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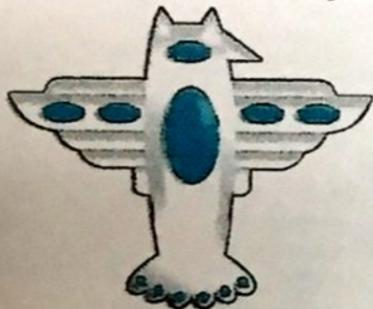


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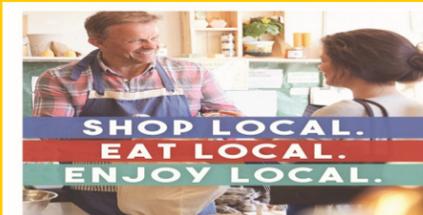
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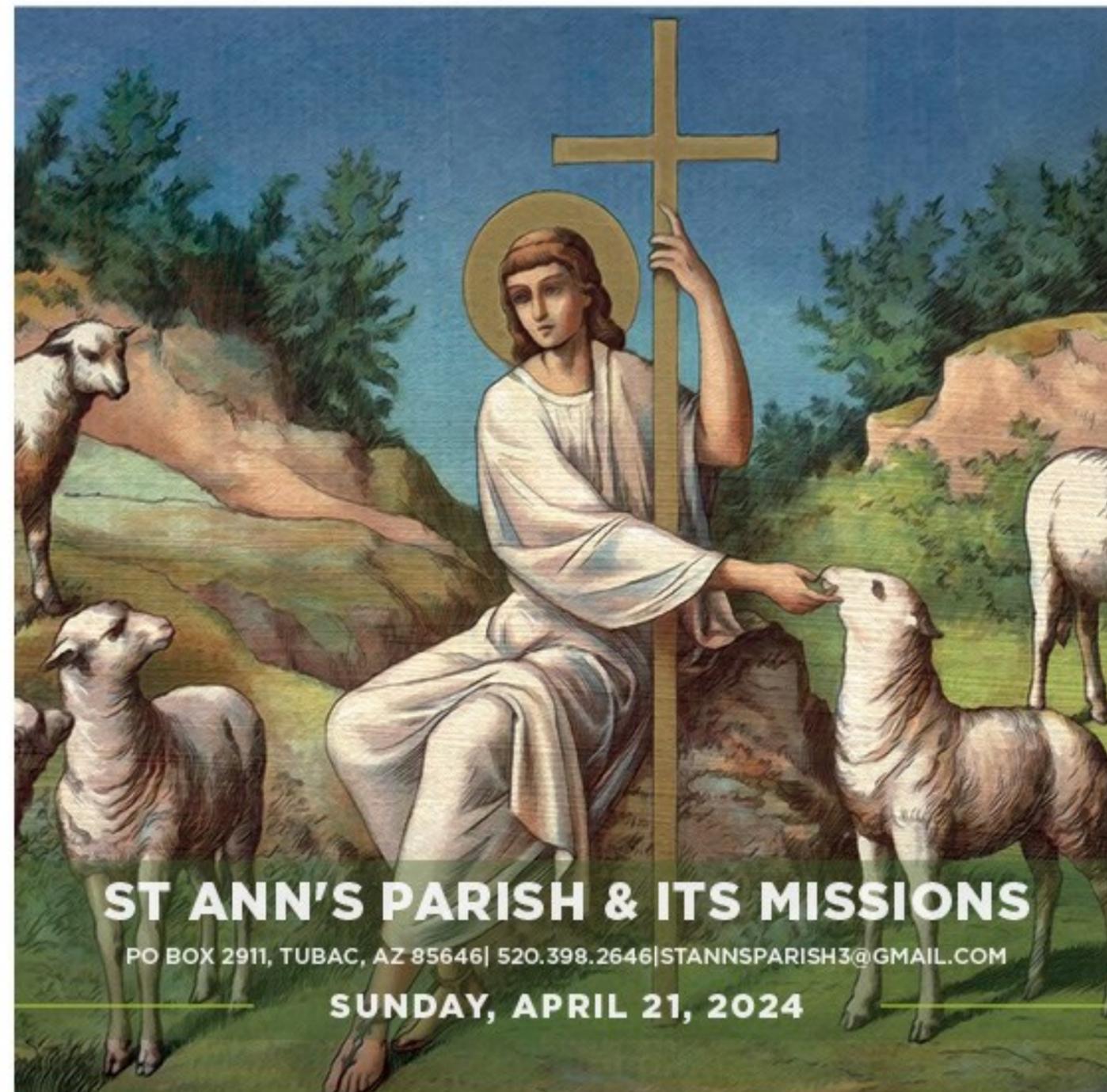
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SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2024

