"; and when he said this, he fell asleep.



Chris Koelle, The History of Redemption - The stoning of Saint Stephen - ©Chris Koelle

## 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

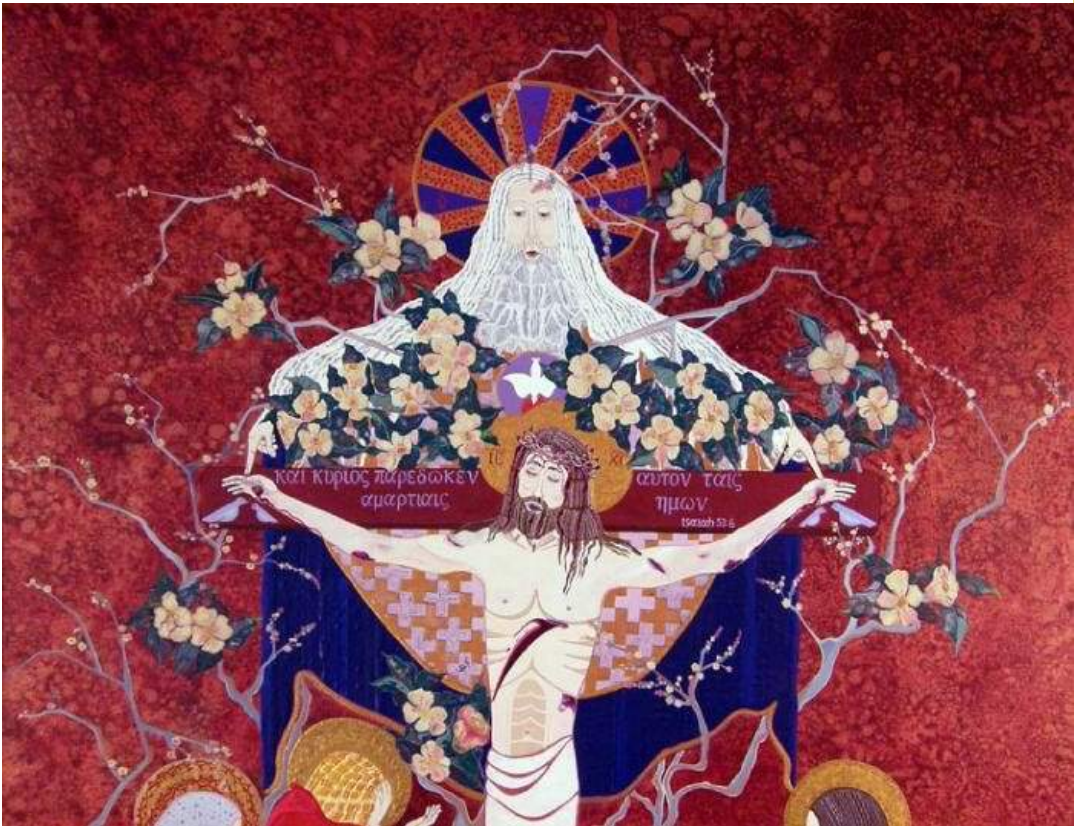
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ORDINARY TIME**



## THE HOLY TRINITY

*Jn 16:12-14*

"I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now. But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth. He will not speak on his own, but he will speak what he hears, and will declare to you the things that are coming. He will glorify me, because he will take from what is mine and declare it to you.



Christine Oskirko, Trinitarian Love



## CORPUS CHRISTI

*Gen 14:18-19*

Melchizedek, king of Salem, brought out bread and wine, and being a priest of God Most High, he blessed Abram with these words: Blessed be Abram by God Most High, the creator of heaven and earth.



Heilig Bloed van Jezus

## SACRED HEART OF JESUS

*Lc 15:4-5*

"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.

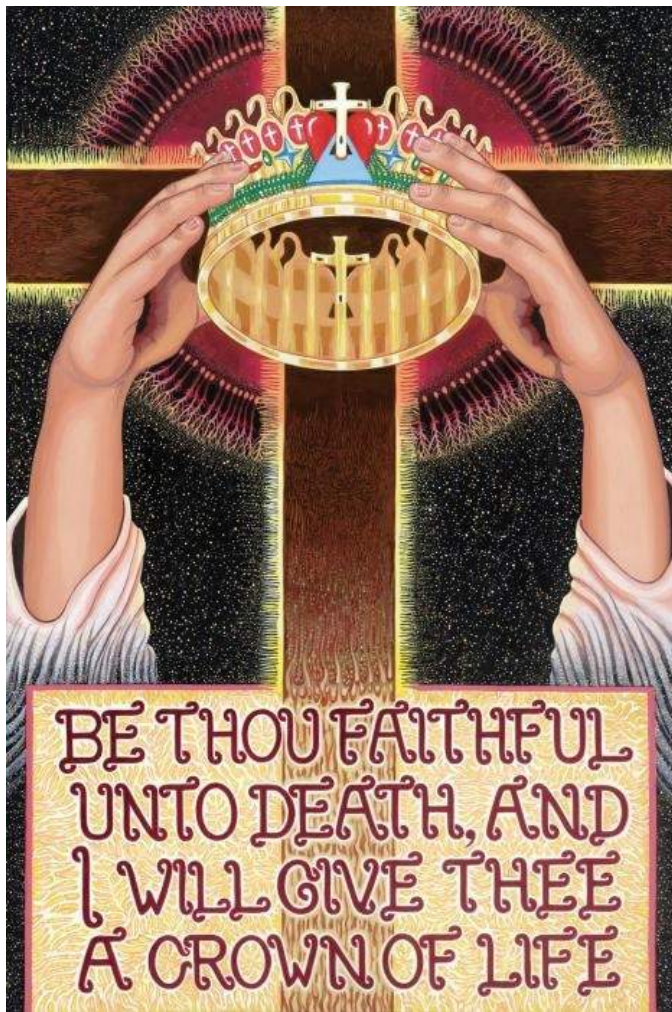


James Tissot, *Le bon pasteur* (English: *The Good Shepherd*), 1886-1894 (Brooklyn Museum)

## SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Isa 62:3*

You shall be a glorious crown in the hand of the LORD, a royal diadem held by your God.

