

February 4<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024

# Raised to Serve: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Bible Reflections by Dr. Scott Hahn  
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First Reading: Job 7:1–4, 6–7 | Psalm 147:1–6  
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 9:16–19, 22–23 | Gospel: Mark 1:29–39

In today's First Reading, Job describes the futility of life before Christ.

His lament reminds us of the curse of toil and death placed upon Adam following his original sin (see Genesis 3:17–19). Men and women are like slaves seeking shade, unable to find rest. Their lives are like the wind that comes and goes.

But, as we sing in today's Psalm, He who created the stars promised to heal the brokenhearted and gather those lost in exile from Him (see Isaiah 11:12; 61:1). We see this promise fulfilled in today's Gospel.

Simon's mother-in-law is like Job's toiling, hopeless humanity. She is laid low by affliction but too weak to save herself.

But as God promised to take His chosen people by the hand (see Isaiah 42:6), Jesus grasps her by the hand and helps her up. The word translated "help" is actually Greek for "raising up." The same verb is used when Jesus commands a dead girl to arise (see Mark 5:41–42). It's used again to describe His own resurrection (see Mark 14:28; 16:7).

What Jesus has done for Simon's mother-in-law, He has done for all humanity—raised all of us who lay dead through our sins (see Ephesians 2:5).

Notice all the words of totality and completeness in the Gospel. The whole town gathers; all the sick are brought to Him. He drives out demons in the whole of Galilee. Everyone is looking for Christ.

We too have found Him. By our baptism, He healed and raised us to live in His presence (see Hosea 6:1–2).

Like Simon's mother-in-law, there is only one way we can thank Him for the new life He has given us. We must rise to serve Him and His gospel. Our lives must be our thanksgiving, as Paul describes in today's Epistle. We must tell everyone the good news, the purpose for which Jesus has come—that others, too, may have a share in this salvation.

## 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 30<sup>th</sup> in the parish hall. Each evening we will watch an episode followed by discussion and fellowship. Cost: No Fee.

Mark your calendars for the remaining evenings:

Feb 15<sup>th</sup>, Feb 29<sup>th</sup>, March 14<sup>th</sup>, April 4<sup>th</sup>, April 18<sup>th</sup>, May 2<sup>nd</sup>,

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.**

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## 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](mailto: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/>

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## **SAINTLY WISDOM**

“A heart enamoured of God is unconquerable, since God is its strength.”

- *Saint Catherine of Genoa*

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## **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*)

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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.

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**ANNOUNCED MASSES**  
**February 3<sup>rd</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

<b>Saturday</b> 10:00 a.m.	<b>Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Weekday</b> Olivia - Thanksgiving
<b>Saturday</b> 4:30 p.m.	<b>Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Sunday Vigil</b> Reynaldo Somera – RIP – by the Place Vertu Walkers
<b>Sunday</b> 9:00 a.m.  11:00 a.m.	<b>Feb. 4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)</b> Constantino Lopez – RIP – by Zenaida Castro  <i>Pro Populo</i>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Feb. 5<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>NO MASS</b>
<b>Tuesday</b> 7:00 p.m.	<b>Feb. 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Saint Paul Miki &amp; Companions</b> Franco and Giussepina D’Angelis – RIP – by Rita
<b>Wednesday</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>Feb. 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Weekday</b> Joan Smith – RIP – by Kevin and Linda Piper
<b>Thursday</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>Feb. 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Weekday</b> Annie Dacosta – RIP – by Linda Piper
<b>Friday</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>Feb. 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Weekday</b> Rosalinda Tirona – RIP – by Connie and Jim
<b>Saturday</b> 4:30 p.m.	<b>Feb. 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sunday Vigil</b> Mathilde Wojciechowski – RIP – by the family
<b>Sunday</b> 9:00 a.m.  11:00 a.m.	<b>Feb. 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)</b> Joan Smith – RIP – by Kevin and Linda Piper  <i>Pro Populo</i>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Feb. 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>NO MASS</b>
<b>Tuesday</b> 7:00 p.m.	<b>Feb. 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Weekday</b> Ruth Kaplan – RIP – by Rachel Kaplan
<b>Wednesday</b> 9:00 a.m.  7:00 p.m.	<b>Feb. 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b> Cesina Gesuale – RIP – by Rita Lisi  Charing Mojica Limonero – RIP – by Rudy & family
<b>Thursday</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>Feb. 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Weekday</b> Lucien Barakat – RIP – by his daughter
<b>Friday</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>Feb. 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Weekday</b> Karen Cooper – RIP – by Kevin and Linda Piper
<b>Saturday</b> 4:30 p.m.	<b>Feb. 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sunday Vigil</b> Mathilde Wojciechowski – RIP – by the family
<b>Sunday</b> 9:00 a.m.  11:00 a.m.	<b>Feb. 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>First Sunday of Lent (Year B)</b> Teresita Manzo Manzanal – RIP – by Ofelia Roy  <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.”