

April 3rd & 10th, 2022

Something New: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Fifth Sunday of Lent

Sunday Bible Reflections by Dr. Scott Hahn
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First Reading: Isaiah 43:16–21 | Psalm 126:1–6
Second Reading: Philippians 3:8–14 | Gospel: John 8:1–11

The Liturgy this Lent has shown us the God of the Exodus. He is a mighty and gracious God, Who out of faithfulness to His covenant has done “great things” for His people, as today’s Psalm puts it.

But the “things of long ago,” Isaiah tells us in today’s First Reading, are nothing compared to the “something new” that He will do in the future.

Today’s First Reading and Psalm look back to the marvelous deeds of the Exodus. Both see in the Exodus a pattern and prophecy of the future, when God will restore the fortunes of His people fallen in sin. The readings today look forward to a still greater Exodus, when God will gather in the exiled tribes of Israel that had been scattered to the four winds, the ends of the earth.

The new Exodus that Israel waited and hoped for has come in the death and resurrection of Jesus. Like the adulterous woman in today’s Gospel, all have been spared by the Lord’s compassion. All have heard His words of forgiveness, His urging to repentance, to be sinners no more. Like Paul in today’s Epistle, Christ has taken possession of every one, claimed each as a child of our heavenly Father.

In the Church, God has formed a people for Himself to announce His praise, just as Isaiah said He would. And as Isaiah promised, He has given His “chosen people” living waters to drink in the desert wastelands of the world (see [John 7:37–39](#)).

But our God is ever a God of the future, not of the past. We are to live with hopeful hearts, “forgetting what lies behind but straining forward to what lies ahead,” as Paul tells us. His salvation, Paul says, is power in the present, “the power of His resurrection.”

We are to live awaiting a still greater and final Exodus, pursuing “the goal, the prize of God’s upward calling,” striving in faith to attain the last new thing God promises—“the resurrection of the dead.”

OUR LADY OF FATIMA ONLINE MINISTRIES

The Rosary

Emil & Irah Tirona are hosting an online interactive rosary, Mondays at 7:30pm.

For those interested, kindly send an email to Emil and Irah (irahtirona@gmail.com), so you may be added to the online invitation. Please call 514-617-4021 if you need any online technical assistance or have questions.

Homilies & Reflections

During the current COVID restrictions, while the parish is either closed to the public or limited in the number of those who can gather for mass, from time to time Fr. Jason will post on the parish website a homily or reflection on various faith related subjects. You can find the homilies at the following link: <http://www.our-lady-of-fatima.ca/homilies/>

COVID NOTICE:

The Church is **OPEN** to the public gatherings indoors. Places of worship will still keep the usual health requirements of: sanitizing hands when entering the building, wearing a mask, keeping a three-foot distance (lowered from the previous six-foot requirement) from those outside your "bubble".

Therefore, because we are able to accommodate a much greater number of people, until further notice: **NO MORE RESERVATIONS** will be required. It will be first come first serve in the church, and if it fills up, we will have a place for you in the Hall.

Also, as has been our practice throughout the pandemic, for the foreseeable future we will continue using only the main entrance doors for you to enter the Church.

You can check regularly our parish website for updates:
www.our-lady-of-fatima.ca

The Archdiocese of Montreal has set up a webpage where they will post diocesan updates and information, regarding the actions taken by the Archdiocese, in response to the coronavirus as things unfold:
www.diocesemontreal.org/en/covid-19

During these difficult days be assured of my prayers for you, and together let us pray for all those effected by this virus, and for its swift end! If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to e-mail me: fatherjpipe@gmail.com

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday, April 14	7:00pm, Mass of the Lord's Supper
Good Friday, April 15	3:00pm, Celebration of the Lord's Passion 7:00pm, Stations of the Cross
Holy Saturday, April 16	8:00pm, Resurrection of the Lord (Vigil)
Easter Sunday, April 17	9am & 11am, Resurrection of the Lord

WAY OF THE CROSS

Everyone is invited to the **Way of the Cross every Friday at 7p.m.** during this Lenten season. Doors open at 6:45pm.

FLOWERS FOR EASTER

If you would like to contribute to beautifying our Church with Easter flowers, please place an envelope in the collection basket and mark on it "Easter flowers." If you include your name or envelope number, you will receive an income tax receipt for it at year end.

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

To our dear parishioners who used the envelope system for the weekly donation to the Parish in 2021, your income tax receipts are ready at the **Sacristy**. Please pick up your receipt either on the weekend after Mass or during the week, Monday to Friday.

If you prefer to receive your receipt by mail, please contact the office. Thank you.

CATHOLIC CALENDARS

The 2022 Catholic calendars are now available. Five dollars (\$5) each.

