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# **CELEBRATION OF THE MASS**



Doopsel, 2004

*Mt 28:19* — Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Spirit.





## **IN NOMINE PATRIS SIGN OF THE CROSS**

In nomine Patris, et Filii, et Spiritus  
Sancti.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Amen.



Pope Benedict XVI greeting

*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.



## **SALUTATIO POPULI GREETING**

Gratia Domini nostri Jesu Christi, et  
caritas Dei, et communicatio Sancti  
Spiritus sit cum omnibus vobis.

Et cum spiritu tuo.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and  
the love of God and the fellowship of the  
Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.



The prophecy of Daniel

*Dan 9:3-6* — I turned to the Lord God, pleading in earnest prayer, with fasting, sackcloth, and ashes. I prayed to the LORD, my God, and confessed, "Ah, Lord, great and awesome God, you who keep your merciful covenant toward those who love you and observe your commandments! We have sinned, been wicked and done evil; we have rebelled and departed from your commandments and your laws. We have not obeyed your servants the prophets, who spoke in your name to our kings, our princes, our fathers, and all the people of the land.



## ACTUS PAENITENTIALIS ACT OF PENITENCE

Fratres, agnoscamus peccata nostra, ut  
apti simus ad sacra mysteria celebranda.

Confiteor Deo omnipotenti et vobis,  
fratres, quia peccavi nimis cogitatione,  
verbo, opere et omissione, mea  
cupla, mea culpa, mea maxima culpa.  
Ideo precor beatam Mariam semper  
Virginem, omnes Angelos et Sanctos, et  
vos, fratres, orare pro me ad Dominum  
Deum nostrum.

Misereatur nostri omnipotens Deus et,  
dimissis peccatis nostris, perducatur nos  
ad vitam aeternam.

Amen.

My brothers and sisters, to prepare  
ourselves to celebrate the sacred  
mysteries, let us call to mind our sins.

I confess to almighty God, and to you, my  
brothers and sisters, that I have sinned  
through my own fault in my thoughts and  
in my words, in what I have done, and in  
what I have failed to do. And I ask blessed  
Mary, ever virgin, all the angels and saints,  
and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray  
for me to the Lord our God.

May almighty God have mercy on us,  
forgive us our sins, and bring us to  
everlasting life.

Amen.



Pieter de Grebber, King David in prayer, ca. 1635-1640 (Museum Catharijneconvent, Utrecht)

*Ps 4:2-4* — Answer when I call, my saving God. In my troubles, you cleared a way; show me favor; hear my prayer. How long will you people mock my honor, love what is worthless, chase after lies? Selah Know that the LORD works wonders for the faithful; the LORD hears when I call out.



## MISERICORDIAM

Miserere nostri, Domine.

Quia peccavimus tibi.

Ostende nobis, Domine, misericordiam  
tuam.

Et salutare tuum da nobis.

Misereatur nostri omnipotens Deus et,  
dimissis peccatis nostris, perducatur nos  
ad vitam aeternam.

Amen.

Lord, we have sinned against you.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, show us your mercy and love.

And grant us your salvation.

May almighty God have mercy on us,  
forgive us our sins, and bring us to  
everlasting life.

Amen.



Jesus heals the blind

*Mt 20:30-34* — Two blind men were sitting by the roadside, and when they heard that Jesus was passing by, they cried out, "(Lord,) Son of David, have pity on us!" The crowd warned them to be silent, but they called out all the more, "Lord, Son of David, have pity on us!" Jesus stopped and called them and said, "What do you want me to do for you?" They answered him, "Lord, let our eyes be opened." Moved with pity, Jesus touched their eyes. Immediately they received their sight, and followed him.





## KYRIE

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Christe eleison.

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Lord, have mercy.

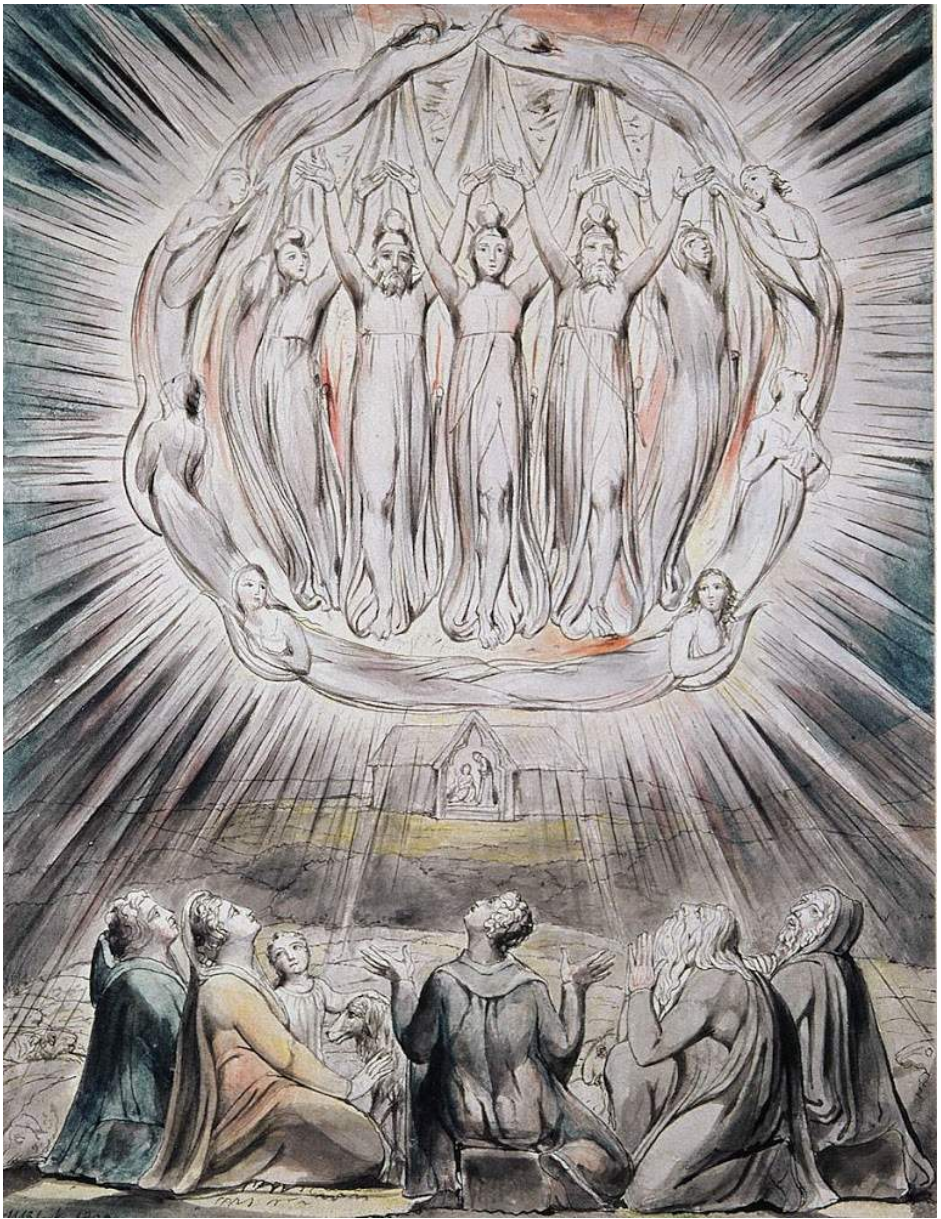
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Lord, have mercy.



William Blake, The Angels appearing to the Shepherds, 1809 (Whitworth Art Gallery)

*Lc 2:13-14* — And suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel, praising God and saying: "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."



## GLORIA GLORY

Gloria in excelsis Deo et in terra  
pax hominibus bonae voluntatis.  
Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus  
te, glorificamus te, gratias agimus  
tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam,  
Domine Deus, Rex caelestis, Deus Pater  
omnipotens. Domine Fili unigenite,  
Jesu Christe, Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,  
Filius Patris; qui tollis peccata mundi,  
miserere nobis; qui tollis peccata  
mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram;  
qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere  
nobis. Quoniam tu solus Sanctus, Tu  
solus Dominus, Tu solus Altissimus, Jesu  
Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu in gloria Dei  
Patris. Amen.

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to  
his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly  
King, almighty God and Father, we  
worship you, we give you thanks, we  
praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus  
Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God,  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the  
world, have mercy on us; you are seated  
at the right hand of the Father: receive  
our prayer. For you alone are the Holy  
One, you alone are the Lord, you alone  
are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the  
Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.



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

*Gen 1:27* — God created man in his image; in the divine image he created him; male and female he created them.



# LECTIO PRIMA FIRST READING

(post lectionem) Verbum Domini.

(after the reading) The Word of the Lord.

Deo gratias.

Thanks be to God.





Giovanni Paolo Pannini, Apostle Paul Preaching on the Ruins, 1744 (Hermitage, Sint-Petersburg)

*Acts 28:26-27* — 'Go to this people and say: You shall indeed hear but not understand. You shall indeed look but never see. Gross is the heart of this people; they will not hear with their ears; they have closed their eyes, so they may not see with their eyes and hear with their ears and understand with their heart and be converted, and I heal them.'.



## **LECTIO SECUNDA - EPISTULA** **SECOND READING - EPISTLE**

(post lectionem) Verbum Domini.

(after the reading) The Word of the Lord.

Deo gratias.

Thanks be to God.



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

*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.





## EVANGELIUM GOSPEL

Dominus vobiscum.

The Lord be with you.

Et cum spiritu tuo.

And also with you.

Lectio sancti Evangelii secundum N.

A reading from the holy gospel according  
to N.

Gloria tibi, Domine.

Glory to you, Lord.

(post lectionem) Verbum Domini.

(after the reading) This is the gospel of  
the Lord.

Laus tibi, Christe.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



Botticelli, Madonna of the Book, 1483 (Museo Poldi Pezzoli of Milan)

*1 Pet 1:24-25* — For: "All flesh is like grass, and all its glory like the flower of the field; the grass withers, and the flower wilts; but the word of the Lord remains forever." This is the word that has been proclaimed to you.



# **HOMILIA**

# **HOMILY**



De opwekking van Lazarus

*Jn 11:27* — She said to him, "Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world."



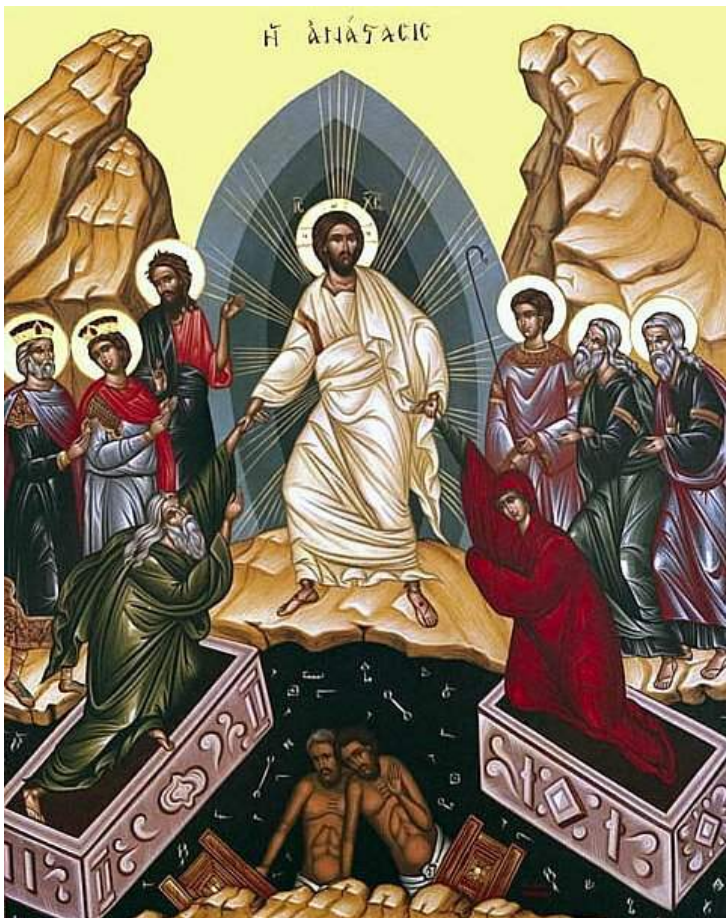
## CREDO CREED

Credo in unum Deum, Patrem omnipotentem, factorem caeli et terrae, visibilibus omnium et invisibilibus. Et in unum Dominum Jesum Christum, Filium Dei unigenitum, et ex Patre natum ante omnia saecula. Deum de Deo, lumen de lumine, Deum verum de Deo vero, genitum, non factum, consubstantialem Patri: per quem omnia facta sunt. Qui propter nos homines et propter nostram salutem descendit de caelis. ET INCARNATUS EST DE SPIRITU SANCTO EX MARIA VIRGINE, ET HOMO FACTUS EST. Crucifixus etiam pro nobis sub Pontio Pilato; passus et sepultus est, et resurrexit tertia die, secundum Scripturas, et ascendit in caelum, sedet ad dexteram Patris. Et iterum venturus est cum gloria, iudicare vivos et mortuos, cuius regni non erit finis. Et in Spiritum Sanctum, Dominum et vivificantem: qui ex Patre Filioque procedit. Qui cum Patre et Filio simul adoratur et conglorificatur: qui locutus est per prophetas. Et unam, sanctam, catholicam, et apostolicam Ecclesiam. Confiteor unum baptismum remissionem peccatorum. Et exspecto resurrectionem mortuorum, et vitam venturi saeculi. Amen.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, one in Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us men and our salvation, he came down from heaven. BY THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, HE WAS BORN OF THE VIRGIN MARY, AND BECAME MAN. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered, died and was buried. On the third day he rose again in fulfilment of the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.





Resurrection

*1 Cor 15:1-11* — Now I am reminding you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you indeed received and in which you also stand. Through it you are also being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you, unless you believed in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures; that he was buried; that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures; that he appeared to Kephaz, then to the Twelve. After that, he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at once, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. After that he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one born abnormally, he appeared to me. For I am the least of the apostles, not fit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me has not been ineffective. Indeed, I have toiled harder than all of them; not I, however, but the grace of God (that is) with me. Therefore, whether it be I or they, so we preach and so you believed.



## SYMBOLUM APOSTOLORUM APOSTLES CREED

Credo in Deum Patrem omnipotentem,  
Creatorem caeli et terrae, et in  
Iesum Christum, Filium Eius unicum,  
Dominum nostrum, qui conceptus  
est de Spiritu Sancto, natus ex Maria  
Virgine, passus sub Pontio Pilato,  
crucifixus, mortuus, et sepultus,  
descendit ad inferos, tertia die  
resurrexit a mortuis, ascendit ad  
caelos, sedet ad dexteram Patris  
omnipotentis, inde venturus est  
iudicare vivos et mortuos. Credo in  
Spiritus Sanctum, sanctam Ecclesiam  
catholicam, sanctorum communionem,  
remissionem peccatorum, carnis  
resurrectionem, vitam aeternam. Amen.

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus  
Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was  
conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of  
the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius  
Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried;  
he descended into hell; on the third  
day he rose again from the dead; he  
ascended into heaven, and is seated at the  
right hand of God the Father almighty;  
from there he will come to judge the  
living and the dead. I believe in the Holy  
Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the  
communion of saints, the forgiveness of  
sins, the resurrection of the body, and life  
everlasting. Amen.



Koning Hizkia bidt

*Isa 38:2-5* — Then Hezekiah turned his face to the wall and prayed to the LORD: "O LORD, remember how faithfully and wholeheartedly I conducted myself in your presence, doing what was pleasing to you!" And Hezekiah wept bitterly. Then the word of the LORD came to Isaiah: "Go, tell Hezekiah: Thus says the LORD, the God of your father David: I have heard your prayer and seen your tears. I will heal you: in three days you shall go up to the LORD'S temple; I will add fifteen years to your life.





## ORATIO FIDELIUM PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Ut ..., Dominum deprecemur.

Let us pray to the Lord.

Te rogamus, audi nos. Domine,

Lord, hear our prayer.

Pro ..., Dominum deprecemur.

Praesta, aeterne omnipotens Deus.

Pro ..., imporemus.

Christe, audi nos.

Ut ..., Dominum deprecemur.

Kyrie, eleison.

Pro ..., Dominum deprecemur.

Domine, miserere.





## OFFERTORIUM OFFERTORY

Orate, fratres, ut meum ac vestrum  
sacrificium acceptabile fit apud Deum  
Patrem omnipotentem.

Suscipiat Dominus sacrificium de  
manibus tuis ad laudem et gloriam  
nominis sui, ad utilitatem quoque  
nostram totius que Ecclesiae suae  
sanctae.

Pray, brethren, that our sacrifice may be  
acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your  
hands for the praise and glory of his  
name, for our good, and the good of all  
his Church.



Nicholas Mikesell, Sacred heart of Jesus Christ - ©Nicholas Mikesell

*Heb 10:19-24* — Therefore, brothers, since through the blood of Jesus we have confidence of entrance into the sanctuary by the new and living way he opened for us through the veil, that is, his flesh, and since we have "a great priest over the house of God," let us approach with a sincere heart and in absolute trust, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed in pure water. Let us hold unwaveringly to our confession that gives us hope, for he who made the promise is trustworthy. We must consider how to rouse one another to love and good works.



## **SURSUM CORDA OPENING DIALOGUE**

Dominus vobiscum

The Lord be with you.

Et cum spiritu tuo.

And also with you.

Sursum Corda.

Lift up your hearts.

Habemus ad Dominum.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Gratias agamus Domino Deo nostro.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Dignum et iustum est.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.



Jacobello Albergro, Vision of Saint John Evangelist, 1375 (Galleria dell'Accademia, Venice)

*Rev 4:8* — The four living creatures, each of them with six wings, were covered with eyes inside and out. Day and night they do not stop exclaiming: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God almighty, who was, and who is, and who is to come."





## **SANCTUS HOLY**

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus  
Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt caeli et terra in  
gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, holy, holy Lord. God of power and  
might. Heaven and earth are full of your  
glory. Hosanna in the highest.



Liz Lemon Swindle, Triumphal entry, 2008 - ©Liz Lemon Swindle

*Mc 11:9* — Those preceding him as well as those following kept crying out: "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"

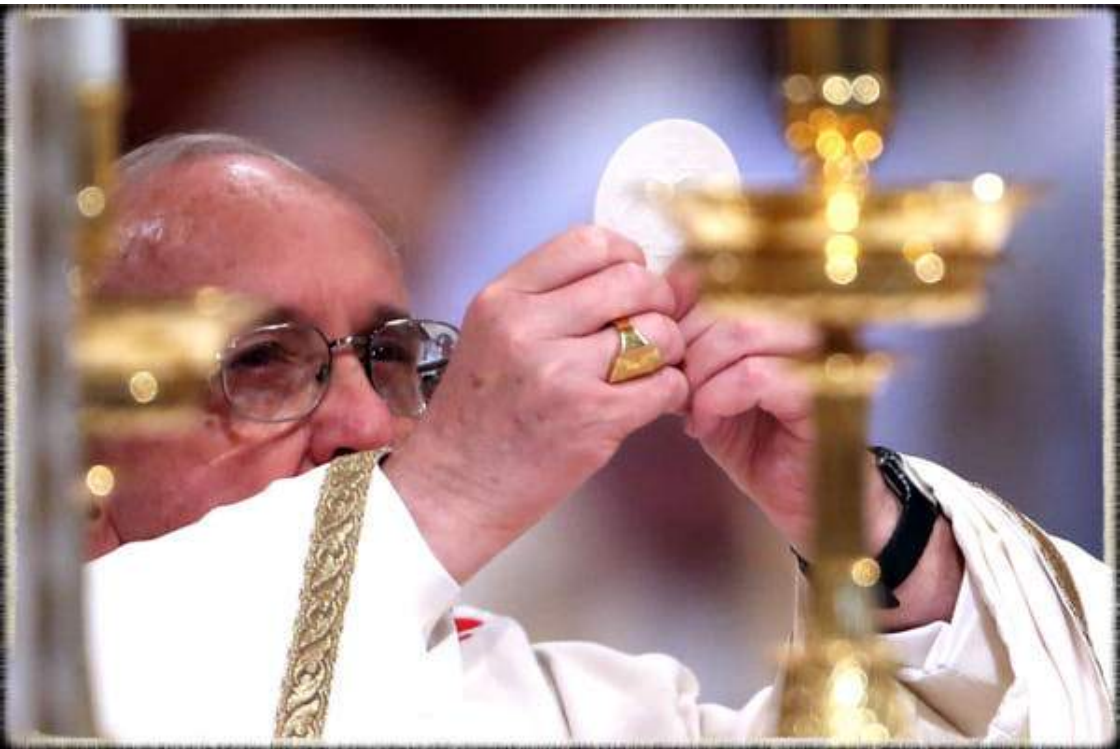




## **BENEDICTUS BLESSED**

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.  
Hosanna in excelsis.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of  
the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.



Consecration by Pope Francis

*Lc 22:17-20* — Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and said, "Take this and share it among yourselves; for I tell you (that) from this time on I shall not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." Then he took the bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which will be given for you; do this in memory of me." And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which will be shed for you.

## CONSECRATIO CONSECRATION

Qui cum Passioni voluntarie traderetur,  
accepit panem et gratias agnes fregit,  
deditque discipulis suis, dicens:  
ACCÌPITE ET MANDUCATE EX HOC  
OMNES: HOC EST ENIM CORPUS  
MEUM QUOD PRO VOBIS TRADÈTUR.

Simili modo, postquam cenatum est,  
accipiens et calicem, iterum gratias  
agens dedit discipulis suis, dicens:  
ACCÌPITE ET BIBITE EX EO OMNES:  
HIC EST ENIM CALIX SANGUINES  
MEI NOVI ET AETERNI TESTAMENTI,  
QUI PRO VOBIS ET PRO MULTIS  
EFFUNDETUR IN REMISSIONEM  
PECCATORUM. HOC FÀCITE IN MEAN  
COMMEMORATIONEM.

Before he was given up to death, a death  
he freely accepted, he took bread, gave  
you thanks. He broke the bread, gave it  
to his disciples and said: TAKE THIS, ALL  
OF YOU, AND EAT IT: THIS IS MY BODY  
WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

When supper was ended, he took the cup.  
Again he gave you thanks and praise, gave  
the cup to his disciples, and said: TAKE  
THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT:  
THIS IS THE CUP OF MY BLOOD, THE  
BLOOD OF THE NEW AND EVERLASTING  
COVENANT. IT WILL BE SHED FOR YOU  
AND FOR ALL MEN SO THAT SINS ARE  
FORGIVEN. DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.



He Qi, The risen Lord - ©He Qi

*1 Tim 3:16* — Undeniably great is the mystery of devotion, Who was manifested in the flesh, vindicated in the spirit, seen by angels, proclaimed to the Gentiles, believed in throughout the world, taken up in glory.



## **MYSTERIUM FIDEI MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION**

*Mysterium fidei.*

Mortem tua annuntiamus, Domine, et  
tuam resurrectionem confitemur, donec  
venias.

*Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:*

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will  
come again.





Ira Thomas, The great amen - ©Ira Thomas

*Rom 11:33-36*—Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How inscrutable are his judgments and how unsearchable his ways! "For who has known the mind of the Lord or who has been his counselor?" "Or who has given him anything that he may be repaid?" For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.



## PER IPSUM DOXOLOGY

Per ipsum, et cum ipso, et in ipso, est  
tibi Deo Patri omnipotenti, omnis honor  
et gloria per omnia saecula saeculorum

Amen.

Through him, with him, and in him, in  
the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and  
honour is yours, almighty Father, for ever  
and ever.

Amen.



The Garden of Gethsemane

*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.





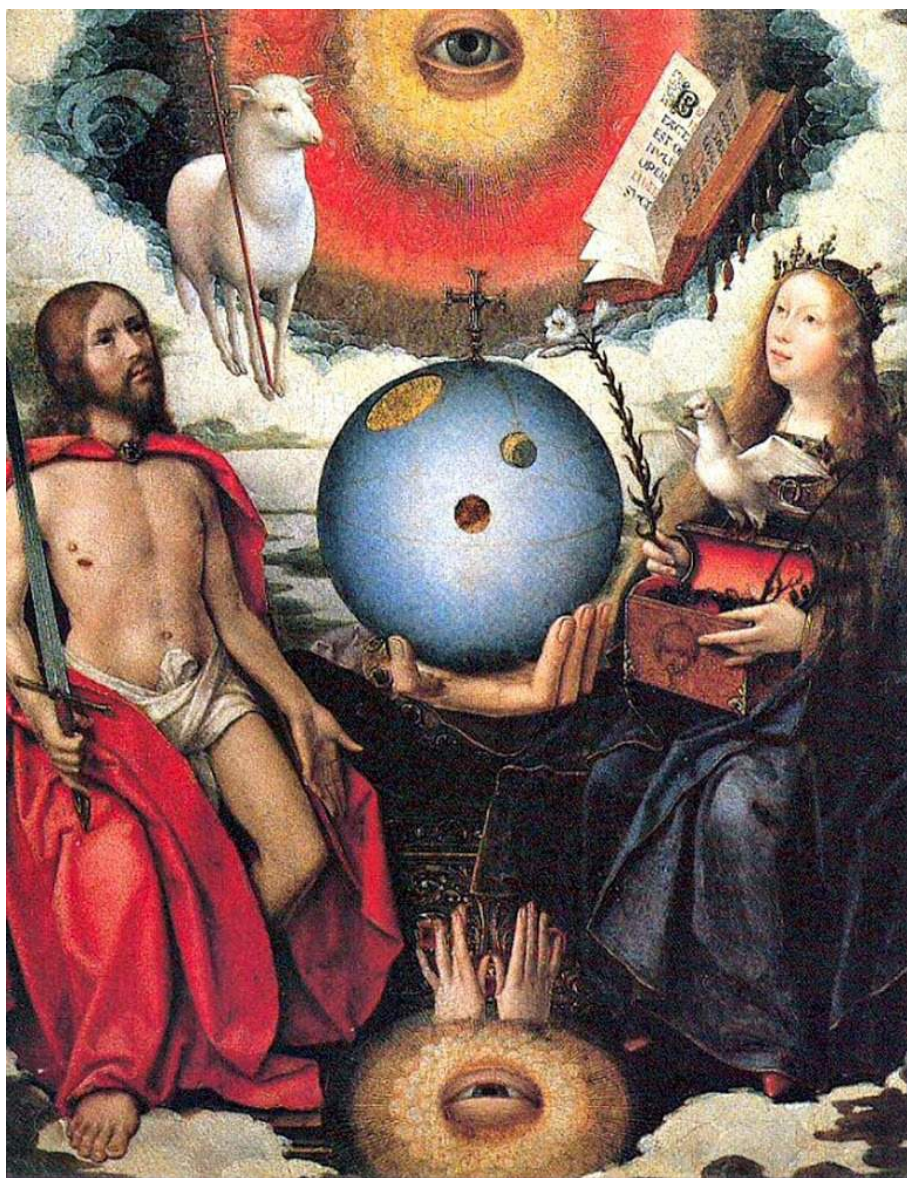
## **PATER NOSTER OUR FATHER**

Praeceptis salutaribus moniti et divina  
institutione formati, audemus dicere:

Pater noster, qui es in caelis:  
sanctificetur nomen tuum; adveniat  
regnum tuum; fiat voluntas tua, sicut  
in caelo, et in terra. Panem nostrum  
cotidianum da nobis hodie; et dimitte  
nobis debita nostra, sicut et nos  
dimittimus debitoribus nostris; et ne  
nos inducas in tentationem; sed libera  
nos a malo.

Let us pray with confidence to the Father  
in the words our Saviour gave us:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed  
be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will  
be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give  
us this day our daily bread; and forgive us  
our trespasses as we forgive those who  
trespass against us; and lead us not into  
temptation, but deliver us from evil.



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

*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.



## LIBERA NOS EMBOLISM

Libera nos, quaesumus, Domine, ab omnibus malis, da propitius pacem in diebus nostris, ut, ope misericordiae tuae adiuti, et a peccato simus semper liberi et ab omni perturbatione securi: exspectantes beatam spem et adventum Salvatoris nostri Iesu Christ.

Quia tuum est regnum, et potestas, et gloria in saecula.

Deliver us, Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day. In your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.



Peace be with you

*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."



## **PAX DOMINI THE PEACE**

Pax Domini sit semper vobiscum.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Et cum spiritu tuo.

And also with you.





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

*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.'"



## **AGNUS DEI LAMB OF GOD**

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi;  
miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi;  
miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi;  
dona nobis pacem.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of  
the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of  
the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of  
the world, grant us peace.



Paolo Veronese, Jesus and the Centurion, 1571 (Prado, Madrid)

*Lc 7:1-10* — 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. They approached Jesus and strongly urged him to come, saying, "He deserves to have you do this for him, for he loves our nation and he built the synagogue for us." And Jesus went with them, but when he was only a short distance from the house, the centurion sent friends to tell him, "Lord, do not trouble yourself, for I am not worthy to have you enter under my roof. Therefore, I did not consider myself worthy to come to you; but say the word and let my servant be healed. For I too am a person subject to authority, with soldiers subject to me. And I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes; and to another, 'Come here,' and he comes; and to my slave, 'Do this,' and he does it." When Jesus heard this he was amazed at him and, turning, said to the crowd following him, "I tell you, not even in Israel have I found such faith." When the messengers returned to the house, they found the slave in good health.





## **DOMINE NON SUM DIGNUS LORD, I AM NOT WORTHY**

Ecce Agnus Dei, ecce qui tollit peccata mundi. Beati qui ad cenam Agni vocati sunt.

Domine, non sum dignus, ut intres sub tectum meum, sed tantum dic verbo et sanabitur anima mea.

This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.



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

*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.