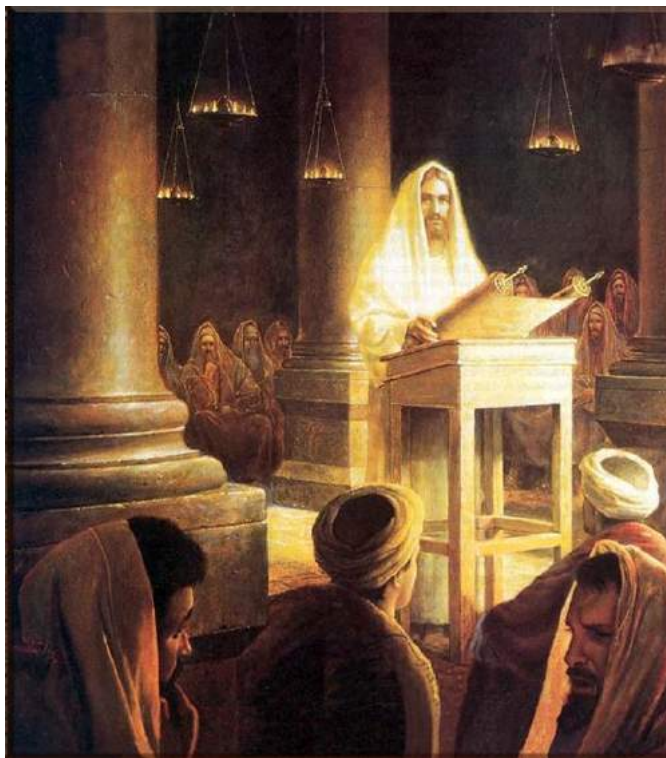


James Anderson, Crown of Life - ©James Anderson

## THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Lc 4:16-20a*

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



Jesus preaches in the synagogue



## FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Lc 4:27-29*

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. They rose up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town had been built, to hurl him down headlong.

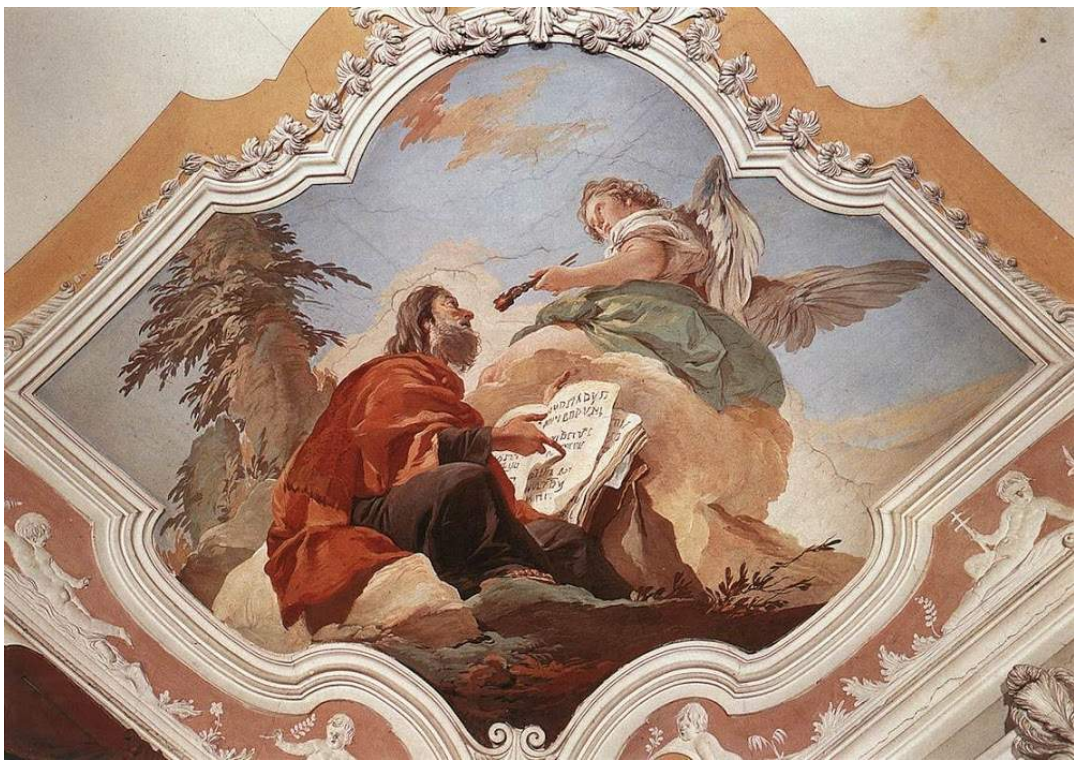


Jerome Nadal, SJ, *Male accipitur Jesus in patria*, 1593

## FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Isa 6:5-7*

Then I said, "Woe is me, I am doomed! For I am a man of unclean lips, living among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" Then one of the seraphim flew to me, holding an ember which he had taken with tongs from the altar. He touched my mouth with it. "See," he said, "now that this has touched your lips, your wickedness is removed, your sin purged."



Giovanni Battista Tiepolo, The Prophet Isaiah, 1726-1729 (Palazzo Patriarcale, Udine, Italy)

## SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Lc 6:17,20-23*

And he came down with them and stood on a stretch of level ground. A great crowd of his disciples and a large number of the people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon And raising his eyes toward his disciples he said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours. Blessed are you who are now hungry, for you will be satisfied. Blessed are you who are now weeping, for you will laugh. Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude and insult you, and denounce your name as evil on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice and leap for joy on that day! Behold, your reward will be great in heaven. For their ancestors treated the prophets in the same way.



Carl Heinrich Bloch, The sermon on the mount, 1865-1879 (Frederiksborg Palace, Copenhagen)



## 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

*lc 6:41-42*

Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye, but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own? How can you say to your brother, 'Brother, let me remove that splinter in your eye,' when you do not even notice the wooden beam in your own eye? You hypocrite! Remove the wooden beam from your eye first; then you will see clearly to remove the splinter in your brother's eye.

