



CORIO LARA

CATHOLIC PARISH

Third Sunday of Easter (Year B) 14th April 2024

Bible study with Jesus

Many Catholics find the Old Testament difficult to understand. The apostles also struggled to understand the Old Testament, even though they were much more familiar with it than Catholics tend to be. In the days after His Resurrection, Jesus spent a lot of time teaching the apostles how to understand the Old Testament. As Saint Luke reports in this Sunday's Gospel, "He opened their minds to understand the scriptures." In a sense, Jesus guided the apostles through multiple bible studies. Jesus gives us two important principles that can help us make sense of the Old Testament.

The first important principle Jesus gives the apostles is that *we need a guide*. The apostles needed Jesus to show them how to understand Scripture. After He has finished teaching them, Jesus gives the apostles the authority to interpret Sacred Scripture. The apostles then handed this authority on to their successors, the bishops, and so on. This authority to interpret Scripture is called the *Magisterium*. The Magisterium is the unique teaching authority of the bishops, which includes the authority to teach the meaning God intends the Scriptures to possess. The bishops are guided in this work by a special gift of the Holy Spirit. This means that whilst we can all read the Scriptures, we must be careful that our personal interpretations fall within the bounds of Catholic teaching. We must read the Scriptures with humility, guided by the Magisterium, recognizing that the true meaning of any passage is given to that passage by God, not by my personal creativity.

The second important principle that Jesus gave the apostles for understanding the Old Testament is called "typology". The *Catechism* explains that typology "discerns, in God's works of the Old Testament, prefigurations [or types] of what he accomplished in the fullness of time in the person of his incarnate Son. This is what Jesus means when he says that "the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms" are "about me" (cf. Luke 24:44). Christians therefore read the Old Testament in the light of Christ crucified and risen. Such typological reading discloses the inexhaustible content of the Old Testament." Hugh of St. Victor, a medieval scholar, puts it simply: "All divine Scripture speaks of Christ."

Scott Hahn, an American Catholic scripture scholar, explains that a *type* is a "real person, place, thing or event in the Old Testament that foreshadows something greater in the New Testament." Saint Paul identifies Adam as a type of Jesus (Rom 5:14). The Letter to the Hebrews identifies the Jewish sacrificial system and Temple as types of Jesus (Heb 8:5). Saint Peter himself identifies the Flood and Noah's Ark as types of Baptism and the Church (1 Peter 3:21). Wooden trees and sticks usually refer to the Cross, gardens usually refer to heaven, anything with bread and wine refers to the Eucharist, anything with water refers to the death of sin and life of grace. Thus, the Garden of Eden is a type of Heaven, the Tree of Life is a type of the Cross (another piece of wood that gives Life), the Ark of the Covenant is a type of Mary, the Red Sea is a type of Baptism, and so on.

The point of typology is to help us understand God's saving work. Every 'type' refers to a way that God saves us from eternal death and administers us the Life of sanctifying grace through Jesus and the Church. Can you think of a type in the Old Testament that might refer to Jesus, the Church, or the Sacraments? Let me know!

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MASS TIMES

Tue. 9.15am | Corio
W. 9.15am | Lara
Th. 9.15am | Corio
F. 9.15am | Corio
Sat. 7pm (Vigil) | Corio
Sun. 9am | Lara
11am | Corio

CONFESSIONS

Tue. 7.30pm – 8.30pm | Corio
Sun. 8.30am – 8.55am | Lara

THE ROSARY

8.50am | Prior to weekday Masses

HOLY HOUR

Tue. 7.30pm – 8.30pm | Corio

FIRST SATURDAYS

8.30am Confessions | Corio
9.30am Mass of Saturday | Corio
5.30pm Viet. Vigil Mass | Corio

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Mass Readings

Entrance Antiphon | Cf. Ps 65:1-2

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of His name.
O render Him glorious praise, alleluia.

First Reading | Acts 3:13-15,17-19

Responsorial Psalm | Psalm 4:2,4,7,9

R. Lord, let your face shine on us.

Second Reading | 1 John 2:1-5

Gospel Acclamation | cf Luke 24:32

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us: make our hearts burn with love when you speak! Alleluia!

Gospel | Luke 24:35-48

Communion Antiphon | Lk 24: 35

The disciples recognised the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.

Next Sunday: Acts 4:8-12 | 1 John 3:1-2 | John 10:11-18

MASS ROSTER NEXT WEEKEND 20th & 21st April 2024

7.00pm Corio	Reader EMHC	Ken McCarthy Larry Pankhurst
9.00am Lara	Reader EMHC	Rosanna Vasquez Di Whelan
11.00am Corio	Reader EMHC	Gudrun Philipp Tr v. d. Hoeven To v. d. Hoeven

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The sick:

The faithful departed: Francis Moloney,
Mary Moloney, Brian Herbert, Nell Madonna

Pray for vocations to the priesthood!

Seminarians: Rhys Lowther, Greg Lewis

Parish Notices



Will you come and watch one hour with me?

A Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration is held every Tuesday at Corio from 7.30pm – 8.30pm.

STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES FOR APRIL – JUNE NOW AVAILABLE IN THE FOYER FOR THE FOLLOWING PARISHIONERS:

Belinda Celemin

Chit Chit

Sophia Cooper

Robert Htoo

Andrew & Snjezana Jalanski

Lucia Praytho

Pleh Meh

Pui Moo

Maung & Mary No

Esther Oo

Norman & Lhen Suan

PRESENCE: THE MYSTERY OF THE EUCHARIST. 7pm-9pm in the Xavier Centre over four Thursdays, commencing Thursday 2nd May 2024. Registration essential. Register at coriolaracatholicparish.com.au/formation or by phone at the Parish Office. Course costs \$30 to cover the workbook. Join Fr Marcus for this series that will explore Catholic teaching on the Eucharist, the biblical foundations of the Eucharist, and the place of the Eucharist in our lives.

SUNDAY ROSARY IN MAY. The rosary will be prayed 30 minutes before the 9am and 11am Sunday Masses throughout May to honour the month of Our Lady. In preparation, rosaries will be blessed and distributed at the 9am and 11am Masses on Sunday 28th April. We thank the parishioners who have donated the rosaries. Come and join in praying the rosary before Mass.

MONTHLY PARISH BBQ THIS SUNDAY AT CORIO. You are welcome to stay around for a BBQ lunch after the 11am Mass this Sunday. Our thanks go to the parishioner who has generously sponsored the costs of this month's BBQ. If you are able to sponsor an upcoming BBQ, please speak to Fr Marcus, Jasna or Gudrun.

SACRAMENT PREPARATION FOR CHILDREN ATTENDING NON-CATHOLIC SCHOOLS. For more information and to enrol, visit coriolaracatholicparish.com.au/children.

NEW WEBSITE. Our new website is coriolaracatholicparish.com.au. Thank you to Gerard Rowan for his support and generosity. The old website will no longer be updated.

'SPARK' U18 YOUTH GROUP. Open to high-school-aged youth. Next meeting 6.00pm - 8.30pm on Sunday 14th April 2024 in the Xavier Centre. Pizza dinner provided. Donations appreciated. Contact Gudrun for more information: gudrun.philipp@cam.org.au.

CHURCH CAFÉ. Every Sunday after the 11am Mass at St Francis Xavier. First and third Sundays of the month after the 9am Mass at St Anthony of Padua.

SATURDAY SUPPER. Third Saturday of the month after the 7pm Vigil Mass at St Francis Xavier. Next Supper on 20th April.



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