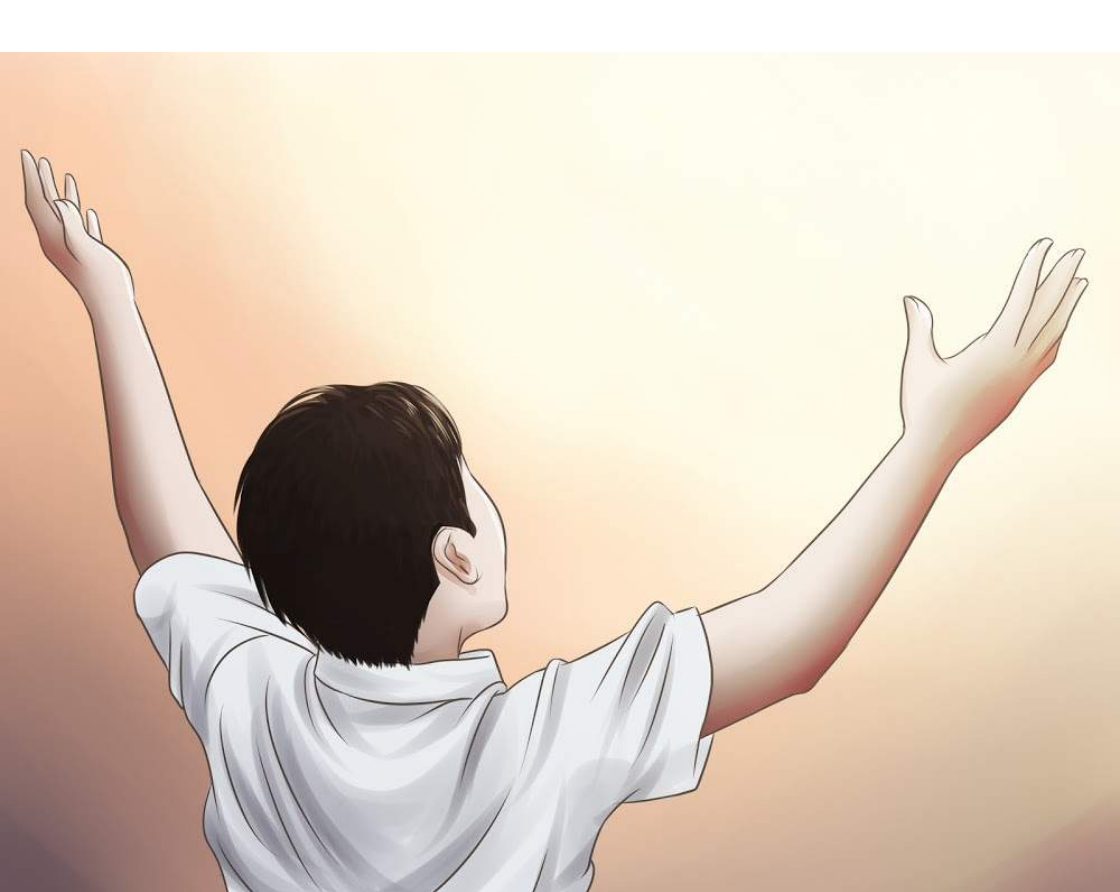
# COMMUNIO COMMUNION

Corpus Christi.

Amen.

The body of Christ.

Amen.



Be blessed

*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.



## RITUS CONCLUSIONIS DISMISSAL

Dominus vobiscum.

May the Lord be with you.

Et cum spiritu tuo.

And with your spirit.

Benedicat vos omnipotens Deus, Pater,  
et Filius, et Spiritus Sanctus.

May almighty God bless you, the Father,  
and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Amen.

Ite, missa est.

The Mass is ended, go in peace.

Deo gratias.

Thanks be to God.



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





## FIRST SUNDAY 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

## 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 11:10*

On that day, The root of Jesse, set up as a signal for the nations, The Gentiles shall seek out, for his dwelling shall be glorious.



Sr. Ansgar Holmberg, CSJ, O Root



## 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

*Mt 7:24-27*

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



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

## FRIDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

*isa 29:18-19*

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



Be blessed

## SATURDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

*Mt 10:1-4*

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

*isa 41:17-20*

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



gogol, HD Wallpaper River - ©gogol

## FRIDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

*isa 48:17-18*

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

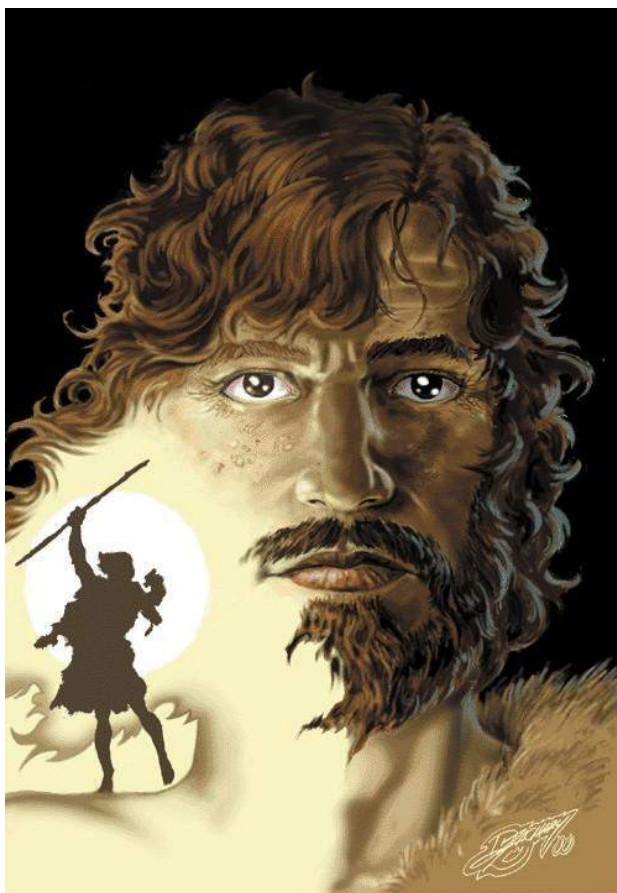


River with stepping stones

## SATURDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

*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

*Mt 11:8-11*

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



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

## MONDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT

*num 24:2-5*

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



Christina Mattison Ebert, Parashat Balak - ©Christina Mattison Ebert

## TUESDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT

*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

*Mt 1:20-21*

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."



François-Xavier de Boissoudy, L'Annonciation à Joseph, 2014 - ©François-Xavier de Boissoudy



## DECEMBER 17TH

*Mt 1:1*

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



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

## DECEMBER 18TH

*Mt 1:22-23*

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.



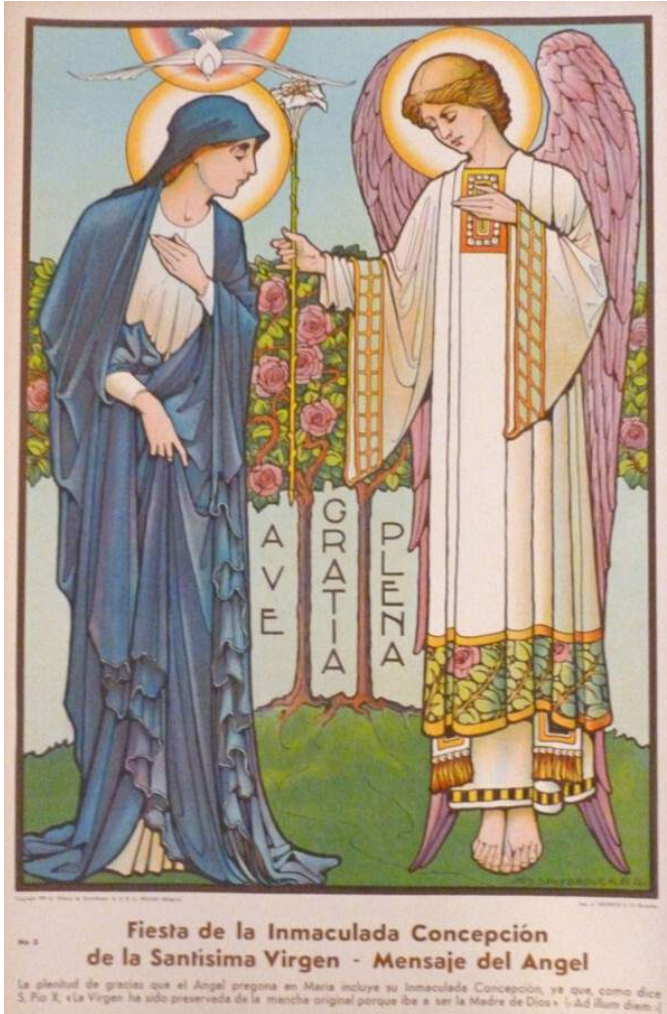
Lucas Cranach d. Ä., Samson's Fight with the Lion, between 1520 and 1525 (Schloss Weimar)



## DECEMBER 20TH

*Lc 1:28*

And coming to her, he said, "Hail, favored one! The Lord is with you."



Jos Speybrouck, The Annunciation

## 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.



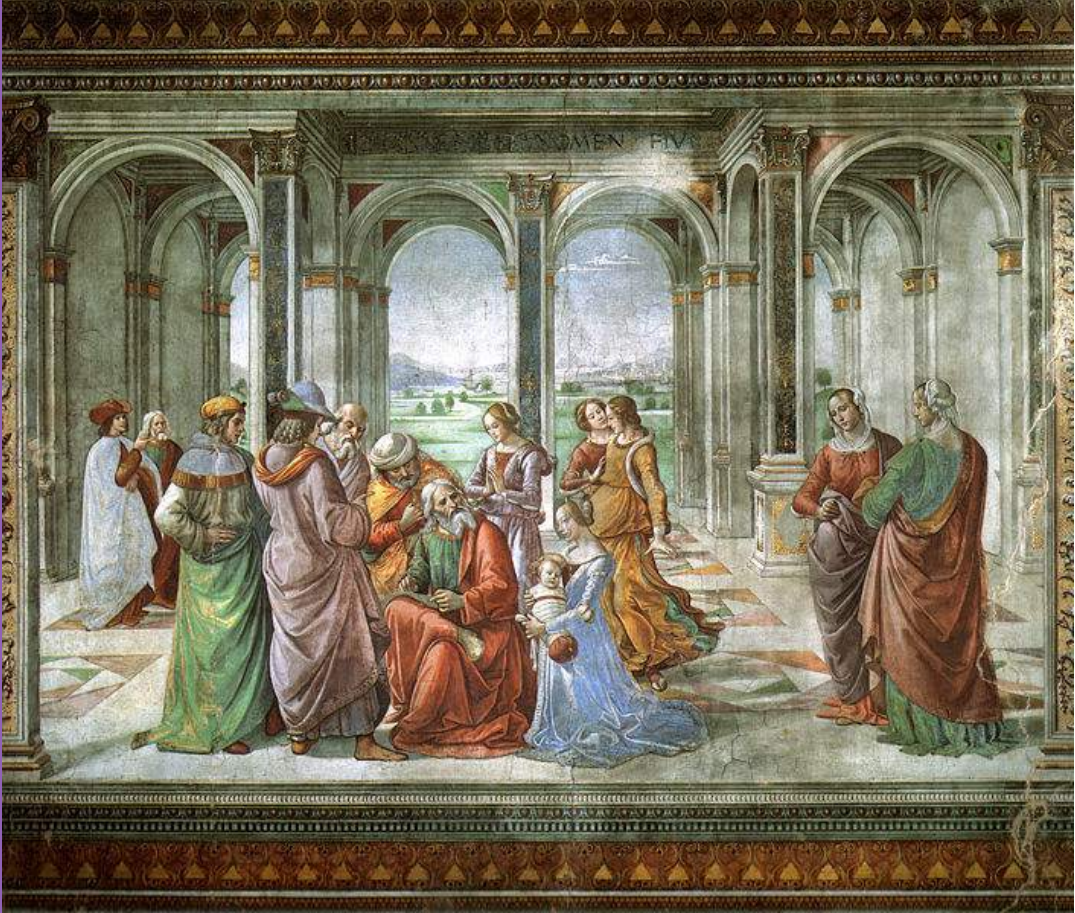
Sandro Botticelli, *Madonna of the Magnificat*, 1481 (Uffizi, Florence)



## DECEMBER 23RD

*Lc 1:63*

He asked for a tablet and wrote, "John is his name," and all were amazed.



Domenico Ghirlandaio, Zecharia writes John's name, 1486-1490 (Santa Maria Novella, 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."



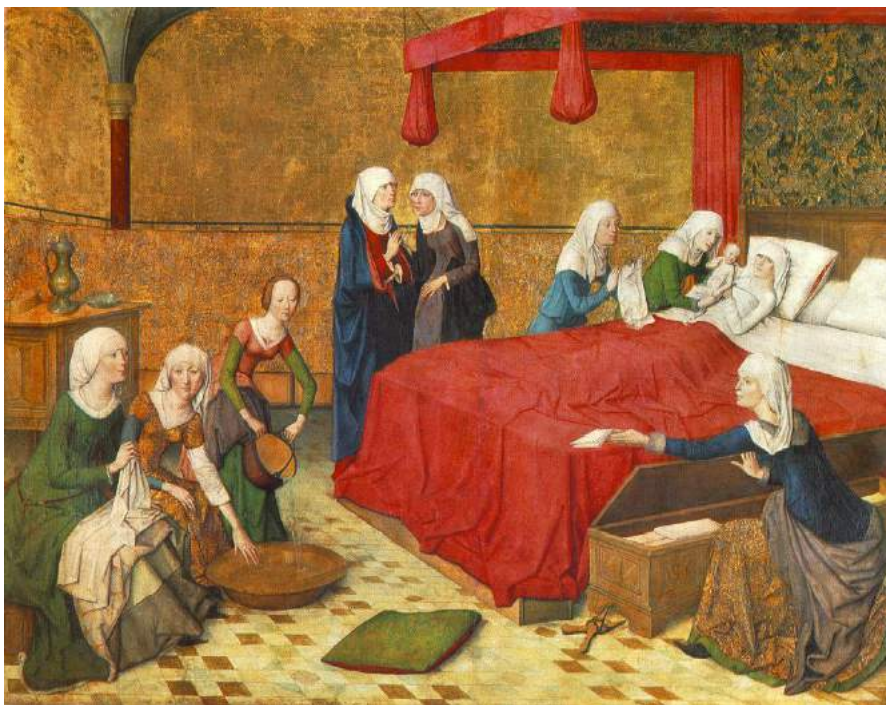
The ark of God

## VIGIL FOR CHRISTMAS

December, 24th

*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)

## CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS

December, 25th

*Lc 2:10b-12*

for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Messiah and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger."



Bradi Barth, Gloria in excelsis Deo - ©Herbronnen vzw.



## CHRISTMAS DAWN MASS

December, 25th

*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)

## 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.



William Bouguereau, La vierge au Lys, 1899

## **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 20:3-7*

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



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

## THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS

December, 28th

*Mt 2:16*

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)



## THE HOLY FAMILY

*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

## SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

*Jn 1:15-18*

John testified to him and cried out, saying, "This was he of whom I said, 'The one who is coming after me ranks ahead of me because he existed before me.'" 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.

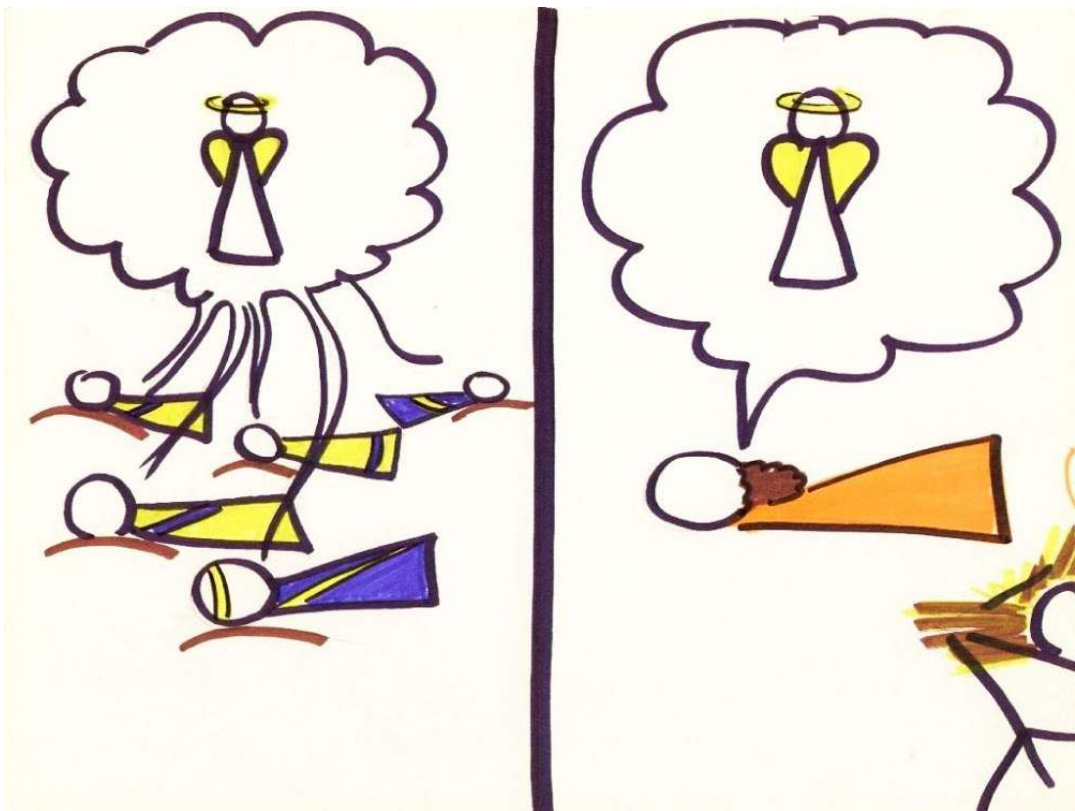


Lucas Cranach the Elder, *The Law and the Gospel*, 1529 (Národní galerie, Sternberg Palace, Prague)

## EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

*Mt 2:11-12*

And on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.



Wise Men Warned in a Dream - ©ebibleteacher.com



## 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

*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

*Isa 58:7-8*

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



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



## SATURDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

*Isa 58:9-10*

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

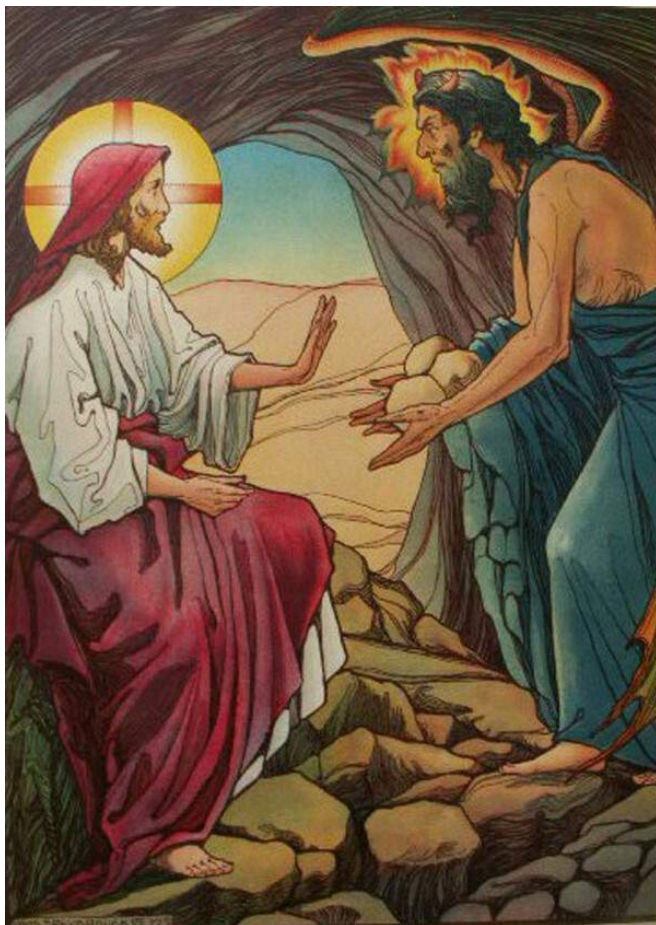


de Meester van Alkmaar, De zeven werken van barmhartigheid - De hongerigen voeden

## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

*Mt 4:3-4*

The tempter approached and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command that these stones become loaves of bread." He said in reply, "It is written: 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.'".

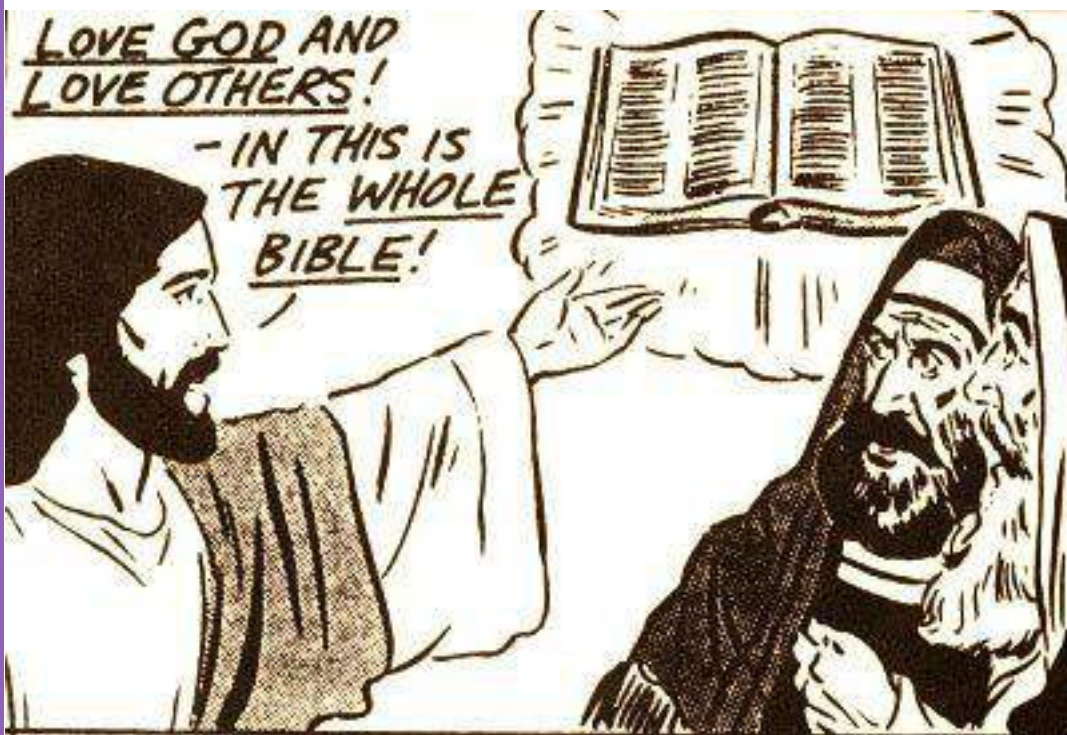


Jos Speybrouck, The Temptation of Christ (The First Sunday of Lent from Liturgical Calendar poster series)

## 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 3:1-2*

The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time: "Set out for the great city of Nineveh, and announce to it the message that I will tell you."



Mina Anton, Jonah in the whale, 2013 - ©Mina Anton



## THURSDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

*mt 7:9-11*

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



Bread and stones

## FRIDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

*Mt 5:23-24*

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



Ga u eerst met uw broeder verzoenen, 2010

## SATURDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

*Mt 5:46-48*

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



Do you have the courage to love your enemies?

## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

*Mt 17:7-9*

But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and do not be afraid." And when the disciples raised their eyes, they saw no one else but Jesus alone. to anyone until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."



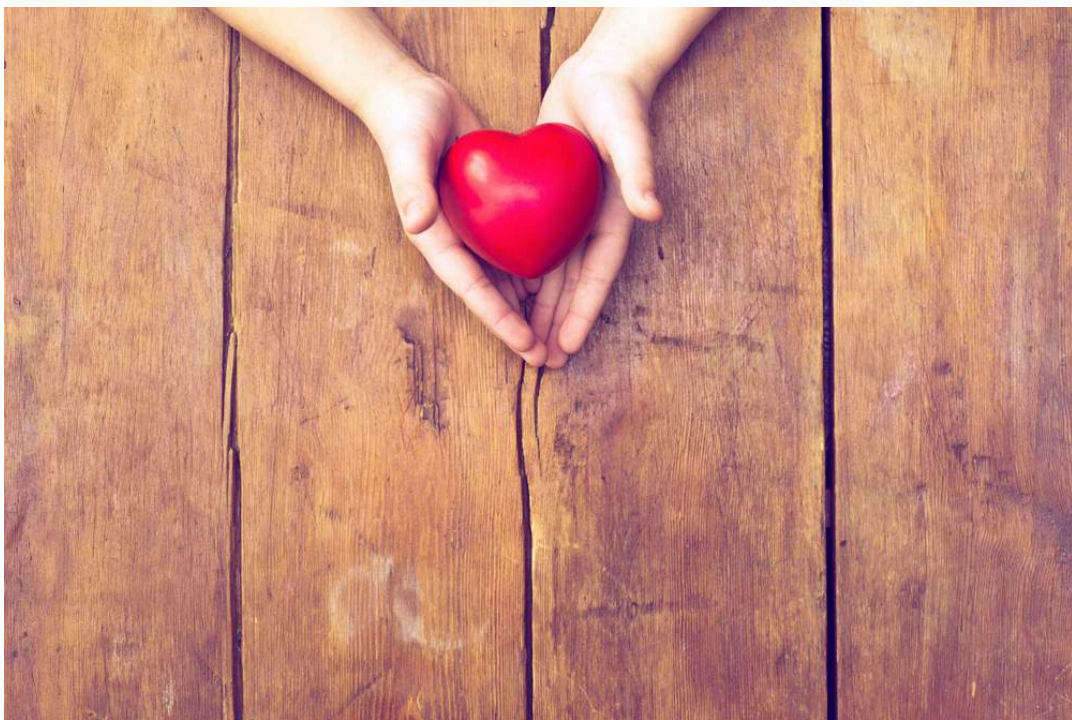
Henry Ossawa Tanner, Two Disciples at the Tomb, 1906 (The Art Institute of Chicago)



## MONDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*lc 6:38*

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



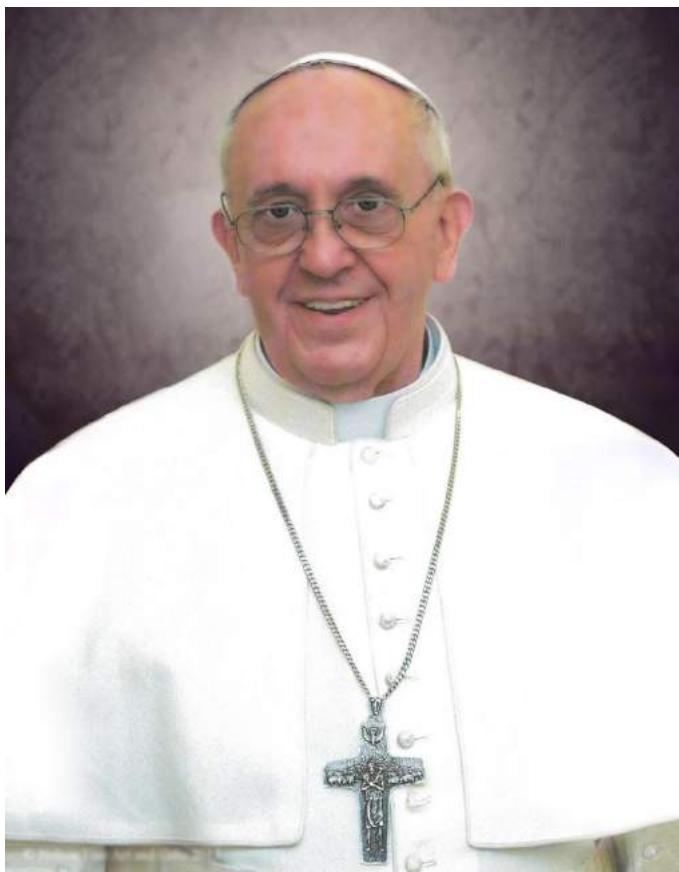
Giving



## TUESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*Mt 23:8-12*

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

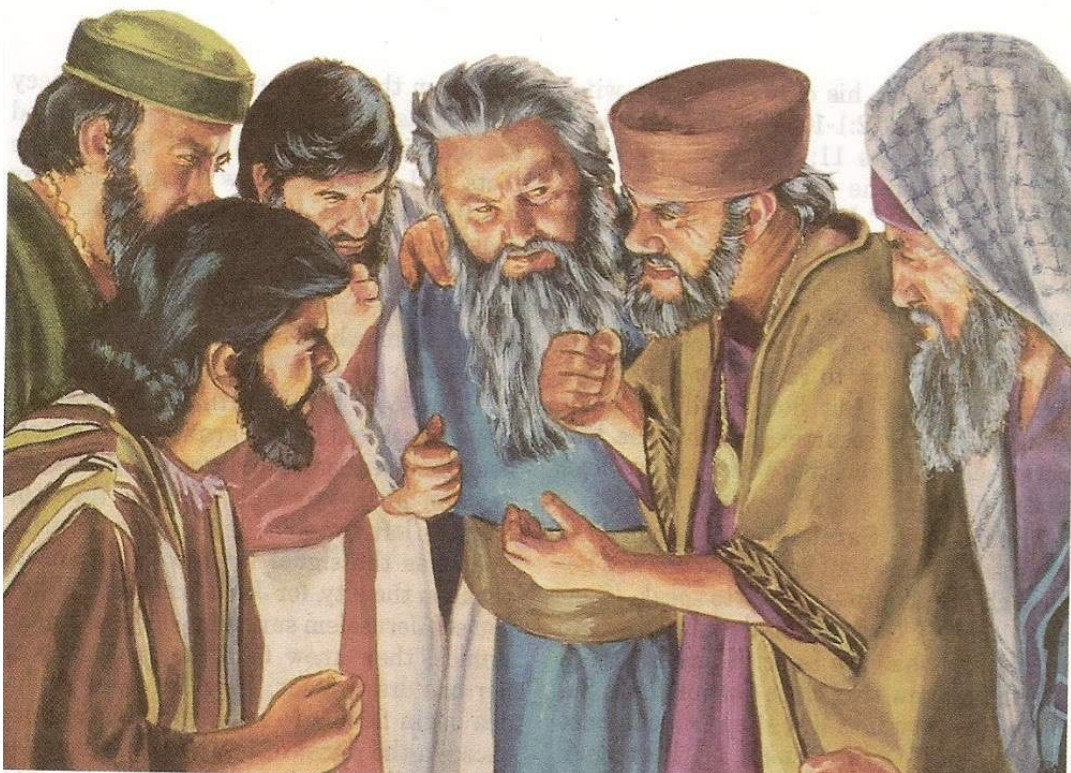


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## WEDNESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*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."

