

October 16th & 23rd, 2022

Hope from on High: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Bible Reflections by Dr. Scott Hahn
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First Reading: Exodus 17:8-13 | Psalm 121:1-8
Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2 | Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

The Lord is our guardian, beside us at our right hand, interceding for us in all our spiritual battles.

In today's Psalm we're told to lift our eyes to the mountains, that our help will come from Mount Zion and the Temple—the dwelling of the Lord who made heaven and earth.

Joshua and the Israelites, in today's First Reading, are also told to look to the hilltops. They are to find their help there—through the intercession of Moses—as they defend themselves against their mortal foes, the Amalekites.

Notice the image: Aaron and Hur standing on each side of Moses, holding his weary arms so that he can raise the staff of God above his head. Moses is being shown here as a figure of Jesus, who also climbed a hilltop, and on Mount Calvary stretched out His hands between heaven and earth to intercede for us against the final enemy—sin and death (see 1 Corinthians 15:26).

By the staff of God, Moses bested Israel's enemies (see Exodus 7:8–12; 8:1–2), parted the Red Sea (see Exodus 14:16) and brought water from the Rock (see Exodus 17:6).

The Cross of Jesus is the new staff of God, bringing about a new liberation from sin, bringing forth living waters from the body of Christ, the new Temple of God (see John 2:19–21; 7:37–39; 19:34; 1 Corinthians 10:4).

Like the Israelites and the widow in today's Gospel, we face opposition and injustice—at times from godless and pitiless adversaries.

We, too, must lift our eyes to the mountains—to Calvary and the God who will guard us from all evil.

We must pray always and not be wearied by our trials, Jesus tells us today. As Paul exhorts in today's Epistle, we need to remain faithful, to turn to the inspired Scriptures—given by God to train us in righteousness. We must persist, so that when the Son of Man comes again in kingly power, He will indeed find faith on earth.

JOB OPENING

Job opening for the position of Executive Director of the English Speaking Catholic Council. Applicants are invited to apply in confidence to the ESCC Selection Committee (esc@catholiccouncil.ca). Deadline: October 31, 2022. Visit ESCC website www.catholiccouncil.ca for further details.

CHRISTMAS BOXES

We are once again participating this year 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, this will introduce them to God's love for them through His gift of His son, Jesus Christ. Please note you could also write a message of love and leave it in the box. We 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, no knives or anything portraying violence. Please check the **pamphlets** available for information on what to send. Choose if the gift is for a **boy** or a **girl** and the **age group**. **Please donate \$10.00 per box for shipping costs.**

Empty Boxes and **pamphlets** can be picked up at the entrance of the church on **Saturday and Sunday , October 1st and 2nd** and **filled Boxes** are to be **returned** at the entrance of the church with the **DEADLINE of Sunday, November 13, 2022.**

You can fill up as many boxes as they would like to. There is no limit. You can also use ANY regular shoebox, backpack, duffle bag, etc. **Thank you** in advance for your great generosity. For more information contact Frank Kebe 514-707-6248, or the Parish Office 514-747-4226.

SAINTLY WISDOM

Without love, deeds, even the most brilliant ones, count as nothing.”
- *Saint Therese of the Child Jesus (aka The Little Flower)*

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/>

ADORATION

Come spend some time with Our Lord.

Tuesdays 6pm to 7pm (*mass at 7pm*)

Thursdays 8am to 9am (*mass at 9am*)

Fridays 9:30am to 10:30am (*mass at 9am*)

First Saturday of the Month 10:30am to 11:30am (*mass at 10am*)

COVID NOTICE:

The Church is **OPEN** to the public gatherings indoors.

NO RESERVATIONS are required.

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: fatherjpiper@gmail.com

ANNOUNCED MASSES
October 15th – 30th, 2022

Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Oct. 15th	Sunday Vigil Edward Hranek – RIP – by his wife and children
Sunday 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Oct. 16th	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) Felix and Leonora Villanueva – Anniversary Blessings <i>Pro Populo</i>
Monday	Oct. 17th	NO MASS
Tuesday 7:00 p.m.	Oct. 18^h	Saint Luke Betty - Thanksgiving for favors received
Wednesday 9:00 a.m.	Oct. 19th	Saint Paul of the Cross Angel, Melchora & Mimica – RIP – by Zoilo & Tessie
Thursday 9:00 a.m.	Oct. 20th	Saint Hedwig Mylene Mandalones – Thanksgiving and Blessings
Friday 9:00 a.m.	Oct. 21st	Weekday Agnes, Jun & family – Thanksgiving and Blessings
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Oct. 22nd	Sunday Vigil Zoraida Enciso Hinostroza – RIP – by the family
Sunday 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Oct. 23^d	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) Angela, Rosa & Giuseppe Mignacca – RIP – by the family <i>Pro Populo</i>
Monday	Oct. 24th	NO MASS
Tuesday 7:00 p.m.	Oct. 25th	Weekday Margaret Megelas – RIP – by the family
Wednesday 9:00 a.m.	Oct. 26th	Weekday Tarcisio, Flaviano & Filomena – RIP – by Zoilo & Tessie
Thursday 9:00 a.m.	Oct. 27th	Weekday Rudy & Nora Mojica – Anniversary Blessings & Thanksgiving
Friday 9:00 a.m.	Oct. 28th	Saints Simon and Jude Thomas Bolohan – RIP – by Joan
Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Oct. 29th	Sunday Vigil Jose J. Ponte – RIP – by Luis Ponte
Sunday 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Oct. 30th	31st Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) Benjamin Saldana – RIP – by Anna Jaronel <i>Pro Populo</i>

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.”