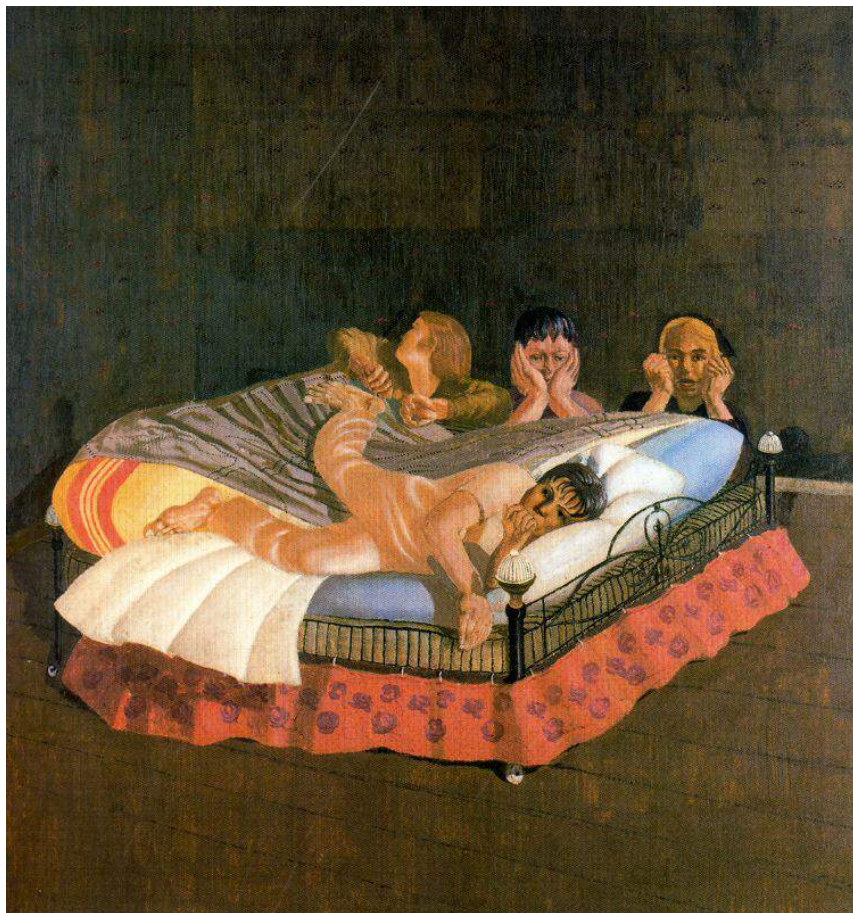


Dude, you've got a speck in your eye

## 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.

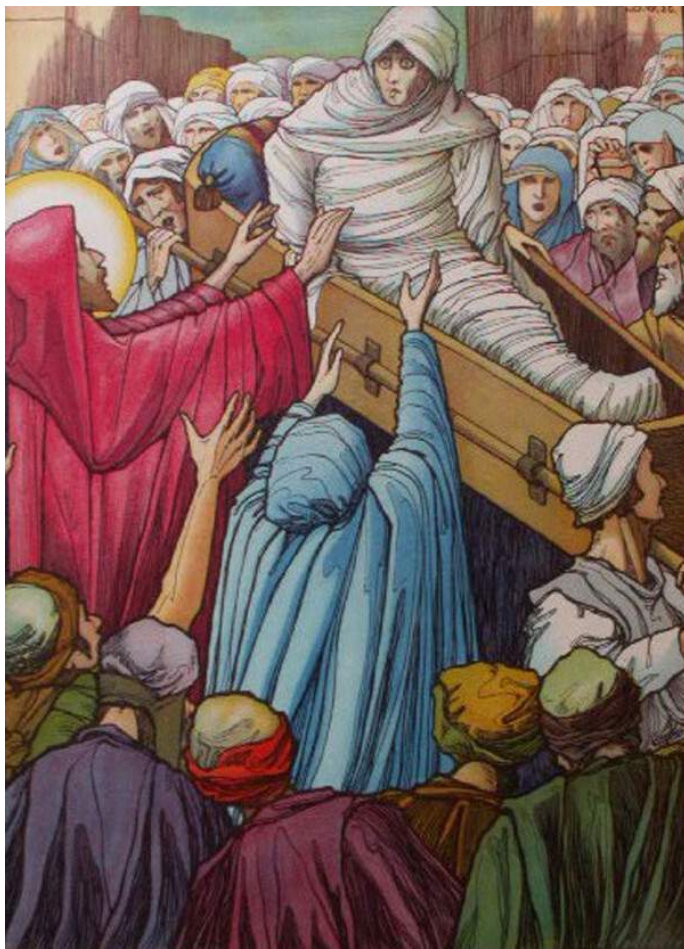


stanley spencer, the centurion's servant, 1914

## TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Lc 7:15-16*

The dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all, and they glorified God, exclaiming, "A great prophet has arisen in our midst," and "God has visited his people."



The Widow of Nain (The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost from the Liturgical Calendar poster series)



## ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Lc 7:37-38*

Now there was a sinful woman in the city who learned that he was at table in the house of the Pharisee. Bringing an alabaster flask of ointment, she stood behind him at his feet weeping and began to bathe his feet with her tears. Then she wiped them with her hair, kissed them, and anointed them with the ointment.