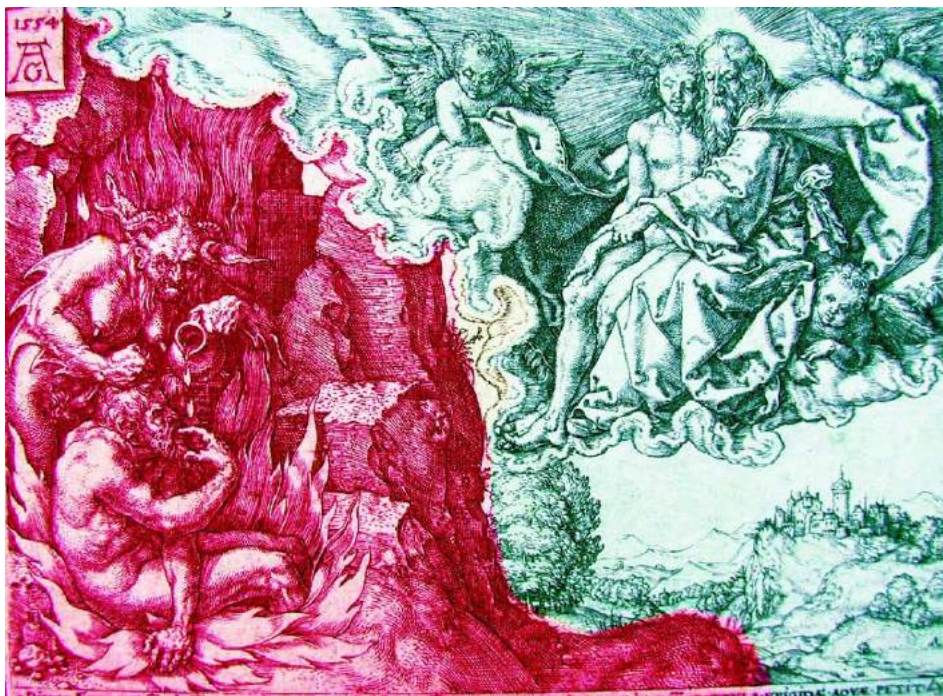


Pharisees

## 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.

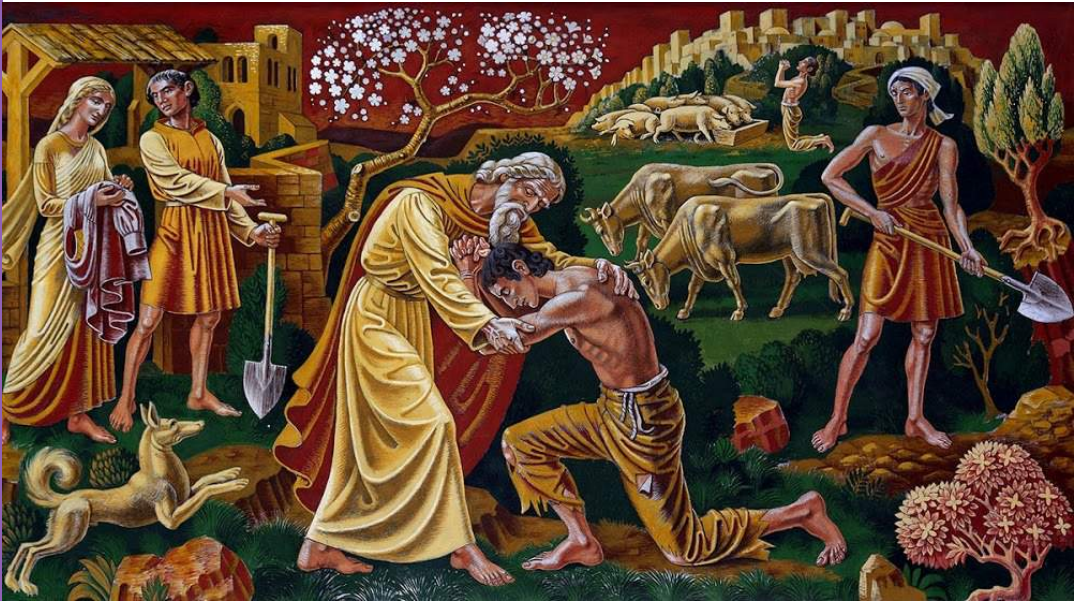


Coat of blood

## SATURDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*Lc 15:25-31*

Now the older son had been out in the field and, on his way back, as he neared the house, he heard the sound of music and dancing. He called one of the servants and asked what this might mean. The servant said to him, 'Your brother has returned and your father has slaughtered the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.' He became angry, and when he refused to enter the house, his father came out and pleaded with him. He said to his father in reply, 'Look, all these years I served you and not once did I disobey your orders; yet you never gave me even a young goat to feast on with my friends. But when your son returns who swallowed up your property with prostitutes, for him you slaughter the fattened calf.' He said to him, 'My son, you are here with me always; everything I have is yours.'



A tale of two sons



## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

*Jn 4:25-26*

The woman said to him, "I know that the Messiah is coming, the one called the Anointed; when he comes, he will tell us everything." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking with you."



He Qi, Jesus & The Samaritan Woman, 2001 - ©He Qi

## MONDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

*2 kings 5:9-15*

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



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

## TUESDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

*Mt 18:23-27*

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.



Tech parenting feature



## THURSDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

*Lc 11:18-20*

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



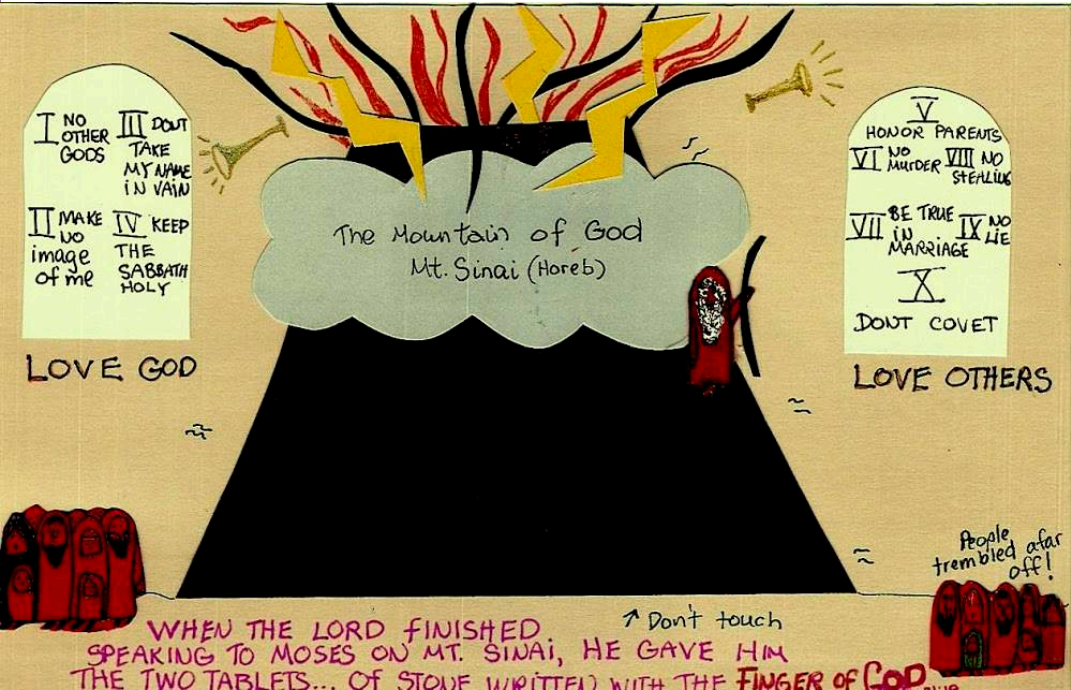
Rene van Tol, Martelaar no 2 - ©Rene van Tol



FRIDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

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."

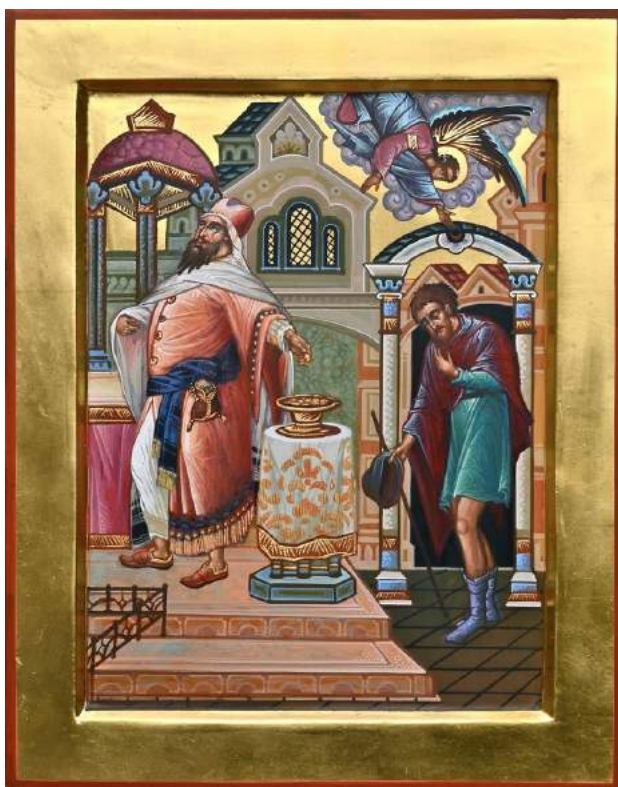


The two commandments (numbering according to protestant tradition)

## 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

*Jn 9:4-6*

We have to do the works of the one who sent me while it is day. Night is coming when no one can work. While I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva, and smeared the clay on his eyes.

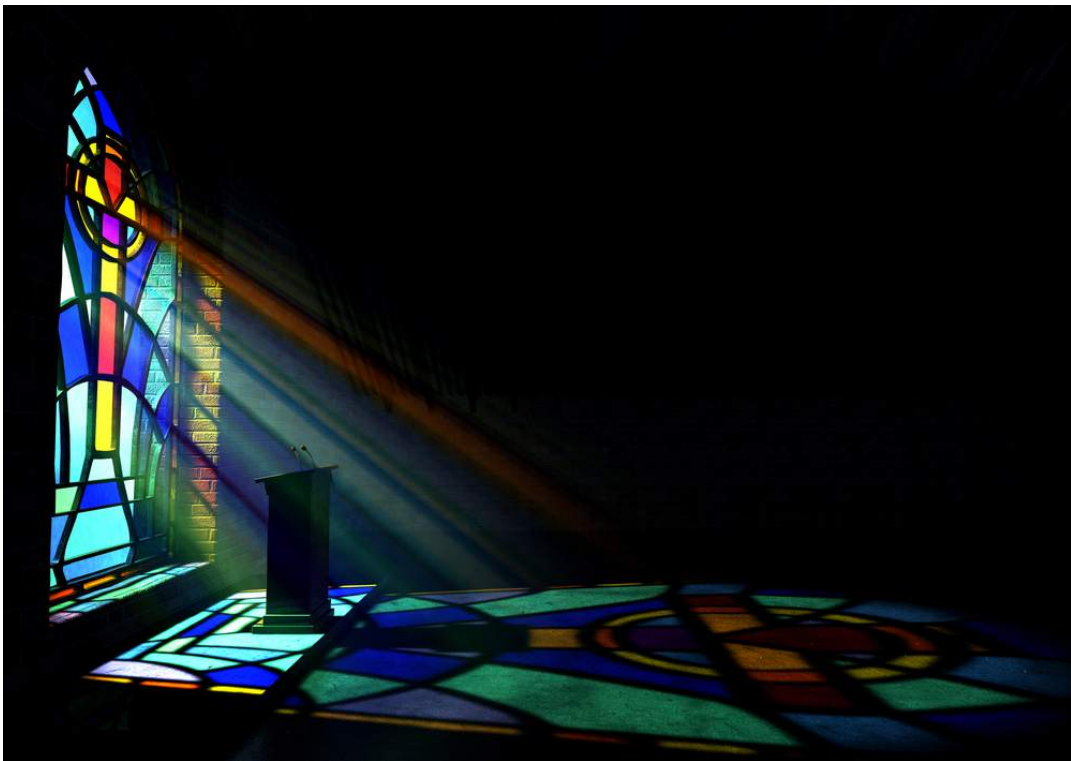


Healing of the blind man

## 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."



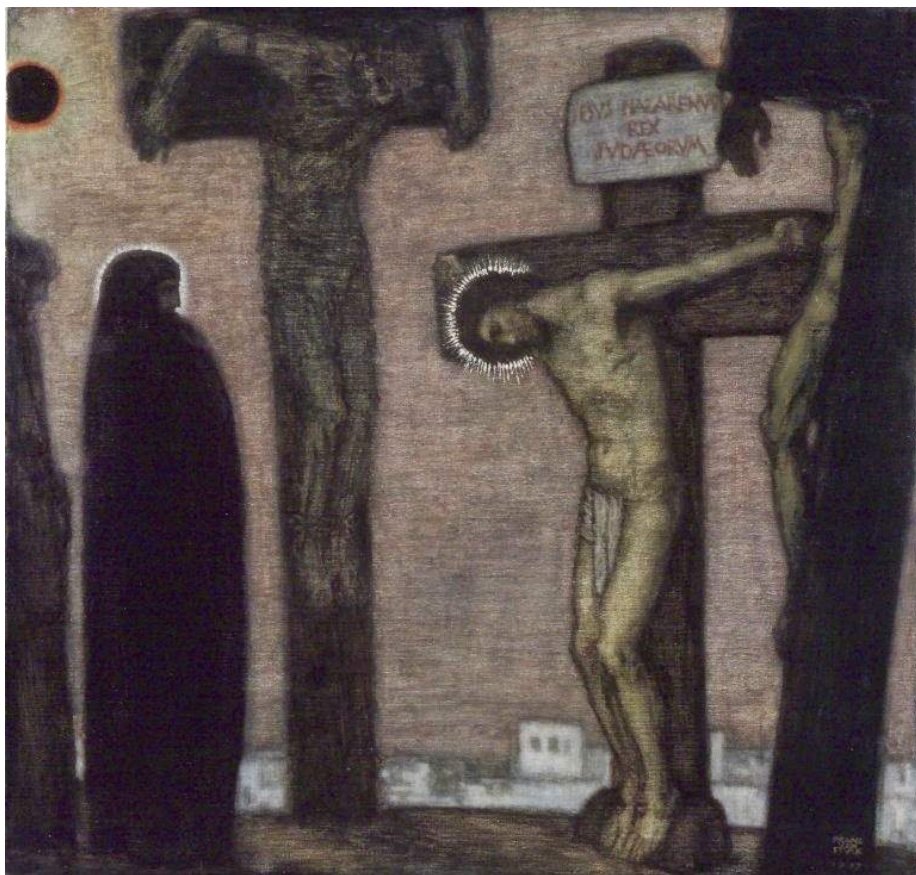
William Blake, The river of life



## WEDNESDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*Isa 49:13-15*

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.



Franz von Stuck, Golgotha, 1917

## THURSDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*jn 5:31-36*

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



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

## FRIDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*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 11:18*

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



Rembrandt, Jeremiah Lamenting the Destruction of Jerusalem, 1630



## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

*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!



de Meester van Alkmaar, De zeven werken van barmhartigheid - De doden begraven



## 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

*dan 3:25*

In the fire Azariah stood up and prayed aloud.



The fiery furnace

## 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

*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

*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

*Mt 27:45-47*

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



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

## MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK

*Jn 12:1-3*

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



He Qi, Mary Magdalene, 2001 - ©He Qi

## 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."



Juan de Juanes, *The Last Supper*, ca. 1560 (Museo del Prado, Madrid)



## WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

*mt 26:14-16*

Then one of the Twelve, who was called Judas Iscar iot, went to the chief priests and said, "What are you willing to give me if I hand him over to you?" They paid him thirty pieces of silver, and from that time on he looked for an opportunity to hand him over.

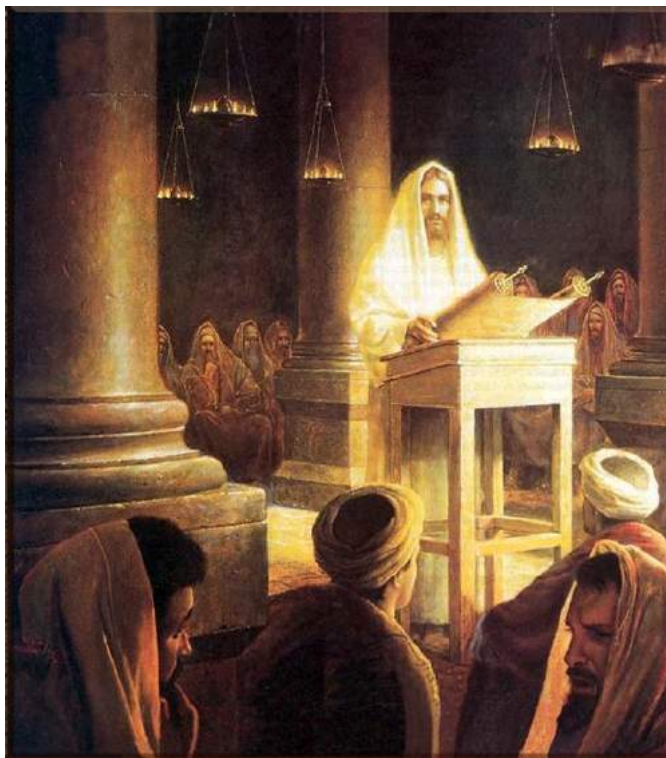


Barna da Siena, The pact of Judas, ca. 1350s ("Stories from the New Testament", in the right-side aisle of San Gimignano's Collegiate Church of the Assumption of Mary)

## CHRISM MASS

*Lc 4:16-20a*

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



Jesus preaches in the synagogue



## HOLY THURSDAY

*Jn 13:12-15*

So when he had washed their feet (and) put his garments back on and reclined at table again, he said to them, "Do you realize what I have done for you? 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.



Stanley Spencer, Last Supper, 1920

## GOOD FRIDAY

*Isa 53:3*

He was spurned and avoided by men, a man of suffering, accustomed to infirmity, One of those from whom men hide their faces, spurned, and we held him in no esteem.



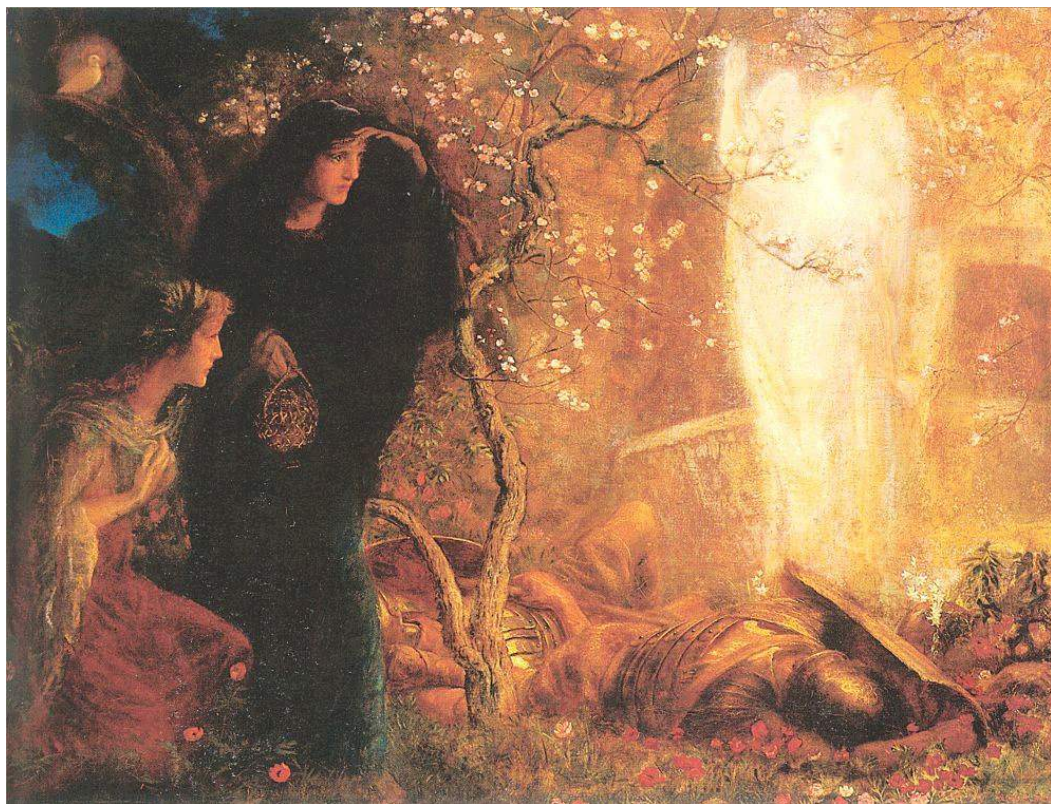
Geertgen tot Sint Jans, Man of sorrows, after 1486 (Museum Catharijneconvent, Utrecht)



## EASTER VIGIL

*Mt 28:2-6*

And behold, there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven, approached, rolled back the stone, and sat upon it. His appearance was like lightning and his clothing was white as snow. The guards were shaken with fear of him and became like dead men. Then the angel said to the women in reply, "Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay.



Arthur Hughes, *The First Easter*, 1893-96

## EASTER SUNDAY

*Jn 20:3-4*

So Peter and the other disciple went out and came to the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first.



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

## MONDAY OF EASTER WEEK

*Mt 28:8-9*

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



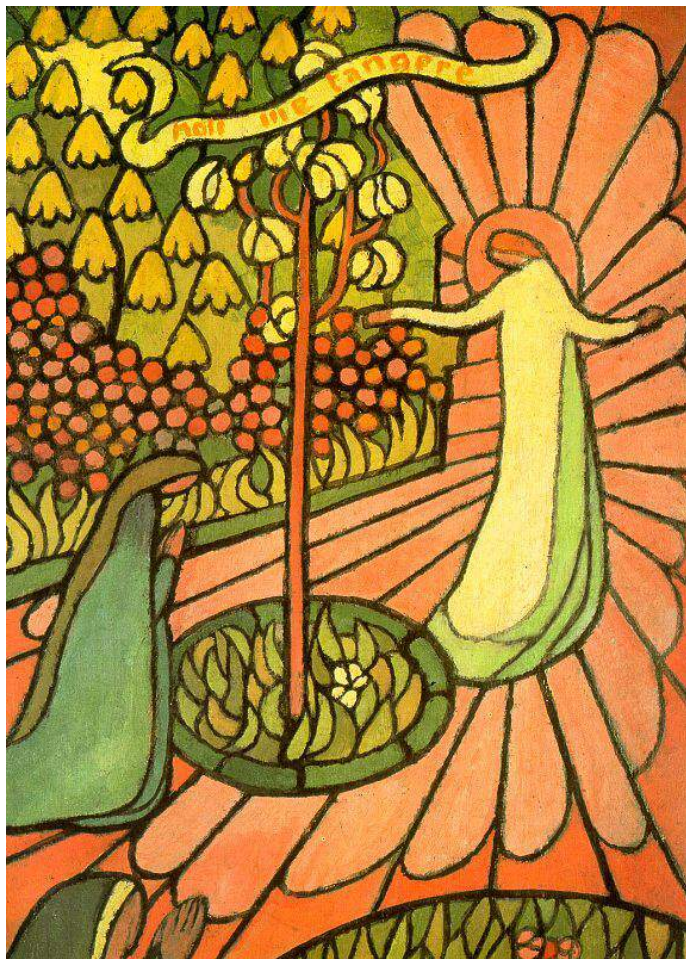
Daniel Owen, Detail from Stained Glass, 2010 (Church of the Ascension, Timoleague, Co. Cork) - ©Daniel Owen



## 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.'"

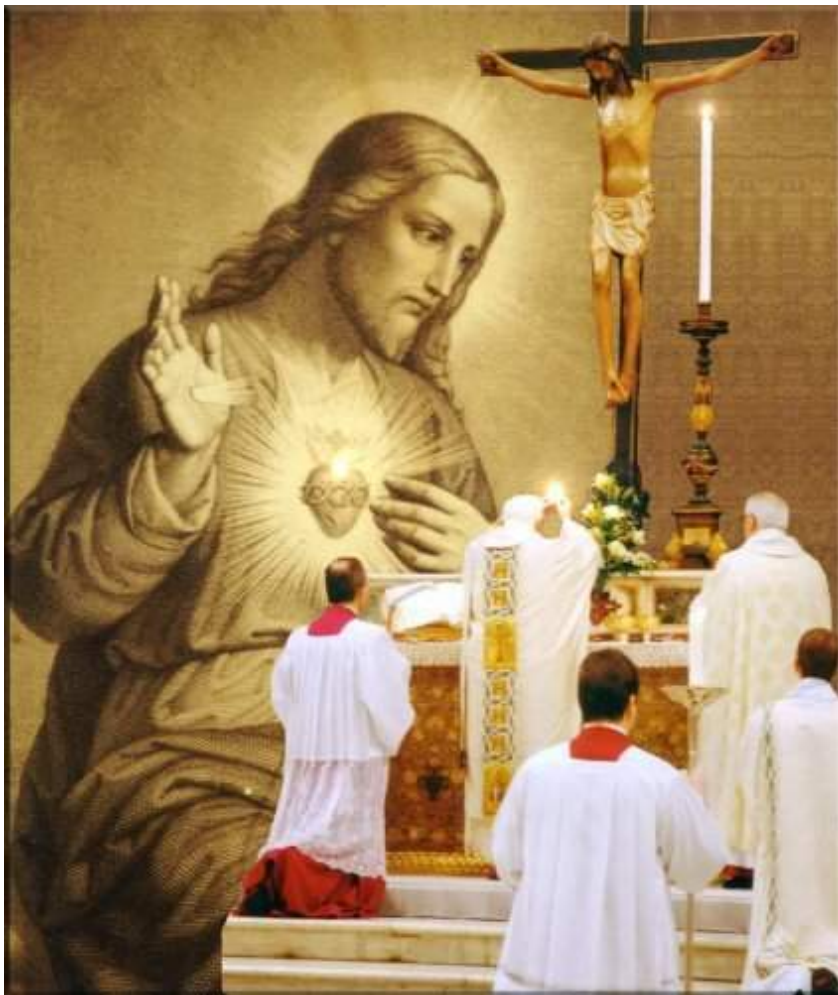


Maurice Denis, *Noli me tangere*

## WEDNESDAY OF EASTER WEEK

*Lc 24:35*

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



Consecration

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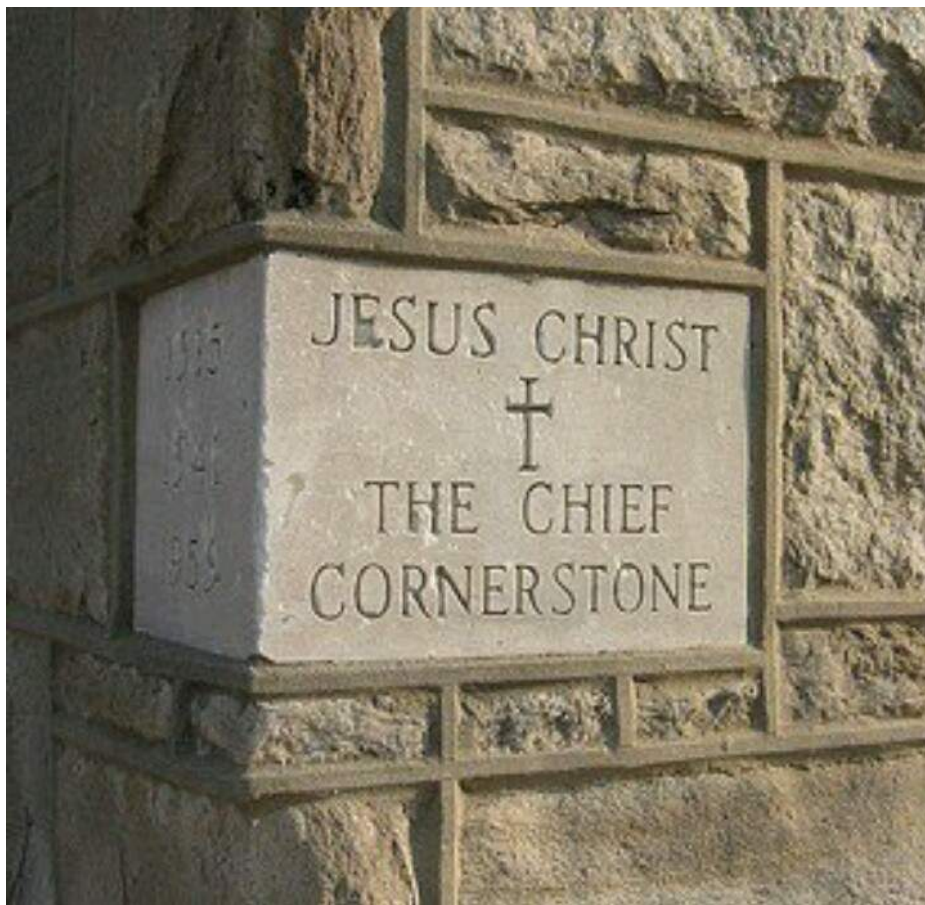
Consecration



## FRIDAY OF EASTER WEEK

### *Acts 4:10-11*

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

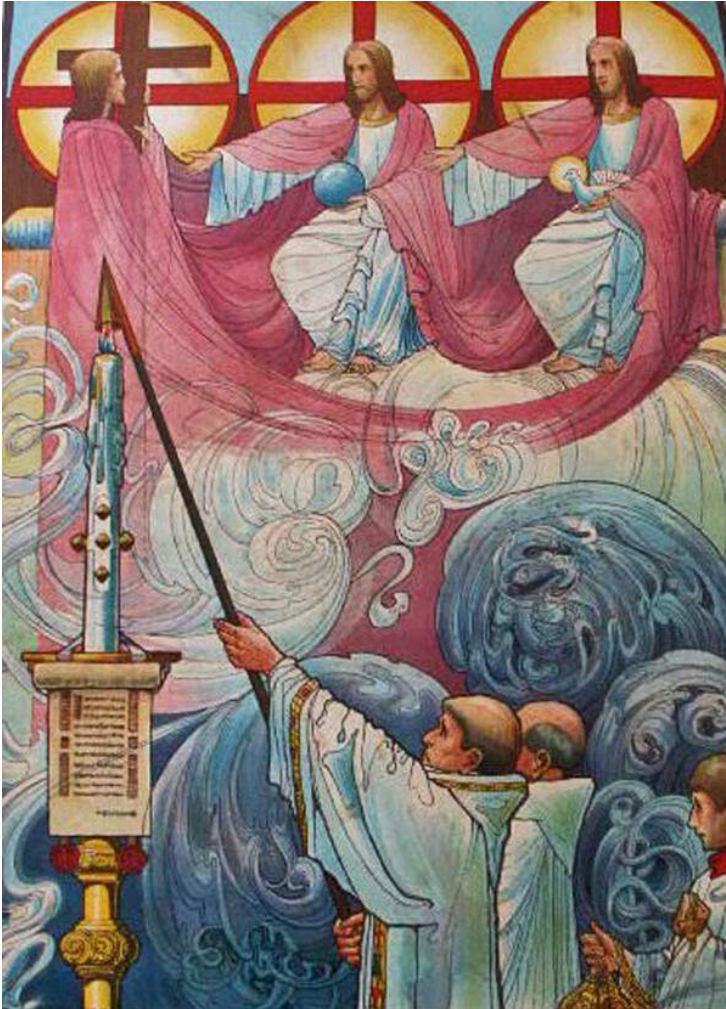


The Chief Cornerstone

## SATURDAY OF EASTER WEEK

*Mc 16:15*

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



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



## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

*1 Pet 1:3-5*

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy gave us a new birth to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you who by the power of God are safeguarded through faith, to a salvation that is ready to be revealed in the final time.



David Richardson, The Resurrection of Jesus Christ as wallpaper around the Upper Room at the Last Supper, realised during His Ascension - ©David Richardson

## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Lc 24:35*

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



Consecration

## 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

*Eph 1:17-19*

That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation resulting in knowledge of him. May the eyes of (your) hearts be enlightened, that you may know what is the hope that belongs to his call, what are the riches of glory in his inheritance among the holy ones, and what is the surpassing greatness of his power for us who believe, in accord with the exercise of his great might.



Francesco Botticini, Assumption of the Virgin (National Gallery, London)

## SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Jn 17:1-5*

When Jesus had said this, he raised his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come. Give glory to your son, so that your son may glorify you, just as you gave him authority over all people, so that he may give eternal life to all you gave him. Now this is eternal life, that they should know you, the only true God, and the one whom you sent, Jesus Christ. I glorified you on earth by accomplishing the work that you gave me to do. Now glorify me, Father, with you, with the glory that I had with you before the world began.



