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January 30, 2022



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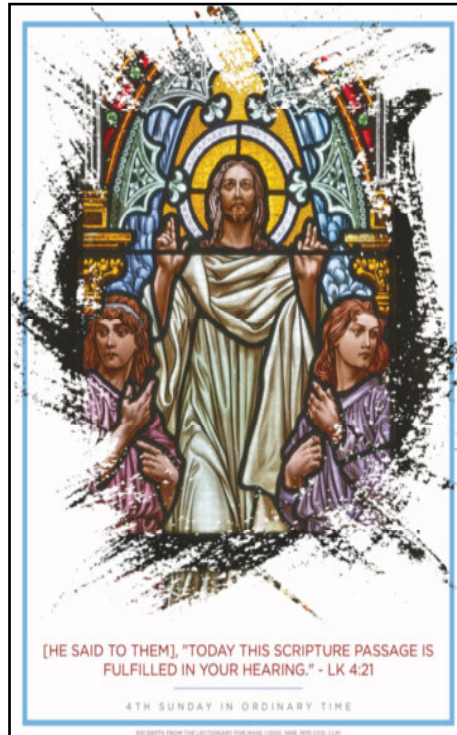
A Vicarious Descent

Today's Gospel picks up exactly where last week's Gospel left off. The last sentence then was "And all spoke highly of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth." Seven verses later that changes to "They rose up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town had been built, to hurl him down headlong" (Luke 4:29).

The Gospel last week and today speak of our Lord in his hometown of Nazareth. If you visit Nazareth today, you will find a somewhat unwelcoming land. It is built on a terribly steep hill. There are plenty of places where you can walk to the edge of a path and peer over the edge to a lot of rocks and housetops and other things that would easily prevent you from surviving a fall.

The first reading is the prophesy of Jeremiah which both expresses the authority of the prophet who was sent by God, but also the authority of the Messiah of whom Jeremiah spoke. Later in that Book we read "The days are coming...when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days, at that time, I will make a just shoot spring up for David; he shall do what is right and just in the land. In those days Judah shall be saved and Jerusalem shall dwell safely; this is the name they shall call her: "The LORD our justice" (Jeremiah 33:14ff).

"They will fight against you, but will not prevail over you, for I am with you to deliver you." This is to Jeremiah to strength-



en him against his enemies, but it is also about the Lord walking through the midst of those who would have cast him over the edge of the hill for what he had said to them.

When the Lord was questioned about why he had done no miracles, he referred to two scriptural passages—both of which were clear condemnations of the people who been unfaithful to God and murderous toward the prophets. The Lord God had worked no miracles among His unfaithful people and there was a clear understanding in the Synagogue that Jesus was saying that they, too, were unfaithful.

Elijah had commanded that there be no rain until he gave the word and the entire

When the people in the synagogue heard this, they were all filled with fury. They rose up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town had been built, to hurl him down headlong. But Jesus passed through the midst of them and went away. — Lk 4:28-30

Excerpt from the Lectionary for Mass (GIRM, 1998, 1870 CCD).

land was in famine. The Lord sent him to a pagan widow and provided for him and the widow and her son until the famine ended. Likewise, the Lord refers to Naaman the Syrian, who was cured of his leprosy when many Israelites were not. Our Lord's words to those at Nazareth were words of rebuke. He was saying, "I have not worked any signs here because you have no faith, just as God worked no signs through His prophets to your ancestors because they had no faith." It was Jezebel and Ahab that had pursued Elijah to kill him after the famine had raged for three years and he had destroyed the false prophets of Baal.

I always wondered at the words, "physician, heal thyself." The people were saying the equivalent of "speak for yourself" or stop telling others what's wrong with them when you're not perfect yourself. The saying meant that they were telling Christ to mind his own business. Obviously, the Lord had been preaching repentance—something the people of his hometown did not want to hear.



