



SEPTEMBER 9, 2018
23RD SUNDAY
OF ORDINARY TIME
CYCLE B

REFLECTION

All Things Well

Scott Hahn Reflects on the 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

The incident in today's Gospel is recorded only by Mark. The key line is what the crowd says at the end: "He has done all things well." In the Greek, this echoes the creation story, recalling that God saw all the things he had done and declared them good (see Genesis 1:31). Mark also deliberately evokes Isaiah's promise, which we hear in today's First Reading that God will make the deaf hear and the mute speak. He even uses a Greek word to describe the man's condition (mogilalon, or "speech impediment") that's only found in one other place in the Bible—in the Greek translation of today's Isaiah passage, where the prophet describes the "dumb" singing. The crowd recognizes that Jesus is doing what the prophet had foretold. But Mark wants us to see something far greater—that, to use the words from today's First Reading: "Here is your God." Notice how personal and physical the drama is in the Gospel. Our focus is drawn to a hand, a finger, ears, a tongue, spitting. In Jesus, Mark shows us, God has truly come in the flesh. What He has done is to make all things new, a new creation (see Revelation 21:1-5). As Isaiah promised, He has made the living waters of baptism flow in the desert of the world. He has set captives free from their sins, as we sing in today's Psalm. He has come that rich and poor might dine together in the Eucharistic feast, as James tells us in today's Epistle. He has done for each of us what He did for that deaf mute. He has opened our ears to hear the Word of God, and loosed our tongues that we might sing praises to Him. Let us then, in the Eucharist, again give thanks to our glorious Lord Jesus Christ. Let us say with Isaiah, here is our God, He comes to save us. Let us be rich in faith, that we might inherit the kingdom promised to those who love Him.



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HEROES IN HOLINESS
QUOTES FROM THE SAINTS

"A scrap of knowledge about sublime things is worth more than any amount about trivialities"

—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

SEPTEMBER 8 TO SEPTEMBER 15, 2018

SAT. SEP. 8TH	5:00 PM	- People of the Parish
SUN. SEP. 9TH	7:30 AM	- Maude, Harry, & Neville D'Sa †
	9:00 AM	- Jerry Kopitowski, Alma & Robert Smith
	10:30 AM	- Doris Park †
	12:00 PM	- Richard Dignum †
TUE. SEP. 11TH	8:30 AM	- Giovanna & Cristino Vigna
WED. SEP. 12TH	7:30 PM	- Special Intention of Danielle Paes
THU. SEP. 13TH	8:30 AM	- Richard Osborne
FRI. SEP. 14TH	7:30 PM	- Gloria Guiao Dimalanta
SAT. SEP. 15TH	8:30 AM	- Ramon LLenado



OUR SICK: Liam Matthews, Benigno Jose Jr., Jean Schofield, Irene Bituin, Robin Crapper, John Leitmann, Leonisa G. Albaran, Ginette Ferlatt, Henry Kumara, Rasheeda DeFranca, Sr. Cecilia Marie Ching, Sr. Theresa Ching, Innes Potgieter, Mario Tan Jr., Nicanor Gocado, Daniela Alario, Rebecca C. Baltazar, Dina Sorbera, Daniel Leonardo, Monica Bouchard, Kerrie Leonard, 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, Paul Swoffer, Minoli Paul, Joshua Bolingot, Offe Ayuson, Isabel Grosvenor, Clera Uy Cruz, Mary Loretta Nofall, Marie Herrera, Salome Mason, Frank McPhearson, John Germain, Ms. Dalhoo, Loren Lea Hodgeson, Carla Di Cecco, Virginia Johnson, Wynn Young, Mary Rocha, Eric Hudder, Marguerite Watson, Tony & Nelie Sicut, Teofilo Mondala, Duverney Family, Anthony de la Isla, Leonard Rodrigues, John Jarman, 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, Anita Gouveia, Erlinda Balita, Colleen Balgobin, Joan Crowley, Webster Paul, Ela Sicut-Angeles

DID YOU KNOW?

What is faith?

Faith is the power by which we assent to God, acknowledge his truth, and commit ourselves personally to him.