Fra Angelico, Christ Glorified in the Court of Heaven (Fiesole San Domenico Altarpiece), 1423-1424 (National Gallery, London)

## PENTECOST

*Jn 20:20b-21*

The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. (Jesus) said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you."



Berna Lopez, Je crois en l'Esprit Saint, 2003 - ©Berna Lopez

## 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

*Jn 3:16*

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.



Paula Rego, Pieta, 2002 - ©Paula Rego

## 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.

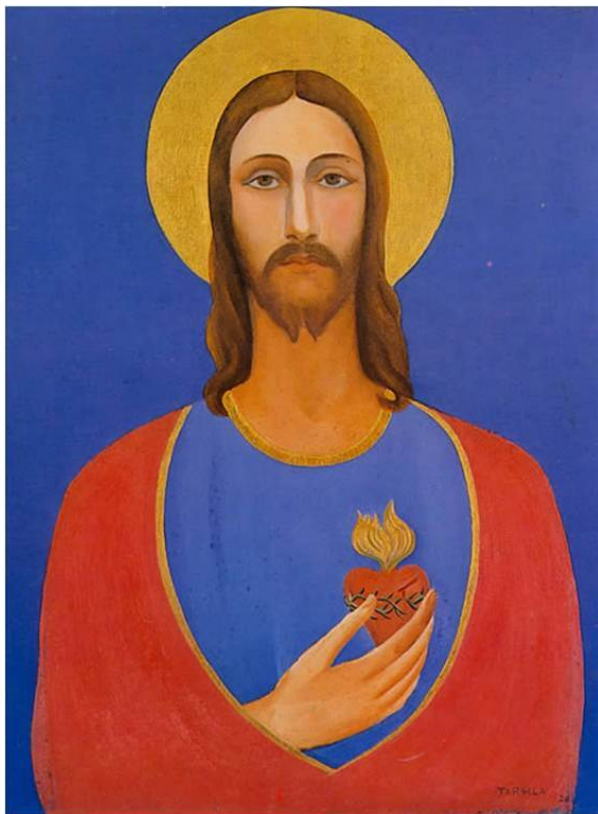


Anton Schmidt, The Resurrected Christ, 1750 (Upper church, Calvary Banská Štiavnica, Slovakia)

## SACRED HEART OF JESUS

*Deut 7:7-8*

It was not because you are more numerous than all the peoples that the L set his heart on you and chose you; for you are really the smallest of all peoples. It was because the L loved you and because of his fidelity to the oath he had sworn to your ancestors, that the L brought you out with a strong hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh, king of Egypt.



Tarsila do Amaral, Coração de Jesus, 1926

## 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 1:29-31*

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.’ but the reason why I came baptizing with water was that he might be made known to Israel.”.

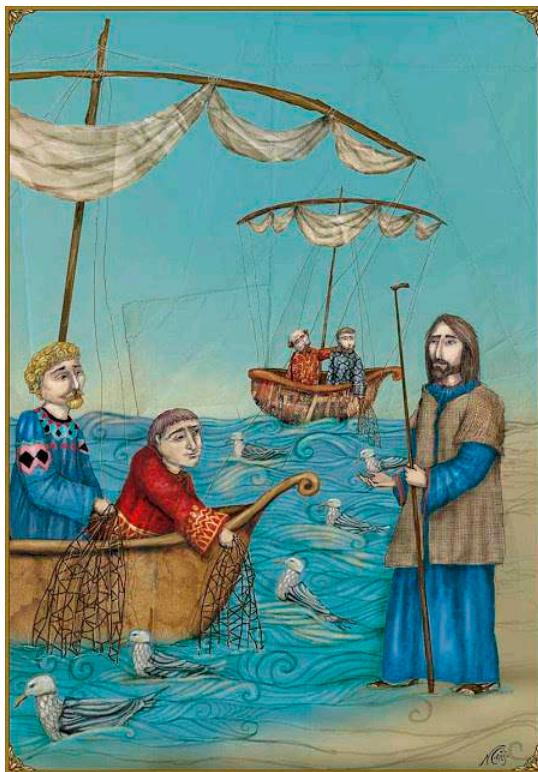


Annibale Carracci, Saint John the Baptist Bearing Witness, ca. 1600–1602 (The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York)

## 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 5:29-30*

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



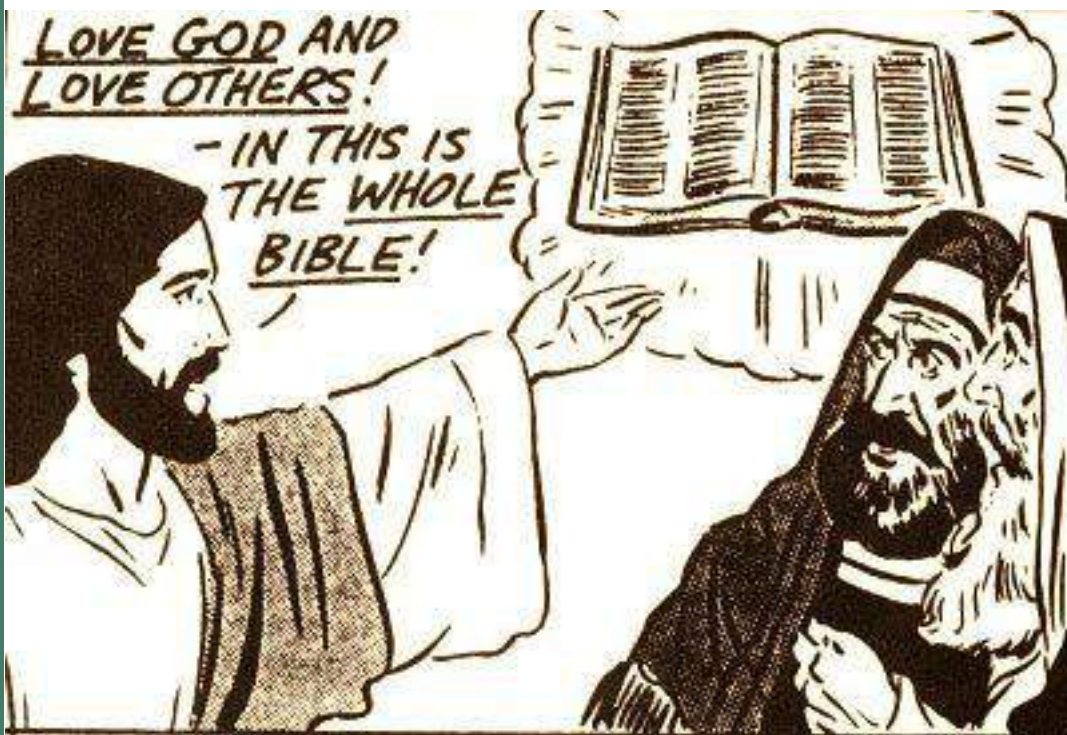
Keith Fieler, Hand eye guy, 2010 - ©kfieler



## SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*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

## 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?

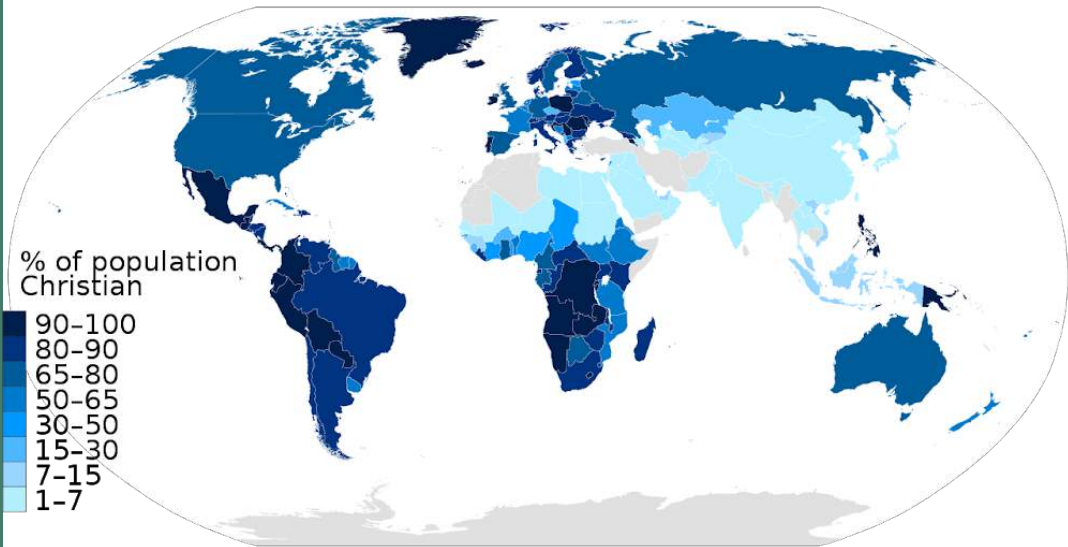


Pauline Baynes, Saint Francis of Assisi - ©Pauline Baynes

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

*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)



## 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

*Mt 10:28-32*

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



Megachurch worship

## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mt 10:37*

"Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me."



Gezinsfoto

## FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Rom 8:10-11*

But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the spirit is alive because of righteousness. If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, the one who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also, through his Spirit that dwells in you.



Follower of Hieronymus Bosch, Christ's Descent into Hell

## FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mt 13:3b-9*

And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path, and birds came and ate it up. Some fell on rocky ground, where it had little soil. It sprang up at once because the soil was not deep, and when the sun rose it was scorched, and it withered for lack of roots. Some seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it. But some seed fell on rich soil, and produced fruit, a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold. Whoever has ears ought to hear."



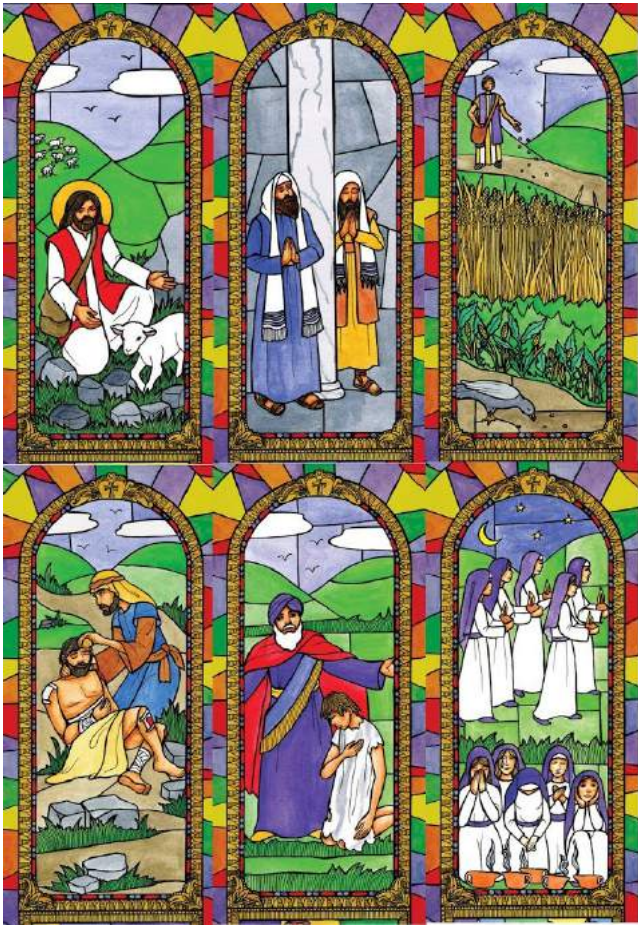
Johan Thorn Prikker, *De Zaaier*, 1909 (Boijmans Van Beuningen, Rotterdam)



# SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mt 13:34-35*

All these things Jesus spoke to the crowds in parables. He spoke to them only in parables, to fulfill what had been said through the prophet: "I will open my mouth in parables, I will announce what has lain hidden from the foundation (of the world)".



Stained Glass Parables of Jesus Cutouts - ©catholicartworks.com



## 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

*Mt 14:13*

When Jesus heard of it, he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. The crowds heard of this and followed him on foot from their towns.



Caravaggio, Salome Receives Head Of John The Baptist

## NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mt 14:28-31*

Peter said to him in reply, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. But when he saw how (strong) the wind was he became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught him, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?"



Jesus walks on the lake

## TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*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.



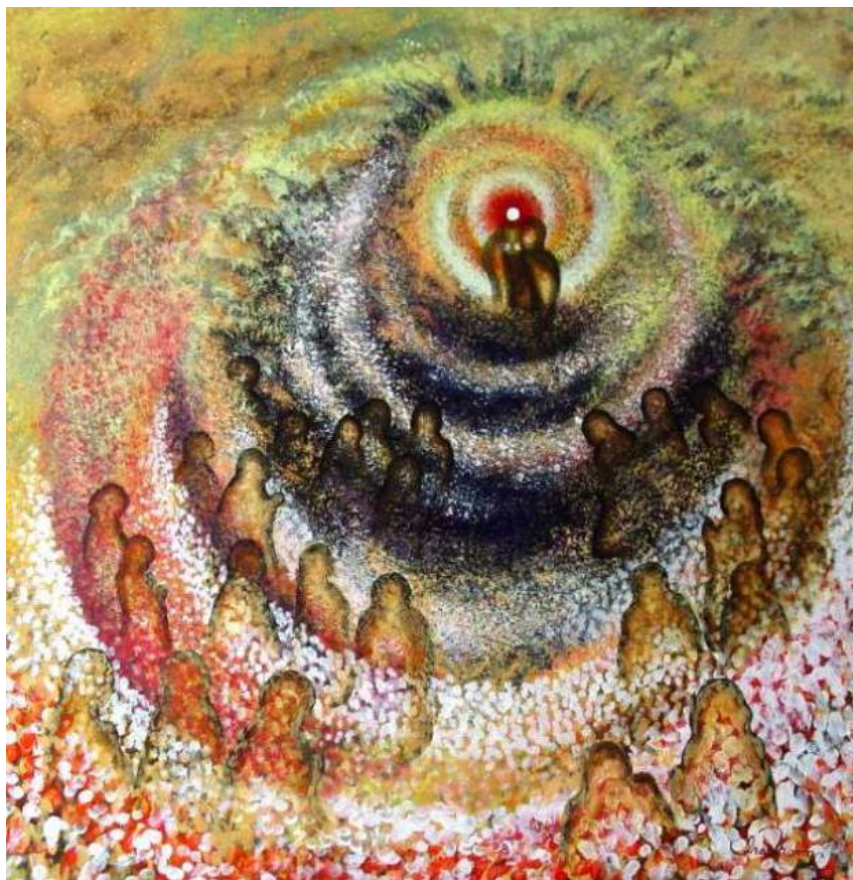
Procession



## TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Rom 11:33-36*

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How inscrutable are his judgments and how unsearchable his ways! "For who has known the mind of the Lord or who has been his counselor?" "Or who has given him anything that he may be repaid?" For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.



Ira Thomas, The great amen - ©Ira Thomas



## TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mt 16:24-26*

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



Jan van Eyck, Het laatste oordeel

## TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mt 18:19-20*

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



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

## TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mt 18:23-27*

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.

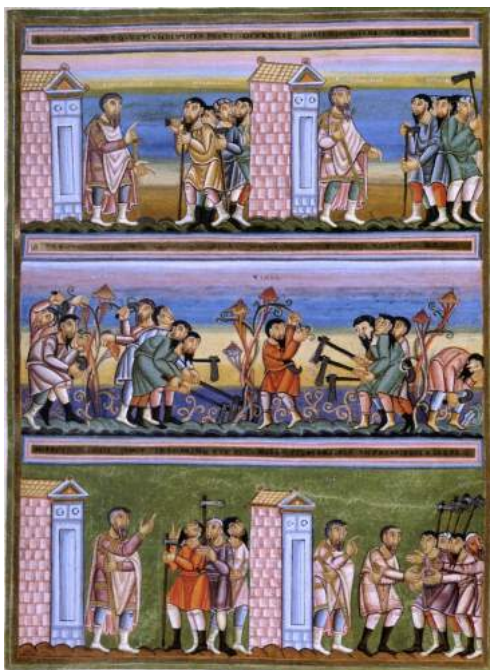


John Everett Millais, *The Unmerciful Servant*, 1864

## 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

*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

## TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*mt 21:37-39*

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



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

## TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mt 22:8-10*

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



Cicely Mary Barker, Parable of the Great Banquet, 1934  
(St Georges Church, Waddon) - ©Cicely Mary Parker

## 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 23:9*

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



God the Father

## THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mt 25:10*

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.

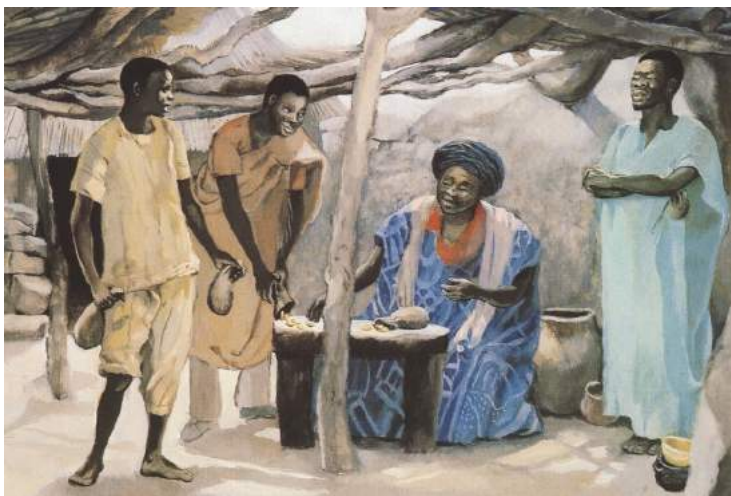


Fadi Mikhail, The Ten Bridesmaids - ©Fadi Mikhail

## 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 34:11-13*

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



Herding - ©National Geographic



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## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*isa 63:16-17*

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



Anticipating the Coming King

## MONDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

*isa 2:4*

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



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

## TUESDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

*isa 11:10*

On that day, The root of Jesse, set up as a signal for the nations, The Gentiles shall seek out, for his dwelling shall be glorious.



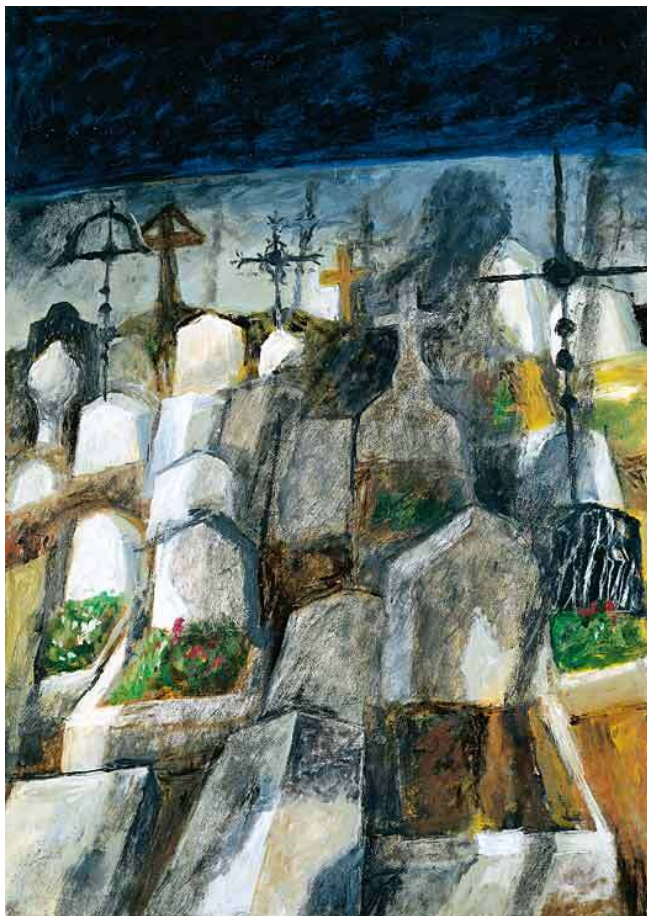
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## WEDNESDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

*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.

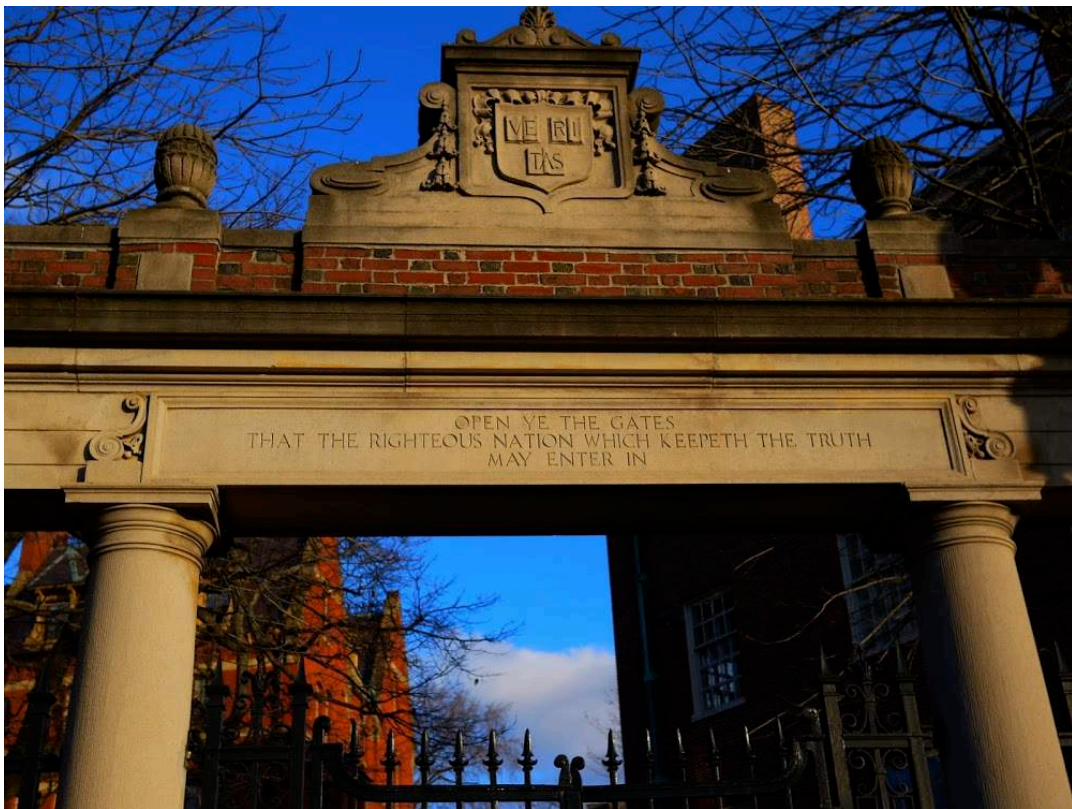


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## THURSDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

*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.

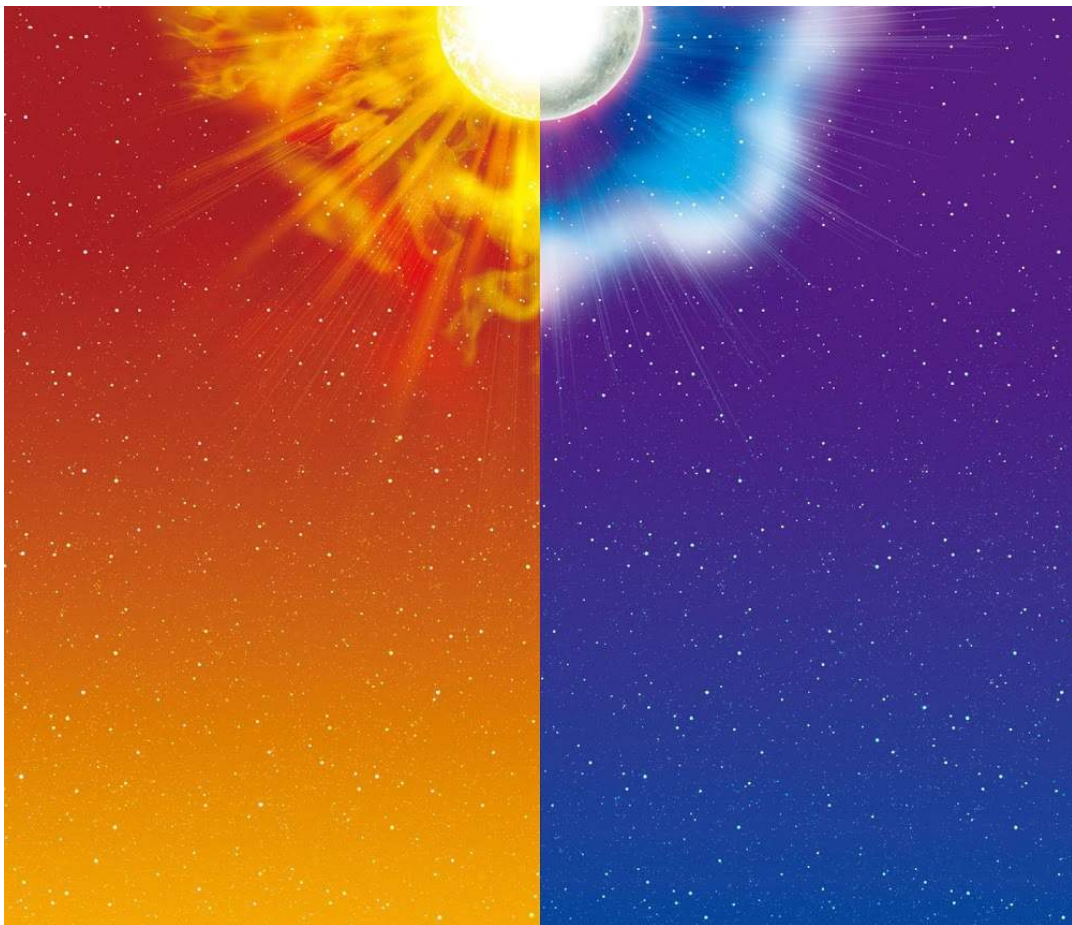


Be blessed

## 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).

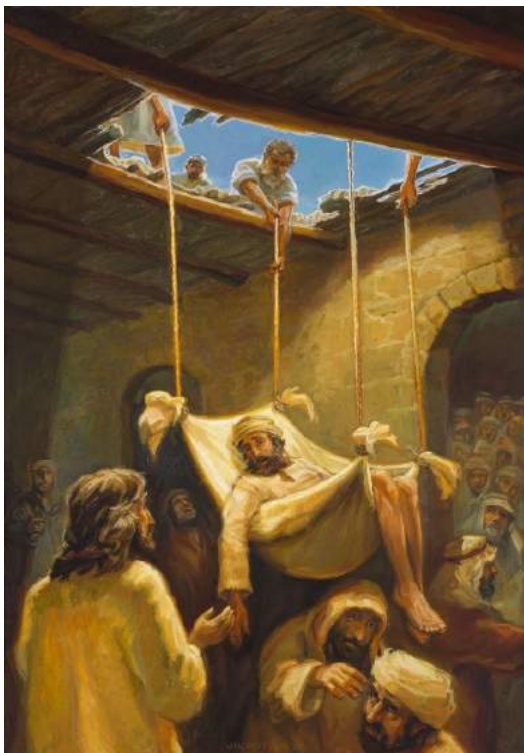


David Popiashvili, The good news - ©#####

## MONDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

*Lc 5:17-20*

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



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



## TUESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

*isa 40:3-5*

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



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

## WEDNESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

*isa 40:29-31*

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



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

## THURSDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

*Mt 11:11*

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



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



## FRIDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

*isa 48:17-18*

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



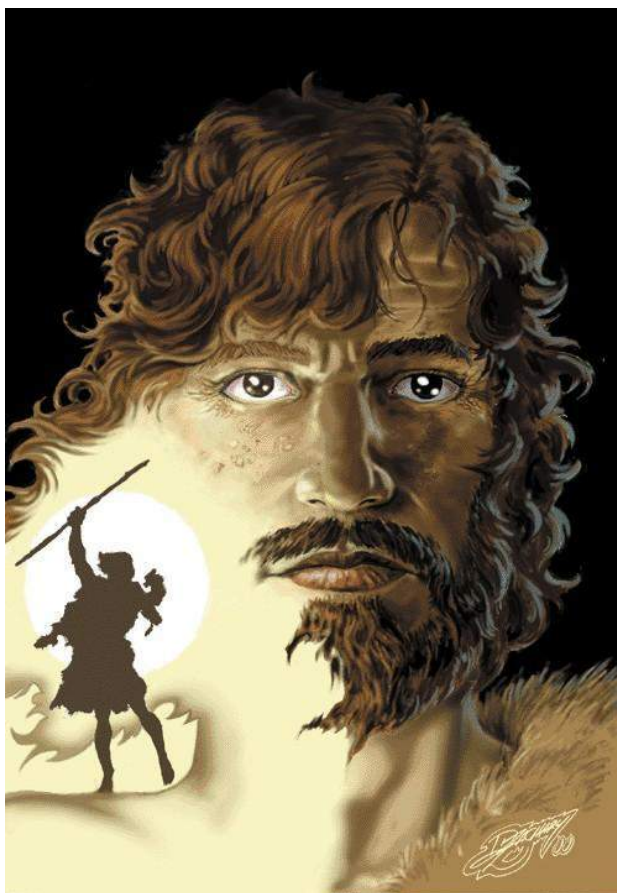
River with stepping stones



## SATURDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

*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

*Jn 1:9-13*

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



Jesus with three children

## 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 56:6-7*

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 1:34*

But Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I have no relations with a man?"