Monday, January 31, 2022

7:30 a.m. - Paula Bogaski (D)

10:00 a.m.- Funeral Mass William Nelson

Tuesday, - February 01, 2022

7:30 a.m. – David Joseph Klemmer (D)

Wednesday, - February 02, 2022

7:30 a.m. – Patrick Doneth (D)

Thursday February 03, 2022

7:30 a.m. – The Flores and the Beckley Family (D)

Friday, - February 04, 2022

7:30 a.m. – Poor Souls

7:00 p.m. - Laura Kuzniar (D)

Saturday, -February 05, 2022

7:30 a.m. – Reparation for the sins against the Immaculate Heart of Mary

4:00 p.m. - St. Monica Sodality

Sunday, February 06, 2022

6:30 a.m. – Dolores Patterson (D)

9:30 a.m. - People of the Parish

12:00 p.m. – Jason & Jessie Zielinski (L)

Holy Father’s Intention for February:

For Religious sisters and consecrated women

“We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.” (<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2021-02/pope-francis-monthly-prayer-intentions-2022.html>)

Prayer for Pope Francis

Almighty and everlasting God, have mercy upon Thy servant, Pope Francis, our Supreme Pontiff, and direct him, according to Thy loving kindness, in the way of eternal salvation; that, of Thy gift, he may ever desire that which is pleasing unto Thee and may accomplish it with all his might. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen. (recite 1 Our Father & 1 Hail Mary).

Mass Servers

Saturday, February 05, 2022

4:00 p.m. D. Bastuba, J. Cline

Sunday, February 06, 2022

6:30 a.m. S. Noji, M. Grado

9:30 a.m. K. Garavaglia, A. Santine, M. Grado, C. Bueche

12:00 p.m. M. Chambers, A. & W. Remski, G. Welsing, J. & D. Berch

Readings for the week of January 30, 2022

Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30

Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Sir 47:2-11/Ps 18:31, 47 and 50, 51/Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14/Mk 6:30-34

Next Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 [1c]/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11

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SUNDAY MASSES: Saturdays at 4:00; Sundays at 6:30, 9:30 (Tridentine), & Noon

HOLY DAY MASSES: 6:30, 9:30 (Tridentine), Noon & evening at 7:00 p.m.

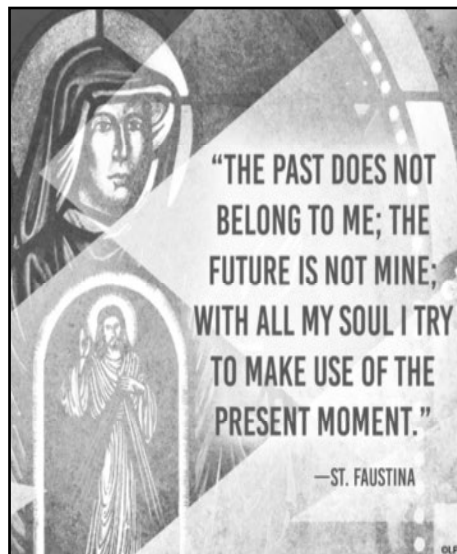
WEEKDAY MASSES: Monday-Saturday 7:30 a.m. (all Tridentine).

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 2:30-3:30, Sunday 9:00 & 11:30 a.m.

BAPTISMS: Every Saturday after the 4:00 p.m. Mass or Sunday after the Noon Mass. Arrange at the Rectory Office.

BLESSING FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS: After the Noon Mass on the first Sunday of the month.

REGISTRATION: Visit the Rectory or call for a form to be sent out to you.



A Vicarious Descant (continued)

Our Lord was clearly preaching repentance—as the prophets had done—and his home town was clearly not listening.

As we approach Lent, we are called to again turn to a closer examination of our conduct, our behavior, our priorities, our prayer, our fasting, our almsdeeds, (works of mercy). May these and all our actions express our desire for God to grant us His favor and blessings.

