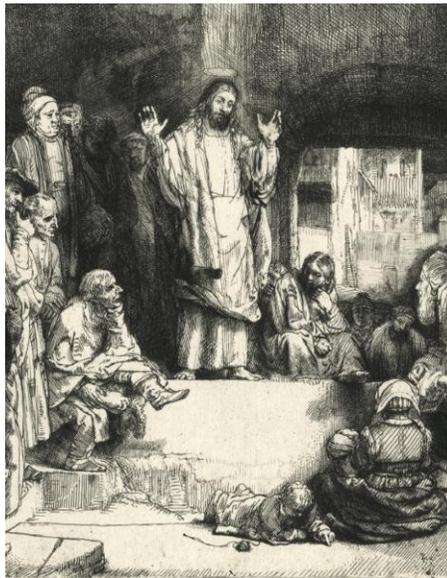


July 31, 2016 & August 7, 2016

The Fool's Vanity: Scott Hahn Reflects on the 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23; Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11
Luke 12:13-21



Trust in God—as the Rock of our salvation, as the Lord who made us His chosen people, as our shepherd and guide. This should be the mark of our following of Jesus.

Like the Israelites we recall in this week's Psalm, we have made an exodus, passing through the waters of Baptism, freeing us from our bondage to sin. We too are on a pilgrimage to a promised homeland, the Lord in our midst, feeding us heavenly bread, giving us living waters to drink (see 1 Corinthians 10:1-4).

We must take care to guard against the folly that befell the Israelites, that led them to quarrel and test God's goodness at Meribah and Massah.

We can harden our hearts in ways more subtle but no less ruinous. We can put our trust in possessions, squabble over earthly inheritances, kid ourselves that what we have we deserve, store up treasures and think they'll afford us security, rest.

All this is "vanity of vanities," a false and deadly way of living, as this week's First Reading tells us.

This is the greed that Jesus warns against in this week's Gospel. The rich man's anxiety and toil expose his lack of faith in God's care and provision. That's why Paul calls greed "idolatry" in the Epistle this week. Mistaking having for being, possession for existence, we forget that God is the giver of all that we have, we exalt the things we can make or buy over our Maker (see Romans 1:25).

Jesus calls the rich man a "fool"—a word used in the Old Testament for someone who rebels against God or has forgotten Him (see Psalm 14:1). We should treasure most the new life we have been given in Christ and seek what is above, the promised inheritance of heaven. We have to see all things in the light of eternity, mindful that He who gives us the breath of life could at any moment—this night even—demand it back from us.

ANNOUNCED MASSES

July 30th – August 14th, 2016

Sat. July 30th

4:30 p.m.

Saint Peter Chrysologus

Corinne Legare Pasalis – RIP – by Jerry and Ofelia Roy

Sun. July 31st

9:00 a.m.

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Rose Mangahas – RIP – by the Ladies' Auxiliary

11:00 a.m.

Maximiano Jaronel – RIP – by Anna Jaronel

Mon. Aug. 1st

NO MASS

Tues. Aug. 2nd

7:00 p.m.

Weekday

Withold and Edmund Mathews – RIP – by Joe and Rita

Wed. Aug. 3rd

9:00 a.m.

Weekday

Thanksgiving for favors received – by Ruth Gaudreau

Thurs. Aug. 4th

9:00 a.m.

Saint John Mary Vianney

Ernesto Tirona – RIP – by Emil Tirona and family

Fri. Aug. 5th

9:00 a.m.

Weekday

For Souls in Purgatory – by Phil

Sat. Aug. 6th

10:00 a.m.

Transfiguration of the Lord

4:30 p.m.

Marel – Thanksgiving – by Cathy

Sun. Aug. 7th

9:00 a.m.

Coleta Campomanes – RIP – by Angelina

11:00 a.m.

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sandra Barbadoro – RIP – by her parents
Veronique Legare Roy – RIP – by Jerry and Ofelia Roy

Mon. Aug. 8th

NO MASS

Tues. Aug. 9th

7:00 p.m.

Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

Calixto and Domiciana Romea – RIP – by the Romea family

Wed. Aug. 10th

9:00 a.m.

Saint Lawrence

Irene Kudo and deceased family members – RIP – by Rita

Thurs. Aug. 11th

9:00 a.m.

Saint Clare

Special intentions for all nephews – by Leah

Fri. Aug. 12th

9:00 a.m.

Saint Jane Frances de Chantal

Marlon Mojica – Birthday Blessings – by the family

Sat. Aug. 13th

4:30 p.m.

Saints Pontian & Hippolytus

Ursula Lafontaine – RIP – by Maria E. S. Ponte

Sun. Aug. 14th

9:00 a.m.

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00 a.m.

Patrick Owen Dowd – RIP – by the Wardens

Florence Gadwah – RIP – by Janet Prasad

Called Home To The Father

Our deepest sympathy to the family of William (Bill) Yvorchuk. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

Collection:

July 17, 2016 - **\$2,784.05**

July 24, 2016 - **\$1,782.00 ...Thank you for your generosity.**

SAINTLY PRAYER & SAINTLY WISDOM

I love You, O my God, and my only desire is to love You until the last breath of my life. I love You, O my infinitely lovable God, and I would rather die loving You, than live without loving You. I love You, Lord and the only grace I ask is to love You eternally...My God, if my tongue cannot say in every moment that I love You, I want my heart to repeat it to You as often as I draw breath. - Saint John Vianney

"Prayer is to our soul what rain is to the soil. Fertilize the soil ever so richly, it will remain barren unless fed by frequent rains." - Saint John Vianney

ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY



This solemnity of Our Lady, celebrated on **August 15th**, falls on a Monday this year. There will be a 9am mass on the 15th to celebrate Mary's assumption.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS



We will have another **mass for healing** on August 18th, Rosary at 7pm, mass at 7:30pm. A priest will be available for confession and the anointing of the sick.

BECOMING CATHOLIC: RCIA



RCIA, which stands for **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**, is a process through which non-baptized men and women enter the Catholic Church. It includes several stages marked by study, and prayer. Participants in the RCIA program undergo a process of conversion as they study the Gospel, profess faith in Jesus and the Catholic Church, and receive the sacraments of baptism, confirmation and Holy Eucharist. For more information contact Fr. Jason Piper

THANK YOU

Thank you everyone for supporting the CAR WASH and HOT DOGS SALE for Camp Kinkora organized by the Youth Choir and Couples for Christ last July 16th. The total amount raised was **\$535.00**. All proceeds will help fund a summer camp for children whose parents are unable to afford such an expense.

FINDING MASS TIMES WHILE AWAY

You can easily find a Catholic church and mass times for any location you travel to in North America, and beyond. Visit www.masstimes.org, or www.parishesonline.com to find a church near your destination.

COFFEE SUNDAY



Hosted by the Legion of Mary, everyone is cordially invited to a "Coffee Sunday" on **August 14th**, after the 11 A.M. Mass at the Church Hall.