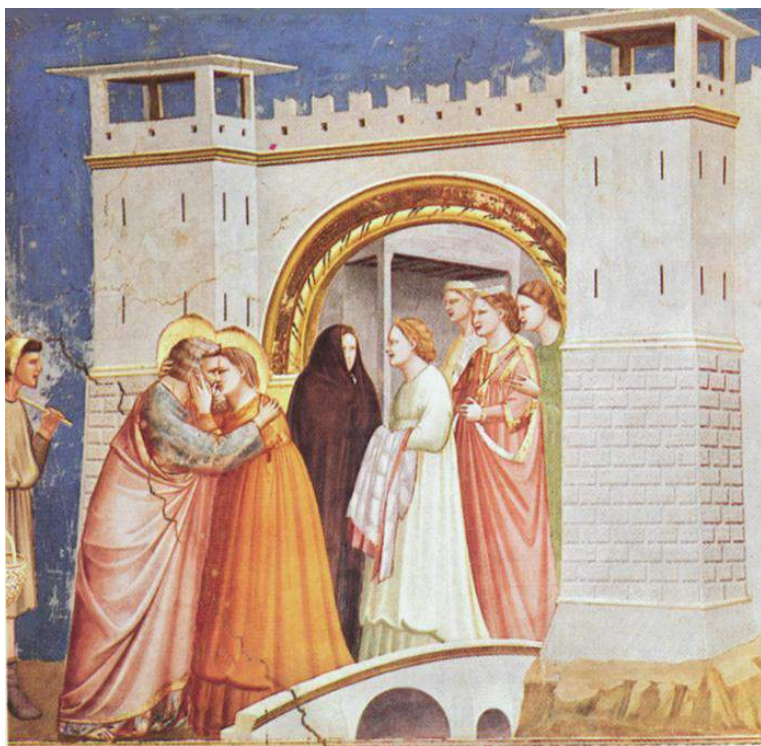
Jorge Barradas, Anunciação, 1936



## 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

*jer 23:6*

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



Jehova tsidkenu

## DECEMBER 19TH

*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 1:35*

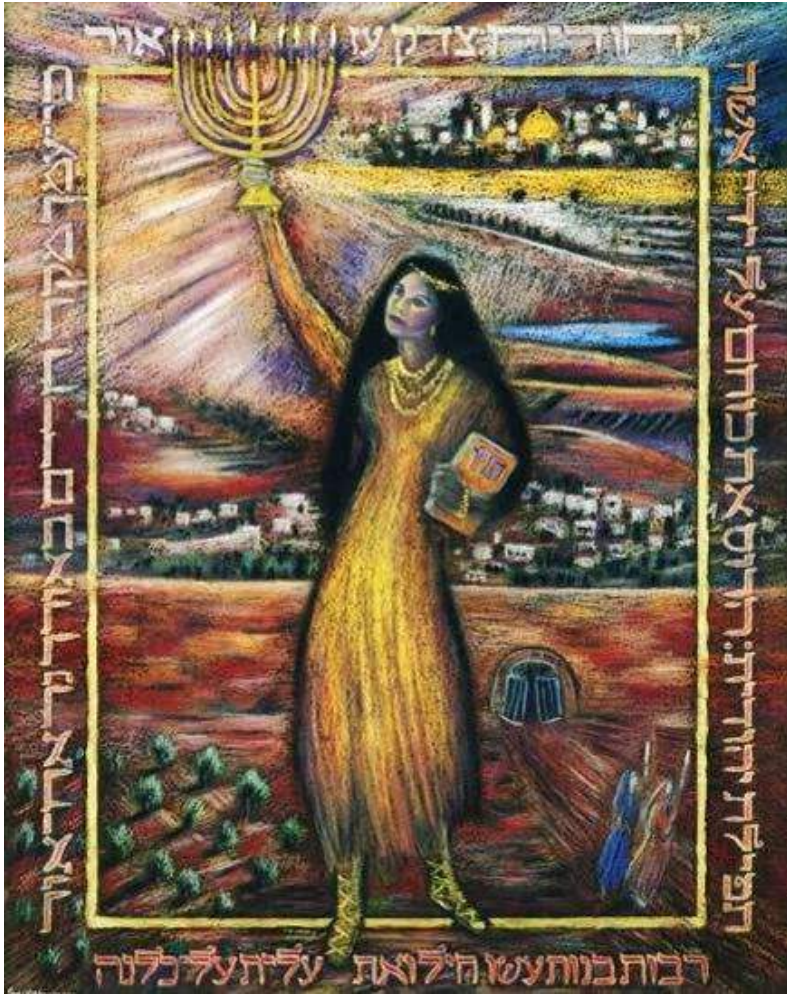
And the angel said to her in reply, "The holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God.



Annunciation (ORATORIO DELLA SS. TRINITÀ NEL PALAZZO VESCOVILE)



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



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## DECEMBER 22ND

*Lc 1:46-49*

And Mary said: "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my savior. For he has looked upon his handmaid's lowliness; behold, from now on will all ages call me blessed. The Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name.



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

## DECEMBER 23RD

*mal 3:2-3*

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



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

*~Proverbs 17:3*

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Proverbs 17:3



## DECEMBER 24TH (MORNING MASS)

*2 sam 7:2-3*

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



The ark of God



## 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.



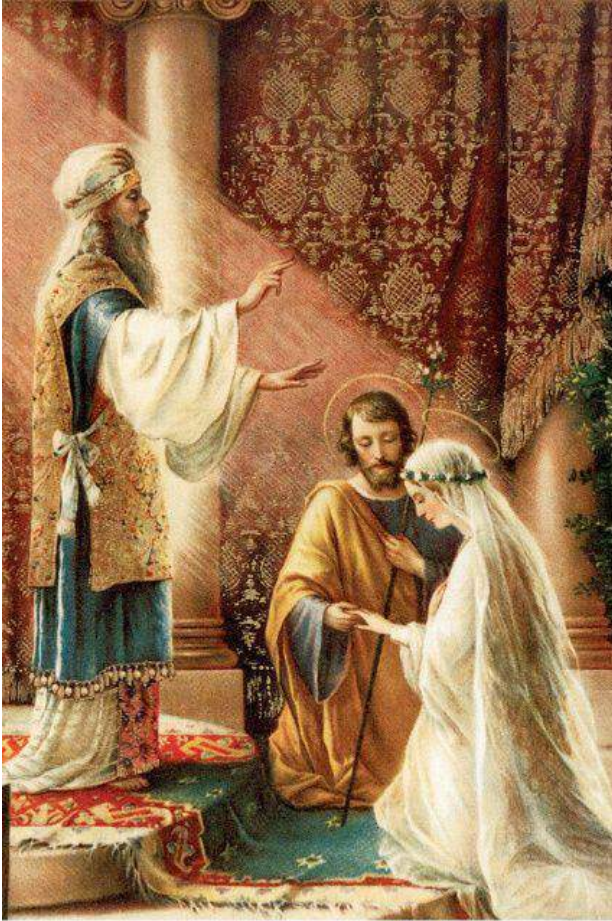
Jacob Jordaens, John the Baptist (Rubenshuis, Antwerpen)

## VIGIL FOR CHRISTMAS

### December, 24th

*Mt 1:20*

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.



Marriage of Mary & Joseph

## 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

*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 1:15-18*

John testified to him and cried out, saying, "This was he of whom I said, 'The one who is coming after me ranks ahead of me because he existed before me.'" 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.



Lucas Cranach the Elder, *The Law and the Gospel*, 1529 (Národní galerie, Sternberg Palace, Prague)

## 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 20:3-7*

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



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



## THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS

December, 28<sup>th</sup>

*Mt 2:16-17*

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



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



## THE HOLY FAMILY

*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

## SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

*Jn 1:14*

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



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

## EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

*Mt 2:9-11*

After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.



Nativity (coptic)

## BAPTISM OF THE LORD

*1 Jn 5:5-8*

Who (indeed) is the victor over the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came through water and blood, Jesus Christ, not by water alone, but by water and blood. The Spirit is the one that testifies, and the Spirit is truth. So there are three that testify, the Spirit, the water, and the blood, and the three are of one accord.



Jos Speybrouck, The Eucharist





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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.



Sieger Köder, Der Mund kann lachen wenn das Herz auch traurig ist - ©Sieger Köder



## THURSDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

*Lc 9:23-24*

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



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

## FRIDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

*Isa 58:7-8*

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



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

## SATURDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

*Isa 58:9-10*

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

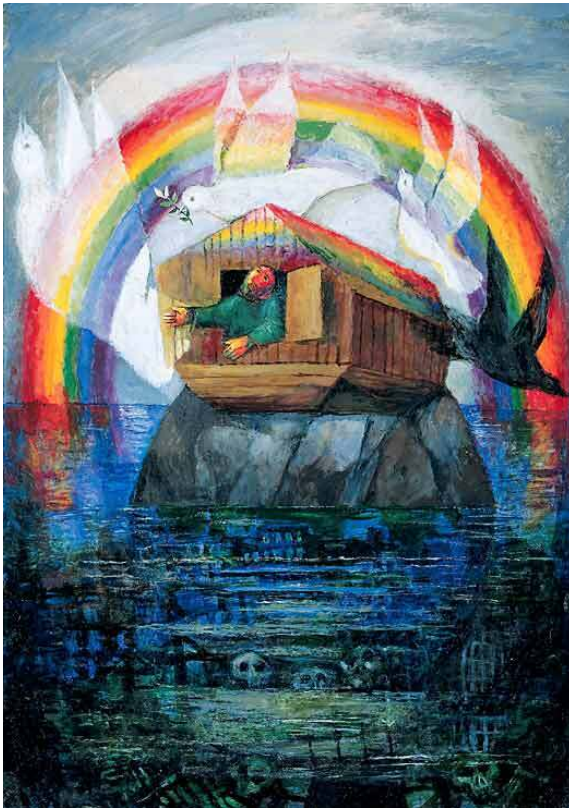


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## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

*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.



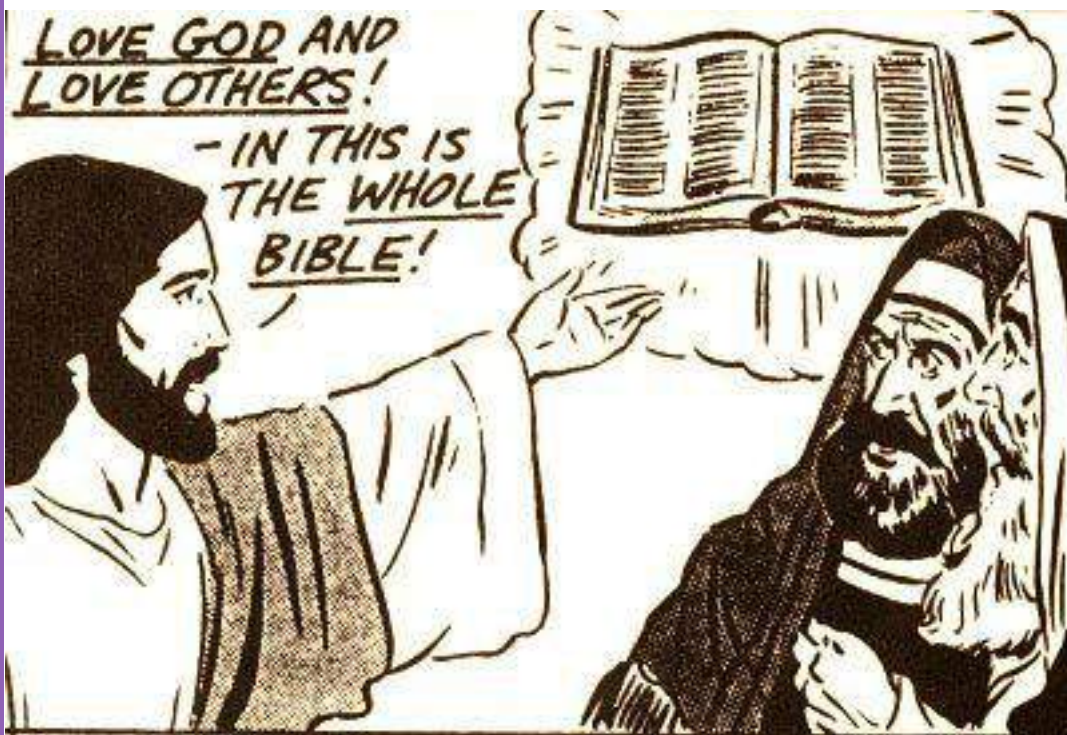
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## MONDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

*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

*Isa 55:10-11*

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



Vincent van Gogh, Sower, 1888 (Private Collection)



## WEDNESDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

*Jon 3:1-2*

The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time: "Set out for the great city of Nineveh, and announce to it the message that I will tell you."



Mina Anton, Jonah in the whale, 2013 - ©Mina Anton

## 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 5:23-24*

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.

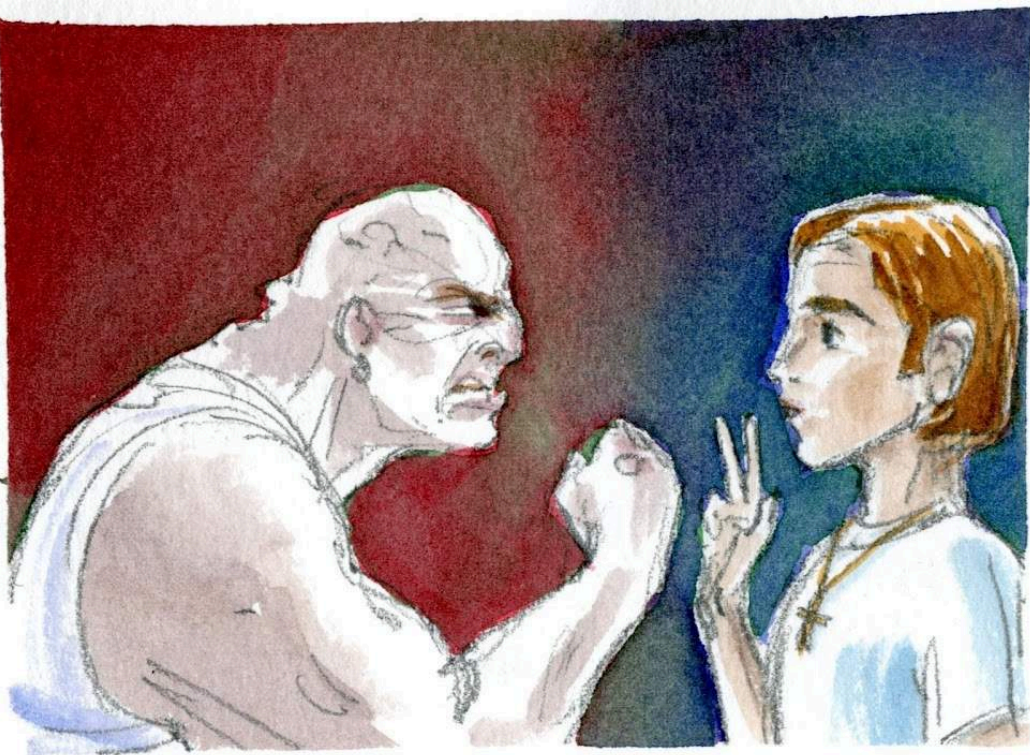


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## SATURDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

*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 22:9-13*

8. "Son," Abraham answered, "God himself will provide the sheep for the holocaust." Then the two continued going forward. 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. 10. Then he reached out and took the knife to slaughter his son. 11. But the LORD'S messenger called to him from heaven, "Abraham, Abraham!" "Yes, Lord," he answered. 12. "Do not lay your hand on the boy," said the messenger. "Do not do the least thing to him. I know now how devoted you are to God, since you did not withhold from me your own beloved son."



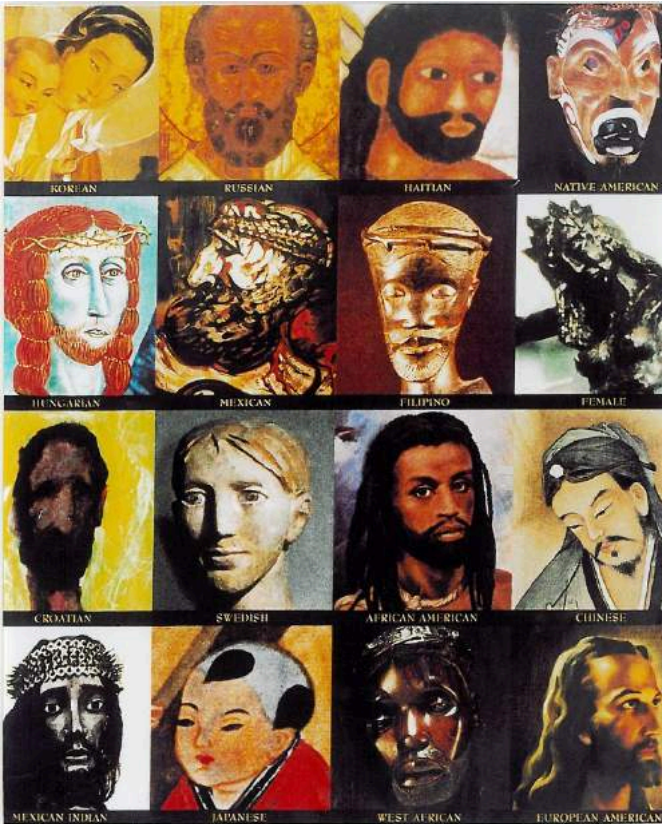
Peter Bentley, The Sacrifice of Isaac - ©Peter Bentley



## MONDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*dan* 9:7-9

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



The many faces of Jesus



## TUESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*isa 1:16-19*

Wash yourselves clean! Put away your misdeeds from before my eyes. cease doing evil. learn to do good. Make justice your aim. redress the wronged. hear the orphan's plea. defend the widow. 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. If you are willing. and obey. you shall eat the good things of the land.



Snow and our sin

## WEDNESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*jer 18:18*

"Come," they said, "let us contrive a plot against Jeremiah. It will not mean the loss of instruction from the priests, nor of counsel from the wise, nor of messages from the prophets. And so, let us destroy him by his own tongue; let us carefully note his every word."



La la la, I can't hear you!

## 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?''



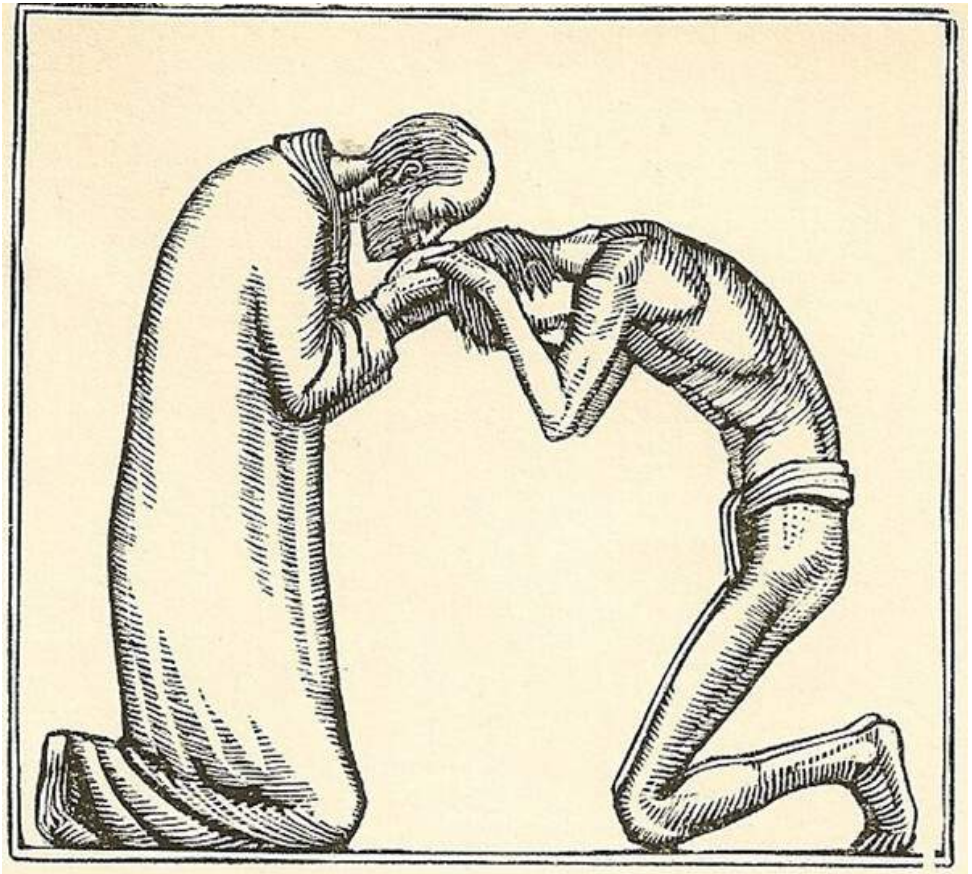
The Lord of the vineyard



## SATURDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*Lc 15:22-24*

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



Gwen Raverat, The prodigal son

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

*Jn 2:17-21*

His disciples recalled the words of scripture, "Zeal for your house will consume me." At this the Jews answered and said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and you will raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking about the temple of his body.



Follower of Jheronimus Bosch, Christ driving the Money-Changers from the Temple, between 1570 and 1600 (Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum, Glasgow)

## MONDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

*2 kings 5:9-15*

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

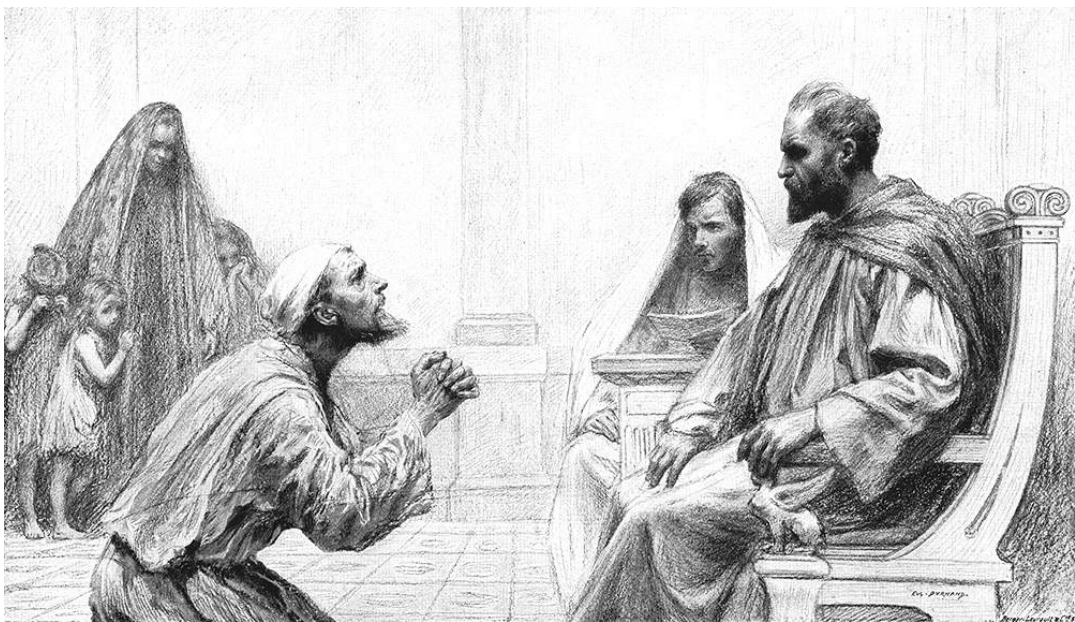


Jan Simons PEINAS, Elisha the Prophet and Naaman (The Pozhalostin Ryazan Regional Art Museum)

## TUESDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

*mt 18:23-28*

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



Unforgiving servant



## WEDNESDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

*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

*lc 11:17-20*

But he knew their thoughts and said to them, "Every kingdom divided against itself will be laid waste and house will fall against house. And if Satan is divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand? For you say that it is by Beelzebul that I drive out demons. If I, then, drive out demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your own people drive them out? Therefore they will be your judges. But if it is by the finger of God that (I) drive out demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you.



Unity

## FRIDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

*Isa 14:4-6*

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



I will be as the dew unto Israel

## SATURDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

*Hos 6:4-6*

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



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



## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

*Jn 3:17*

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

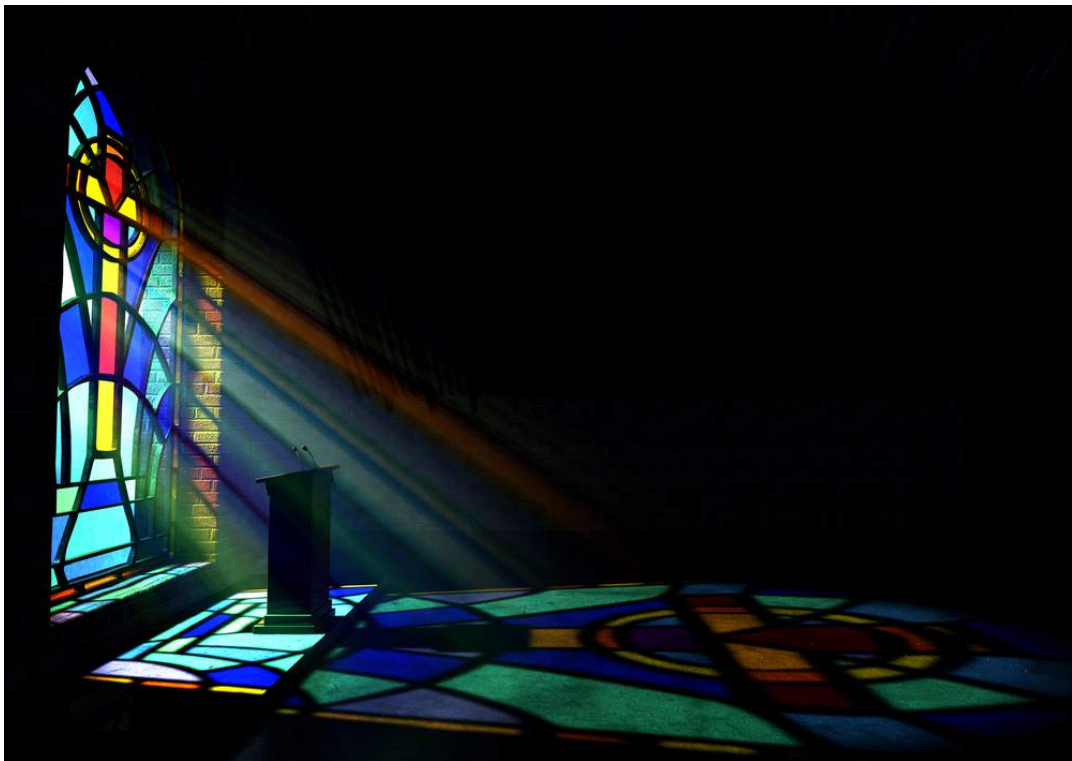


Savior

## 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 5:1-8*

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



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

## WEDNESDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*Jn 5:28-29*

Do not be amazed at this, because the hour is coming in which all who are in the tombs will hear his voice and will come out, those who have done good deeds to the resurrection of life, but those who have done wicked deeds to the resurrection of condemnation.



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



## THURSDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*ex 32:9-14*

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



The golden calf

## FRIDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*jn 7:27-29*

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 11:18*

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



Rembrandt, Jeremiah Lamenting the Destruction of Jerusalem, 1630



## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

*Jn 12:31-33*

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." He said this indicating the kind of death he would die.



Maître de l'Épiphanie de Fiesole, Christ sur la Croix entouré des saints Vincent Ferrier, Jean-Baptiste, Marc et Antonius, 1491-1495 (Los Angeles County Museum of Art)



## 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

*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

*jer 20:11*

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



Lion of Judah



## SATURDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

*ezek 37:26-28*

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



Mass

## PALM SUNDAY

*Mc 14:36*

He said, "Abba, Father, all things are possible to you. Take this cup away from me, but not what I will but what you will."



Paul Gauguin, Agonía en el huerto



## MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK

*Jn 12:1-3*

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



He Qi, Mary Magdalene, 2001 - ©He Qi

## TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

*isa 49:2-6*

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



Sword and bible



## WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

*mt 26:14-16*

Then one of the Twelve, who was called Judas Iscar iot, went to the chief priests and said, "What are you willing to give me if I hand him over to you?" They paid him thirty pieces of silver, and from that time on he looked for an opportunity to hand him over.

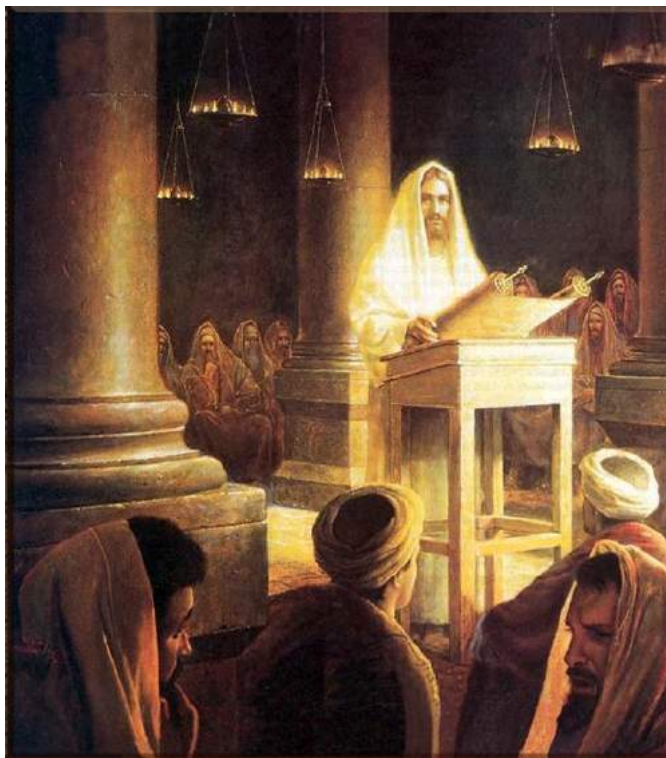


Barna da Siena, The pact of Judas, ca. 1350s ("Stories from the New Testament", in the right-side aisle of San Gimignano's Collegiate Church of the Assumption of Mary)

## CHRISM MASS

*Lc 4:16-20a*

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



Jesus preaches in the synagogue

## HOLY THURSDAY

*1 Cor 11:23-26*

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus, on the night he was handed over, took bread, and, after he had given thanks, broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes.

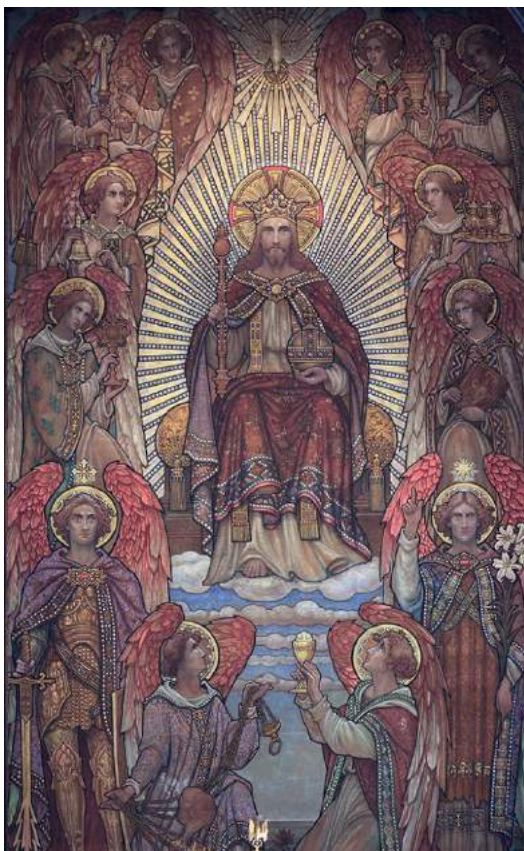


Pope Francis celebrating ad orientem

## GOOD FRIDAY

### *Heb 4:14-16*

Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has similarly been tested in every way, yet without sin. So let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help.



Tapestry of Christ the King (Saint James the Greater Roman Catholic Church in Saint Louis)



## EASTER VIGIL

### *Mc 16:1-5*

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary, the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go and anoint him. Very early when the sun had risen, on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb. They were saying to one another, "Who will roll back the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back; it was very large. On entering the tomb they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a white robe, and they were utterly amazed.



