

## Personal Notes

Second Sunday of Advent: A Catholic Bible Study Reading 004A, December 4, 2016

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This is the time to wonder how much of the [stump of Jesse](#) Donald Trump will leave of the Barack legacy. Obamacare and migration are the two main problems. At least Raymond Arroyo and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops seem to be backing away from unadulterated praise for President-elect Donald Trump.

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## Readings

First Reading	Isaiah 11:1-10
Responsorial Psalm:	Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 (cf. 7)
Second Reading:	Romans 15:4-9
Alleluia:	Luke 3:4, 6
Gospel:	Matthew 3:1-12

## Annotated Bibliography

Musings above the solid line draw from material below. Those disinterested in scholarly and tangential details should stop reading here. If they do, however, they may miss some interesting prayer-provoking details.

### Isaiah 11:1-10

Isaiah 11:1

H.G.M. Williamson, review of Christophe Rico, La mère de l'Enfant-Roi, Isaïe 7, 14 "Almâ" et "Parthenos" dans l'univers biblique. Un point de vue<sup>1</sup>

Williamson reports "the case (that virgin is meant in Isaiah 7:14) has been weighted in favor of the conclusion" (that virgin, rather than something like young woman) is meant. Williams regards what Rico writes as worthwhile.

Isa 11:1

Jeremy Schipper and Mark Leuchter, "A Proposed Reading of \*\*\*\*\* in Amos 28"<sup>2</sup>

Isaiah 11:1-2

Kevin W. Irwin, The Sacraments: Historical Foundations and Liturgical Theology<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 76, No. 2 (April 2014) 339.

<sup>2</sup> the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 77, No. 3 (July 2015), 443.

<sup>3</sup> (New York: Paulist Press, 2016) 283.

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Isaiah 11:2

Urbanus Rhegius, "A Guide to Preaching about the Chief Topics of Christian Doctrine Carefully and without Giving offense, for Young Ministers of the Word in the Duchy of Lüneburg, 1535"<sup>4</sup>

Isaiah 11:2

John Calvin (1509-1564)<sup>5</sup>

Isaiah 11:2

Peter R. Rodgers, review of Kelly D. Liebengood, The Eschatology of 1 Peter: Considering the Influence of Zechariah 9—14<sup>6</sup>  
Rodgers reports,

Especially impressive is his treatment of the textual changes in 1 Peter 4:14 in the allusion to Isa 11:2 (used here). 1 Peter has made three changes here: (1) the future "will rest" becomes present "rests." (2) The spirit now rests not on the Davidic figure (singular) but on the community (plural). (3) The words "of glory" have been added. Nothing that nothing in the Hebrew or Greek Bible tradition explains these changes, L. shows how they are all explained by the theory that Zechariah 9—14 provided the narrative substructure for the theology of suffering in the letter. . . . One of L's pioneering study is to challenge scholars to envision how the narrative of Zechariah 9—14, "the wilderness journey toward their inheritance" (p. 185), interfaces with the vision of God's people as the new temple in whom God's Spirit rests, a house filled with God's glory.

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<sup>4</sup> In Scott H. Hendrix, ed. and trans., Early Protestant Spirituality (New York, Mahwah: Paulist Press, 2009) 82.

<sup>5</sup> in Reformation Commentary on Scripture: Old Testament VII: Psalms 1—72, Timothy George (ed.), general editor, Scot M. Manetsch, Associate General editor, Herman J. Selderhuis (ed.), (Downers Grove, Illinois: IVP Academic: An imprint of InterVarsity Press, 2015, ISBN 978 0 8308-2957-6 (hardcover : alk. paper), P 1, Y 15) 105, fn. 5.

<sup>6</sup> the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 78, No. 2 (April 2016) 373.

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Isaiah 11:4  
Calvin<sup>7</sup>

Isaiah 11:6-9  
Brendan Byrne, S.J., "A Pauline Complement to Laudato Si"<sup>8</sup>

Isaiah 11:6  
Johannes Brenz (1499-1570)<sup>9</sup>  
Walter Brueggemann and Davis Hankins, "The Affirmation of Prophetic Power and Deconstruction of Royal Authority in the Elisha Narratives"

Isaiah 11:10  
Andrew Abernethy, review of Abraham Sung-Ho Oh, Oh, That You Would Rend the Heavens and Come Down: The Eschatological Theology of Third Isaiah (Isaiah 56—66)<sup>10</sup>

**Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 (cf. 7)**

Funeral Rites<sup>11</sup> uses this Psalm on page 307, as one of the Second Psalms for Morning Prayer.