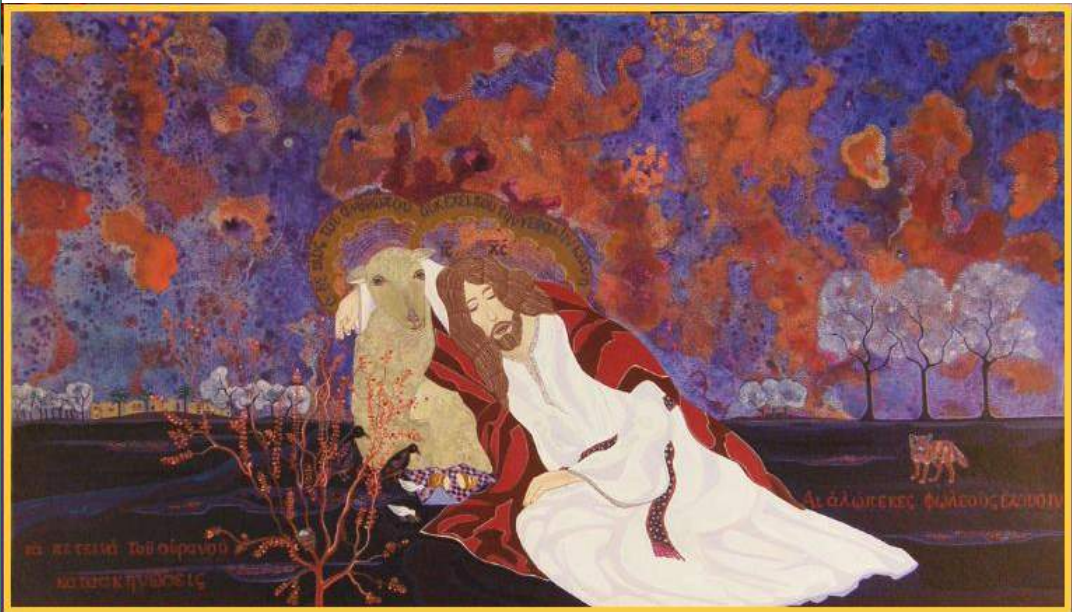
Zalving van Jezus



## 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."

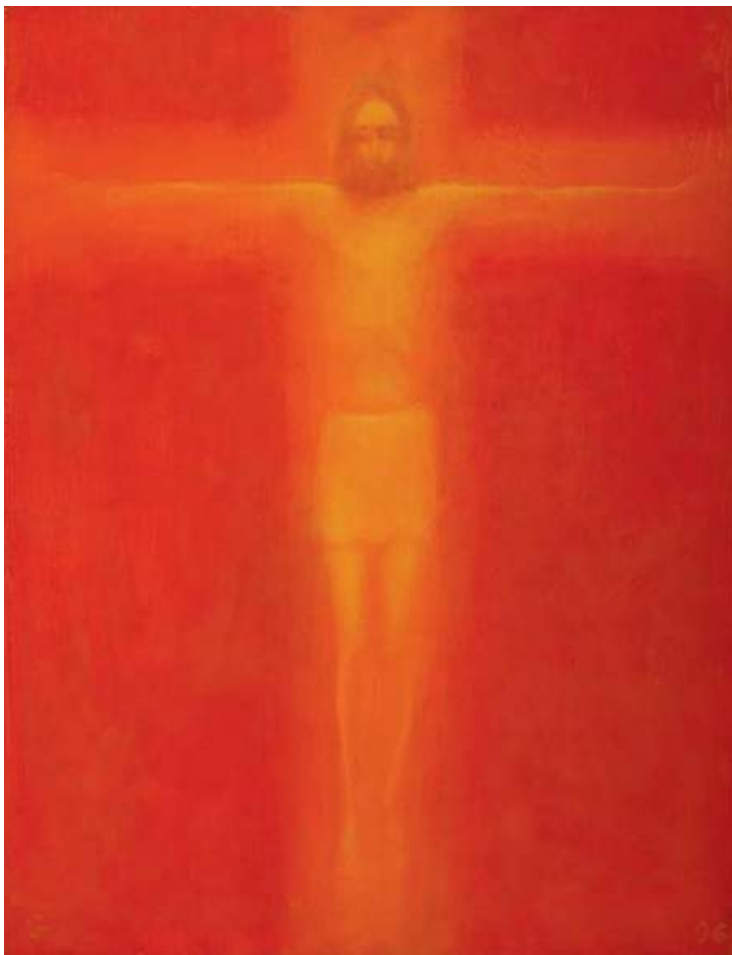


anonymous Italian painter, Saint Francis of Assisi preaches to the animals, 1626

## FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Col 1:19-20*

For in him all the fullness was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile all things for him, making peace by the blood of his cross (through him), whether those on earth or those in heaven.



Ladislav Záborský, Ukři#ovaný

## SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Lc 10:40*

Martha, burdened with much serving, came to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me."



Johannes Vermeer, *Christ in the House of Martha and Mary*, ca. 1654 (National Gallery of Scotland, Edinburgh)



## 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.



David Binnig, The Destruction of Sodom - ©David Binnig

## 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.

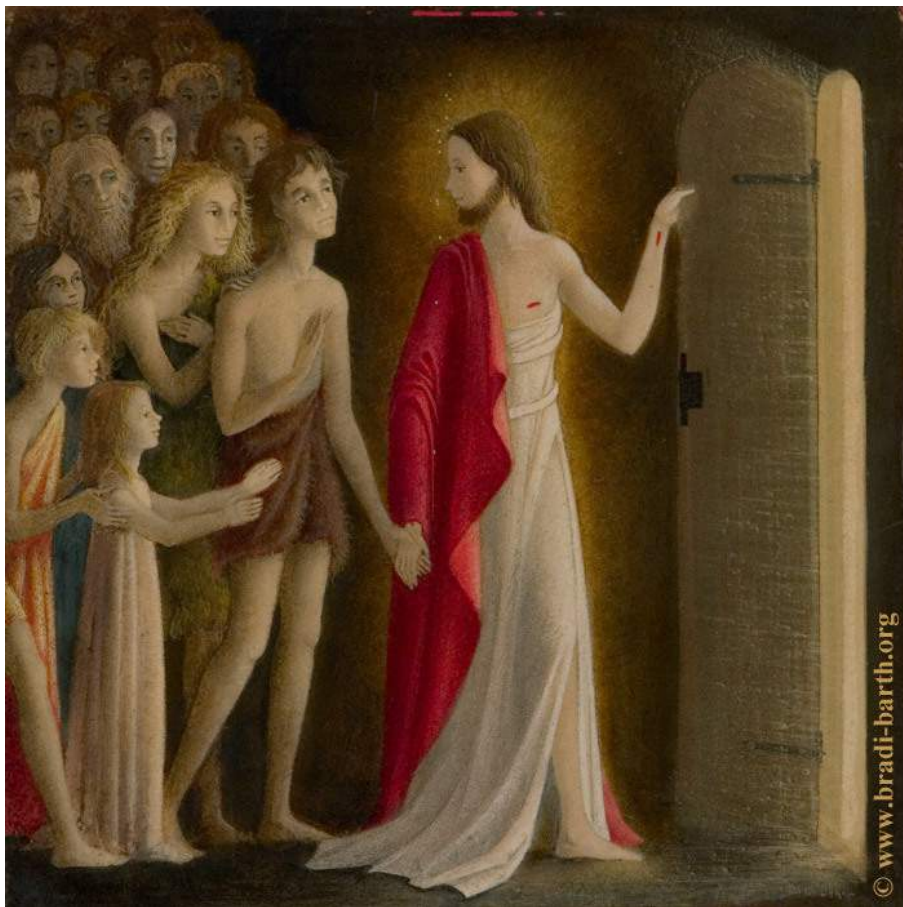


David Binnig, Abraham prepares to sacrifice his son - ©David Binnig

## TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Lc 13:22-24*

He passed through towns and villages, teaching as he went and making his way to Jerusalem. Someone asked him, “Lord, will only a few people be saved?” He answered them, “Strive to enter through the narrow door, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough.



Bradi Barth, The narrow door - ©Herbronnen vzw.



## 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 15:20-21*

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



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



## 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 18:14b*

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

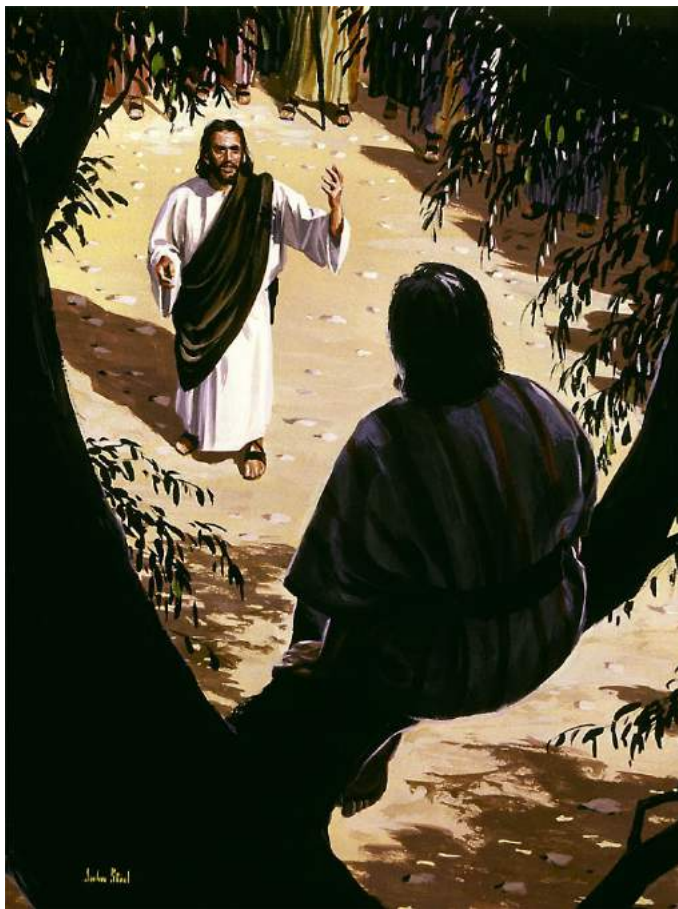


The pharisee and the publican

## THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Lc 19:5-7*

When he reached the place, Jesus looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, come down quickly, for today I must stay at your house." And he came down quickly and received him with joy. When they all saw this, they began to grumble, saying, "He has gone to stay at the house of a sinner."