James Tissot, *Madeleine et les saintes femmes au tombeau*, 1886-1894 (Brooklyn Museum)

## EASTER SUNDAY

*Jn 20:1*

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



Empty tomb at sunrise

## MONDAY OF EASTER WEEK

*Mt 28:8-9*

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



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

## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Jn 20:29*

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



Paolo Bartoli, San Tomasso - ©Paolo Bartoli



## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Lc 24:45-47*

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.

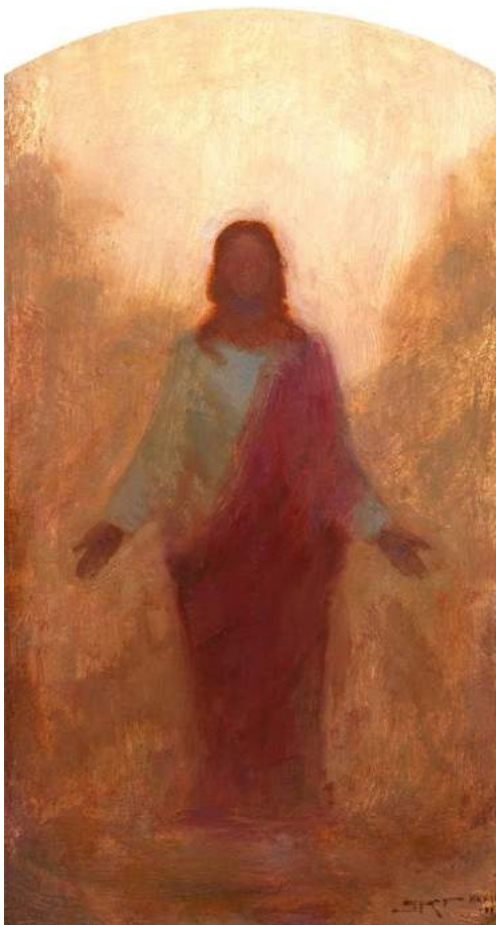


The Sacrament of Penance

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Jn 10:17-18*

This is why the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down on my own. I have power to lay it down, and power to take it up again. This command I have received from my Father."



J. Kirk Richards, Resurrected Christ, 2011 - ©J. Kirk Richards

## 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.



Caravaggio, *The Conversion of St Paul*, ca. 1601 (private collection)

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Jn 15:12-15*

This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. 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.



José de Páez, Sacred Heart of Jesus with Saint Ignatius of Loyola and Saint Louis Gonzaga, 1770



## ASCENSION OF THE LORD

*Mc 16:17-18*

These signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will drive out demons, they will speak new languages. They will pick up serpents (with their hands), and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not harm them. They will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover."

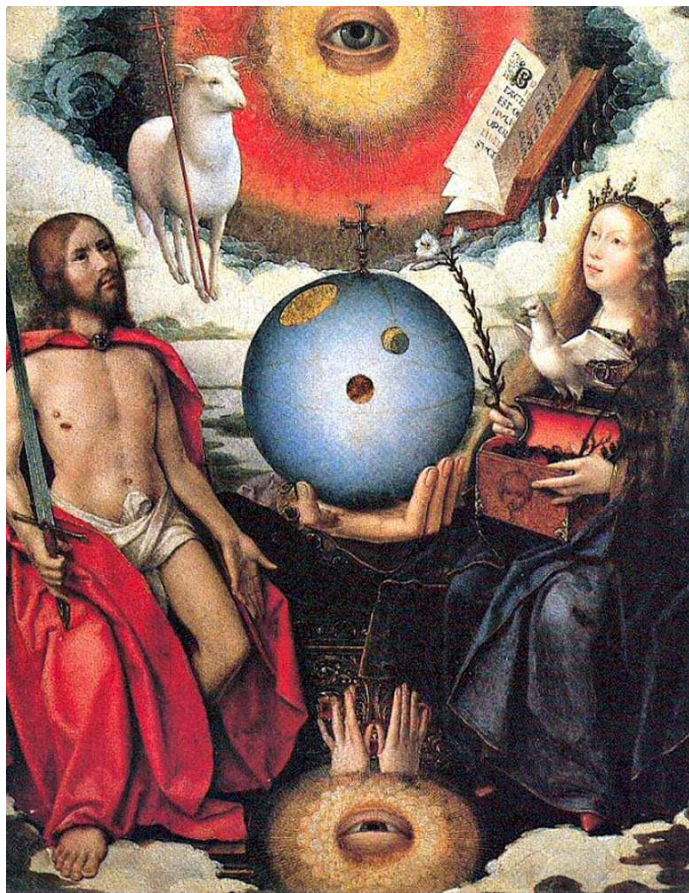


de Meester van Alkmaar, De zeven werken van barmhartigheid - De zieken verzorgen

## 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.

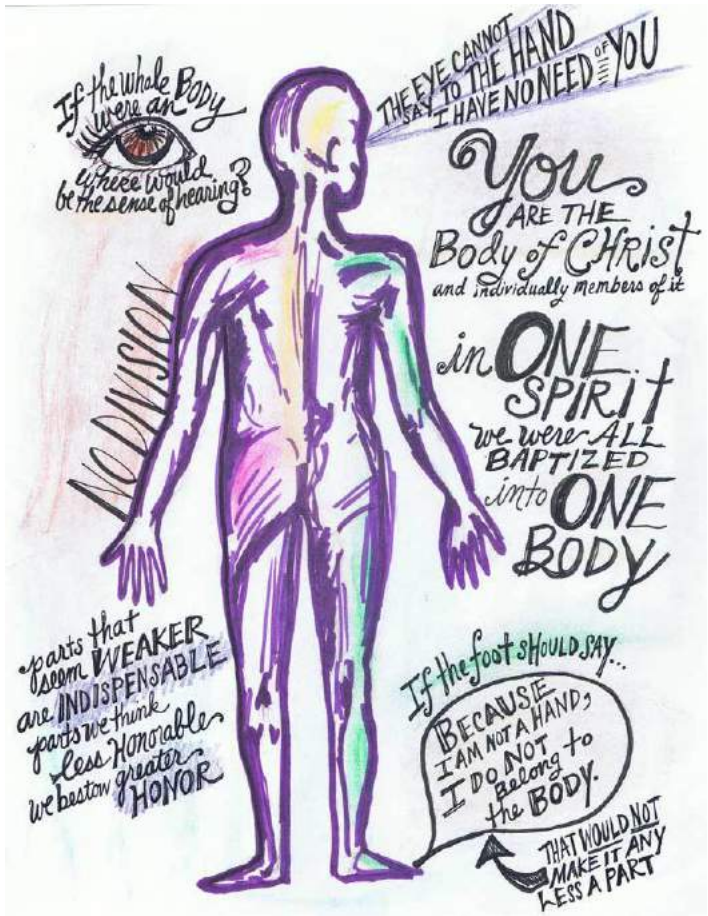


Jan Provoost, Christian Allegory, ca. 1510-1515 (Louvre, Paris)

# PENTECOST

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

*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*

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."

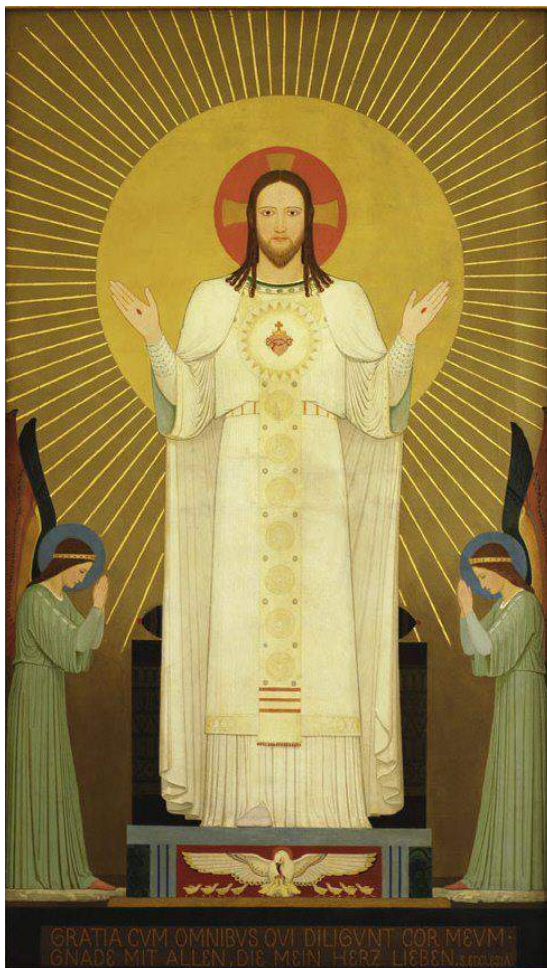


Gaston La Touche, The Last Supper, 1897 (Hermitage Museum - St-Petersburg)

## SACRED HEART OF JESUS

*Hos 11:8*

How could I give you up, O Ephraim, or deliver you up, O Israel? How could I treat you as Admah, or make you like Zeboiim? My heart is overwhelmed, my pity is stirred.



Sacred Heart of Jesus

## SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Jn 1:35-39*

The next day John was there again with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come, and you will see." So they went and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day. It was about four in the afternoon.



James Tissot, The Calling of St. Andrew and St. John, c.1886-94 (Brooklyn Museum, New York)

## THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*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))



## 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.

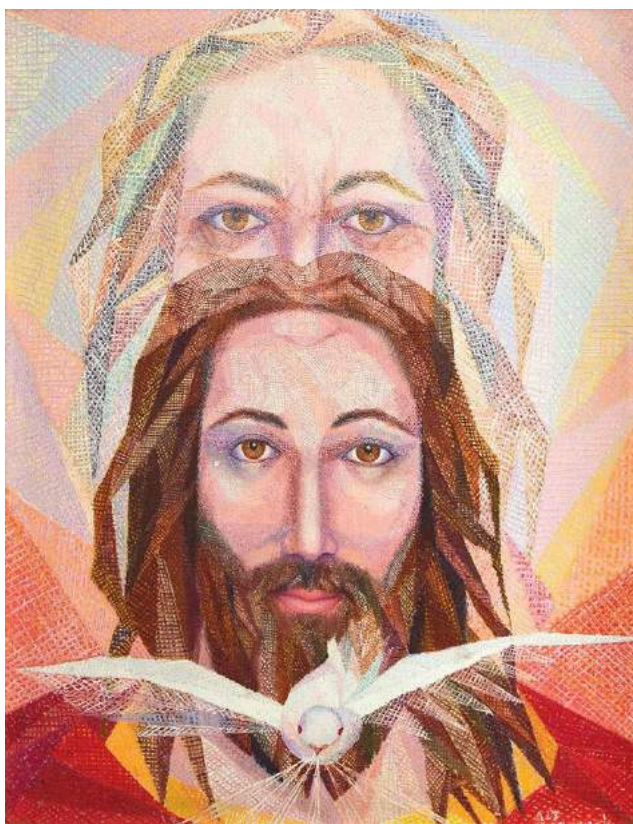


Rembrandt Harmensz. van Rijn, Jesus and the leper

## SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*2 Cor 1:19-22*

For the Son of God, Jesus Christ, who was proclaimed to you by us, Silvanus and Timothy and me, was not "yes" and "no," but "yes" has been in him. For however many are the promises of God, their Yes is in him; therefore, the Amen from us also goes through him to God for glory. But the one who gives us security with you in Christ and who anointed us is God; he has also put his seal upon us and given the Spirit in our hearts as a first installment.



dios uno y trino



## EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mc 2:18-20*

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.



Stanley Spencer, Christ in de Wilderness - Awaking

## 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

*Mc 3:28-29*

Amen, I say to you, all sins and all blasphemies that people utter will be forgiven them. But whoever blasphemes against the holy Spirit will never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an everlasting sin."



Holy Ghost

## 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?"

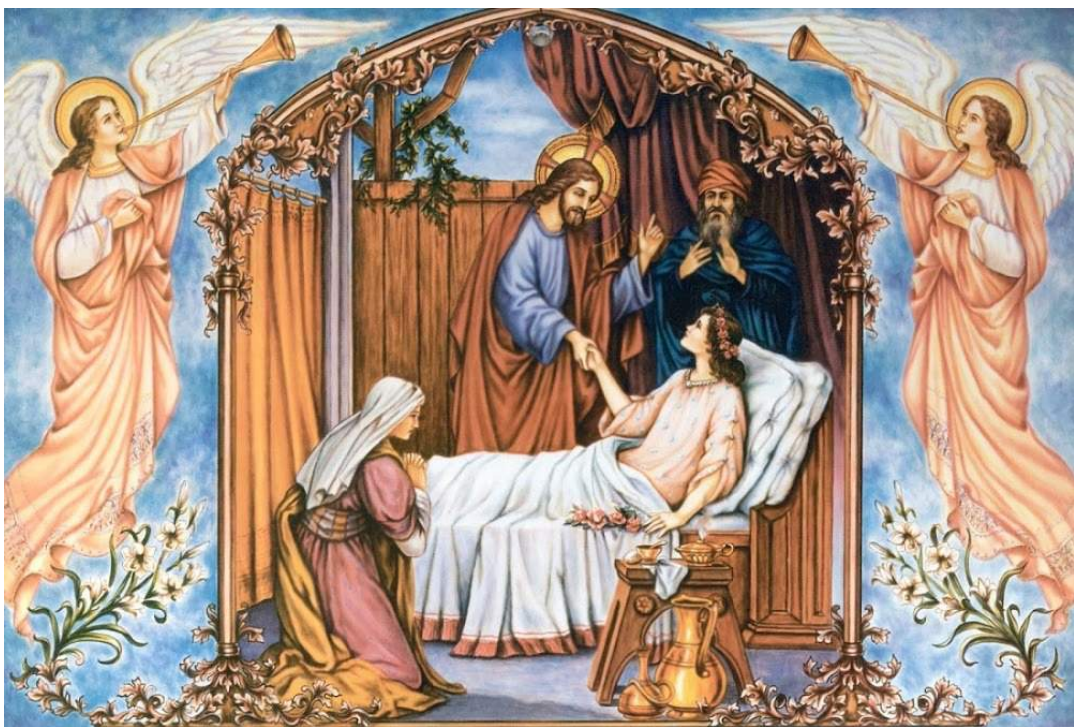


Ernest Vincent Wood III, Struggling Sailor Sleeping Savior - ©Ernest Vincent Wood III

## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mc 5:42*

The girl, a child of twelve, arose immediately and walked around. [At that] they were utterly astounded.



jesus-heals-jairus-daughter.jpg

## FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*2 Cor 12:7*

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



Crown of Thorns graffiti

## FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mc 6:10-12*

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



mappystyle, Converse hipster



## SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Eph 2:13-16*

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



Stanley Spencer, The crucifixion, 1958

## SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### *2 Kings 4:42-44*

A man came from Baal-shalishah bringing the man of God twenty barely loaves made from the first fruits, and fresh grain in the ear. "Give it to the people to eat," Elisha said. But his servant objected, "How can I set this before a hundred men?" "Give it to the people to eat," Elisha insisted. "For thus says the LORD, 'They shall eat and there shall be some left over.'" And when they had eaten, there was some left over, as the LORD had said.

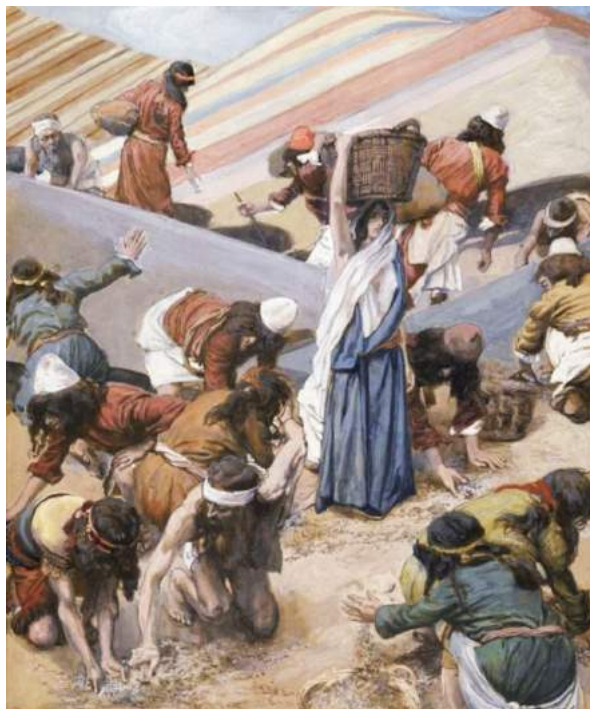


François-Xavier de Boissoudy, La multiplication des pains, 2016 - ©François-Xavier de Boissoudy

## EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*ex 16:2-5*

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

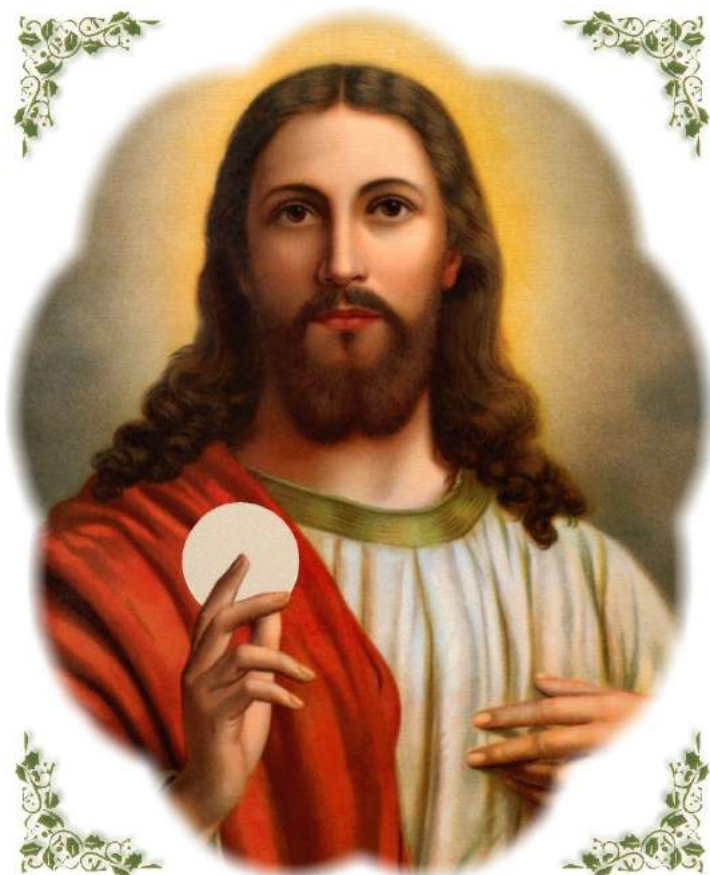


James Tissot, The Gathering of the Manna

## NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Jn 6:48-51*

I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."



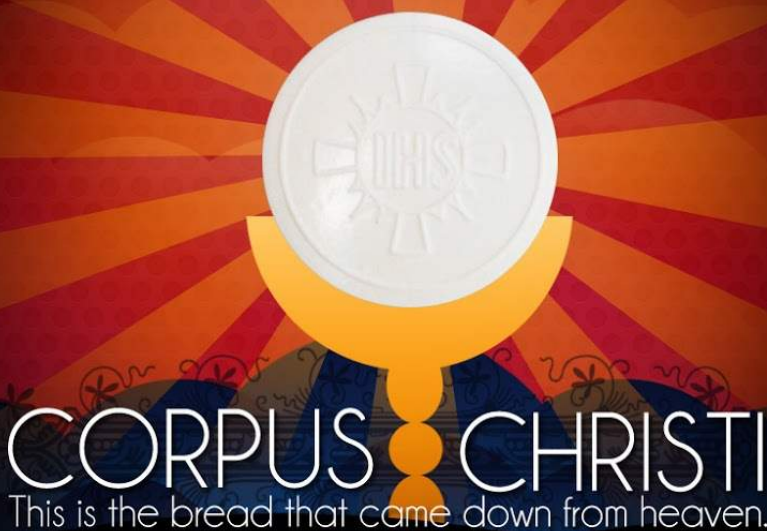
Blessed Sacrament praying card



## 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.



[stephencuyos.com](http://stephencuyos.com)

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.



Raúl Berzosa, Triumph of the Church Over Sin, 2009 - ©Raúl Berzosa

## 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 7:32-35*

And people brought to him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him off by himself away from the crowd. He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphatha!" (that is, "Be opened!") And (immediately) the man's ears were opened, his speech impediment was removed, and he spoke plainly.



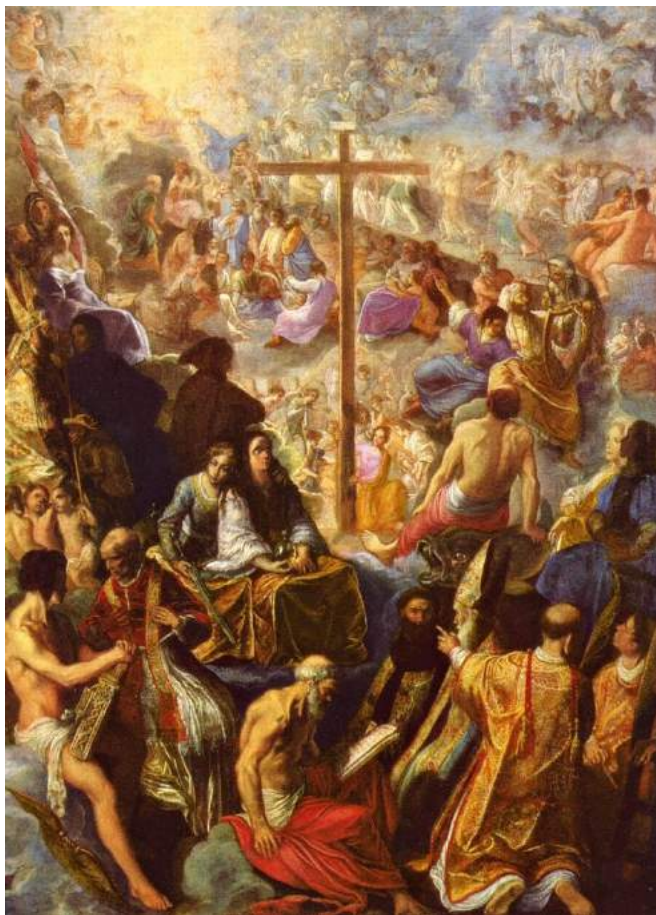
Cerezo Barredo, Effeta, 1999 - ©Cerezo Barredo



## 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 9:35-37*

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." Taking a child he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the one who sent me."



Carl Heinrich Bloch, Christ and child

## TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mc 9:40-42*

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



Geef geen ergernis, 1891

## TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Mc 10:6-9*

But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female. For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother (and be joined to his wife), and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, no human being must separate."



Keith Negley, *The Chronicle Review*, 2013



## 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

*Mc 10:35-38*

Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." He replied, "What do you wish (me) to do for you?" They answered him, "Grant that in your glory we may sit one at your right and the other at your left." Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Can you drink the cup that I drink or be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?"



Bernard Buffet, La Passion du Christ: Crucifixion, 1951, 1951 (Vatican Museum) - ©Bernard Buffet

## 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.



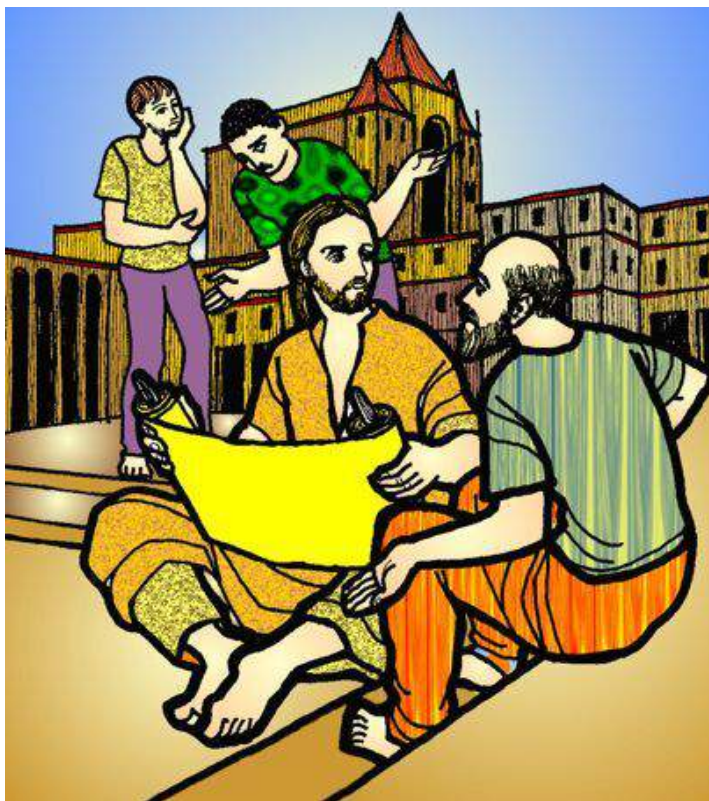
kevart, Blind Beggar Bartimaeus - ©kevart



## 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

*Jn 18:33-35*

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?"



J. Kirk Richards, *Art Thou a King Then?*, 2001 (Private collection) - ©J. Kirk Richards

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





## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*Lc 21:34-36*

"Beware that your hearts do not become drowsy from carousing and drunkenness and the anxieties of daily life, and that day catch you by surprise like a trap. For that day will assault everyone who lives on the face of the earth. Be vigilant at all times and pray that you have the strength to escape the tribulations that are imminent and to stand before the Son of Man."



Fra Angelico, Last Judgement, 1431 (Museo di San Marco, Florence)

## MONDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

*Mt 8:5-8*

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



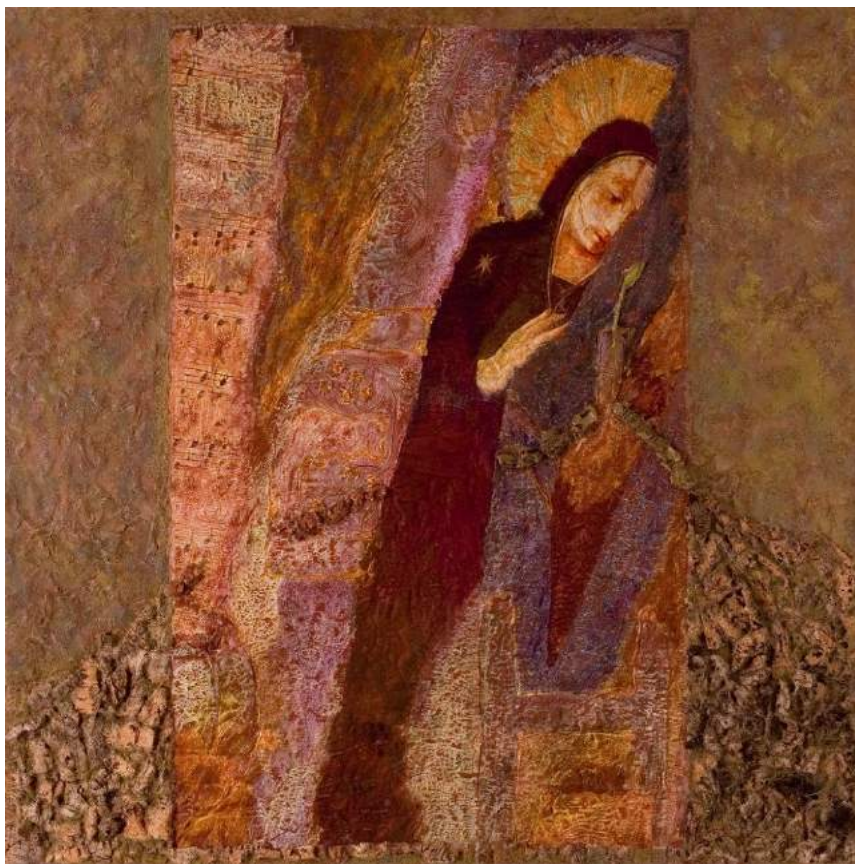
Healing of Centurion's Servant



## TUESDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

*Isa 11:1-3*

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, and his delight shall be the fear of the LORD. Not by appearance shall he judge, nor by hearsay shall he decide.



Hannelieke van de Beek, Een twijg zal ontspruiten aan de stronk van Isaï



## 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.

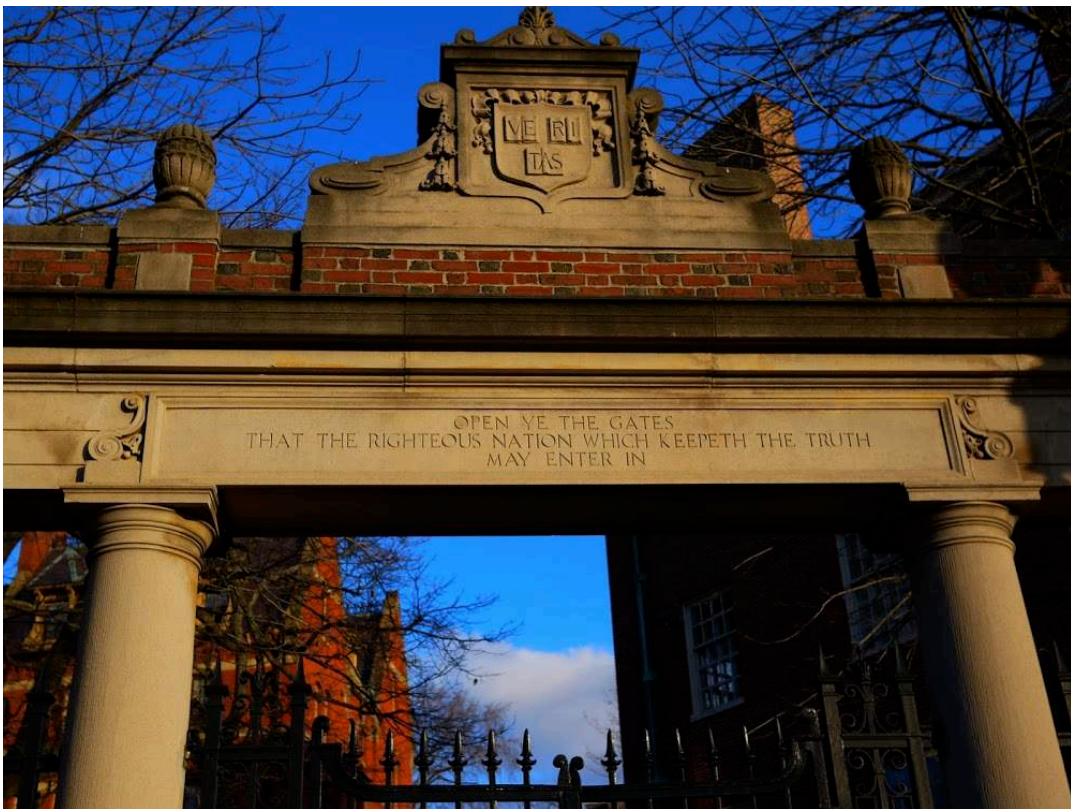


He will swallow up death in victory

## 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 10:3*

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

*Phil 1:9-11*

And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value, so that you may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.



I love You

## 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

*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

*Phil 4:5-7*

Your kindness should be known to all. The Lord is near. Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.



Boy praying on his way home



## 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 56:6-7*

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.