4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep." - Jn 10:14-15

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## Our Mission Statement

**As a Roman Catholic Church in the Diocese of Tucson, our mission is to spread the word of God. Our mission is to promote peace, love and unity to all the people of our community. The doors of Saint Ann's Parish and Its Missions are open to all who wish to enter.**

### Pastor

Rev. Joseph Esson

### Office/Parish Center (for all Churches)

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Monday– Tuesday-Thursday & Friday  
9:00 to 2:00  
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### Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation

Saturday at 4:15 p.m. or  
By appointment



### St. Ann's Parish

Saturday at 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday's at 9:00 a.m.

### Assumption Chapel

Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

### St Ferdinand's

Sunday at 1:00 p.m.

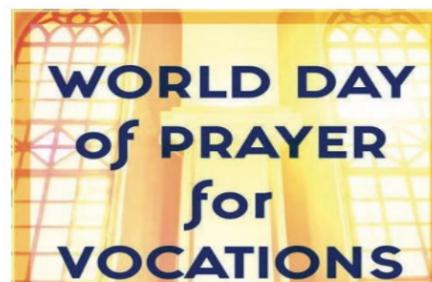
### Weekday Mass

### St Ann's Parish

Every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday at  
9:00 a.m.

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** - *The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.*

**COMMUNION CHANT** - *The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.*



# Announcements/Events from St Ann's & Dioceses

## Adoration

Adoration of the blessed sacrament: Every 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month, St Ann's Parish.



**Adoration Thursday, 5PM –6:30**  
May 2nd & 16th  
Time will change to 4:PM to 6:PM

## Important Reminder

Once you have received the host in your hand,  
Please **do not** step to the side and then consume it.  
You **must** consume the host **in front** of the Eucharistic Minister before heading back to your seat.



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## Homebound Communion

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520-398-2646

## Safe Environment

We all have a duty to protect the vulnerable. If the abuse happened in the Diocese of Tucson, call the victim Assistance Program of the Diocese of Tucson at 520-623-0344 (1-800-234-0344) and/or the Office of Child, Adolescent and Adult Protection of the Diocese at 520-838-2513  
<https://diocesetucson.org/reportabuse>



## Every First Saturday of Each Month, we will be having Mass and rosary at 9:00 a.m. at St Ann's Church on May 4th, 2024.

Please come join us for this special time of prayer in reparation and to draw closer to Jesus and His mother. Mary requested the Five First Saturdays at Fatima and by responding to her request we receive many blessings for ourselves, our families, our country and the world.

**Knights of Columbus Arizona State Council**  
2024 State Raffle Sales Sheet

**Prize Information**

- 10 cash prizes - \$10,000, \$7,000, \$5000, \$3000, \$2000, \$1000 and 4 - \$500
- Drawing at State Convention banquet on Saturday May 18th, 2024. Winners do not need to be present to win.

**Ticket Donation Amounts**

- 5 books of tickets for \$100
- Book of 6 tickets for \$20
- \$5 per ticket.

**Purchase of tickets are NOT considered tax deductible.**

**Where does the money go?**

- 50% of the ticket sales is being donated to 501(c)3 charities that have been chosen by our council.

