

January 21st & 28th, 2024

Sunday Bible Reflections by Dr. Scott Hahn
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First Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10 | Psalm 25:4-9
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31 | Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

The calling of the brothers in today's Gospel evokes Elisha's commissioning by the prophet Elijah (see [1 Kings 19:19-21](#)).

As Elijah comes upon Elisha working on his family's farm, so Jesus sees the brothers working by the seaside. And as Elisha left his mother and father to follow Elijah, so the brothers leave their father to come after Jesus.

Jesus' promise—to make them “fishers of men”—evokes Israel's deepest hopes. The prophet Jeremiah announced a new exodus in which God would send “many fishermen” to restore the Israelites from exile, as once He brought them out of slavery in Egypt (see [Jeremiah 16:14-16](#)).

By Jesus' Cross and Resurrection, this new exodus has begun (see [Luke 9:31](#)). And the apostles are the first of a new people of God, the Church—a new family, based not on blood ties, but on belief in Jesus and a desire to do the Father's will (see [John 1:12-13](#); [Matthew 12:46-50](#)).

From now on, even our most important worldly concerns—family relations, occupations, and possessions—must be judged in light of the Gospel, Paul says in today's Epistle.

The first word of Jesus' Gospel—repent—means we must totally change our way of thinking and living, turning from evil, doing all for the love of God.

And we should be consoled by Nineveh's repentance in today's First Reading. Even the wicked Nineveh could repent at Jonah's preaching. And in Jesus we have “something greater than Jonah” ([Matthew 12:41](#)). We have God come as our savior, to show sinners the way, as we sing in today's Psalm. This should give us hope—that loved ones who remain far from God will find compassion if they turn to Him.

But we, too, must continue along the path of repentance—striving daily to pattern our lives after His.

CATHOLICISM PROJECT

We are pleased to present **The Catholicism Project**, a 10 part video series on the Catholic faith from Word on Fire by **Bishop Robert Barron. Thursdays from 7pm-9pm every two weeks**, beginning Nov 30th in the parish hall. Each evening we will watch an episode followed by discussion and fellowship. Cost: No Fee.

Mark your calendars for all ten evenings:

Feb 1st, Feb 15th, Feb 29th, March 14th, April 4th, April 18th, May 2nd,

For more information and/or **to register**:

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CATHOLIC CALENDARS

The 2024 Catholic calendars are now available. Five dollars (\$5) each.

ENVELOPES FOR 2024 SUNDAY OFFERINGS

Envelopes for 2024 Sunday offerings are at the front of the Church. **PLEASE TAKE ONLY THE BOX WITH YOUR NAME AND NUMBER ON IT.** If you have never used the envelopes and wish to start, please ask for a new box at the Rectory or call (514) 747-4226 during office hours (9am to 2pm) to register. **We request all users to please put your name and address on the first few envelopes for the New Year to ensure proper recording. Thank you.**

OUR LADY OF FATIMA ONLINE MINISTRIES

The Rosary

Emil & Irah Tirona are hosting an online interactive rosary, Mondays at 7:30pm.

For those interested, kindly send an email to Emil and Irah (irahtirona@gmail.com), so you may be added to the online invitation. Please call 514-617-4021 if you need any online technical assistance or have questions.

HOMILIES AND REFLECTIONS

During the current COVID restrictions, while the parish is either closed to the public or limited in the number of those who can gather for mass, from time to time Fr. Jason will post on the parish website a homily or reflection on various faith related subjects. You can find the homilies at the following link: <http://www.olof.ca/homilies/>

SAINTLY WISDOM

"I have given everything to my Master: he will take care of me.
The best thing for us is not what we consider best, but what the
Lord wants of us!"

- *Saint Josephine Bakhita*

ADORATION

Come spend some time with Our Lord.

