



JANUARY 28TH, 2018
4TH SUNDAY OF
ORDINARY TIME
CYCLE B

REFLECTION

The King's Authority

Scott Hahn Reflects on the 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Last week, Jesus announced the kingdom of God is at hand. This week, in mighty words and deeds, He exercises His dominion—asserting royal authority over the ruler of this world, Satan (see John 12:31). Notice that today's events take place on the sabbath. The sabbath was to be an everlasting sign—both of God's covenant love for His creation (see Exodus 20:8–11; 31:12–17), and His deliverance of his covenant people, Israel, from slavery (see Deuteronomy 6:12–15). On this sabbath, Jesus signals a new creation—that the Holy One has come to purify His people and deliver the world from evil. "With an unclean spirit" is biblical language for a man possessed by a demon, Satan being the prince of demons (see Mark 3:22). The demons' question: "What have you to do with us?" is often used in Old Testament scenes of combat and judgment (see Judges 11:12; 1 Kings 17:18). And as God by His word "rebuked" the forces of chaos in creating the world (see Psalms 104:7; Job 26:10–12), and again rebuked the Red Sea so the Israelites could make their exodus (see Psalms 106:9), Mark uses the same word to describe Jesus rebuking the demons (see Mark 4:39; Zechariah 3:2). Jesus is the prophet foretold by Moses in today's First Reading (see Acts 3:22). Though He has authority over heaven and earth (see Daniel 7:14,27; Revelation 12:10), He becomes one of our own kinsmen. He comes to rebuke the forces of evil and chaos—not only in the world, but in our lives. He wants to make us holy in body

and spirit, as Paul says in today's Epistle (see Exodus 31:12). In this liturgy, we hear His voice and "see" His works, as we sing in today's Psalm. And as Moses tells us today, we should listen to Him.



Thank you to Dr. Scott Hahn and the St. Paul Center for the use of the weekly Mass reflections. More resources are available at www.stpaulcenter.com

HEROES IN HOLINESS
QUOTES FROM THE SAINTS

"Charity brings to life again those who are spiritually dead."

—St. Thomas Aquinas

"Charity is the form, mover, mother, and root of all virtues."

—St. Thomas Aquinas

The Saints who have gone before us are the witness, par excellence, to this tethering to Truth that enlightens and inspires and elevates mankind.

Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK

JANUARY 27TH TO FEBRUARY 3, 2018

- SAT. JAN. 27TH 5:00 PM - Annet Manoranja & Family
in Thanksgiving
- SUN. JAN. 28TH 7:30 AM - Benjamin, Cecilia,
& Jeffrey Lugos †
- 9:00 AM - People of the Parish
10:30 AM - Brendon & Tristan De France
12:00 PM - Emertiana & Abraham Mendonca †
- TUE. JAN. 30TH 8:30 AM - Special Intention of Teresita
Catalina & Gelia Tesoro
- WED. JAN. 31ST 7:30 PM - Frank Giddings †
- THU. FEB. 1ST 8:30 AM - Family of Bridget Mattos
for Blessings Received
- FRI. FEB. 2ND 7:30 PM - Special Intention of Hermie &
Adel Evangelista & Children
- SAT. FEB. 3RD 8:30 AM - Saving the Souls of the Unborn

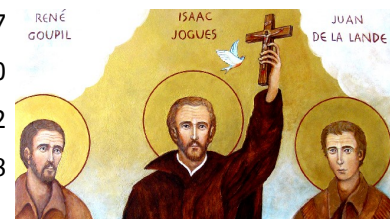


OUR SICK: Daniela Alario, Rebecca C. Baltazar, Cristeta Del Mundo, Dina Sorbera, Daniel Leonardo, Monica Bouchard, Kerrie Leonard, Ramona Labo, Harold Hunt, Adeline Noronha, Antonio Sorbera, Julia Genova, Carmen Humbel, Christina Lochan, Ronaldo Maravilla, Lucas Sorbera, Peter Pacione, Sheryl Watson, Stanley de Freitas, Peter Pinto, Maureen Dempsey, Marina Sequeira, Ofelia Magat, Rosemarie Deans, Paul Swoffer, Minoli Paul, Joshua Bolingot, Offe Ayuson, Isabel Grosvenor, Clera Uy Cruz, Mary Loretta Noftall, Marie Herrera, Salome Mason, Frank McPhearson, John Germain, Ms. Dalhoo, Loren Lea Hodgeson, Carla Di Cecco, Virginia Johnson, Judith Ritch, Wynn Young, Mary Rocha, Pat Fellows, Eric Hudder, Marguerite Watson, Tony & Nelie Sicut, Teofilo Mondala, Duverney Family, Anthony de la Isla, Leonard Rodrigues, John Jarman, William Dale, Anne O'Callaghan, Mr. & Mrs. Cerami, Simon Fernandes, Arnold Uy Cruz, Charles Gill, Deacon Gerald Godsoe, Ellen Jarman, Patrick Doty, Debra Fernandes, Nida Carandang, Marie McPherson, Marina Jose, Rasheeda DeFranca, Vicki Scallon, Frances Schober, William Schober, Rita Ropke, Marie Dignum, Maria Anna Diandra Rivera, Natalina Fernandes, Umbelina Felix, Evelyn Cummings, Anita Gouveia, Erlinda Balita, Colleen Balgobin, Joan Crowley, Webster Paul, Ela Sicut-Angeles

DID YOU KNOW?

