

Lectio Divina

with **Cardinal Thomas Collins**



Join us on Sundays at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica

65 Bond Street, Toronto ON

Music by the Cathedral Vespers Choir: 6:45 p.m.

Vespers (evening prayer): 7 p.m.

Lectio Divina: 7:30 to 8:15 p.m.



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THEME FOR 2019-2020:

Men & Women of the Old Testament

We learn about God from the stories of how people encounter God, and make him present in their life. During Lectio Divina this year, we will prayerfully meditate on passages about men and women in the Old Testament who illustrate the human condition, with its temptations to sin, and its opportunity for the grace of repentance and salvation.

October 6, 2019

Lot

Genesis 19:1-28



Sunday Vespers: Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

INTRODUCTION

Cardinal: God, + come to my assistance.

All: Lord, make haste to help me.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

HYMN

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| 1. O blest Creator of the light,
Who mak'st the day with radiance bright,
And o'er the forming world didst call
The light from chaos first of all; | 3. Lest, sunk in sin, and whelm'd with strife,
They lose the gift of endless life;
While thinking but the thoughts of time,
They weave new chains of woe and crime. |
| 2. Whose wisdom joined in meet array
The morn and eve, and named them Day:
Night comes with all its darkling fears;
Regard thy people's prayers and tears. | 4. But grant them grace that they may strain
The heav'nly gate and prize to gain:
Each harmful lure aside to cast,
And purge away each error past. |

PSALMODY C = CANTOR A = ALL

Antiphon 1 The Lord said to my Master: Sit at **my** right hand, **al-le-lu-ia**.

Psalm 110:1-5, 7

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| C: The Lord's revelation to my Master:
"Sit on my right:
your foes I will put be- neath your feet." | A: The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change.
"You are a priest for ever,
a priest like Melchize- dek of old." |
| A: The Lord will wield from Zion
your scep- ter of power:
rule in the midst of all your foes. | C: The Master standing at your right hand
will shatter kings in the day of his great wrath. |
| C: A prince from the day of your birth
on the holy mountains;
from the womb before the dawn I begot you. | A: He shall drink from the stream by the wayside
and therefore he shall lift up his head. |
| | C: Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit, |
| | A: as it was in the beginning,
is now and will be fore- ver . Amen. |

Antiphon 1 (repeated by all) The Lord said to my Master: Sit at **my** right hand, **al-le-lu-ia**.

Antiphon 2 Our compassionate Lord has left us a memorial of his wonderful **work**, **al-le-lu-ia**.

Psalm 111

C: I will thank the Lord with all my **heart**
in the meeting of the just and **their** assembly.
Great are the works of the **Lord**;
to be pondered by **all** who love them.

A: Majestic and glorious his **work**,
his justice stands **firm** for ever.
He makes us remember his **wonders**.
The Lord is compas-**sion** and love.

C: He gives food to those who **fear him**;
keeps his covenant **ev-er** in mind.
He has shown his might to his **people**
by giving them the lands **of** the nations.

A: His works are justice and **truth**:
his precepts are **all of** them sure,
standing firm for ever and **ever**:
they are made in upright-**ness** and truth.

C: He has sent deliverance to his people
and established his covenant for **ever**.
Holy his name, **to** be feared.

A: To fear the Lord is the first stage of wisdom;
all who do so prove themselves **wise**.
His praise shall **last** for ever!

C: Glory to the Father and to the **Son**
and to the **Ho-ly** Spirit,

A: as it was in the be-**ginning**,
is now and will be fore-**ver**. **Amen**.

Antiphon 2 (repeated by all) Our compassionate Lord has left us a memorial of his wonderful **work**, **al-le-lu-ia**.

Antiphon 3 All power is yours, Lord God, our mighty King, alleluia.

Canticle: See Revelation 19:1-7

Alleluia.
Salvation, glory, and power to our God:
R/ Alleluia.
his judgments are honest and true.
R/ Alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia.
Sing praise to our God, all you his servants,
R/ Alleluia.
all who worship him reverently, great and small.
R/ Alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia.
The Lord our all-powerful God is King,
R/ Alleluia.
let us rejoice, sing praise, and give him glory.
R/ Alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia.
The wedding feast of the Lamb has begun,
R/ Alleluia.
and his bride is prepared to welcome him.
R/ Alleluia, alleluia.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
R/ Alleluia.
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and will be for ever. **Amen**.
R/ Alleluia, alleluia.

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READING – 1 Peter 1:3-5 (Reader)

Praised be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, he who in his great mercy gave us new birth; a birth unto hope which draws its life from the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead; a birth to an imperishable inheritance, incapable of fading or defilement, which is kept in heaven for you who are guarded with God's power through faith; a birth to a salvation which stands ready to be revealed

RESPONSORY

The whole creation proclaims the greatness of your glory.

R/ The whole creation proclaims the greatness of your glory.

Eternal ages praise

R/ the greatness of your glory.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

R/ The whole creation proclaims the greatness of your glory.

CANTICLE OF MARY

My soul doth magnify the Lord,
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.
And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.
He hath shewed strength with his arm.
He hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things.
And the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel
as he promised to our forefathers Abraham, and his seed forever.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

INTERCESSIONS

Cardinal: The world was created by the Word of God, re-created by his redemption, and it is continually renewed by his love. Rejoicing in him we call out: Renew the wonders of your love, Lord.