**Knights of Columbus Arizona State Council ANNUAL CHARITY DRAWING Saturday, May 18, 2024**

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**Knights of Columbus Arizona State Council ANNUAL DRAWING TO SUPPORT LOCAL CHARITIES Saturday, May 18, 2024**

1st Prize: \$10,000;  
2nd Prize: \$7,000 3rd Prize: \$5,000 4th Prize: \$3,000  
5th Prize: \$2,000 7th Prize: \$500 9th Prize: \$500  
6th Prize: \$1,000 8th Prize: \$500 10th Prize: \$500

**NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN.**

**DONATION:** \$5 per ticket, \$20 for 5 tickets, \$100 for 20 tickets. Must be 21 years or older to participate.

**WORLD DAY OF Prayer for Vocations**

Today the Church throughout the world prays for vocations. Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for vocations to the priesthood and religious life? Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead. Encourage your children, grandchildren, or other young people to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister. Pray a rosary for more young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's call.

**Vocation Prayer**

Lord Jesus, Son of the Eternal Father and Mary Immaculate, grant to our young people the generosity necessary to follow Your call and the courage required to overcome all obstacles to their vocation. Give the parents faith, love and spirit of sacrifice which will inspire them to offer their children to God's service and to rejoice whenever one of their children is called to the priesthood and religious life. Let your example and that of Your Blessed Mother and Saint Joseph encourage both young people and parents and let Your grace sustain them. Amen.

-From the dioceses of Sioux Falls and Rapid City

"There is no salvation through anyone else." Let us pray for those who are called to follow the Lord as a priest or religious brother or sister that they may generously say YES. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at (520) 838-2531 or via email: [vocations@diocesetucson.org](mailto:vocations@diocesetucson.org)

**Church Library**

Our parish library has been reorganized and it is ready now for you to come browse and check out a good book. There are many books to choose from that will encourage and inspire you and help you to grow deeper in your faith walk. We welcome all to come and spend some quiet time reading daily especially during this holy Lenten season.

**Memorial Mass Schedule for Jim Davis**  
Wednesday, May 1, 2024  
At 10:AM  
Our Lady of the Valley Church

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

**Rachel's Vineyard (Tucson) –**  
Are you a woman or man feeling regret, grief, or sadness following an abortion? Come and receive God's love and mercy for emotional and spiritual healing on a Rachel's Vineyard retreat, May 10-12, 2024. Visit: [rachelvineyardtucson.org](http://rachelvineyardtucson.org) or Call/Text 520-743-6777.

# Reflections & Prayer



## Mass Intentions

The practice of requesting a mass to be offered for loved ones, living or deceased, is a beautiful and wonderful part of our Catholic Tradition. Continuing in this long standing practice, you can remember someone who has died recently or many years ago. But intentions do not have to be just for the dead.

They make beautiful gifts for any special occasion: birthday, anniversary, in thanksgiving for a prayer answered, etc. You can also offer an intention for someone who is struggling with a serious illness or other life trauma..

Please call or come to the parish office to set up a mass intention. Mass intentions are \$20.00 each. All mass intention must be done a week before mass date to be posted in the bulletin.

† Deceased   ♥ Health   # Special Intention

4-19-24 Derek Oakland †  
4-20-24 Heinz Hohendorf †  
4-20-24 Francis & Norma Cordes †   04/20 & 21 Jim Davis †

### The celebration of the Eucharist St. Justin, martyr 100-165 A.D.

“No one may share the Eucharist with us unless he believes that what we teach is true, unless he is washed in the regenerating waters of baptism for the remission of his sins, and unless he lives in accordance with the principles given us by Christ.

“We do not consume the eucharistic bread and wine as if it were ordinary food and drink, for we have been taught that as Jesus Christ our Savior became a man of flesh and blood by the power of the Word of God, so also the food that our flesh and blood assimilates for its nourishment becomes the flesh and blood of the incarnate Jesus by the power of his own words contained in the prayer of thanksgiving.