WHO ARE THE SAINTS FROM CANADA?

- St. Isaac Jogues, Jesuit priest - Born in 1608, martyred in 1646
St Jean de Brébeuf, Jesuit priest
- Born in 1593, martyred in 1649
- St Charles Garnier, Jesuit priest - Born in 1606, martyred in 1649
St Antoine Daniel, Jesuit priest - Born in 1600, martyred in 1648
St Gabriel Lalemant, Jesuit priest
- Born in 1610, martyred in 1649
- St Noel Chabanel, Jesuit priest - Born in 1613, martyred in 1649
St René Goupil, Jesuit Novice - Born in 1608, martyred in 1642
St Jean de La Lande, layperson
- Born in 1600(?), martyred in 1646
- St Marguerite Bourgeoys - Born in 1620, died in 1700
St Marguerite d'Youville - Born in 1701, died in 1771
St Brother André
- Born in 1845, died in 1937
- St Kateri Tekakwitha
- Born in 1656, died in 1680
- St Marie de l'Incarnation
- Born in 1599, died in 1672
- St François de Laval
- Born in 1623, died in 1708



PANCAKE SUNDAY

Please join us after all Masses the weekend of February 10/11 (*the Sunday before Ash Wednesday*) in the Parish Hall for some yummy pancakes! Proceeds go to help the youth ministry at our Parish!



SCHOOL MASSES

Parents & community members are welcome to join our parish schools as they celebrate their school masses;

- **St. Agatha School:** Wed. Feb. 7, 2018 at 9:30am
- held in the school
- **St. Nicholas School:** Fri. Feb. 9, 2018 at 10am
- held in the school
- **St. Boniface School:** Thu. Feb. 22, 2018 at 1:30pm
- held in the church

PARISH SCHOOLS FAMILY MASS

On Thursday April 19th, 2018 at 6:00pm we will celebrate Mass with our 3 schools at our church. This Mass will be hosted by St. Agatha School.

All are welcome!



MARRIAGE PREP

St. Boniface will be offering the Marriage Preparation course starting in February 2018. Engaged couples looking to join this course are asked to contact the parish office.

All registration forms are due by Friday February 2nd.

ST. BONIFACE SPEAKER SERIES *Family Lecture Series*

"Here & There: Literacy is Everywhere"
Jonathon Butler from TCDSB Literacy Resource

Literacy is about more than reading and writing --it is about how we communicate in society. It is about social practices and relationships, about knowledge, language and culture. Literacy finds its place in our lives alongside other ways of communicating. Indeed, Literacy itself takes many forms: on paper, on the computer screen, on TV, on posters and signs. Those who use literacy take it for granted - but those who cannot use it are excluded from much communication in today's world. Indeed, it is the excluded who can best appreciate the notion of "literacy as freedom."

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 18 AT 1:30PM
In the Church

WHY MY FAITH IS IMPORTANT TO ME ~ YEAR OF THE SCHOOL ~

I am a Christian, meaning I believe in Christ. For myself, being a Christian has a great meaning to me. You know when people always ask, "What's the meaning of life?", believing in God is that meaning. Asking for forgiveness, someone to call out to, God is there. If I'm lost in my thoughts, lost track of my composure, He is there to help me. He is there to guide my path in life and gives me faith. In return, I pray to Him everyday and every night. Thanking Him for all he does, for my family, friends, health, my life, and so much more. He is my savior, and that's what my religion means to me. - Jodi, St. Boniface School

Canada Summer Jobs Program Reach Out to Your Member of Parliament

The federal government has introduced new requirements for employers applying for the Canada Summer Jobs grant. To be eligible for funding, employers must attest that both the job and the organization's core mandate respect certain "values" as determined by the federal government including the government's position on abortion, sexual orientation and gender identity or expression. Organizations unable or unwilling to make this attestation in whole or in part will be deemed ineligible for the grant. This requirement is clearly unjust.

Our Parish along with many other parishes and Catholic organizations throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto and many other faiths involved in charitable activity at soup kitchens, shelters, refugee welcome centres or summer camps are impacted by this decision. Please take a moment to visit www.archtoronto.org/summerjobs for more information and to find a template letter to send to your MP and the minister responsible for this portfolio.

CHRISTOPHER LEADERSHIP CLASS

Do you hate to give presentations at work or school? Do you lack confidence? The Christopher Leadership Course will help you overcome your fears! Join the class at St. Boniface Church, on Wednesday evenings, 7 - 10 pm, for 11 weeks, beginning on February 7th, 2018. For more information or to register; call (416) 410-7776 or visit www.clctorontoeast.com



ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES

On Wednesday February 14th (*Ash Wednesday*), Mass will be celebrated at:

- 10:00 am
- 7:30 pm



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The St. Boniface conference of St. Vincent de Paul have been working to help the needy for many years in our community. They are a group of volunteers from our parish who gather twice a month to pray and plan their charity work. From the generous donations they receive through St. Boniface, they are able to assist numerous families year round. As the need in our community is growing, they are looking for new volunteers to assist with their work. For more information and/or to volunteer, please contact the parish office.



**Society of
St. Vincent de Paul**

NEXT EDGE NIGHT

When: Tuesday January 30th, 6:30pm - 8pm
Where: St. Boniface Church Hall

EDGE is a Ministry for those in grades 6,7 & 8. For more information, please contact Peter at the office at 416-261-5983 or email youth@stbcc.ca

