

November 15, 2015

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Hope in Tribulation: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Thirty-third Sunday Ordinary Time

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Daniel 12:1-3; Psalm 16:5,8-11; Hebrews 10:11-14,18; Mark 13:24-32



In this, the second-to-the-last week of the Church year, Jesus has finally made it to Jerusalem.

Near to His passion and death, He gives us a teaching of hope--telling us how it will be when He returns again in glory.

Today's Gospel is taken from the end of a long discourse in which He describes tribulations the likes of which haven't been seen "since the beginning of God's creation" (see [Mark 13:9](#)). He describes what

amounts to a dissolution of God's creation, a "devolution" of the world to its original state of formlessness and void.

First, human community--nations and kingdoms--will break down (see [Mark 13:7-8](#)). Then the earth will stop yielding food and begin to shake apart (13:8). Next, the family will be torn apart from within and the last faithful individuals will be persecuted (13:9-13). Finally, the Temple will be desecrated, the earth emptied of God's presence (13:14).

In today's reading, God is described putting out the lights that He established in the sky in the very beginning--the sun, the moon and the stars (see also [Isaiah 13:10](#); [34:4](#)). Into this "uncreated" darkness, the Son of Man, in Whom all things were made, will come.

Jesus has already told us that the Son of Man must be humiliated and killed (see [Mark 8:31](#)). Here He describes His ultimate victory, using royal-divine images drawn from the Old Testament--clouds, glory, and angels (see [Daniel 7:13](#)). He shows Himself to be the fulfillment of all God's promises to save "the elect," the faithful remnant (see [Isaiah 43:6](#); [Jeremiah 32:37](#)).

As today's First Reading tells us, this salvation will include will include the bodily resurrection of those who sleep in the dust.

We are to watch for this day, when His enemies are finally made His footstool, as today's Epistle envisions. We can wait in confidence knowing, as we pray in today's Psalm, that we will one day delight at His right hand forever.

ANNOUNCED MASSES
November 14th – November 22nd, 2015

Sat. Nov. 14th 4:30 p.m.	Weekday Elvira Durinzi – RIP – by the family
Sun. Nov. 15th 9:00 a.m.	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Kathleen and Eileen – Thanksgiving – by the family
11:00 a.m.	Luis Leite Melo – RIP – by Maria
Mon. Nov. 16th	NO MASS
Tues. Nov. 17th 7:00 p.m.	Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Graca Melo – RIP – by Maria
Wed. Nov. 18th 9:00 a.m.	Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter & Paul Annasamypillai Aloysius – RIP – by Julia and family
Thurs. Nov. 19th 9:00 a.m.	Weekday Maria Melo and Jose Ponte – RIP – by Conceicao and Jeremias Pacheco
Fri. Nov. 20th 9:00 a.m.	Weekday Fructouso & Zenona Lanzaderas – RIP – by the family
Sat. Nov. 21st 4:30 p.m.	Presentation of Mary Felix O. Manzanal – RIP – by Jerry and Ofelia Roy
Sun. Nov. 22nd 9:00 a.m.	Christ the King Bruna Alesi – RIP – by her parents
11:00 a.m.	Thanksgiving by Cecilia Romea

Collection:

November 8, 2015 - **\$2,859.73 ...Thank you for your
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Counters:

November 15, 2015 – Betty Machny and Jim Kuhr

November 22, 2015 - Rose de Souza and TJ Sorono

Welcome Party

Let us join together for a welcome party for Bishop Tom and Father Jason on Sunday, November 29th, at our Church basement hall, after the 11:00 A.M. Mass. Kindly bring a dish to share. Contact person: Irah Tirona - (514) 336-4892

Montreal: RunAlpha for Catholics: A Day of Envisioning and Training

DO YOU DREAM OF BEING PART OF A MISSIONARY CHURCH? OF HAVING A PARISH FULL OF MISSIONARY DISCIPLES? OF BELONGING TO A COMMUNITY THAT TAKES INITIATIVE TO CALL HOME THE LOST SHEEP? COME AND FIND OUT HOW!!! **RunAlpha** will be held on Saturday, November 21 from 10am – 3pm at **Our Lady of Fatima Parish** (875 Marcel-Laurin Blvd., St-Laurent). Cost is \$15 online or \$20 at the door (lunch included). To register online, visit <http://tinyurl.com/nlwc5ok>. Have questions? Contact Corey Jolly at [514-731-9311](tel:514-731-9311) x 251 or cjolly@diocesemontreal.org.

Be My Disciples News

Christmas Boxes - Deadline for returning the boxes is Sunday, November 15th. For information please contact Frank - [514-333-0791](tel:514-333-0791) or Connie - [514-747-9347](tel:514-747-9347)

Parent Meeting - November 15, 2015 immediately following the 9:00 A.M. Mass. All parents of Be My Disciples children must attend.

Fatima Ladies' Auxiliary News

Shower - Today is the shower for Anne's house. If you have any donations for them, such as Tim Horton's, or MacDonald's gift cards, bus tickets, or monetary donations, please come down to the Pennefather room, we are serving cookies and coffee. We will be happy to see you.

Catholic Calendars - The 2016 Catholic calendars are in and will also be for sale at \$5.00 each. Thank you in advance.

Bazaar - We are accepting donations of books, toys, kitchen accessories etc. We need prizes for the raffle table and let's not forget our popular BAKE table. We still need lots of help for this event. If you need more raffle tickets, please ask one of our members. To return them, please put them in the collection basket, by November 22nd. This money goes to support your parish, please be generous.

Sunday Missals

The 2015-2016 Sunday Missals are now available after every Mass. The cost is \$6.00 each. There is a collection plate beside the Missals for the people to put their money in.