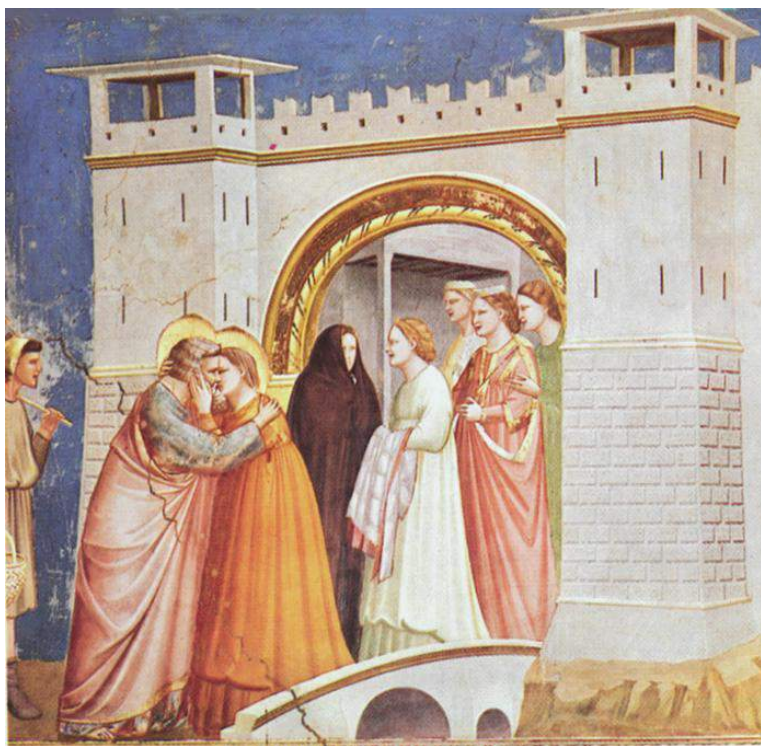


Raymond Virac, Visitation, 1926

## 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

*jer 23:6*

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



Jehova tsidkenu



## DECEMBER 19TH

*Lc 1:5-6*

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



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

## DECEMBER 20TH

*Lc 1:26-28*

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."

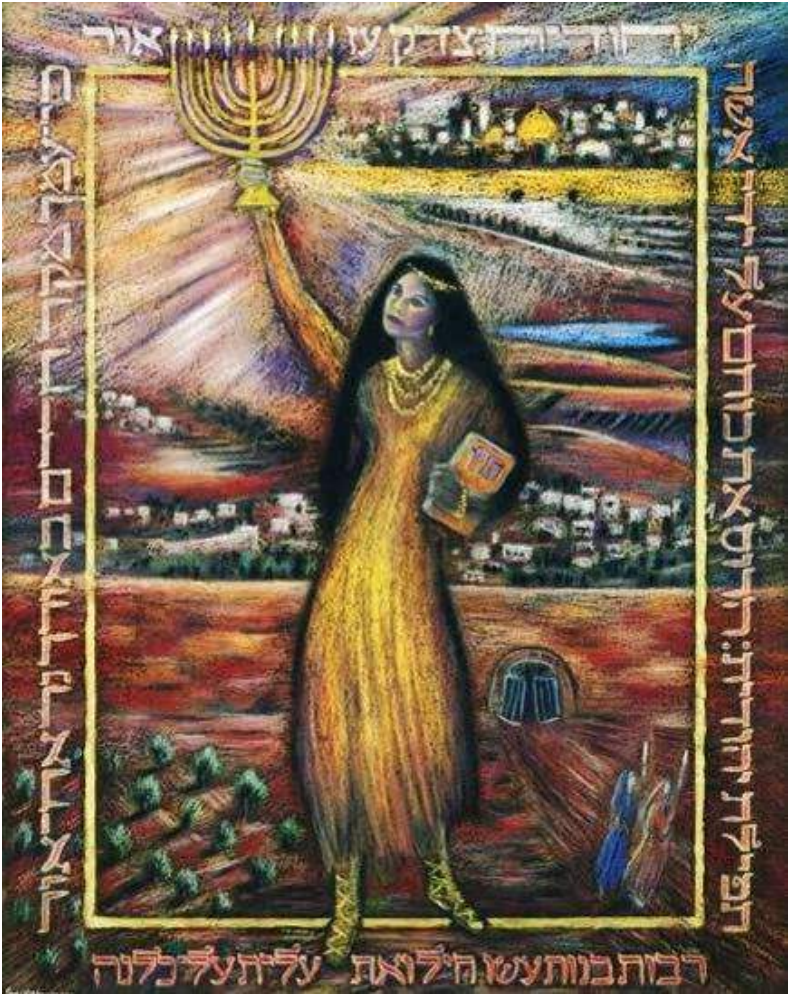


Ik ben de onbevleete ontvangenis, 1940

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 1:48*

For he has looked upon his handmaid's lowliness; behold, from now on will all ages call me blessed.



Assumption



## 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

*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)

## CHRISTMAS DAY MASS

December, 25th

*Jn 1:14*

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



Teresa Kogut, Divine Grace

## **SAINT STEPHEN, FIRST MARTYR**

### **December, 26th**

*Mt 10:19-20*

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



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



**SAINT JOHN, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST**  
**December, 27<sup>th</sup>**

*Jn 20:3-7*

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



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



## THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS

### December, 28th

*Mt 2:13-14*

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



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

## THE HOLY FAMILY

*Lc 2:49*

'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 1:16-18*

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.

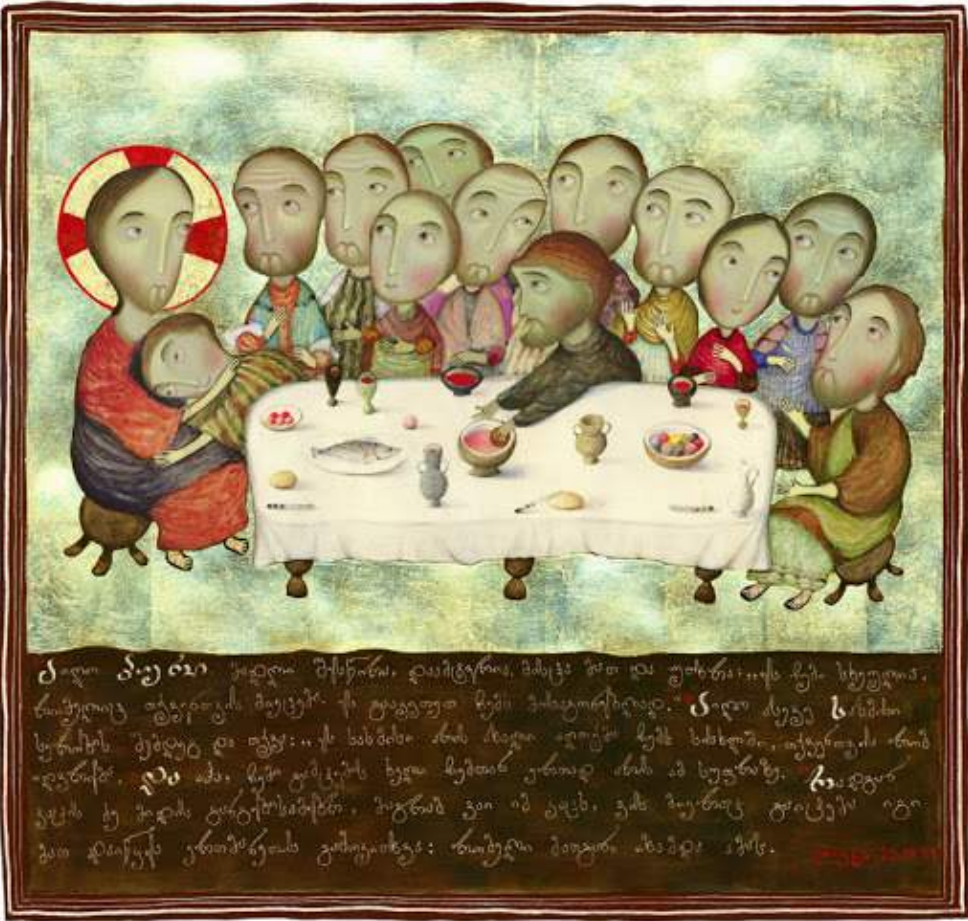


David Binnig, The Ten Commandments - ©David Binnig

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Mt 2:10-11

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



David Popiashvili, Lord's supper - ©#####



## BAPTISM OF THE LORD

*Lc 3:21-22*

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened 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."



Joachim Patinir, Le Baptême du Christ, 1510-1515 (Kunsthistorische Museum, Vienna, Austria)

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

*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



## THURSDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

*Lc 9:23-24*

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



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

## FRIDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

*Isa 58:7-8*

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



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

## SATURDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

*Isa 58:9-10*

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



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

## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

*Lc 4:9-12*

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



James Tissot, Satan Tried to Tempt Christ, 1895



## MONDAY OF THE FIRST WEEK OF LENT

*mt 25:31*

"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 3:1-2*

The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time: "Set out for the great city of Nineveh, and announce to it the message that I will tell you."



Mina Anton, Jonah in the whale, 2013 - ©Mina Anton

## 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 5:23-24*

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 5:44*

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

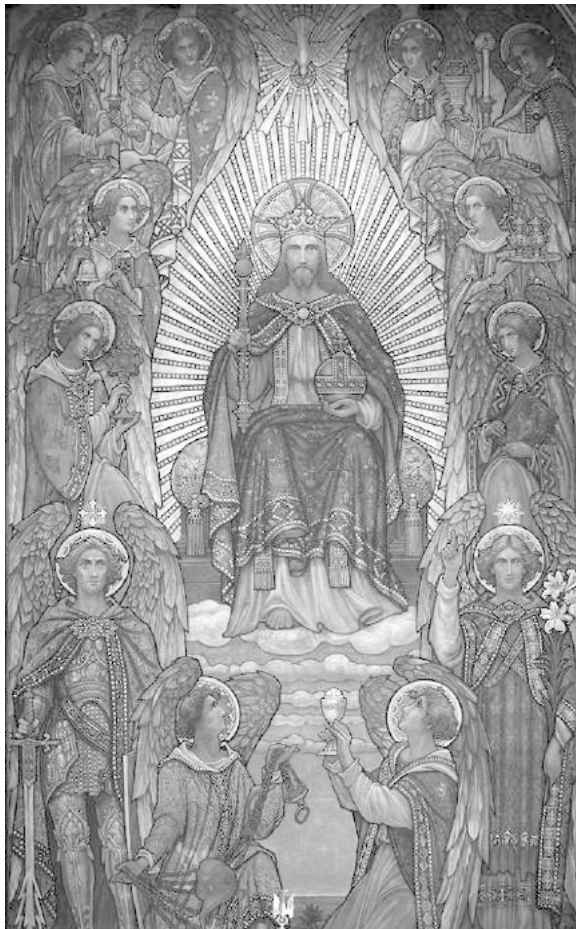


Jean Michel Basquiat, Jess Black And Jean Michel Basquiat Comparisons Subside

## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

*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.

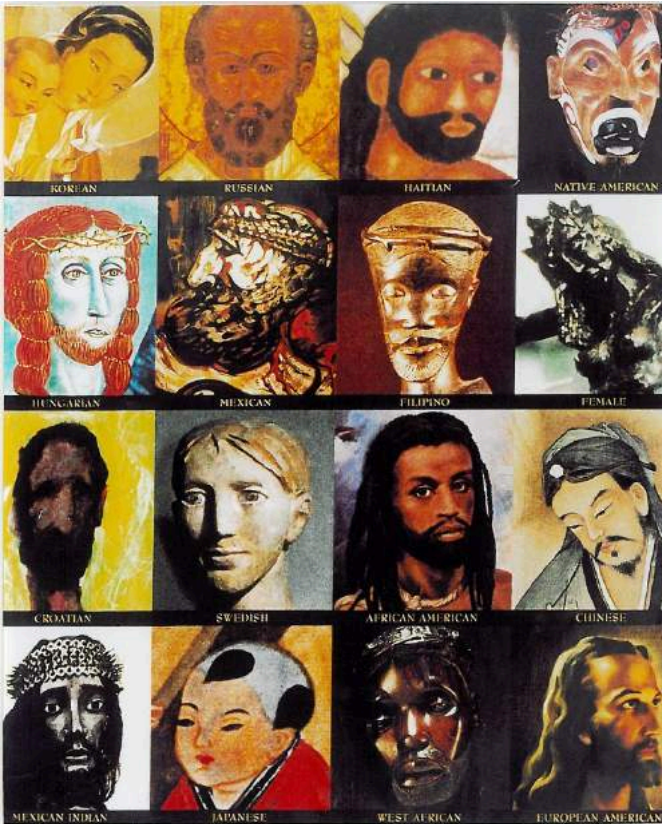


The Adoration of Christ the King, through the Holy Eucharist

## MONDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*dan* 9:7-9

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



The many faces of Jesus



## TUESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*isa 1:18*

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

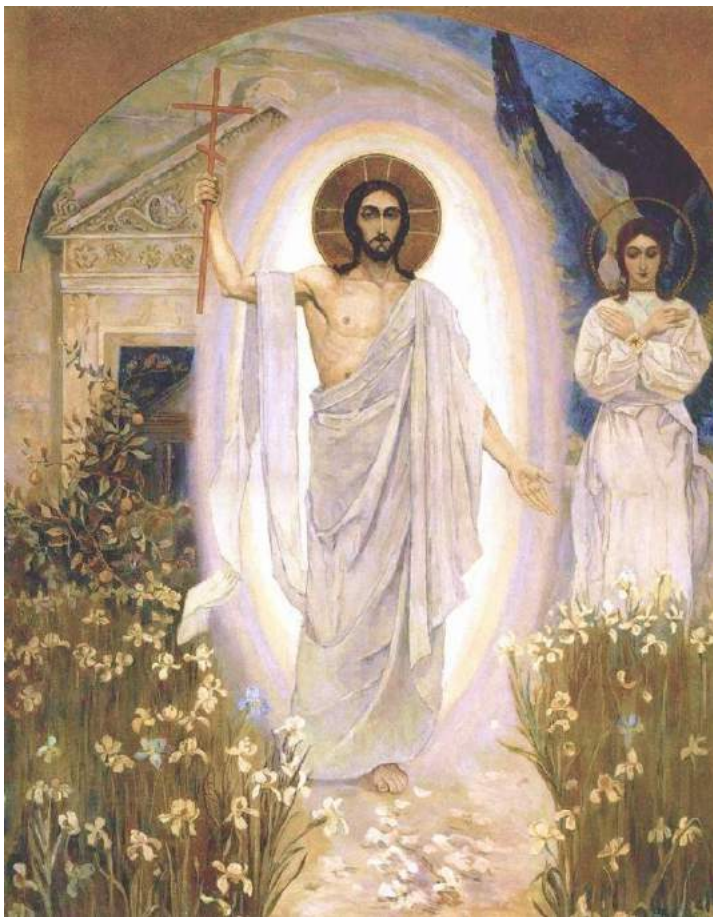


White as snow

## WEDNESDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*Mt 20:18-19*

"Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be handed over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death, and hand him over to the Gentiles to be mocked and scourged and crucified, and he will be raised on the third day."



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

## THURSDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*jer 17:5-7*

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



Don't trust in man

## FRIDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*Mt 21:33-40*

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



## SATURDAY OF THE SECOND WEEK OF LENT

*Lc 15:20-21*

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

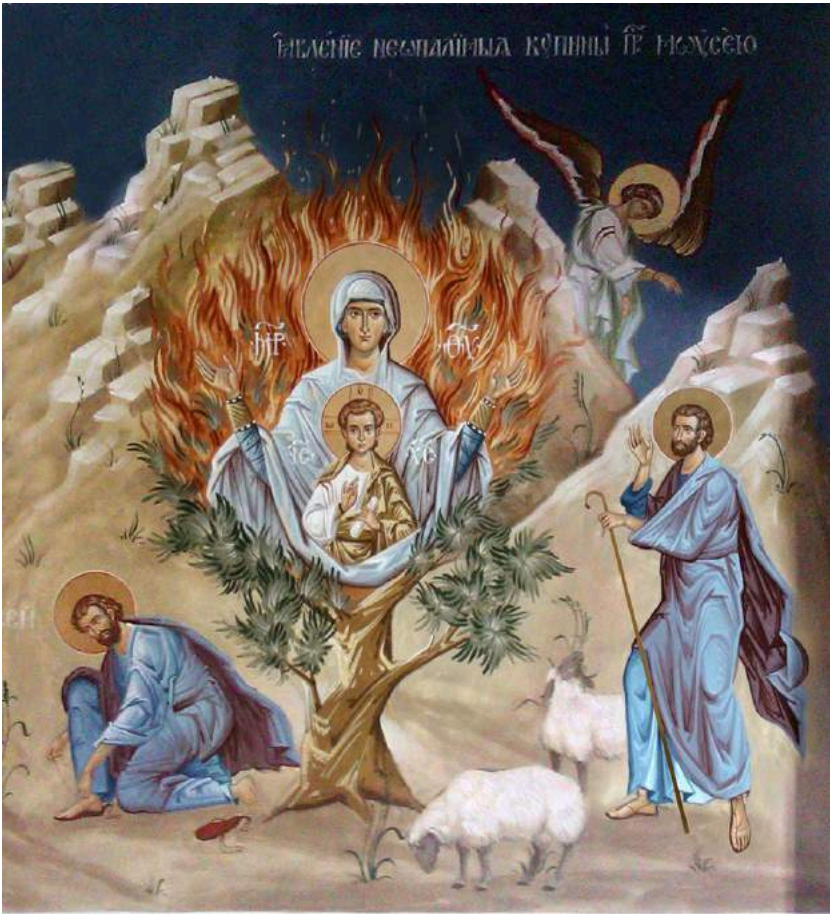


Arcabas, Le retour du fils prodigue - ©Arcabas

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

*Ex 3:2-3*

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



Icon of the Mother of God "the Unburnt Bush"

## MONDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

*2 kings 5:9-15*

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



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

## 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.

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## 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

*lc 11:17-20*

But he knew their thoughts and said to them, "Every kingdom divided against itself will be laid waste and house will fall against house. And if Satan is divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand? For you say that it is by Beelzebul that I drive out demons. If I, then, drive out demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your own people drive them out? Therefore they will be your judges. But if it is by the finger of God that (I) drive out demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you.

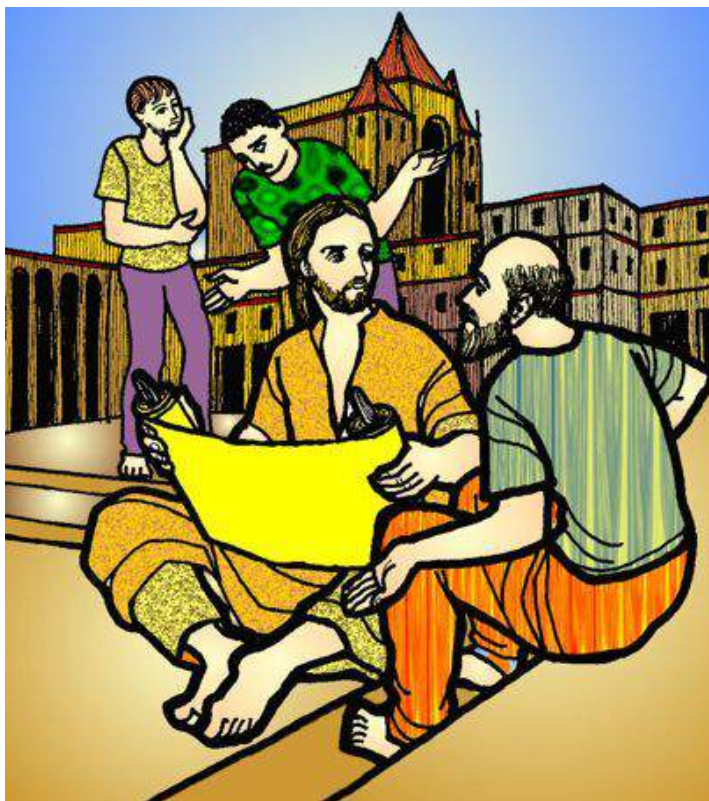


Unity

## 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

*Lc 15:21*

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



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

## 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

*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 49:11-13*

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



Road



## THURSDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*ex 32:9-14*

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



The golden calf

## FRIDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*jn 7:6-12*

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



The disciples go to the festival without Jesus

## SATURDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

*jer 11:19-20*

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

*dan 13:5-21*

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



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

## 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

*gen 17:3-9*

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



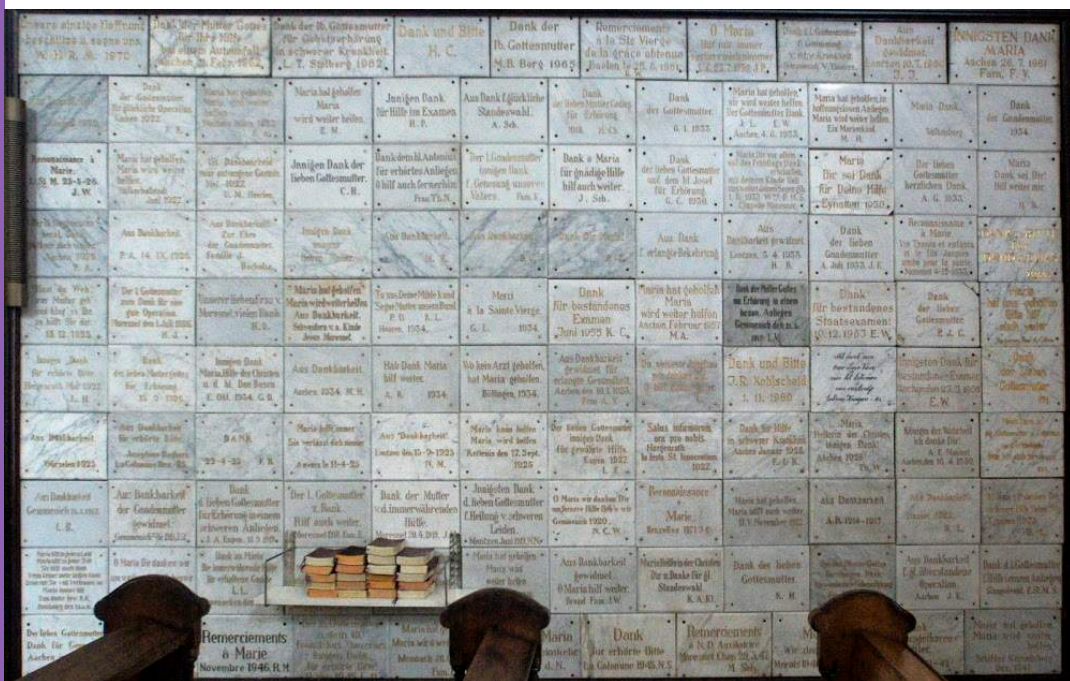
New Priest for the Ordinariate in Essex—Deo Gratias!



# FRIDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

*jn 10:37-38*

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



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

## SATURDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

*jn 11:47-53*

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

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



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

## **PALM SUNDAY**

*Lc 23:3*

Pilate asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" He said to him in reply, "You say so."  
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Charles Aldrich, Station I



## MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK

*Jn 12:1-3*

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



He Qi, Mary Magdalene, 2001 - ©He Qi



## TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

*isa 49:6*

It is too little, he says, for you to be my servant, to raise up the tribes of Jacob, and restore the survivors of Israel; I will make you a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.



Light to the nations

## WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

*isa 50:6-9*

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



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

## CHRISM MASS

### *Rev 1:7-8*

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

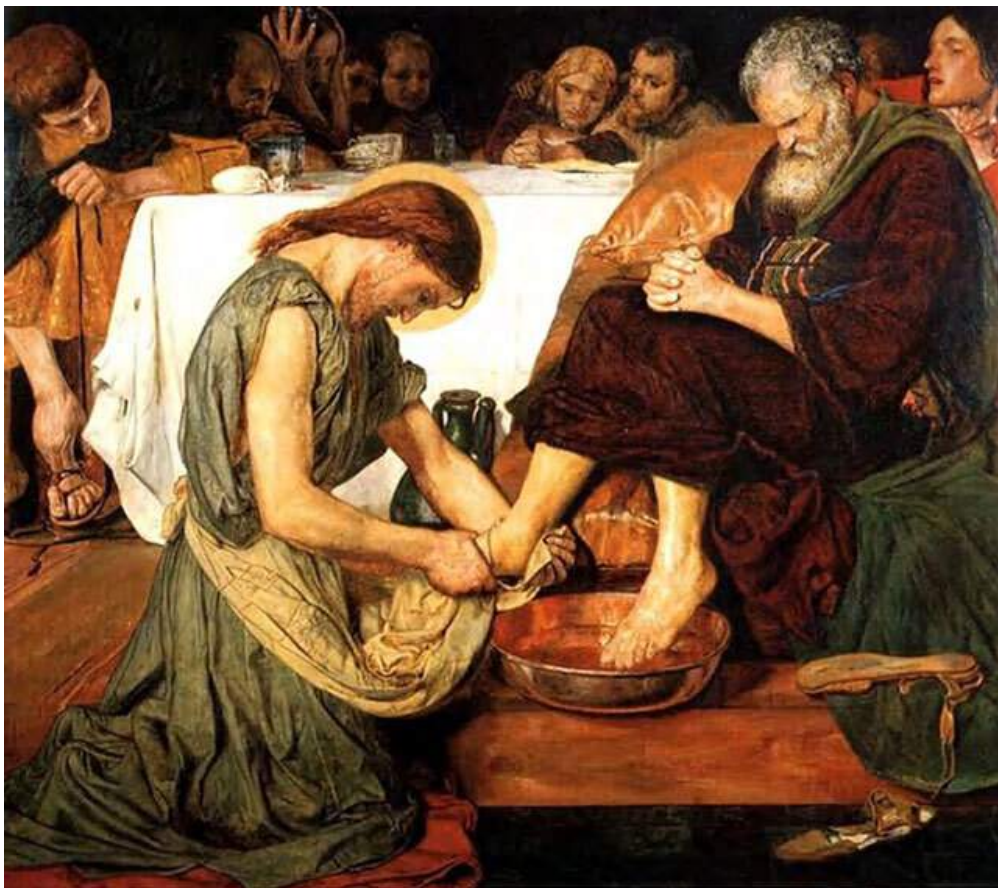


Matthew Garrett, Ascension of Christ, 2009 (Church of the Nativity of the Virgin Mary (OCA) in Monongahela PA) - ©Matthew Garrett

## HOLY THURSDAY

*Jn 13:6-8*

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



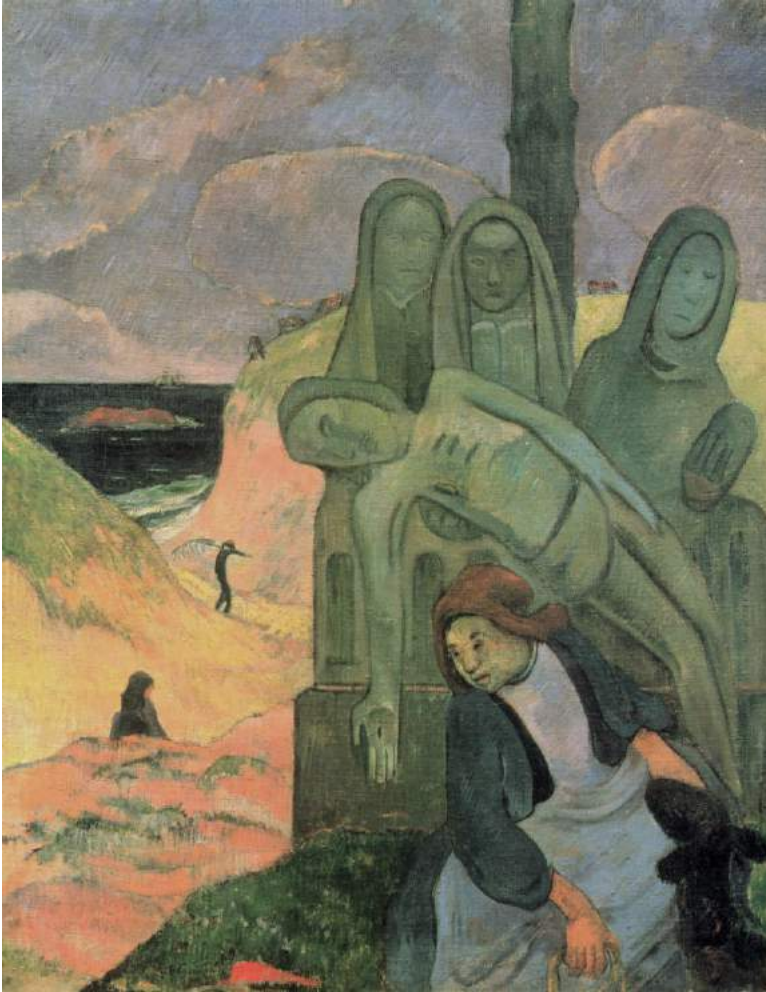
Ford Madox Brown, Jesus Washing Peter's Feet, 1852-56 (Tate Gallery, London)



## GOOD FRIDAY

*Jn 19:25*

Standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary of Magdala.



Paul Gauguin, Breton Calvary (Green Christ), 1889 (Royal Museums of Fine Arts of Belgium, Brussels)

## EASTER VIGIL

*Lc 24:1-3*

But at daybreak on the first day of the week they took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb; but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus.



Aladar Korosfoi-Kriesch, All Souls' Day, 1910 (Hungarian National Gallery, Budapest)

## EASTER SUNDAY

*Jn 20:1-4*

On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him." 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.



James Tissot, HH. Petrus en Johannes rennen naar het graf, 1884-1896 (Brooklyn Museum, New York)



## MONDAY OF EASTER WEEK

*Mt 28:8-9*

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



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



## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Jn 20:19*

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

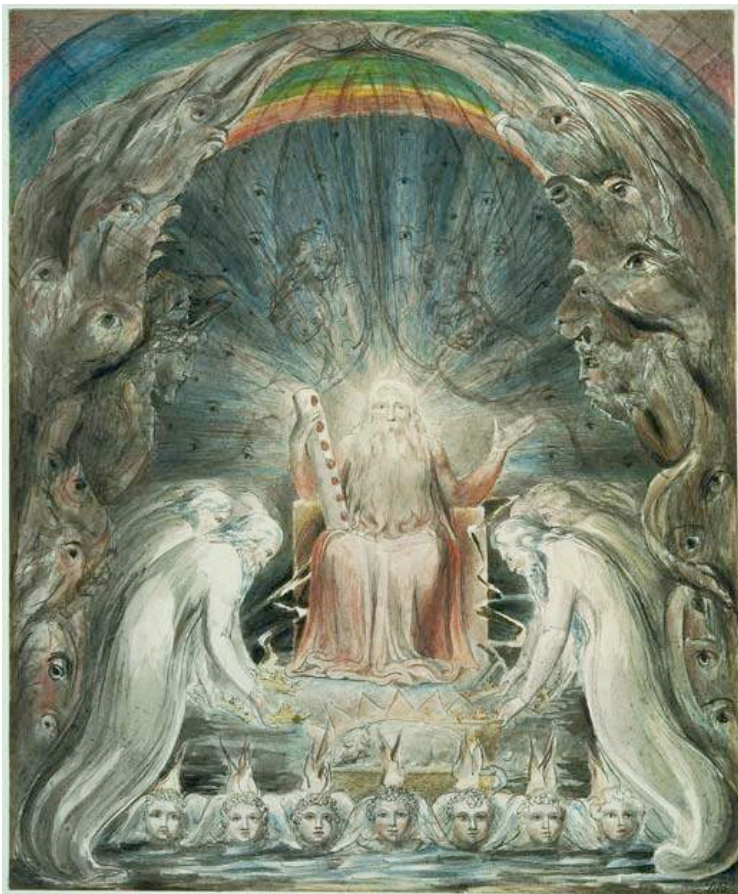


Peace be with you

## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Rev 5:11-12*

I looked again and heard the voices of many angels who surrounded the throne and the living creatures and the elders. They were countless in number, and they cried out in a loud voice: "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches, wisdom and strength, honor and glory and blessing."