“The Apostles, in their recollections, which are called gospels, handed down to us what Jesus commanded them to do. They tell us that He took bread, gave thanks and said: *Do this in memory of me. This is my body.* In the same way He took the cup, He gave thanks and said: *This is my blood.* The Lord gave this command to them alone. Ever since then we have constantly reminded one another of these things. The rich among us help the poor and we are always united. For all that we receive we praise the Creator of the universe through his Son Jesus Christ and through the Holy Spirit.

“On Sunday we have a common assembly of all our members, whether they live in the city or the outlying districts. The recollections of the Apostles or the writings of the prophets are read, as long as there is time. When the reader has finished, the president of the assembly speaks to us; he urges everyone to imitate the examples of virtue we have heard in the readings. Then we all stand up together and pray.

“On the conclusion of our prayer, bread and wine and water are brought forward. The president offers prayers and gives thanks to the best of his ability, and the people give assent by saying, ‘Amen.’ The Eucharist is distributed, everyone present communicates, and the deacons take it to those who are absent....

“We hold our common assembly on Sunday because it is the first day of the week, the day on which God put darkness and chaos to flight and created the world, and because on that same day our savior Jesus Christ rose from the dead. For He was crucified on Friday and on Sunday He appeared to his Apostles and disciples and taught them the things that we have passed on for your consideration.”

# Weekly Prayer

## Sunday's Readings

### First Reading:

“There is no salvation through anyone else, nor is there any other name under heaven given to the human race by which we are to be saved.” (Acts 4:12)

### Psalm:

The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone. (Ps 118)  
Or: Alleluia.

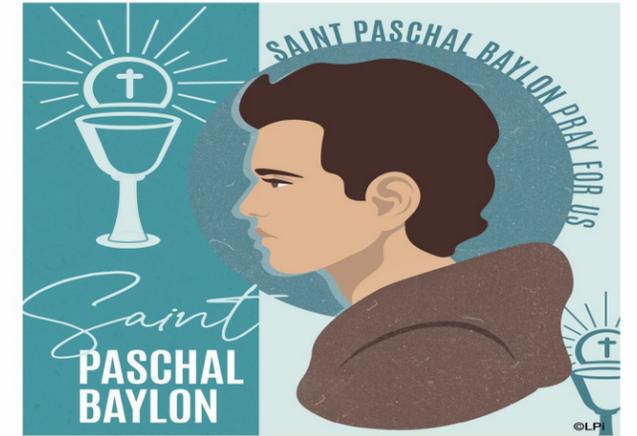
### Second Reading:

Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. (1 Jn 3:2)

### Gospel:

Jesus said:  
“I am the good shepherd.  
A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.” (Jn 10:11)

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### Saint of the week

St. Paschal Baylón was a devout Spanish monk. In his vocation as a lay brother, he worked as a chef, porter, gardener, and official beggar. He often gave so much to the poor that his brothers tried to limit his generosity. Because of his devotion to the Blessed Sacrament, he is the Patron Saint of Eucharistic Congresses and Societies.

### Prayer of the Good Shepherd

Dear Lord,  
You are my Shepherd, a Good Shepherd, who leads in ways beyond my understanding. Guide me in the paths You would have me go.  
Amen.

### Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Jesus the Good Shepherd knows that real love is an action, not an idea. His sacrifice is the proof of his love for his flock. Let us remember to love one another as the Good Shepherd loves us: not just in words but in actions, in choices, in deeds.

### Observances for the week of April 21, 2024

- Sunday:** 4th Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for Vocations
- Monday:** Earth Day
- Tuesday:** St. George, Martyr; St. Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr
- Wednesday:** St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr; Administrative Professionals' Day
- Thursday:** St. Mark, Evangelist
- Friday:** Arbor Day
- Next Sunday:** 5th Sunday of Easter



Parish Collection for  
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# Worship & Meditation

## Readings for the week of April 21, 2024

**Sunday:**  
Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118: 1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 (22)/Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

**Monday:**  
Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:1-10

**Tuesday:**  
Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/  
Jn 10:22-30

**Wednesday:**  
Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/  
Jn 12:44-50

**Thursday:**  
1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/  
Mk 16:15-20

**Friday:**  
Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/  
Jn 14:1-6

**Saturday:**  
Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/  
Jn 14:7-14

**Next Sunday:**  
Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32  
(26a)/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8