Faith is the path created by God leading to the truth that is God himself. Because Jesus is "the way, and the truth, and the life" (Jn 14:6), this faith cannot be merely an attitude or "confidence" about something or other. On the one hand, the faith has definite contents, which the Church professes in the Creed, and it is her duty to safeguard them. Anyone who wants to accept the gift of faith, in other words, anyone who wants to believe, acknowledges this faith, which has been preserved constantly through the ages and in many cultures. On the other hand, part of faith is a trusting relationship to God with the heart and mind, with all one's emotional strength. For faith becomes effective only through charity, practical love (see Gal 5:6). Whether someone really believes in the God of love is shown, not in his solemn affirmations, but rather in charitable deeds.

Bereavement Peer Support meeting

Hope everyone had a great summer in July & August. Our monthly meetings will resume in September.

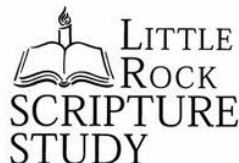
Date: Saturday September 15, 2018
Time: 3 - 4 PM

Place: St. Stephen's Room
(Downstairs from the side entrance on Markanna Drive)
New members are welcomed.



LITTLE ROCK SCRIPTURE STUDY

We will begin the study of Paul's Spirituality on Monday, September 24th, at 1:00 P.M. In the parish hall. Please enter the hall from the parking lot through the elevator door entrance.



CWL MEETING

The CWL council will be having it's first Fall meeting on Sunday, Sept 16th at 1:10 PM in the church Hall. All members are encouraged to attend. We also welcome all ladies in the parish to come and join us.



SCHOOL MASSES

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

- **St. Agatha School:** Wed. Sep. 12, 2018 at 9:15am
- held in the school
- **St. Nicholas School:** Wed. Sep. 19, 2018 at 9:15am
- held in the school
- **St. Boniface School:** Fri. Sep. 28, 2018 at 10am
- held in the church

PARISH SCHOOLS FAMILY MASS

On Thursday October 11, 2018 at 6:00pm we will celebrate Mass with our 3 schools at our church. This Mass will be hosted by St. Nicholas School.

All are welcome!



Catholic Moms Group

Here at St. Boniface, we are looking into starting a Catholic Moms Group.

Why Join a Catholic Mothers Group?

Moms in this day and age are so very busy! Often moms are working full-time, driving kids to and from extracurricular activities, helping with homework, cooking, cleaning, grocery shopping, and trying to find just a little bit of time for themselves. How would a busy mom find the time to go to a Catholic Mothers Group? What are the benefits of joining a group? - Make New Friends, Become the Best Mom Possible, Discover a Spiritual Program, Experience Community and Acceptance, Get Encouragement and Support, Learn About Your Catholic Faith, Pray and Be Refreshed, Get Practical Parenting and Marriage Tips, Joy, Inspiration and Fun, a Network of Catholic Moms.

For more information or interested, please contact Parish Office at 416-261-5383 or email st.boniface@rogers.com

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

SACRAMENTS OF FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Parents of children in **Grade 2** please note the dates and times below regarding information and registration for the sacrament of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion.

1 - Parent Information Meeting (*Held in Church*)
(Child not required to attend)

Sunday September 16 at 1pm (*after 12pm Mass*)
OR
Sunday September 23 at 1pm (*after 12pm Mass*)

2 - Registration (*Held in the St. Stephen's Room*)

Saturday September 22 at 9am
OR
Tuesday September 25 at 6pm

Students in **Grade 3 and up** who have not yet received these sacraments and would like to register are also invited to attend one of these meetings.

Registration Requirement: Please provide a recent copy of the baptismal certificate at the time of registration. There is a registration fee of \$35.

For further information or questions, please contact Kimberly by email;
st.bonifacesacraments@rogers.com

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation is the Sacrament that completes Baptism; in it the gift of the Holy Spirit is bestowed upon us. Anyone who freely decides to live a life as God's child and asks for God's Spirit under the signs of the imposition of hands and anointing with Chrism receives the strength to witness to God's love and might in word and deed. He/she is now a full fledged, responsible member of the Catholic Church.

Parent Information Meeting (*Held in Church*)

Thursday November 8 at 7pm
OR
Saturday November 10 at 11am

R.C.I.A.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Are you or someone you know thinking of becoming Catholic?

The RCIA program is for those who wish to become Catholic; baptized and confirmed. The program begins in October.

(*Must be 18 years old or older*)
For further information, please contact the parish office.