Zacchaeus, hurry down! I want to stay with you today



## 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.



"Très Riches Heures du Duc de Berry", Christ in Majesty, 1410-1411 (Musée Condé à Chantilly, France)



**READINGS FOR  
SUNDAYS AND FEASTS  
ORDINARY FORM OF  
THE ROMAN RITE  
FEASTS**





# MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

## January, 1st

*Lc 2:19*

And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart.



Joseph Stella, Holy Mary Mother of God, 1926 (Brooklyn Museum)

## CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL, APOSTLE

### January, 25th

*Acts 22:3-4*

"I am a Jew, born in Tarsus in Cilicia, but brought up in this city. At the feet of Gamaliel I was educated strictly in our ancestral law and was zealous for God, just as all of you are today. I persecuted this Way to death, binding both men and women and delivering them to prison.



attributed to Luigi Garzi, Die Steinigung des Heiligen Stephanus, 17th/18th century



## PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

February, 2nd

*Lc 2:27-32*

He came in the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to perform the custom of the law in regard to him, he took him into his arms and blessed God, saying: "Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in sight of all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel."



Nerina Canzi, JESÚS EN EL TEMPLO CON SIMEÓN, 2015 - ©Nerina Canzi



## CHAIR OF SAINT PETER, APOSTLE

February, 22nd

*Mt 16:18-19*

And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven."



Daniel Ibez, Pope Francis greets pilgrims in St Peter's Square before the Wednesday general audience on Oct 29 2014, 2014 - ©Daniel Ibez

**SAINT JOSEPH, HUSBAND OF MARY**  
**March, 19th**

*Mt 1:23*

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



Our Lady of She-Shan

## ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

March, 25th

*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

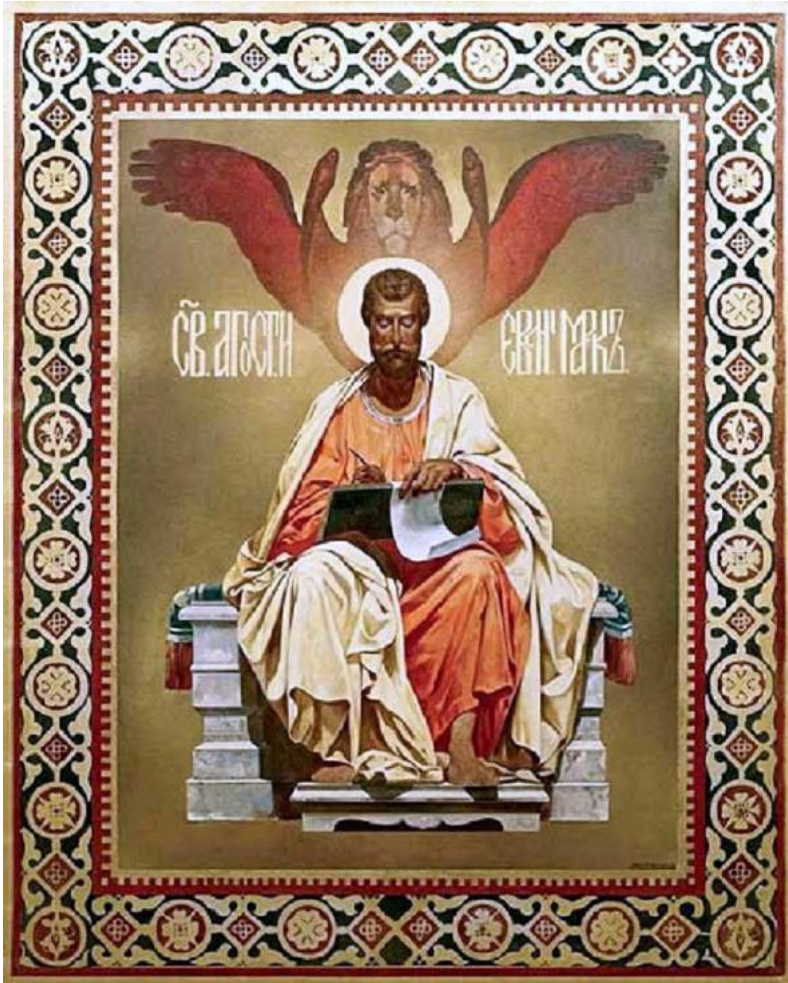


## SAINT MARK, EVANGELIST

April, 25th

*Mc 16:20*

But they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the word through accompanying signs.).



Vasili Nesterenko, St. Mark the Evangelist

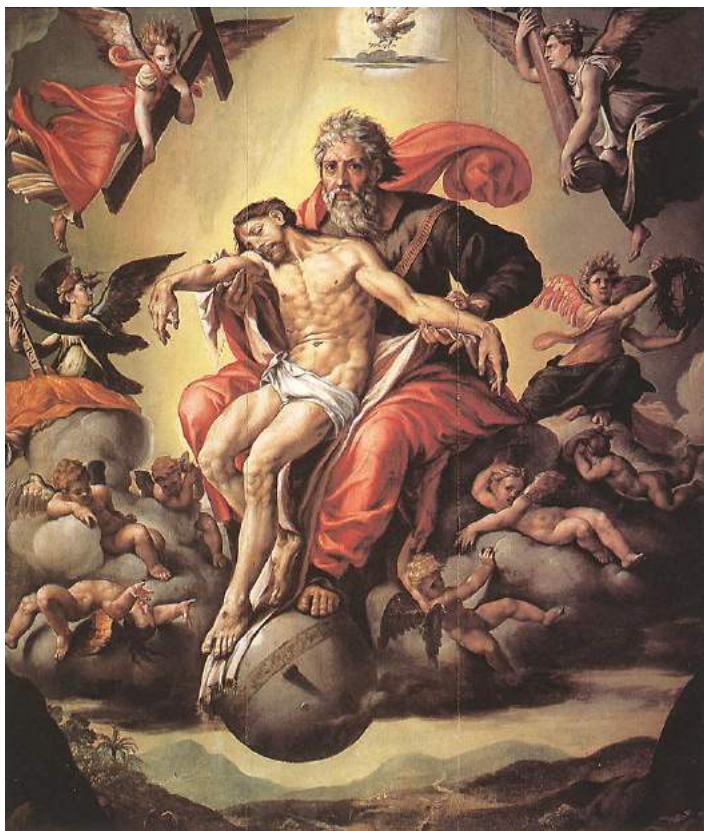


## SAINTS PHILIP AND JAMES, APOSTLES

### May, 3rd

*Jn 14:8-10*

Philip said to him, "Master, show us the Father, and that will be enough for us." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you for so long a time and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I speak to you I do not speak on my own. The Father who dwells in me is doing his works.