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## Gospel Meditation Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Recently I was with my little dog Libby at a retreat center in the Arizona desert. I sat in a chair near a ravine filled with shrubs. Unbeknownst to me, Libby wandered down there and disappeared. Suddenly an animal's wild shriek erupted from the area. Without thinking, I bolted down into the ravine fully expecting to see coyotes, javelinas, or rattlesnakes. I didn't care. I desperately wanted to get Libby out of there, without any self-regard. Before I could face whatever danger lay hidden, my dog blissfully trotted out from an entirely different area, utterly unaware that I had (quite heroically) just placed my life on the line.

When the adrenaline wore off, I thought to myself: how far would I have been willing to go to save her? I don't know. But I do know, if I had literally died, my friends and family would have certainly thought me insane for dying for a dog. No offense, Libby.

How passionately Jesus wants us to know him and his willingness to die for us! This week he says, **"I know my own and my own know me,"** and **"I lay down my life for the sheep."** Here we encounter an insanely excessive love for us. Christianity is a relationship and not simply a religion or ethical code. In Jesus, God rescues and saves us. He laid down his life for you and me — and he has taken it up again. So often we are like Libby — blissfully ignorant of the reality of both our spiritual danger and his saving love. This Easter season, the risen Jesus calls us to be more conscious than ever before about his love. He never ceases to lay down his life for us.

— Father John Muir

# Liturgical Life

## (PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

### The Good Shepherd and the Wolf

I remember very clearly the first movie I watched during my pregnancy with my eldest child. In this film, there is a scene where a young boy is kidnapped and shoved into the back of a van guarded by vicious dogs. His mother persists in trying to free him, even as the dogs snap at her. Their bared teeth and full-throated snarls don't slow her efforts in the slightest.

It wasn't a great movie or even a particularly great scene, but I'll never forget this scene. I'll never forget those dogs.

I had just learned that I was a mother a few days ago. The life growing deep within seemed to me as frail as a whispered secret, but I loved it powerfully. I worried constantly if the baby was safe and healthy. I agonized over signs — real or imagined — that could tell me if the poppyseed-sized child was thriving or failing.

I understood, for the first time in my life, why a woman would charge a pack of attack dogs without hesitation — not because she should, but because she has to.

She could choose not to fight, certainly. She could walk away. But why would she? A future without her son is so much more painful than any physical wound. She may fear for her life, but she fears a life without her child so much more.

The Good Shepherd discourse reveals to us the motivation behind God's actions throughout all of salvation history. From Adam to Noah to Abraham, all the way down to the time of the Messiah and beyond, He keeps trying to get us back. He keeps braving the attack dogs, time after time. He never stops. He never grows weary. And it baffles us: *what's in it for Him?* we wonder, because we are quicker to give up on ourselves than He is. *Why does He keep trying?*

He could choose not to fight, sure. But why would He? He doesn't want a future without us.

*"I will lay down my life for the sheep." — John 10:11*

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

## Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

**Question:**  
What is unique or different about the way Catholics read and are exposed to the Bible?

**Answer:**  
Catholics are exposed to Scripture primarily through the Sunday readings from a book known as the *Lectionary*. The *Lectionary* is a book of selected passages from the Bible set in the context of a liturgical season, such as Advent, Lent, or ordinary time. There are four readings assigned to any Sunday: the first reading (usually from the Old Testament), the responsorial psalm, the second reading (usually from a New Testament letter), and the Gospel reading.

These readings together give them a new context. The selected readings relate to one another in a unique manner that is not present in the Bible text itself. In close proximity to each other, these readings now have the opportunity to converse with each other in a way that would have not been possible before. A homilist pays attention to all four readings, preparing a reflection that speaks of this conversation among the readings, enabling us to zero in on what this unique combination of God's word has to say to us this particular Sunday.

Next time you attend Sunday liturgy, try reading the Scripture ahead of time and see how this new relationship among the readings addresses and challenges you to be a better Christian here and now.