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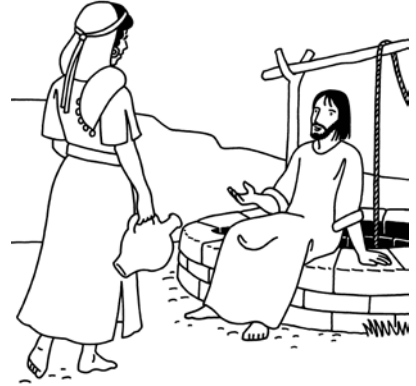
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At Jacob's well...

Jesus was thirsty and tired. A Samaritan woman went to the well every day to ensure that her family had enough to drink. Upon reading this passage, we review the facts beginning with the simplest details: Jesus, a man and she, a woman. Jesus is Jewish; she is a Samaritan who belonged to a religious sect that was looked down upon by observant Jews.



With this chance encounter at Jacob's well, we witness a fleeting and respectful conversation that included questions and answers. This Gospel passage is about recognition and discovery. As it happened that day, Jesus needed to rest and the Samaritan woman needed water. The passage reminds us that the Good News is transmitted through our daily interactions with others.

These are the unexpected moments that arise when people are made aware of God's presence in their lives and they begin to believe in their own possibilities. Jesus' approach opens avenues to the future and to salvation that occur when we connect with others.

The Samaritan woman was called to be a disciple. Christ's mission was to fulfill God's desire to encounter people *in spirit and truth*. This mission is a relationship that will open our minds to a transformed universe by leading us from a closed environment to a life where we accept the risks that disciples assume.

As witnesses, we surmount the challenges and take time to establish new relationships with others. We progress from non-recognition of others to reciprocal recognition. In this reading, though Jesus was just passing through, he provided the Samaritan woman with the possibility of a new life.

We may also consider the context of the Samaritan's mission: she became a witness within her family network and among the people of her village.

Gilles Leblanc

Translated by Honore Kerwin Borrelli

MASS INTENTIONS FOR MARCH 19, 2017

Please pray for:

Lea Guilbeault & Ferruccio Berardo
Maria Iorio
Jeannine Goulet
Francesco Franchi
Francesca Di Donato
Nicola Petti
Jim Ardron
Umberto Santullo
Antonietta Stabile
Luci Suceveanu

Requested by:

Family
Terry, Grace, Joe & JP
Fr. Mike Shaw
Family
Family
Donovan Family
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Daughters
Daughters
Family & Friends

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

20/Winners of the 20 Draw – Cogratulations

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| 1. Andrew MacDonald | 8. Terry Maher | 15. Ellen Yambouranis |
| 2. Kevin Laframboise | 9. Maria Clemente | 16. Giovanna Porato |
| 3. Meredith Dellandrea | 10. Billy D'Antonio | 17. Mike Shaw |
| 4. Joe Zardo | 11. Assunta De Pascale | 18. Ninfa Spagnolo-Fournier |
| 5. Maria Di Placido | 12. Helene Marcogliese | 19. Gerald Romanow |
| 6. Mary Thompson | 13. Pietro Sadori | 20. Giovanna Porato |
| 7. Anne Bernard | 14. Joe Fornarolo | 21. Anne Bernard |

LOST & FOUND: Silver bracelet with magnetic closure. Please see Gerry Romanow.

To those wishing to **donate computers to be shipped to Africa**, please ensure that your computers are **functional**. Several donated computers were found to be either non-functional or missing internal components. Thank you!

St-Joseph Oratory's Way of the Cross: Each Friday, from March 3rd to April 7th, you are invited to participate in St-Joseph Oratory's Way of the Cross down in the crypt, at 3:15PM (in french and in english) 3800 Chemin Queen Mary, Montréal, QC H3V 1H6
More info : <http://www.saint-joseph.org/fr/evenement/chemin-de-croix-pendant-le-careme/>

RETREAT FOR SINGLE-MOTHER FAMILIES: From June 23-25, 2016 a three-day rest and renewal retreat uniquely for single mothers and children is being offered by Dominus Vobiscum, a Catholic camp devoted to supporting family life. Daily schedule includes Mass, Parent and Children programming, recreations and family time. Cost is \$125. We are located off the border of Lac Maskinongé, 1.5 hour drive northeast of Montreal. For more information please contact Jacqueline Cere at 514-489-2921 or jackie_cere@hotmail.com.

Last Sunday's Collection was \$1800. Thank you!

The story of Adam and Eve was being carefully explained in the children's Sunday School class. Following the story, the children were asked to draw some picture that would illustrate the story. Little Bobby drew a picture of a car with three people in it. In the front seat was a man and in the back seat, a man and a woman. The teacher was at a loss to understand how this illustrated the lesson of Adam and Eve. Little Bobby was prompt with his explanation. "Why, this is God driving Adam and Eve out of the garden!"



Happy Feast of Saint Joseph!