This Wednesday is Candlemas Day, or “The Presentation of the Lord.” The blessing and procession with candles will precede Mass that day. Candles will be available after Mass. You are welcome to bring candles to be blessed as well, as the blessing is longer and quite inclusive. Processional candles will be distributed and then relit and held during the Gospel and throughout the Canon. Our Marian hymn often sung after the Rosary will change to *Ave Regina Caelorum* until Wednesday in Holy Week inclusive.

Thursday is the Feast of St. Blasé. The Blessing of Throats will follow the morning Mass.

Tuesday Evening Adult Catechism

Join us for adult catechism class every Tuesday evening from 6:00 PM until 7:00 PM in the school lounge. Each week Fr. John walks through a lesson from the Baltimore Catechism Number Three book. Books available at the class.

2022 Assumption Grotto Calendars

Assumption Grotto Calendars are available after all Masses. They are also available at the rectory and in the Gift Shop. The suggested donation is \$10.00.

Candlemas

On Wednesday, February 2, blessed candles will be offered for a donation in the church after the 7:30 AM Mass. The blessing and procession with candles will precede Mass.

Feast of St. Blaise

Thursday, February 3 is the Feast of Saint Blaise. Blessing of the throats will take place after the 7:30 AM Mass.

Pancake Breakfast

The Knights will resume their monthly pancake breakfast on Sunday, February 6 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

Virtual Pilgrimage

The North American Lourdes Volunteers will offer a “Virtual Pilgrimage” to Lourdes at Assumption Grotto on the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, Friday, February 11 at 5:00 PM. There will be Holy Mass to start the day at 7:30 AM and to end the day at 7:00 PM. The morning session is for children and our Home Educators and their families. If you wish to spend the day with us, you are invited to join us starting at 12 PM for Benediction of the blessed Sacrament and the Blessing of the sick in the church. A bake sale and a potluck vegetable chili, or salad luncheon is also planned. A free will offering is appreciated. For more information, please see the flyers on the side tables in the church or contact the parish office at (313) 372-0762.

K of C Meeting

The Grotto Knights will have their monthly meeting on Saturday, February 12 at 9:00 AM.

Altar Boy Training

The Next Altar Boy Training will be on Saturday, February 12 at 1PM.

Grotto St. Vincent Helpers

Parishioners who are in need of help may contact Jeff Cline at 586-242-1959.

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to help staff the St. Vincent de Paul office at St. Ray-

mond’s Church. If interested, please contact the office at: 313-372-0437. The office runs Tuesdays 9:30-11:30 AM and Thursdays 4:30-5:30 PM.

Gianna House

Gianna House Pregnancy and Parenting Residence in Eastpointe provides critical services and housing for young mothers in the community, including education, life-skills training, medical care, parenting classes and support and other vital resources for hundreds of young moms. We provide housing for up to one year after the baby's birth followed by assistance for a successful transition to independent living. Please consider making a tax deductible donation today at www.giannahouse.org.

Seven Sisters Apostolate

Our four groups renewed their prayer commitments of one Holy Hour a week for Archbishop Allen Vigneron, Fr. John Bustamante, Fr. Eduard Perrone and Fr. Aidan Logan on Friday, June 11. After Mass the renewal of their prayer commitments for another year took place at the Grotto where we requested Our Lady's help to persevere in our commitments and placed the Archbishop and priests for whom we are praying into her protection. See the 2021 flyer on the side tables of the church for more information on our parish Seven Sisters Groups. We are in need of more women willing to commit an hour a week for one of our priests as a substitute or alternate. Please call and leave your name at the rectory if God is calling you to assist our priests. For more information see their website: <https://sevensistersapostolate.org/home>.



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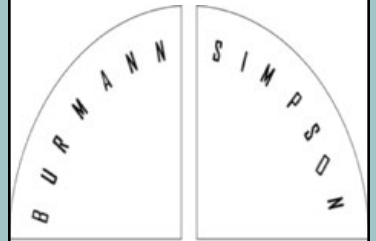


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DIANE M. KORZENIEWSKI

Photos from liturgical events at Grotto;
select topics in Catholicism; useful links

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