SUNDAY MISSALS

The new 2022 Sunday missals have arrived. They go into effect the first Sunday of Advent (November 28th). Five dollars (\$5) each.

ENVELOPES FOR 2022 SUNDAY OFFERINGS

Envelopes for 2022 Sunday offerings are at the front of the Church. **PLEASE TAKE ONLY THE BOX WITH YOUR NAME AND NUMBER ON IT.** If you have never used the envelopes and wish to start, please ask for a new box at the Office or call 514-747-4226 during office hours (9am to 2pm), to register. **We request all users to please put your name and address on the first few envelopes for the New Year to ensure proper recording.** Thank you.

WARDEN ELECTIONS

Our annual warden elections that normally take place around November or December, were postponed due to the pandemic and various other circumstances. However, we are pleased to announce a Meeting of

Parishioners for our overdue warden elections which will take place on Sunday April 24th, following the 11am mass, in the parish hall.

SAINTLY WISDOM

“O Jesus! I remember that for our sakes You were immersed into an abyss of suffering. In consideration of the enormity of Your Wounds, teach me to keep, through pure love, Your Commandments, which are a wide and easy path for those who love You. Amen.”
 - *Saint Bridget of Sweden*

ANNOUNCED MASSES
April 2nd – 17th, 2022

Saturday 10 a. m.	April 2nd	Saint Francis of Paola Lucille King – RIP – by the family
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	April 2nd	Fifth Sunday of Lent, Vigil Ina Carvajal – RIP – by Mercedes and family
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	April 3rd	Fifth Sunday of Lent (Year C) Lucille King – RIP – by the family
11:00 a.m.		<i>Pro Populo</i>
Monday	April 4th	NO MASS
Tuesday 7:00 p.m.	April 5th	Saint Vincent Ferrer Lucille King – RIP – by the family
Wednesday 9:00 a.m.	April 6th	Weekday Lucille King – RIP – by the family
Thursday 9:00 a.m.	April 7th	Saint John Baptist de la Salle Lucille King – RIP – by the family
Friday 9:00 a.m.	April 8th	Weekday Maria Melo Ponte – RIP – by Luis
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	April 9th	Passion (Palm) Sunday Vigil Irma Pili – RIP – by Ludi and family
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	April 10th	Passion (Palm) Sunday (Year C) Cyril and Monica Monteiro – RIP – by Nelson and Teresa
11:00 a.m.		<i>Pro Populo</i>
Monday	April 11th	NO MASS

Tuesday 7:00 p.m.	April 12th	Weekday Alban de Souza – RIP – by the family
Wednesday 9:00 a.m.	April 13th	Weekday Albert A. Piper – RIP - by Linda Piper
Thursday 7:00 p.m.	April 14th	Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper
Friday 3:00 p.m.	April 15th	Good Friday Celebration of the Lord's Passion
Saturday 8:00 p.m.	April 16th	Holy Saturday Resurrection of the Lord, Vigil
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	April 17th	Resurrection of the Lord (Year C) Gerardo and Ildebrando Lanzaderas – RIP – by the family
11:00 a.m.		<i>Pro Populo</i>

CALLED HOME TO THE FATHER:

Olga Bernacki
Theresa (Annett) Manning
Joaquin Gandol
Mathai Kunnakkat

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God,
rest in peace.
Amen.*

THE FIVE PRAYERS OF FATIMA

The Fatima Prayer/Decade Prayer

(Mary told the children that people should add this prayer to the end of each decade of the Rosary.)

“O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to Heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy. Amen.”

The Sacrifice Prayer

(Mary gave the children this prayer, as well as the Fatima Prayer/Decade Prayer, on June 13th, 1917. The prayer is meant to be recited when you are offering up suffering to God.)

“O Jesus, it is for the love of Thee, in reparation for the offenses committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and for the conversion of poor sinners [that I do this].”

The Pardon Prayer

(This prayer was given to the children by the angel that visited them in 1916, the year before Mary appeared to them.)

“My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love Thee! I beg pardon for all those that do not believe, do not adore, do not hope and do not love Thee.”

The Angel's Prayer

(This is another prayer given to the children by the angel. There was a Eucharistic host and chalice suspended in the air, and the angel led them in kneeling before it and praying this prayer.)

“O Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I adore Thee profoundly. I offer Thee the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifferences by which He is offended. By the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary I beg the conversion of poor sinners.”

The Eucharistic Prayer

(When Mary appeared to the children for the first time on May 13, 1917, she said, “You will have much to suffer, but the grace of God will be your comfort.” According to Lucia, a bright light shone all around them, and without thinking about it, they all started reciting this prayer.)

“Most Holy Trinity, I adore Thee! My God, my God, I love Thee in the Most Blessed Sacrament.”