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<sup>8</sup> Theological Studies, Vol. 77, No. 2 (June 2016) 322.

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<sup>10</sup> the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 77, No. 4 (October 2015) 750.

<sup>11</sup> N.a., International Commission on English in the Liturgy: A Joint Commission of Catholic Bishops' Conferences, The Roman Ritual: Revised by Decree of the Second Vatican Ecumenical Council and published by Authority of Pope Paul IV: Order of Christian Funerals: Including Appendix 2: Cremation: Approved for use in the Dioceses

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Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17<sup>12</sup>

Calvin

Sebastian Münster (1489-1552)

Nikolaus Selnecker (1530-1592)

Viktorin Strigel (1524-1569)

Calvin

Münster

The English Annotations (1645, 1651, 1657)

Münster

Calvin

Konrad Pellikan (1478-1556)

Selnecker

Psalm 72:7

Philipp Melanchthon (1497-1560)<sup>13</sup>

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of the United States of America by the National Conference of Catholic Bishops and Confirmed by the Apostolic See (New Jersey: Catholic Book Publishing Co., 1998).

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<sup>13</sup> in Reformation Commentary on Scripture: New Testament IV: John 1—12, Craig S. Farmer (ed.), general editor, Timothy George, Associate General editor, Scott M. Manetsch (ed.), (Downers Grove, Illinois: IVP Academic: An imprint of InterVarsity Press, 2014, ISBN 978 0 8308-2967-5 (hardcover : alk. paper), P 1, Y 14) 465, fn. 18.

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Psalm 72:8  
Justus Jonas (1493-1555)<sup>14</sup>

Psalm 72:8  
Jonas<sup>15</sup>

**Romans 15:4-9**

Romans 15:1-7  
Luther<sup>16</sup>

Romans 15:4<sup>17</sup>  
Dirk Phillips (1504-1568)

Kaspar von Schwenckfeld (1489-1561)

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<sup>14</sup> in Reformation Commentary on Scripture: New Testament VI: Acts, Esther Chung-Kim and Todd R. Hains (eds.), general editor, Timothy George, associate General editor, Scott M. Manetsch, (Downers Grove, Illinois: IVP Academic: An imprint of InterVarsity Press, 2014: ISBN 978-0-8308-2969-9 (*print*) P 1 Y 14) 9, fn. 16.

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Romans 15:7

Robert L. Foster, "The Justice of the Gentiles: Revisiting the Purpose of Romans"<sup>18</sup>

Romans 5:8

Heinrich Bullinger (1504-1575)<sup>19</sup>

Romans 15:9-12

Theodore Beza (1516-1605)<sup>20</sup>

Rom 15:9

Matthew W. Bates, review of Wesley Hill, Paul and the Trinity: Persons, Relations and the Pauline Letters<sup>21</sup>

Bates has high praise. Bates reports,

If H. were to delve into Paul's prosopological exegesis of Septuagintal dialogues (e.g., Rom 11:9-10; 15:3 (used here), 9; 2 Cor 4:13), he might find helpful implied grammar for Paul's "person" language, as well as additional data pertaining to Father-Son-Spirit relations.

Prosopological Exegesis: a reading technique whereby an interpreter seeks to overcome a real or perceived ambiguity regarding the identity of the speakers or addressees (or both) in the divinely inspired source text by assigning nontrivial prosopa

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<sup>18</sup> the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 76, No. 4 (October 2014) 701.

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<sup>21</sup> Theological Studies, Vol. 77, No. 1 (March 2016) 219.