William Blake, *The Four and Twenty Elders Casting Their Crowns Before the Divine Throne*, c. 1803-05 (Tate Collection, Millbank, London)

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Acts 13:21*

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



David

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### *Rev 21:1-5*

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth. The former heaven and the former earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. I also saw the holy city, a new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, God's dwelling is with the human race. He will dwell with them and they will be his people and God himself will always be with them (as their God). He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain, (for) the old order has passed away." The one who sat on the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new." Then he said, "Write these words down, for they are trustworthy and true."



The new Jerusalem



## 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)

Then I said, 'As is written of me in the scroll, Behold, I come to do your will, O God.'".



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## SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### *Acts 7:55-60*

But he, filled with the holy Spirit, looked up intently to heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God, and he said, "Behold, I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God." But they cried out in a loud voice, covered their ears, and rushed upon him together. They threw him out of the city, and began to stone him. The witnesses laid down their cloaks at the feet of a young man named Saul. 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.



Domenico Ghirlandaio, Christ in Heaven with Four Saints and a Donor, 1492 (Pinacoteca Comunale, Volterra)



## PENTECOST

### *Acts 2:3-4*

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



Françoise Burtz, Ascension-Pentecôte, 2006 - ©Françoise Burtz



## 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

*Rom 5:1-2*

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



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



## CORPUS CHRISTI

### *1 Cor 11:23-26*

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus, on the night he was handed over, took bread, and, after he had given thanks, broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes.



Pope Francis celebrating ad orientem

## SACRED HEART OF JESUS

*Lc 15:4-6*

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



The good Shepherd

## SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Jn 2:6-8*

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

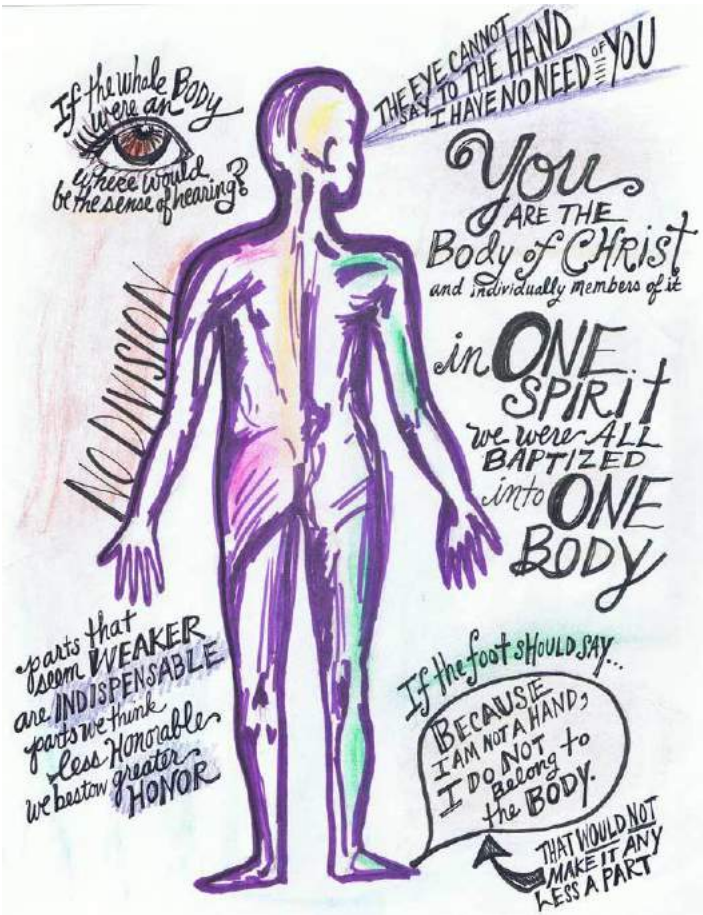


Marten de Vos, De bruiloft te Kana, 1596 (O.-L. Vrouwekathedraal, Antwerp)

# THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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



## FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Lc 4:24-28*

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



Jesus Declares He Is the Messiah

## FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*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

*jer 17:5-7*

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



Don't trust in man



## 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.

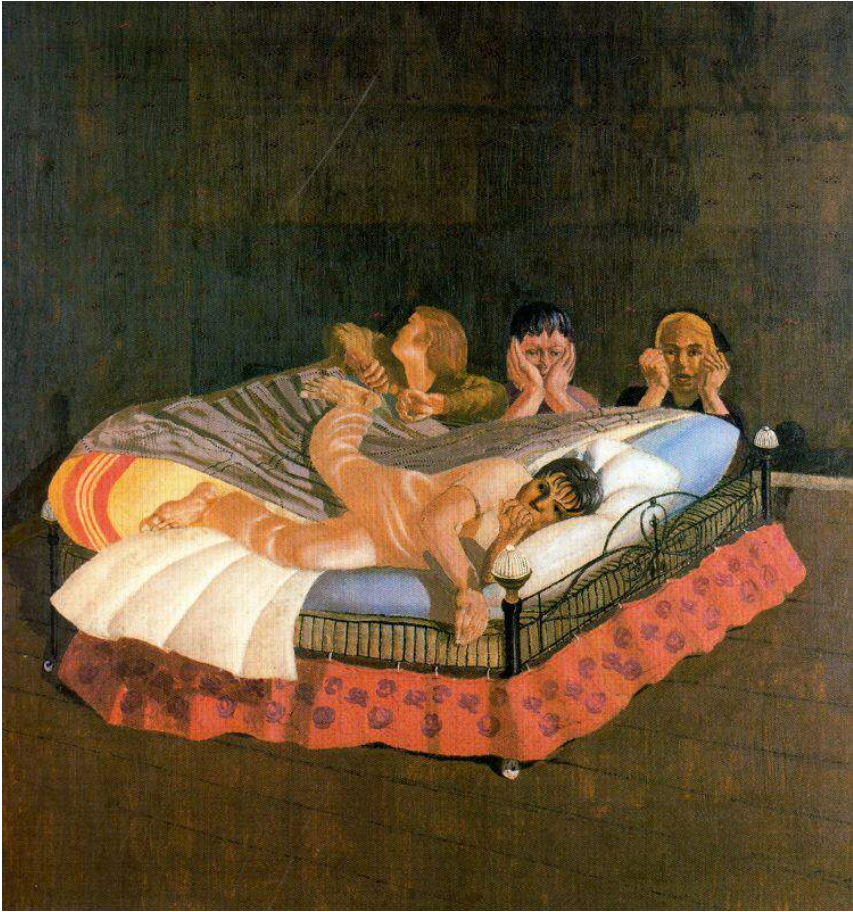


Dude, you've got a speck in your eye

## 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 7:44-48*

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



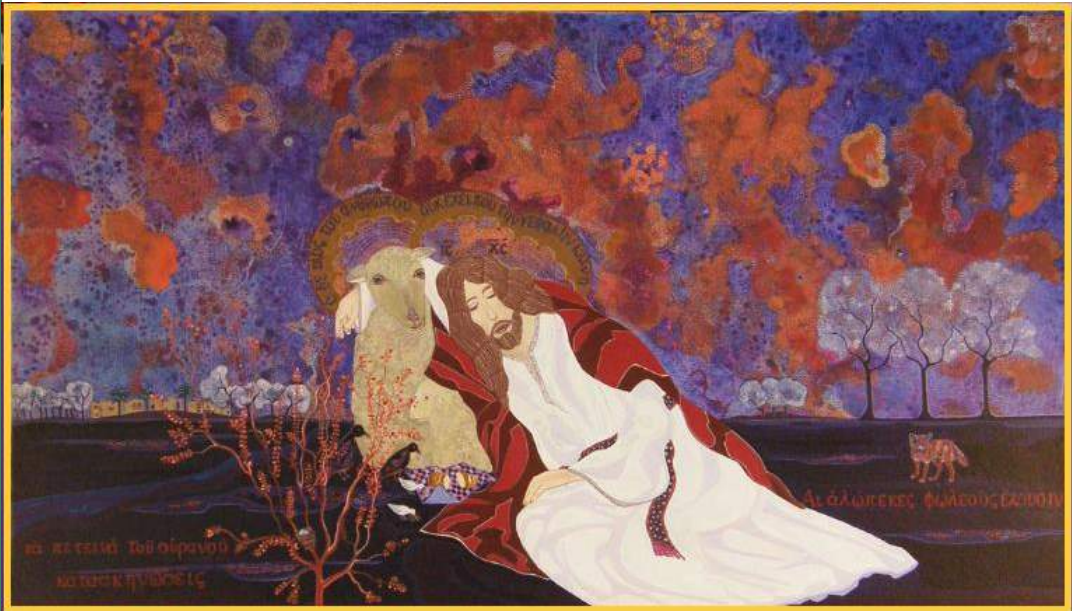
Mary anointing Jesus' feet



## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Lc 9:57-58*

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



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

## FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Lc 10:1-5*

Others whom he sent ahead of him in pairs to every town and place he intended to visit. He said to them, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest. 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. Into whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this household.'."



"Très Riches Heures du Duc de Berry", The Apostles Going Forth, 1410-1411 (Musée Condé à Chantilly, France)

## FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Lc 10:33*

But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight.



Meester van de Barmhartige Samaritaan, De barmhartige Samaritaan, 1537 (Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam)



## 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.



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

## EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Col 3:3-5,9-10*

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

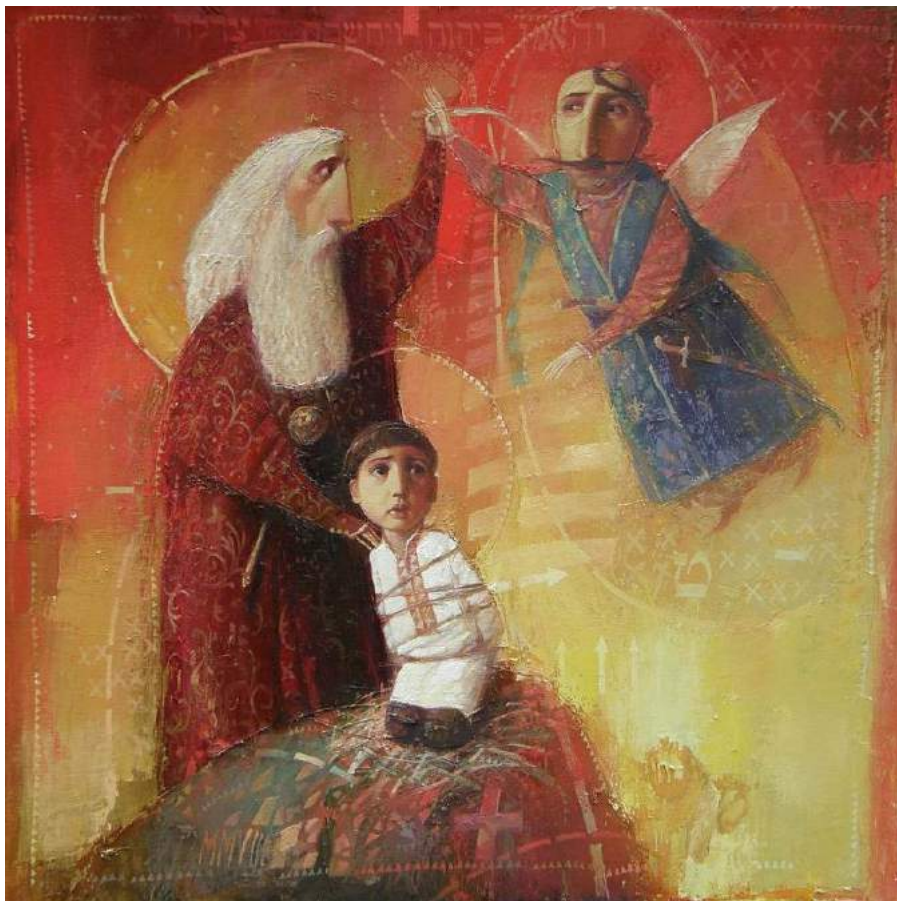


Emma, 2006

## NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Heb 11:17-19*

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



Oleksandr Antonyuk, The sacrifice of Isaac - ©Oleksandr Antonyuk

## TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Lc 13:25-27*

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



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



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."



## TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Lc 14:26-27*

"If any one comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.



Destroyed Warsaw

## TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Lc 15:4-6*

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



Nathan Greene, The good shepherd - ©Nathan Greene

## 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 17:14-15*

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.



James C. Christensen, The Ten Lepers - ©James Christensen

## TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Lc 18:7-8*

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

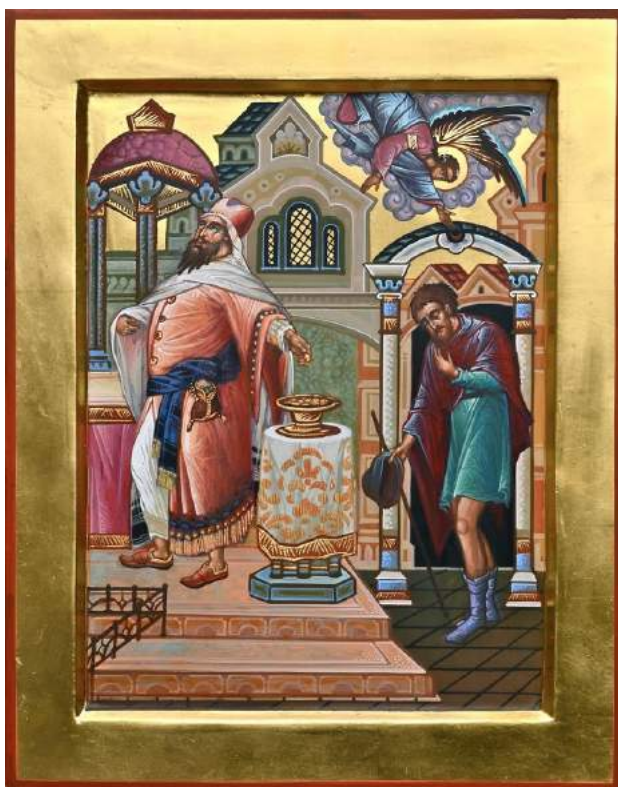


Milly Childers, Girl praying in church (Leeds Museums and Galleries)

## THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*lc 18:10-13*

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



The publican and the pharisee

# THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Lc 19:3-5

Was seeking to see who Jesus was; but he could not see him because of the crowd, for he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree in order to see Jesus, who was about to pass that way. When he reached the place, Jesus looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, come down quickly, for today I must stay at your house."



David Popiashvili, Zaccheus - ©#####



## THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Lc 20:32-35*

Finally the woman also died. Now at the resurrection whose wife will that woman be? For all seven had been married to her." Jesus said to them, "The children of this age marry and remarry; but those who are deemed worthy to attain to the coming age and to the resurrection of the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage.



Stanley Spencer, The resurrection: Tidying, 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)



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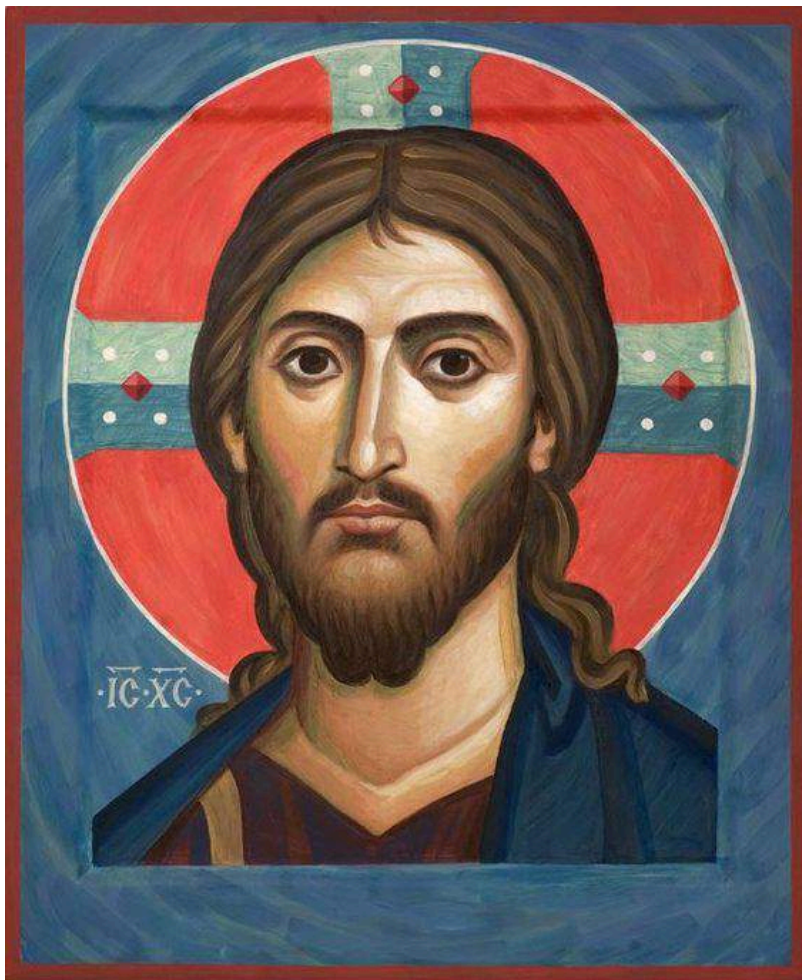


## MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

January, 1st

*Num 6:24-26*

The LORD bless you and keep you! The LORD let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you! The LORD look upon you kindly and give you peace!



Icon of Jesus

## CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL, APOSTLE

### January, 25th

*Acts 22:6-9*

"On that journey as I drew near to Damascus, about noon a great light from the sky suddenly shone around me. I fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to me, 'Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?' I replied, 'Who are you, sir?' And he said to me, 'I am Jesus the Nazorean whom you are persecuting.' My companions saw the light but did not hear the voice of the one who spoke to me.



Caravaggio, The Conversion of Saint Paul, 1600/1601 (Odescalchi Balbi Collection, Rome)

## PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

February, 2nd

*Lc 2:25-32*

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon. This man was righteous and devout, awaiting the consolation of Israel, and the holy Spirit was upon him. It had been revealed to him by the holy Spirit that he should not see death before he had seen the Messiah of the Lord. 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."



Philippe de Champaigne, The Presentation of the Temple, 1648 (Royal Museums of Fine Arts of Belgium)



## 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

*Lc 2:48-50*

When his parents saw him, they were astonished, and his mother said to him, "Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety." And he said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he said to them.



William Holman Hunt, *The Finding of the Saviour in the Temple*, 1860 (Birmingham Museum & Art Gallery, Birmingham)

## ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

March, 25th

*Lc 1:28-33*

And coming to her, he said, "Hail, favored one! The Lord is with you." But she was greatly troubled at what was said and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his father, and he will rule over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end."



Hermine David, Annunciation - ©Hermine David



## SAINT MARK, EVANGELIST

**April, 25th**

*Mc 16:19-20*

So then the Lord Jesus, after he spoke to them, was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God. But they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the word through accompanying signs.).



Carbonnier, Ascension (Maison mère des Lazaristes, Paris)



## 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 1:41*

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



Arcabas, Visitation - ©Arcabas

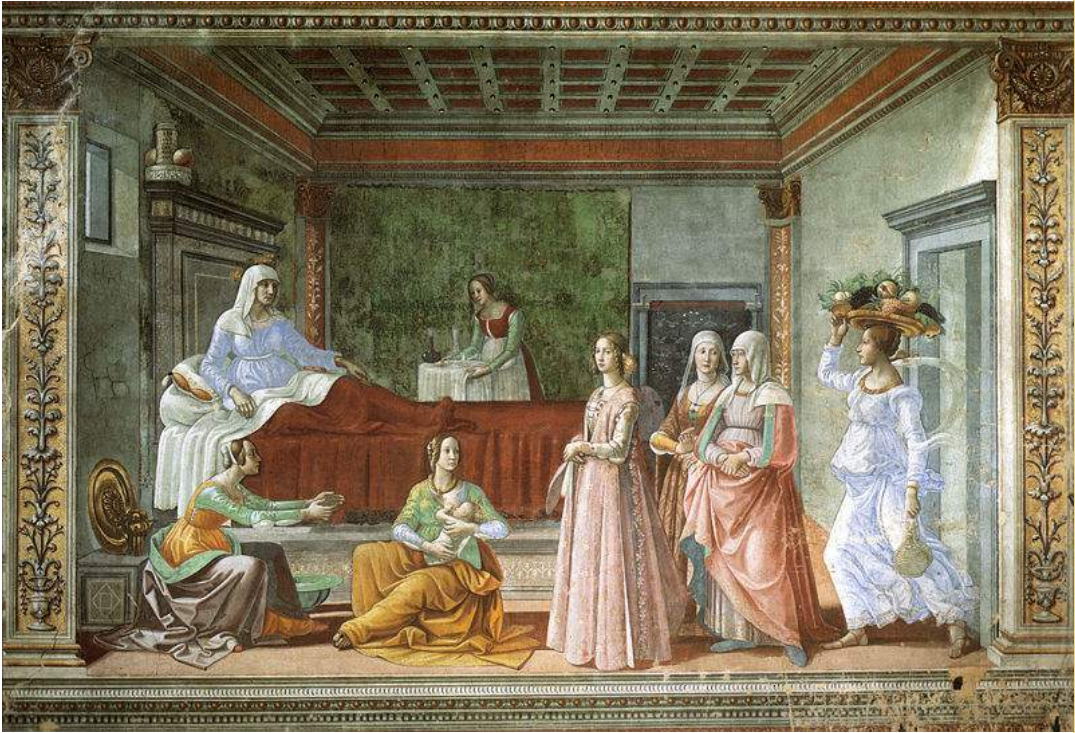


## BIRTH OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

June, 24th

*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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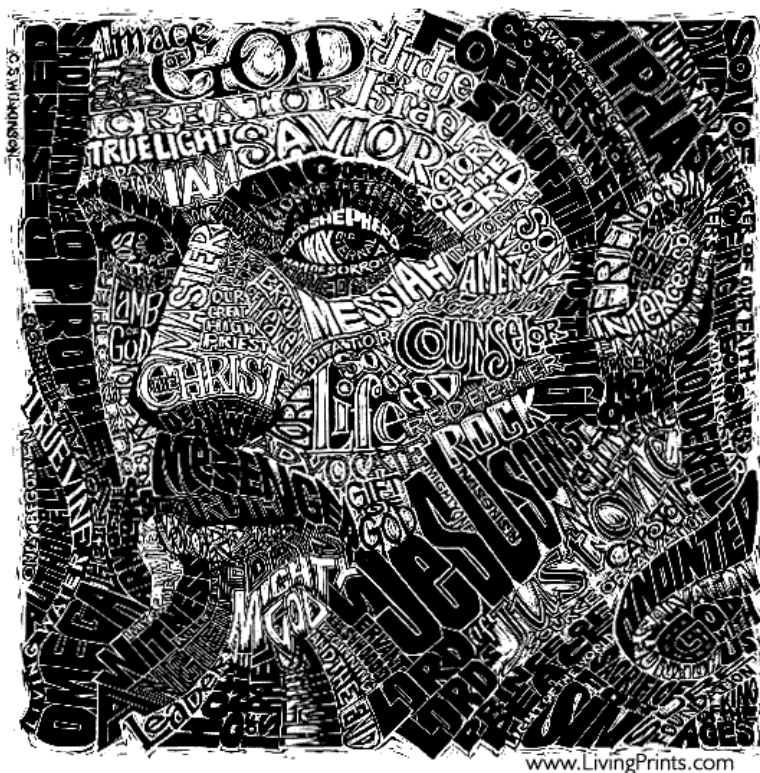


## SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

## 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 20:26-28*

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!"



David Binnig, Thomas puts a finger in Jesus' wound - ©David Binnig

## 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

*Dan 7:13*

As the visions during the night continued, I saw One like a son of man coming, on the clouds of heaven; When he reached the Ancient One and was presented before him.



John August Swanson, Entry into the City



# SAINT LAWRENCE, DEACON AND MARTYR

## August, 10th

*Jn 12:25*

Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life.



Saint Lawrence, Keeper of the Treasures

# ASSUMPTION OF THE VIRGIN MARY INTO HEAVEN

August, 15th

*Lc 1:39-47*

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. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Most blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled." And Mary said: "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my savior.



Richard King, The Visitation - ©Richard King

## 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 1:20b-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)

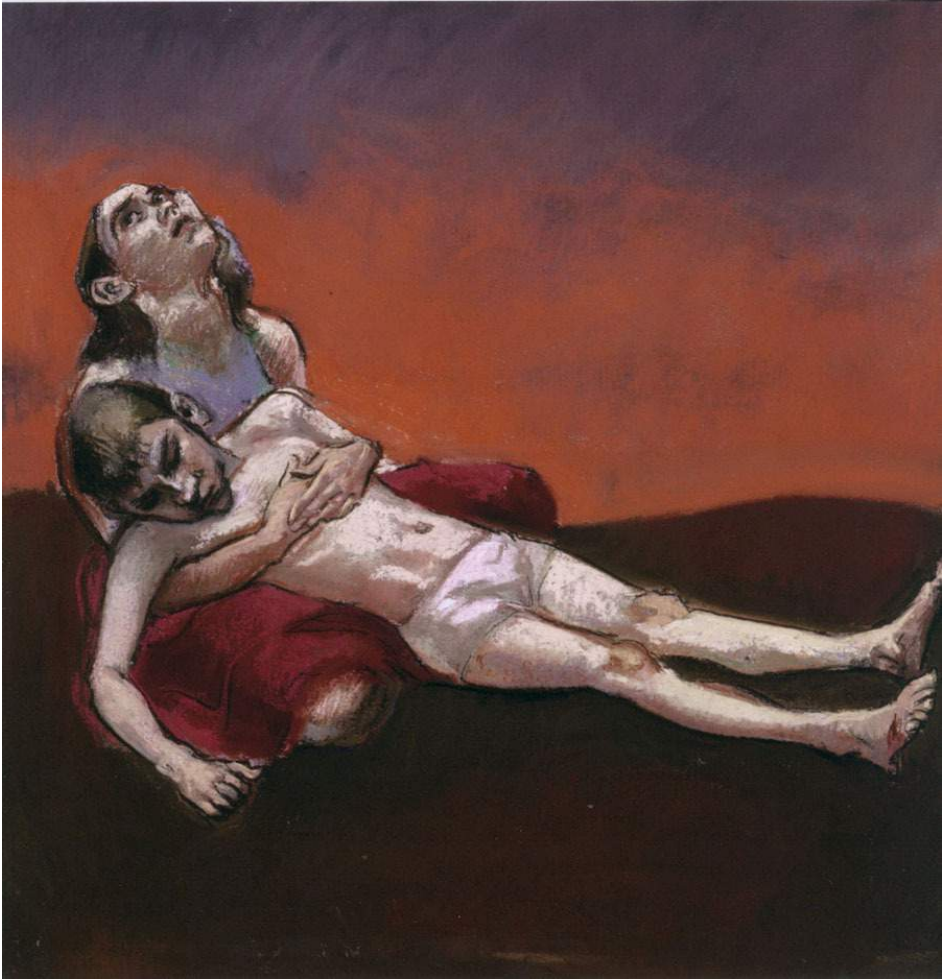


# TRIUMPH OF THE HOLY CROSS

## September, 14th

*Jn 3:16*

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.



Paula Rego, Pieta, 2002 - ©Paula Rego

## 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

*Dan 7:13*

As the visions during the night continued, I saw One like a son of man coming, on the clouds of heaven; When he reached the Ancient One and was presented before him.



John August Swanson, Entry into the City



## SAINT LUKE, EVANGELIST

### October, 18th

#### *Lc 10:1-5*

Others whom he sent ahead of him in pairs to every town and place he intended to visit. He said to them, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest. 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. Into whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this household.'"



"Très Riches Heures du Duc de Berry", The Apostles Going Forth, 1410-1411 (Musée Condé à Chantilly, France)



## **SAINTS SIMON AND JUDE, APOSTLES**

### **October, 28th**

*Lc 6:12-16*

To God. 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.



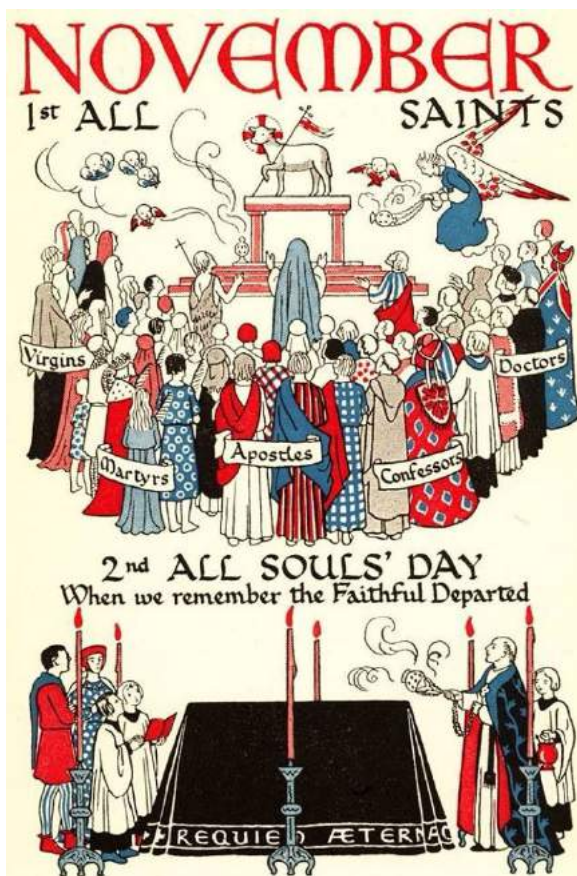
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## ALL SAINTS

### 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

*Jn 2:17-21*

His disciples recalled the words of scripture, "Zeal for your house will consume me." At this the Jews answered and said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and you will raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking about the temple of his body.



Follower of Jheronimus Bosch, Christ driving the Money-Changers from the Temple, between 1570 and 1600 (Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum, Glasgow)



## **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.



Henry Ossawa Tanner, *The Annunciation*, 1898 (Philadelphia Museum of Art)

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