Pieter Coecke van Aelst, Trinity, first half of 16th century (Prado Museum)

## SAINT MATTHIAS, APOSTLE

May, 14th

*Jn 15:13-15*

No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I no longer call you slaves, because a slave does not know what his master is doing. I have called you friends, because I have told you everything I have heard from my Father.



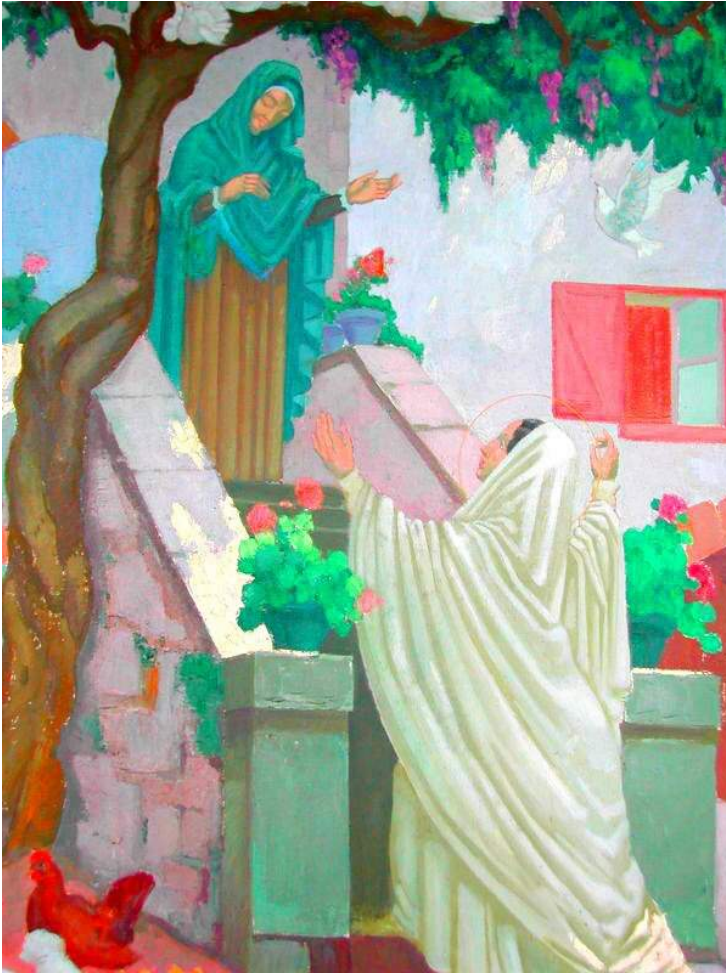
Saint Matthias

## VISITATION OF THE VIRGIN MARY TO ELIZABETH

May, 31st

*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.



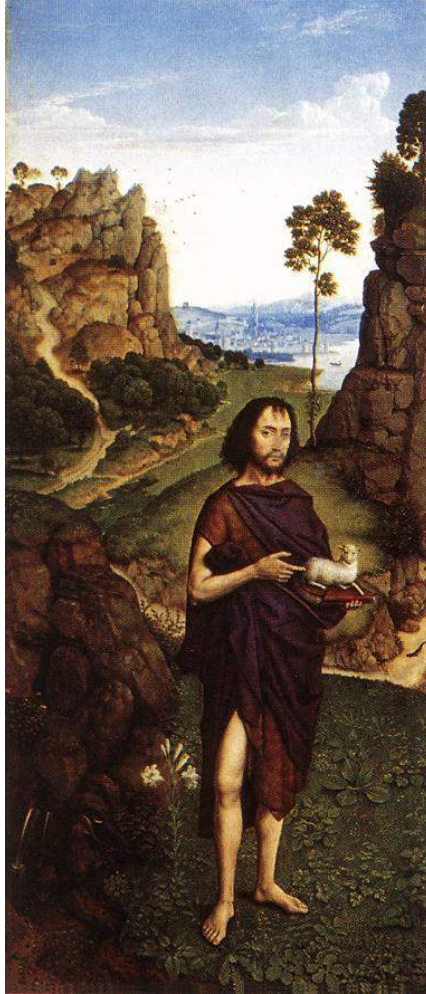
Raymond Virac, Visitation, 1926

## BIRTH OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

June, 24th

*Lc 1:80*

The child grew and became strong in spirit, and he was in the desert until the day of his manifestation to Israel.



Dirk Bouts, St John the Baptist, 1420 (Leuven)

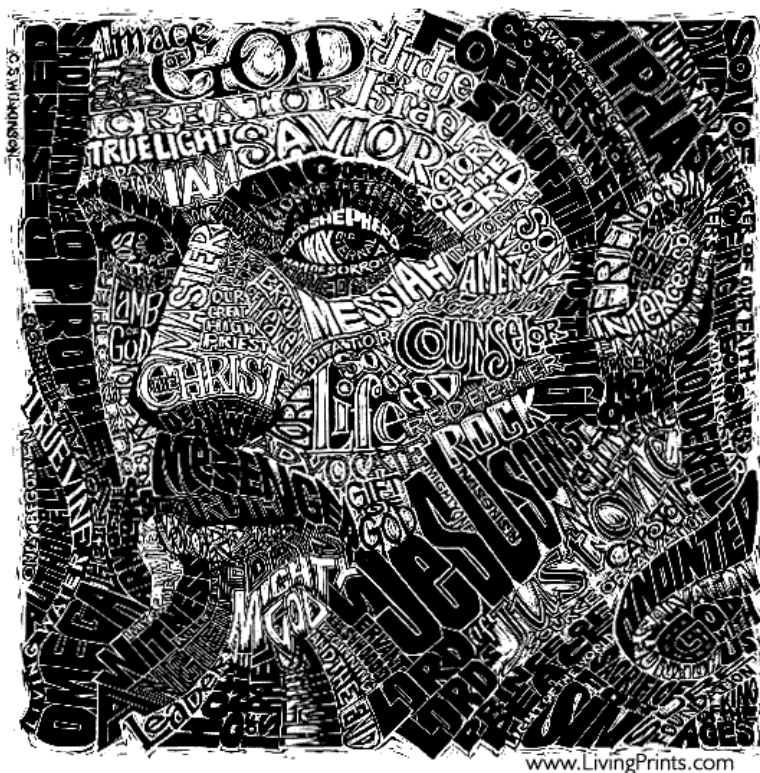


## SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

## June, 29th

### *Mt 16:13-17*

When Jesus went into the region of Caesarea Philippi he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" They replied, "Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter said in reply, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." Jesus said to him in reply, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father.

