

The Promised One: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Bible Reflections by Dr. Scott Hahn
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First Reading: Genesis 3:9–15 | Psalm 130:1–2, 3–4, 5–6, 7–8
Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:13–5:1 | Gospel: Mark 3:20–35



In today's Gospel Jesus has just been healing and casting out demons in Galilee. Along with the crowds, who flock to Him so that He can't even take a break to eat, come people who do not understand what He is doing. Even His friends think He has lost His mind and needs to be taken away for a while. But the scribes who came down from Jerusalem are not just honestly mistaken; they accuse Him of being possessed by the prince of demons.

The reality is just the opposite. Jesus is revealing Himself as the one promised in our first reading. He is the seed of the woman who has come to crush the head of the demonic serpent. In the parable of the strong man, Jesus reveals that He has come not just to punish the devil but to free those bound by him. As St. Bede explains, "The Lord has also bound the strong man, that is, the devil: which means, He has restrained him from seducing the elect, and entering into his house, the world; He has spoiled his house, and His goods, that is men, because He has snatched them from the snares of the devil, and has united them to His Church."

The scribes blaspheme by attributing this work of the Holy Spirit to demons. Jesus adds a statement that shocks us at first: "whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness." That does not mean that there are any limits to the mercy of God (CCC 1864). Rather, the only sin that cannot be forgiven is the deliberate refusal to accept the mercy offered through the Holy Spirit.

Instead, we must imitate those who sat at Jesus' feet. For, as He said, "Whoever does the will of God is my brother, and sister, and mother."

ANNOUNCED MASSES
June 9th – June 17th, 2018

Saturday 10:00 a.m.	June 9th	Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary Blessings for the Pinto and De Souza families
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	June 9th	Sunday Vigil Gaetano Margiotta – RIP – by the Ottoni family
Sunday 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	June 10th	Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time John and Beatrice Victoria and Selvan Fernando – RIP – by the family Ina Carvajal and Madeleine Lynes – RIP – by Mercedes and family
Monday	June 11th	NO MASS
Tuesday 7:00 p.m.	June 12th	Weekday Elias Dager – RIP – by his daughter
Wednesday 9:00 a.m.	June 13th	Saint Anthony of Padua Antonio Sia – RIP – by the family
Thursday 9:00 a.m.	June 14th	Weekday Del Salter – RIP – by the family
Friday 9:00 a.m.	June 15th	Weekday Deceased and Living members of the Ponte family – by Delta de Ponte
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	June 16th	Sunday Vigil Louis Ottoni – RIP – by the family
Sunday 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	June 17th	Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Rita and Pietro Mosca – RIP – by the family Sylvio Durinzi – 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:
June 3, 2018 - **\$3,121.00**
First Saturday – **\$1,697.55**
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SAINT MARK'S ANGLICAN CHURCH: DESSERT CARD PARTY



St. Mark's Women Association invites you to a Dessert Card Party. It will be a Card Game of your choice on Wednesday, **20 June 2018 at 1:00 P.M. in the Parish Hall** (1650 Decelles St., Saint-Laurent). All are welcome.

YOUTH EVENT: MONTREAL YOUTH CONFERENCE

This year, over 20,000 youth all over the world have had a Jesus Experience and we want you to have one as well. Join us for the **"2018 Montreal Youth Conference: I DECLARE"** organized by the Couples for Christ (CFC) – Youth which will be held on **June 23rd, Saturday, from 8A.M. until 8P.M., at Loyola High School** (7272 Sherbrooke St. West, Montreal, QC H4B 1R2).

Come and meet new friends, discover more of yourself and encounter the unending **LOVE OF GOD** in a fresh and deeply personal way. **REGISTER NOW** at www.bit.ly/iDeclareMTL. Registration fee: \$30.00. All youth, 13 to 24 years old, are welcome. For more information, please contact Allan and Melinda Distor at 514-213-4868.

BE MY DISCIPLES NEWS



The **REGISTRATION Forms** for September are ready. **ALL children** of the Parish **must be registered in this faith transmission and education program.** The children who are currently in the Be My Disciples program have taken the new registration form home. Please

look for it in their book or backpack. All other parishioners, who have children between the ages of Kindergarten and Junior High, please enquire at the office or call Connie Kuhr for information – 514-747-9347. The **DEADLINE is June 24, 2018.** Registrations after that date will be charged a late fee of \$25.00 per person.

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

THE FOOD BANK "OASIS"



Please remember to bring non-perishable food and leave them in the bins at the doors of the church...Thank you.