Tuesdays 6pm to 7pm (*mass at 7pm*)

Thursdays 8am to 9am (*mass at 9am*)

Fridays 9:30am to 10:30am (*mass at 9am*)

First Saturday of the Month 10:30am to 11:30am (*mass at 10am*)

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed
through the mercy of God rest in peace.

ANNOUNCED MASSES
January 20th – February 4th, 2024

Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Jan. 20th	Sunday Vigil Father Jason Piper – Special Intention – by Kevin and Linda Piper
Sunday 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Jan. 21st	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) Joseph Vu Ngoc Dai and Joseph Vu Ngo Thanh – RIP – by Vu Ngo Quoc <i>Pro Populo</i>
Monday	Jan. 22nd	NO MASS
Tuesday 7:00 p.m.	Jan. 23rd	Weekday Maria and Luciano Macinati – RIP – by Rita
Wednesday 9:00 a.m.	Jan. 24th	Saint Francis de Sales Joseph Vu Ngoc Dai and Joseph Vu Ngo Thanh – RIP – by Vu Ngo Quoc
Thursday 9:00 a.m.	Jan. 25th	Conversion of Saint Paul Marguerite Pham – RIP – by Marianne Pham
Friday 9:00 a.m.	Jan. 26th	Saints Timothy & Titus Colette Thuy Nguyen – RIP – by Marianne Pham
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Jan. 27th	Sunday Vigil Father Jason Piper – Special Intentions
Sunday 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Jan. 28th	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) Maria E. S. Melo & Jose Ponte – RIP – by Connie & Jim <i>Pro Populo</i>
Monday	Jan. 29th	NO MASS
Tuesday 7:00 p.m.	Jan. 30th	Weekday Dafina Pigov & Pamela Barrie – RIP – by Rita
Wednesday 9:00 a.m.	Jan. 31st	Saint John Bosco Anna Luu Thi Lan & Anna Bui Thi Thong – RIP – by Olivia
Thursday 9:00 a.m.	Feb. 1st	Weekday Joanbaotista Nguyen Phuong - RIP – by Olivia
Friday 9:00 a.m.	Feb. 2nd	The Presentation of the Lord All Souls in Purgatory – by Olivia
Saturday 10:00 a.m.	Feb. 3rd	Weekday Olivia - Thanksgiving
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Feb. 3rd	Sunday Vigil Reynaldo Somera – RIP – by the Place Vertu Walkers
Sunday 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Feb. 4th	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) Constantino Lopez – RIP – by Zenaida Castro <i>Pro Populo</i>

THE FIVE PRAYERS OF FATIMA

The Fatima Prayer/Decade Prayer

(Mary told the children that people should add this prayer to the end of each decade of the Rosary.)

“O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to Heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy. Amen.”

The Sacrifice Prayer

(Mary gave the children this prayer, as well as the Fatima Prayer/Decade Prayer, on June 13th, 1917. The prayer is meant to be recited when you are offering up suffering to God.)

“O Jesus, it is for the love of Thee, in reparation for the offenses committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and for the conversion of poor sinners [that I do this].”

The Pardon Prayer

(This prayer was given to the children by the angel that visited them in 1916, the year before Mary appeared to them.)

“My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love Thee! I beg pardon for all those that do not believe, do not adore, do not hope and do not love Thee.”

The Angel's Prayer

(This is another prayer given to the children by the angel. There was a Eucharistic host and chalice suspended in the air, and the angel led them in kneeling before it and praying this prayer.)

“O Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I adore Thee profoundly. I offer Thee the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifferences by which He is offended. By the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary I beg the conversion of poor sinners.”

The Eucharistic Prayer

(When Mary appeared to the children for the first time on May 13, 1917, she said, “You will have much to suffer, but the grace of God will be your comfort.” According to Lucia, a bright light shone all around them, and without thinking about it, they all started reciting this prayer.)

“Most Holy Trinity, I adore Thee! My God, my God, I love Thee in the Most Blessed Sacrament.”