

Cup of Salvation: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Bible Reflections by Dr. Scott Hahn
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First Reading: Isaiah 53:10-1 | Psalm 33:4-5,18-20,22
Second Reading: Hebrews 4:14-16 | Gospel: Mark 10:35-45



The sons of Zebedee hardly know what they're asking in today's Gospel. They are thinking in terms of how the Gentiles rule, of royal privileges and honors.

But the road to Christ's kingdom is by way of His cross. To share in His glory, we must be willing to drink

the cup that He drinks.

The cup is an Old Testament image for God's judgment. The wicked would be made to drink this cup in punishment for their sins (see Psalm 75:9; Jeremiah 25:15, 28; Isaiah 51:17). But Jesus has come to drink this cup on behalf of all humanity. He has come to be baptized—which means plunged or immersed—into the sufferings we all deserve for our sins (compare Luke 12:50).

In this He will fulfill the task of Isaiah's suffering servant, whom we read about in today's First Reading.

Like Isaiah's servant, the Son of Man will give His life as an offering for sin, as once Israel's priests offered sacrifices for the sins of the people (see Leviticus 5:17–19).

Jesus is the heavenly high priest of all humanity, as we hear in today's Epistle. Israel's high priests offered the blood of goats and calves in the temple sanctuary. But Jesus entered the heavenly sanctuary with His own blood (see Hebrews 9:12).

And by bearing our guilt and offering His life to do the will of God, Jesus ransomed "the many"—paying the price to redeem humanity from spiritual slavery to sin and death.

He has delivered us from death, as we rejoice in today's Psalm. We need to hold fast to our confession of faith, as today's Epistle exhorts us. We must look upon our trials and sufferings as our portion of the cup He promised to those who believe in Him (see Colossians 1:24). We must remember that we have been baptized into His passion and death (see Romans 6:3).

In confidence, let us approach the altar today, the throne of grace, at which we drink the cup of His saving blood (see Mark 14:23–24).

ANNOUNCED MASSES
October 20th – October 28th, 2018

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
Monday	Oct. 22nd	NO MASS
Tuesday 7:00 p.m.	Oct. 23rd	Saint John of Capistrano Bruna Alesi – RIP – by the family
Wednesday 9:00 a.m.	Oct. 24th	Saint Anthony Mary Claret Donna Gibson – RIP- by Rita and family
Thursday 9:00 a.m.	Oct. 25th	Weekday Ingrid Sabaschkow – RIP – by Rita
Friday 9:00 a.m.	Oct. 26th	Weekday Emilio Gloriaga Bencito – RIP – by the family
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Oct. 27th	Sunday Vigil Dominic D'Souza – RIP – by the family
Sunday 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Oct. 28th	Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jose J. Ponte – RIP – by Connie Feliks Rewers – RIP – by Wanda

*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:
October 14, 2018 - **\$2,609.60**
You Lift Me Up - **\$1,110.00**
(bringing our total to **\$128,230.00** for our goal of **\$170,000.00**)
Thank you for your generosity.

SAINT MARY'S HOSPITAL: JINGLE BELL FAIR

The Auxiliary of St. Mary's Hospital Center is holding its annual Fall Fair, also known as the Jingle Bell Fair, on **Thursday, November 8, 2018, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.** in the hospital auditorium (B-309) basement floor, 3830 Lacombe Avenue, Montreal, Quebec. Start your shopping early as there will be jewellery, country kitchen, odds and ends, handicrafts and chance table. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. The Auxiliary raises funds to enhance patient care and for purchase of specialized medical equipment. For more information, please call the Gift Shop at 514-345-3511, ext. 3247.

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.

EVANGELIZATION OF THE NATIONS - OCTOBER 21

Today is World Mission Sunday. On this day, Pope Francis invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection for the Propagation of the Faith. All donations gathered within the churches of the world will be distributed worldwide. Your donations will help missionaries in proclaiming the Gospel of joy and peace. The theme of this year's observance, "Together with young people, let us bring the Gospel to all," echoes the current synod of bishops, scheduled from October 3-28 in the Vatican, whose theme is "Young People, the Faith and Vocational Discernment."

In the message addressed to all Christians, but especially to young people, the Pope reminds all that "we are not in this world by our own choice," and hence there is "an initiative that precedes us and makes us exist." Each one of us, he says, is called to reflect on the fact that "I am a mission on this Earth," which is why we are here in this world. Pope Francis states: "Every man and woman is a mission...To be attracted and to be sent are two movements of the heart that hold out promise for our future and give direction to our lives."

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.