

Wisdom and Riches: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Bible Reflections by Dr. Scott Hahn
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First Reading: Wisdom 7:7–11 | Psalm 90:12–17
Second Reading: Hebrews 4:12–13 | Gospel: Mark 10:17–30



The rich young man in today's Gospel wanted to know what we all want to know—how to live in this life so that we might live forever in the world to come. He sought what today's Psalm calls "wisdom of heart."

He learns that the wisdom he seeks is not a program of works to be performed or behaviors to be avoided. As Jesus tells him, observing the commandments is essential to walking the path of salvation—but it can only get us so far.

The Wisdom of God is not precepts, but a person—Jesus Christ. Jesus is the Wisdom whose Spirit was granted to Solomon in today's First Reading. Jesus is the Word of God spoken of in today's Epistle. And Jesus, as He reveals Himself to the rich man today, is God.

In Jesus we encounter Wisdom, the living and effective Word of God. As He does with the rich man today, He looks upon each of us with love. That look of love, that loving gaze, is a personal invitation—to give up everything to follow Him.

Nothing is concealed from His gaze, as we hear in the Epistle. In His fiery eyes, the thoughts of our hearts are exposed, and each of us must render an account of our lives (see Revelation 1:14).

We must have the attitude of Solomon, preferring Wisdom to all else, loving Him more than even life itself. This preference, this love, requires a leap of faith. We will be persecuted for this faith, Jesus tells His disciples today. But we must trust in His promise—that all good things will come to us in His company.

What, then, are the "many possessions" that keep us from giving ourselves totally to God? What are we clinging to—material things, comfort zones, relationships? What will it take for us to live fully for Christ's sake and the sake of the Gospel?

Let us pray for the wisdom to enter into the kingdom of God. With the Psalmist, let us ask Him, "Teach us."

ANNOUNCED MASSES
October 13th – October 21st, 2018

Saturday 10:00 a.m.	Oct. 13th	Weekday <i>Pro Populo</i>
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Oct. 13th	Sunday Vigil Franc Kebe – RIP – by Amalia Marzi and the Kebe family
Sunday 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Oct. 14th	Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Mellie Francisco – RIP – by Tony and family Feliks Rewers – RIP – by Wanda
Monday	Oct. 15th	NO MASS
Tuesday 7:00 p.m.	Oct. 16th	Saint Marguerite d'Youville Clement Sabourn – RIP – by the Piper family
Wednesday 9:00 a.m.	Oct. 17th	Saint Ignatius of Antioch Mary Lawrence – RIP – by the Ladies' Auxiliary
Thursday 9:00 a.m.	Oct. 18th	SAINT LUKE Jean Brocklehurst – RIP – by Joan
Friday 9:00 a.m.	Oct. 19th	Saint Paul of the Cross Pedrito Manzanal – RIP – by Ofelia Manzanal and Jerry Roy
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Oct. 20th	Sunday Vigil Teresita Manzo Manzanal – RIP – by Jerry and Ofelia Roy
Sunday 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Oct. 21st	Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Rita and Pietro Mosca – 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.*

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October 7, 2018 - **\$2,525.10**
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PARISH VITALITY CONFERENCE 2018

Registration is now available online. Where is your parish headed in these changing times? What might it look like in the next few years? What CAN it look like?

Join us on **November 16-17** as we explore creative and inspiring ways to respond together as a life-giving faith community to our changing world.

Headlining the conference is **Fr. James Mallon**, author and speaker on Parish Renewal and Leadership Support, from the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth. In addition to delivering the keynote address, the author of *Divine Renovation: From A Maintenance To A Missional Parish* will also offer a **free** talk to priests on Friday morning at Villa Saint Martin.

BE MY DISCIPLES NEWS



CHRISTMAS BOXES - As part of our Junior High youth group activities to increase our children's Christian awareness, we are participating again in Operation Christmas Child in conjunction with Samaritan's Purse. This is a project where, every Christmas, millions of shoeboxes filled with gifts are hand delivered to millions of needy children around

the world. In addition to bringing joy to these children, these will introduce them to God's love for them through His gift of His Son, Jesus Christ. Our youth will be filling the shoeboxes with toys, school supplies, hygiene products (no liquids or toothpaste), and other small gifts such as biblical books, socks, t-shirts, etc. Basically anything that could be useful for a needy child and that will fit in a shoebox, small backpack, duffle bag etc., but nothing battery powered. No guns, knives or anything portraying violence. Please check the pamphlets available for specific information. Choose if the gift is for a **boy** or a **girl** and the **age group**. **Please donate \$10.00 per box for shipping costs.**

All parishioners are invited to join this parish activity again this year. Each family can fill up as many boxes as they would like to. There is no limit. You can also use ANY regular shoe box, backpack, duffle bag, etc. **DEADLINE** for returning the filled boxes is **Sunday, November 11th.** **Thank you** to ALL parishioners for your great generosity. For information please contact Frank - 514-333-0791; Connie - 514-747-9347, or the office – 514-747-4226.

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

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