

Understanding the Scripture: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Third Sunday of Easter

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First Reading: Acts 3:13–15, 17–19 | Psalm Ps 4:2, 4, 7–9
Second Reading: 1 John 2:1–5 | Gospel: Luke 24:35–48



Jesus in today's Gospel teaches His apostles how to interpret the Scriptures.

He tells them that all the Scriptures of what we now call the Old Testament refer to Him. He says that all the promises found in the Old Testament have been fulfilled in His passion, death, and resurrection. And He tells them that these Scriptures

foretell the mission of the Church—to preach forgiveness of sins to all the nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

In today's First Reading and Epistle, we see the beginnings of that mission. And we see the apostles interpreting the Scriptures as Jesus taught them to.

God has brought to fulfillment what He announced beforehand in all the prophets, Peter preaches. His sermon is shot through with Old Testament images. He evokes Moses and the exodus, in which God revealed himself as the ancestral God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob (see Exodus 3:6,15). He identifies Jesus as Isaiah's suffering servant who has been glorified (see Isaiah 52:13).

John, too describes Jesus in Old Testament terms. Alluding to how Israel's priests offered blood sacrifices to atone for the people's sins (see Leviticus 16; Hebrews 9–10), he says that Jesus intercedes for us before God (see Romans 8:34), and that His blood is a sacrificial expiation for the sins of the world (see 1 John 1:7).

Notice that in all three readings, the Scriptures are interpreted to serve and advance the Church's mission—to reveal the truth about Jesus, to bring people to repentance, the wiping away of sins, and the perfection of their love for God.

This is how we, too, should hear the Scriptures. Not to know more "about" Jesus, but to truly know Him personally, and to know His plan for our lives. In the Scriptures, the light of His face shines upon us, as we sing in today's Psalm. We know the wonders He has done throughout history. And we have the confidence to call to Him, and to know that He hears and answers.

ANNOUNCED MASSES
April 14th- 22nd, 2018

Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Apr. 14th	Sunday Vigil Deceased and Living Members of the Rodrigues family - by Leo and Lavinia
Sunday 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Apr. 15th	Third Sunday of Easter Spencer Shillingford – RIP – by the family Albana Durinzi – RIP – by the family
Monday	Apr. 16th	NO MASS
Tuesday 7:00 p.m.	Apr. 17th	Saint Kateri Tekakwitha Albert A. Piper – RIP – by the Piper family
Wednesday 9:00 a.m.	Apr. 18th	Blessed Marie-Anne Blondin Apolonia Francisco – RIP – by the family
Thursday 9:00 a.m.	Apr. 19th	Weekday Rosalia Mangahas – RIP – by the family
Friday 9:00 a.m.	Apr. 20th	Weekday For Souls in Purgatory – by Phil
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Apr. 21st	Sunday Vigil Regino and Rex Crodua – RIP – by the family
Sunday 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Apr. 22nd	Fourth Sunday of Easter Naty Pasia – RIP – by the family Adrian de Souza – RIP – by the family

**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.**

Collection:
April 8, 2018 - **\$2,712.82**
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HOLY HOUR



Silent adoration every Tuesday evening, following the 7:00pm mass (from 7:30pm to 8:30pm) Also, Adoration every Friday, following the 9:00am mass (from 9:30am to 10:30am). Come and spend some time with the Lord!

"Our Lord hears our prayers anywhere, but He has revealed to His servants that those who visit Him in the Eucharist will obtain a more abundant measure of grace." -St.Alphonsus Ligouri

ANNUAL COLLECTION OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF MONTREAL 2018

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, like every year at this time, it is with the joy of Easter that I write to you again. On Easter morning, the Church community reawakens, welcoming the new life that the Holy Spirit breathes into it. Given new energy, we are stimulated into action. We find ourselves fulfilling our baptismal promises with renewed strength and vigor. We are thus asked to be generous and contribute to the cause of proclaiming God's love.

This year, the Annual Collection will take place on the first three Sundays in April (**April 8-22**). Once again, I ask you for your prayers and your support. It is a time for both thanksgiving and for the People of God who reside in Montreal to be united with the vital and prevailing force that comes from the Joy of the Gospel.

May God bless you and shine his love and truth on you.

+ Christian Lépine
Archbishop of Montreal

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CATHOLIC ACTION OF MONTREAL: NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Mark you calendar. The Catholic Action of Montreal will be holding its Annual General Meeting on May 29th at Loyola High School from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Details to follow.

THE FOOD BANK “OASIS”



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