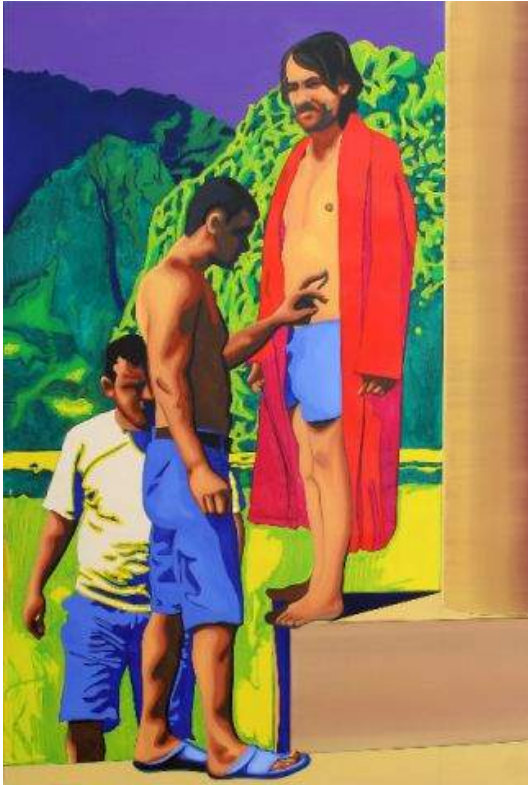


## SAINT THOMAS, APOSTLE

### July, 3rd

*Jn 20:26-29*

Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."



De ongelovige Thomas

## SAINT JAMES, APOSTLE

July, 25th

*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."



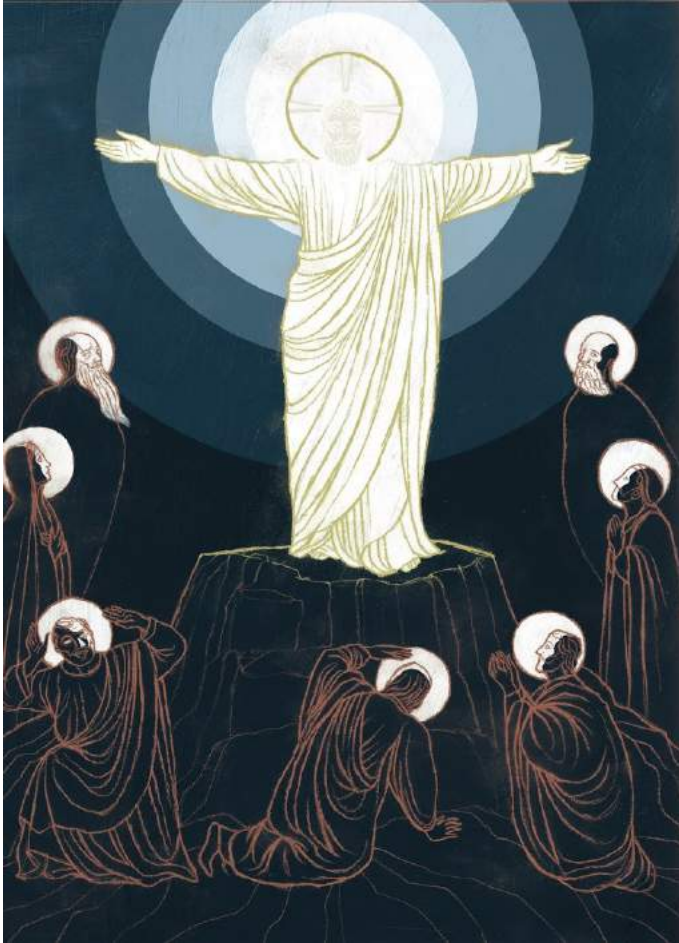
Veronese, Le Christ rencontrant la femme et les fils de Zébédée, 3e quart 16e siècle (Musée de Grenoble)

## TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

### August, 6th

*Mt 17:1-2*

After six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light.



Chris Koelle, The History of Redemption - Transfiguration - ©Chris Koelle

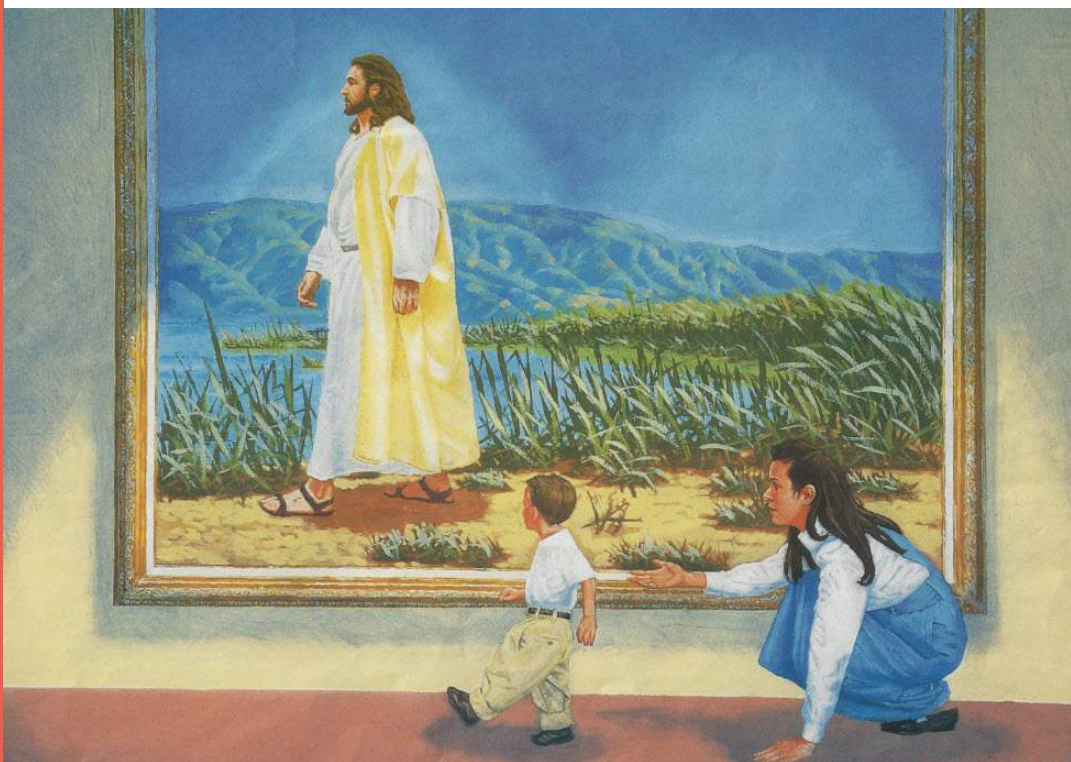


## **SAINT LAWRENCE, DEACON AND MARTYR**

**August, 10th**

*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

# ASSUMPTION OF THE VIRGIN MARY INTO HEAVEN

August, 15th

*Rev 12:7*

Then war broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels battled against the dragon. The dragon and its angels fought back.



Pieter Bruegel the Elder, *The Fall of the Rebel Angels*, 1562 (Royal Museums of Fine Arts of Belgium, Brussels)

## **SAINT BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE**

### **August, 24th**

*Jn 1:50-51*

Jesus answered and said to him, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than this." And he said to him, "Amen, amen, I say to you, you will see the sky opened and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."



