



SEPTEMBER 16, 2018
24TH SUNDAY
OF ORDINARY TIME
CYCLE B

REFLECTION

Following the Messiah

Scott Hahn Reflects on the 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel, we reach a pivotal moment in our walk with the Lord. After weeks of listening to His words and witnessing His deeds, along with the disciples we're asked to decide who Jesus truly is.

Peter answers for them, and for us, too, when he declares: "You are the Messiah." Many expected the Messiah to be a miracle worker who would vanquish Israel's enemies and restore the kingdom of David (see John 6:15). Jesus today reveals a different portrait. He calls himself the Son of Man, evoking the royal figure Daniel saw in his heavenly visions (see Daniel 7:13-14). But Jesus' kingship is not to be of this world (see John 18:36). And the path to His throne, as He reveals, is by way of suffering and death. Jesus identifies the Messiah with the suffering servant that Isaiah foretells in today's First Reading. The words of Isaiah's servant are Jesus' words—as He gives himself to be shamed and beaten, trusting that God will be His help. We hear our Lord's voice again in today's Psalm, as He gives thanks that God has freed Him from the cords of death. As Jesus tells us today, to believe that He is the Messiah is to follow His way of self-denial—losing our lives to save them, in order to rise with Him to new life. Our faith, we hear again in today's Epistle, must express itself in works of love (see Galatians 5:6). Notice that Jesus questions the apostles today "along the way." They are on the way to Jerusalem, where the Lord will lay down His life. We, too, are on a journey with the Lord. We must take up our cross, giving to others and enduring all our trials for His sake and the sake of the Gospel. Our lives must be an offering of thanksgiving for the new life He has given us, until that day when we reach our destination, and walk before the Lord in the land of the living.



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HEROES IN HOLINESS
QUOTES FROM THE SAINTS

"Temperance is a disposition that restrains our desires for things which it is base to desire"

—St. Augustine

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 15 TO SEPTEMBER 22, 2018

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| SAT. SEP. 15TH | 5:00 PM | - Andres Agan † |
| SUN. SEP. 16TH | 7:30 AM | - Benjamin, Cecilia,
& Jeffrey Lugos † |
| | 9:00 AM | - Jeffrey Lugos † |
| | 10:30 AM | - Roberto Lavecchia † |
| | 12:00 PM | - People of the Parish |
| TUE. SEP. 18TH | 8:30 AM | - Lavecchia Family Intentions |
| WED. SEP. 19TH | 7:30 PM | - Sylvia Devaraj in Thanksgiving |
| THU. SEP. 20TH | 8:30 AM | - Lorraine & Lloyd Gillard † |
| FRI. SEP. 21ST | 7:30 PM | - Laida Lacorte in Thanksgiving |
| SAT. SEP. 22ND | 8:30 AM | - Clemence Dana Villar
in Thanksgiving |



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 Noftall, 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 penance?

Penance is making restitution or satisfaction for a wrong that has been committed. Penance must not take place exclusively in my head; I must express it in acts of charity and in solidarity with others. One does penance also by praying, fasting, and supporting the poor spiritually and materially.

Penance is often misunderstood. It has nothing to do with low self-esteem or scrupulosity. Penance is not brooding over what a bad person I am. Penance frees and encourages us to make a new start.

*"After a fall, stand up again right away!
 Do no leave sin in your heart
 for even a moment!"*

- St. John Vianney

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.



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.

SCHOOL MASSES

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

- **St. Nicholas School:** Wed. Sep. 19, 2018 at 9:15am
- held in the school
 - **St. Boniface School:** Wed. Sep. 26, 2018 at 10am
- held in the church
- **REVISED DATE****

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.



FAMILY GAMES NIGHT

Please join us Saturday September 22 after the 5pm Mass to enjoy some board games. Feel free to bring your family's favourite board game or come down and learn a new game.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The Children's liturgy program will resume on Sunday September 23rd. The Children's liturgy program is on Sunday's at the 10:30 am Mass. Geared towards children in Kindergarten, Grades 1 to 6.



CHURCH CHOIR

The St. Boniface 10:30am choir is looking for new members. Rehearsals are on Tuesday's at 7:15pm in the church. No experience required. For more information please see the organist or cantor after Sunday Mass.



PARISH OFFICE NEWS

Please note the upcoming office hours;

Thursday September 20	9am to 12pm
Friday September 21	9am to 12pm
Monday September 24	Office Closed
Tuesday September 25	Office Closed
Wednesday September 26	9am to 12pm
Thursday September 27	9am to 12pm
Friday September 28	9am to 12pm

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.