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(i.e., nontrivial vis-à-vis the “plain sense” of the text) to the speakers or addressees (or both) in order to make sense of the text. Bates is the authority on prosopological exegesis.<sup>22</sup>

The Lectionary skips over Romans 15:9 this Sunday. **But so that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written: “Therefore, I will praise you among the Gentiles and sing praises to your name.**

**Luke 3:4, 6**

Luke 3:4, 6<sup>23</sup>

Pellikan

Peter Walpot (d. 1578)

Martin Bucer (1491-1551)

Desiderius Erasmus (1454-1530)

François Lambert (1487-1530)

**Matthew 3:1-12**

Matthew 3:1-2

Bullinger<sup>24</sup>

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Matthew 3:2

Johann Spangenberg (1484-1550)<sup>25</sup>

Matthew 3:2

Dirk Philips (1504-1568)<sup>26</sup>

Matthew 3:3

Jonas<sup>27</sup>

Matthew 3:4, 5

Musculus<sup>28</sup>

Matthew 3:4

Johannes Bugenhagen (1485-1558)<sup>29</sup>

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Matthew 3:4  
Pellikan<sup>30</sup>

Matthew 3:6  
Edwin Sandys (1519-1588)<sup>31</sup>

Matthew 3:7-10  
Frank J. Matera, The Sermon on the Mount: The Perfect Measure of the Christian Life<sup>32</sup>

Matt 3:7-9  
Eugene Eung-Chun Park, "Covenantal Nomism and the Gospel of Matthew"<sup>33</sup>

Matthew 3:7<sup>34</sup>  
Wolfgang Musculus (1497-1563)

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<sup>32</sup> (Collegeville, Minnesota: Liturgical Press, 2013) 110.

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Johann Wild (1495-1554)

Matthew 3:7

Bullinger<sup>35</sup>

Matthew 3:8

Calvin<sup>36</sup>

Matthew 3:9

Daniel B. Wallace, With Scripture, Subject, and Greek Word Indexes: Greek Grammar: Beyond the Basics: An Exegetical Syntax of the New Testament<sup>37</sup>

Mathew 3:11<sup>38</sup>

Melanchthon

Brenz

Brenz

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<sup>37</sup> Grand Rapids: Michigan: Zondervan, 1996, 241, 438, 469.

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Matthew 3:11  
unknown<sup>39</sup>

Matthew 3:12  
Thomas Wilcox (c. 1549-1608)<sup>40</sup>

For more on sources see the Appendix file. A complete set of Personal Notes, dating from the Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 14, 2002 to the present, is on the web site at [www.western-civilization.com/CBQ/Personal%20Notes](http://www.western-civilization.com/CBQ/Personal%20Notes).

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The Responsorial Antiphon for this Sunday is Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace forever (Psalm 72: cf. 7).<sup>41</sup>

In the gobbledygook prayer at Sunday Mass immediately following the forgiveness of sins, the Faithful hearing the 2011 Roman Missal can listen for “May no earthly undertaking hinder”<sup>42</sup> in this new era of a Donald Trump Presidency. For a more

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<sup>41</sup> National Conference of Catholic Bishops, The Roman Missal Restored by Decree of the Second Ecumenical Council of the Vatican and Promulgated by Authority of Pope Paul VI: Lectionary for Mass: For Use in the Dioceses of the United States of America: Second Typical Edition: Volume I: Sundays, Solemnities, Feasts of the Lord and the Saints (Collegeville, Minnesota: The Liturgical Press, 1988) 19. Personal Notes refers to this book as the Lectionary.

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thorough examination of the illiterate 2011 Roman Missal, go to 1610 Missal: Thirty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 121125.pdf/htm at <http://www.western-civilization.com/CBQ/Personal%20Notes/Personal%20Notes.htm>.

This is a call for grace that some Black Baptists bring to mind with And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS (Luke 1:31).<sup>43</sup>

## Addenda

I have already read every article cited in the Catholic Biblical Quarterly. At this stage I only read unread book reviews there. Traditionally Theological Studies articles have been more helpful to my prayer life, but, if I have already read the article, I will cite it without annotation. I offer the Reformation Commentary on Scripture in a similar way.

I intend to begin catching up on material postponed while recovering from the transition of ourselves from Virginia to Ohio and Marty into the next life. If I ever get three months out, again, I then intend to reevaluate the amount of energy placed into Personal Notes each week. I would like to get to the Western Reserve Historical Society to set up the index to the research left there.

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<sup>43</sup> UMI Annual Sunday School Lesson Commentary: Precepts for Living @: 2016-2017: International Sunday School Lessons: Volume 19: UMI (Urban Ministries, Inc.), A. Okechuku Ogonnaya, Ph.D., (ed.) (Chicago, IL 60643: UMI (Urban Ministries, Inc.), 2016) 151-152.