Sitting under a tree



## BIRTH OF THE VIRGIN MARY

September, 8th

*Mt 1:23*

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



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



## TRIUMPH OF THE HOLY CROSS

September, 14th

*Jn 3:14-16*

And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life." For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life.



Willem Hofhuizen, Children with Ball, 1953

## SAINT MATTHEW, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST - FEAST

September, 21st

*Mt 9:9*

As Jesus passed on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the customs post. He said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.



Hendrick Ter Brugghen, De roeping van Matteüs, 1621 (Utrecht, Centraal Museum)

# MICHAEL, GABRIEL, AND RAPHAEL, ARCHANGELS

September, 29th

*Jn 1:50-51*

Jesus answered and said to him, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than this." And he said to him, "Amen, amen, I say to you, you will see the sky opened and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."



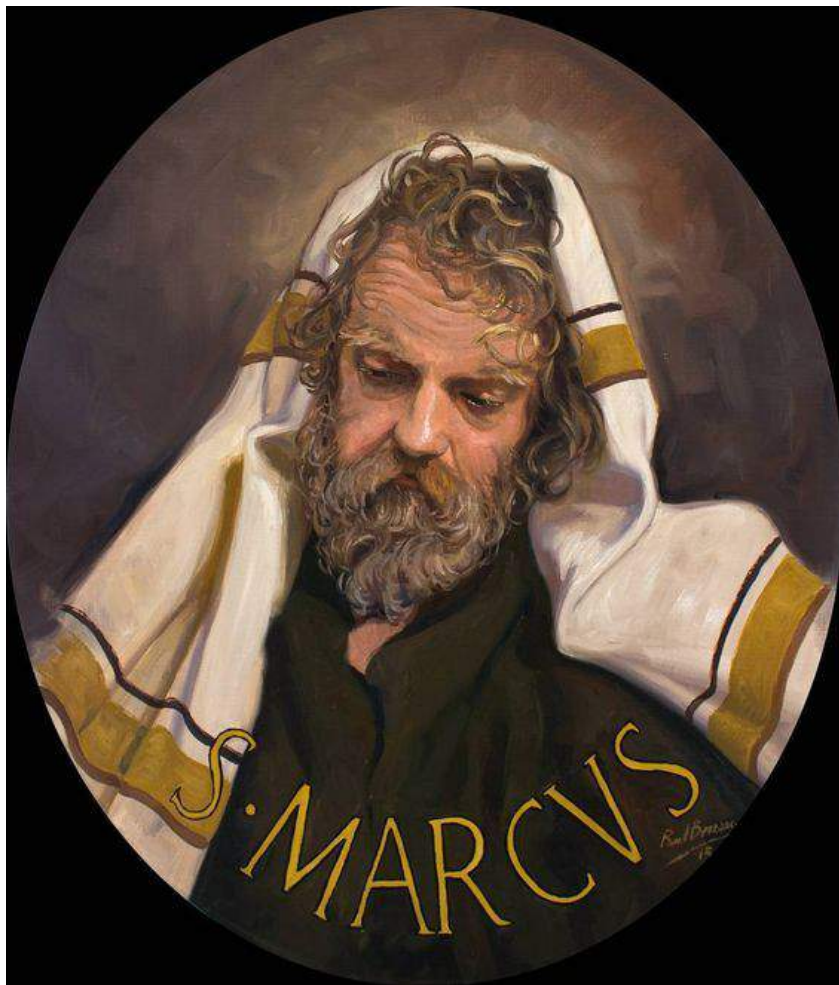
Sitting under a tree

## SAINT LUKE, EVANGELIST

October, 18th

*Lc 10:3-4*

Go on your way; behold, I am sending you like lambs among wolves. Carry no money bag, no sack, no sandals; and greet no one along the way.



Raul Berzosa, San Marcos Evangelista, 2015 - ©Raul Berzosa



## SAINTS SIMON AND JUDE, APOSTLES

### October, 28th

*Lc 6:13-16*

When day came, he called his disciples to himself, and from them he chose Twelve, whom he also named apostles: Simon, whom he named Peter, and his brother Andrew, James, John, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Thomas, James the son of Alphaeus, Simon who was called a Zealot, and Judas the son of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor.



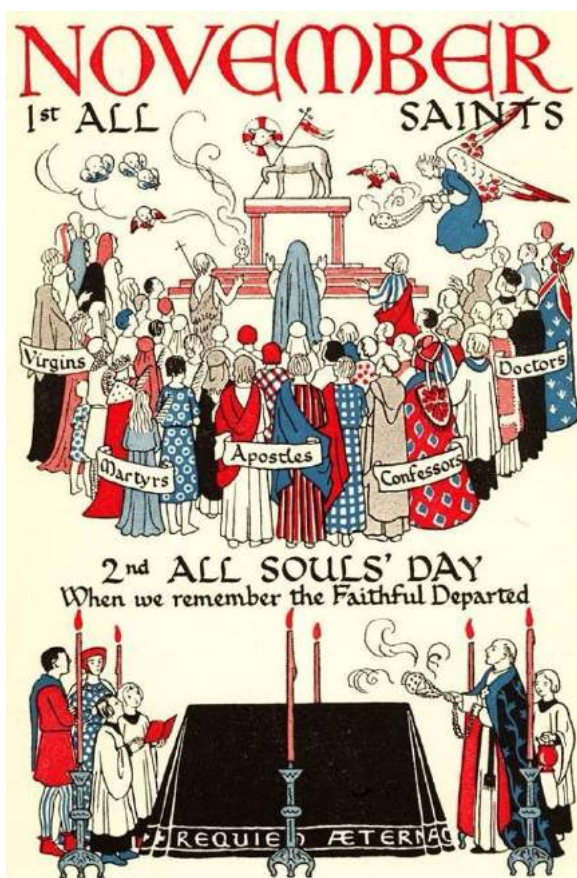
Andy Rash, Jesus and the Apostles, 2011 - ©Andy Rash

## ALL SAINTS

### November, 1st

*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

## COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS)

November, 2nd

*Lc 23:53-55*

After he had taken the body down, he wrapped it in a linen cloth and laid him in a rock-hewn tomb in which no one had yet been buried. It was the day of preparation, and the sabbath was about to begin. The women who had come from Galilee with him followed behind, and when they had seen the tomb and the way in which his body was laid in it.



Pietro Lorenzetti, Lamentation, 1310-1329 (Basilica Inferiore, Assisi)

## DEDICATION OF THE BASILICA OF ST. JOHN LATERAN IN ROME

November, 9th

*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



## **SAINT ANDREW, APOSTLE**

### **November, 30th**

*Mt 4:18-21*

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



Lois Russell, Fishers of men - ©Lois Russell

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE VIRGIN MARY

December, 8th

*Lc 1:26-29*

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." But she was greatly troubled at what was said and pondered what sort of greeting this might be.



William-Adolphe Bouguereau, The Annunciation, 1888

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