R/ Renew the wonders of your love, Lord.

Reader:

We give thanks to God whose power is revealed in nature, and whose providence is revealed in history. **R/ Renew the wonders of your love, Lord.**

Reader:

Through your Son, the herald of reconciliation, the victor of the cross, free us from empty fear and hopelessness. **R/ Renew the wonders of your love, Lord.**

Reader:

May all those who love and pursue justice, work together without deceit to build a world of true peace. **R/ Renew the wonders of your love, Lord.**

Reader:

Be with the oppressed, free the captives, console the sorrowing, feed the hungry, strengthen the weak, in all people reveal the victory of your cross. **R/ Renew the wonders of your love, Lord.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CONCLUDING PRAYER

Cardinal: O God, by whom we are redeemed and receive adoption,
look graciously upon your sons and daughters,
that those who believe in Christ
may receive true freedom
and an everlasting inheritance.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

PONTIFICAL BLESSING

Cardinal: The Lord be with you.
R/ And with your spirit.
Cardinal: Blessed be the Name of the Lord
R/ Now and forever
Cardinal: Our help is in the Name of the Lord
R/ Who made heaven and earth
Cardinal: And may Almighty God bless you...

SALVE REGINA

Salve, Regina, Mater misericordiæ, vita, dulcedo, et spes nostra, salve.
Ad te clamamus exsules filii Hevæ,
Ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes in hac lacrimarum valle.
Eia, ergo, advocata nostra, illos tuos misericordes oculos ad nos converte;
Et Jesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui, nobis post hoc exsilium ostende.
O clemens, O pia, O dulcis Virgo Maria.

Genesis 19: 1-28

The two angels came to Sodom in the evening; and Lot was sitting in the gate of Sodom. When Lot saw them, he rose to meet them, and bowed himself with his face to the earth, and said, "My lords, turn aside, I pray you, to your servant's house and spend the night, and wash your feet; then you may rise up early and go on your way." They said, "No; we will spend the night in the street." But he urged them strongly; so they turned aside to him and entered his house; and he made them a feast, and baked unleavened bread, and they ate. But before they lay down, the men of the city, the men of Sodom, both young and old, all the people to the last man, surrounded the house; and they called to Lot, "Where are the men who came to you tonight? Bring them out to us, that we may know them." Lot went out of the door to the men, shut the door after him, and said, "I beg you, my brothers, do not act so wickedly. Behold, I have two daughters who have not known man; let me bring them out to you, and do to them as you please; only do nothing to these men, for they have come under the shelter of my roof." But they said, "Stand back!" And they said, "This fellow came to sojourn, and he would play the judge! Now we will deal worse with you than with them." Then they pressed hard against the man Lot, and drew near to break the door. But the men put forth their hands and brought Lot into the house to them, and shut the door. And they struck with blindness the men who were at the door of the house, both small and great, so that they wearied themselves groping for the door. Then the men said to Lot, "Have you any one else here? Sons-in-law, sons, daughters, or any one you have in the city, bring them out of the place; for we are about to destroy this place, because the outcry against its people has become great before the LORD, and the LORD has sent us to destroy it." So Lot went out and said to his sons-in-law, who were to marry his daughters, "Up, get out of this place; for the LORD is about to destroy the city." But he seemed to his sons-in-law to be jesting. When morning dawned, the angels urged Lot, saying, "Arise, take your wife and your two daughters who are here, lest you be consumed in the punishment of the city." But he lingered; so the men seized him and his wife and his two daughters by the hand, the LORD being merciful to him, and they brought him forth and set him outside the city. And when they had brought them forth, they[a] said, "Flee for your life; do not look back or stop anywhere in the valley; flee to the hills, lest you be consumed." And Lot said to them, "Oh, no, my lords; behold, your servant has found favor in your sight, and you have shown me great kindness in saving my life; but I cannot flee to the hills, lest the disaster overtake me, and I die. Behold, yonder city is near enough to flee to, and it is a little one. Let me escape there—is it not a little one?—and my life will be saved!" He said to him, "Behold, I grant you this favor also, that I will not overthrow the city of which you have spoken. Make haste, escape there; for I can do nothing till you arrive there." Therefore the name of the city was called Zo'ar. The sun had risen on the earth when Lot came to Zo'ar. Then the LORD rained on Sodom and Gomor'rah brimstone and fire from the LORD out of heaven; and he overthrew those cities, and all the valley, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and what grew on the ground. But Lot's wife behind him looked back, and she became a pillar of salt. And Abraham went early in the morning to the place where he had stood before the LORD; and he looked down toward Sodom and Gomor'rah and toward all the land of the valley, and beheld, and lo, the smoke of the land went up like the smoke of a furnace.

Dates for 2019-2020 Lectio Divina Series

November 3, 2019

The Sacrifice of Isaac

Genesis 22:1-19

December 1, 2019

Joseph and his brothers

Genesis 37:1-28

January 5, 2020

Moses

Exodus 2:11-3:14

February 2, 2020

Naomi and Ruth

Ruth 1:1-22

March 1, 2020

The Call of Samuel

I Samuel 3:1-21

April 5, 2020

David, Bathsheba, and Uriah

II Samuel 11:1-27

May 3, 2020

Elijah

I Kings 19:1-18


June 7, 2020

Jonah's Mission to Nineveh

Jonah 3 and 4



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