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070A 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time: A Catholic Bible Study January 29, 2017

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Now the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) is stuck with their candidate, Donald Trump. Trump will have been in office over a week, when this liturgy takes place. Raymond Arroyo and EWTN try to do their best to disrupt the admonitions of Vatican II as practiced by the Democrats. On Thursday, January 12, Arroyo pointed out that Pope Francis did not accept Cardinal Mueller's corrections to *Amoris Laetitia*, about saving the environment. Another approach would have been to note the audacity of Mueller to publicly correct the Holy Father. U.S. Representative Sean Duffy was shocked that CNN aired something false about Donald Trump, with no concern with anything false aired about Hillary Clinton. Ray Flynn, the Democratic former mayor of Boston criticized the Obamas for not leaving Washington D.C., giving their daughter a chance to graduate with her class. Flynn also attacked Obamacare. These are the sort of programs that eviscerate the credibility of the USCCB.

The readings for this Sunday are about the Beatitudes, something contrary to the Trump campaign. The Faithful do well to recall Matthew 5:3, the Antiphon, **Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!** The prayer is not to fall victim to the faults of the Trump campaign. The art of a con artist is to make the mark think someone else is being marked, all the while he is the victim. If the electorate that voted Trump into office realized how he is conning them, the repercussions may be severe for both church and state.

Material above the solid line draws from material below the solid line. Those uninterested in scholarly and tangential details should stop reading here. If they do, however, they may miss some interesting material.

Readings

First Reading:	Zephaniah 2:3, 3:12-13
Responsorial Psalm:	Psalm 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 (Matthew 5:3)
Second Reading:	1 Corinthians 1:26-31
Alleluia:	Matthew 5:12a
Gospel:	Matthew 5:1-12a

Annotated Bibliography

Zephaniah 2:3, 3:12-13

Psalm 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 (Matthew 5:3)

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Funerals uses Psalm 146 during the Vigil for a deceased child.¹

1 Corinthians 1:26-31

1 Cor 1:17-28

Edward Collins Vacek, S.J., "Discernment Within a Mutual Love Relationship with God: A New Theological Foundation"²

1 Cor 1:26-31

Fr. Richard Tomasek, S.J., "In Processu: Spiritual formation"³

1 Corinthians 1:26-29

St. Thérèse of Lisieux, The Story of a Soul: A New Translation⁴

1 Corinthians 1:26-29

Kaspar von Schwenckfeld (1560-1620)⁵

1 Cor 1:26-28, 31

¹ 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 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) 301.

² Theological Studies, Vol. 74, No. 3 (September 2013) 709.

³ Homiletic & Pastoral Review , 90 # 10 (August/September 2010) 82.

⁴ Robert J. Edmonson, CJ, (translator) Brewster, Massachusetts: Paraclete Press, 2006, 99.

⁵ in Reformation Commentary on Scripture: New Testament III: Luke, Beth Kreitzer (ed.), general editor, Timothy George, associate General editor, Scott M. Manetsch, (Downers Grove, Illinois: IVP Academic: An imprint of InterVarsity Press, 2015: ISBN 978-0-8308-2014 (hardcover : alk. paper), P 1, Y 15) 302, fn. 5.

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David J. Downs, review of Christopher L. Carter, The Great Sermon Tradition as a Fiscal Framework in 1 Corinthians: Towards a Pauline Theology of Material Possessions⁶

1 Corinthians 1:27-28⁷

Martin Luther (1483-1546)

Luther

1 Cor 1:26

Scott D. Mackie, "The Two Tables of the Law and Paul's Ethical Methodology in 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 and 10:23—11:1"⁸

1 Corinthians 1:30

Urbanus Rhegius, "Apothecary of the Soul for the Healthy and the Sick in These Dangerous Times, 1529"⁹

1 Corinthians 1:30

Johannes Brenz (1525-1527)¹⁰

⁶ the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 73, No. 3 (July 2011) 615.

⁷ 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) 82, fn. 6; 365, fn. 3.

⁸ the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 75, No. 2 (April 2013) 332.

⁹ In Scott H. Hendrix, ed. and trans., Early Protestant Spirituality (New York, Mahwah: Paulist Press, 2009) 124.

¹⁰ 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) 51, fn. 7.

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1 Corinthians 1:30¹¹

Nikolaus Selnecker (1525-1590)

Dirk Phillips (1530-1601)

Selnecker

1 Corinthians 1:31

Selnecker¹²

1 Cor 1:30

T. J. Lang, "We Speak in a Mystery: Neglected Greek Evidence for the Syntax and Sense of 1 Corinthians 2:7"¹³

1 Cor 1:31

John Paul Heil, review of Maria Teresa Giordano, La parola della croce: L'itinerario paradossale della Sapienza divina in 1 Cor 1, 18—3, 4¹⁴

Matthew 5:12a

¹¹ 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) 121, fn. 12; 179, fn. 30; 477, fn. 23.

¹² 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) 257 fn. 34.

¹³ the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 78, No. 1 (January 2016) 89.

¹⁴ the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 75, No. 1 (January 2013) 150.

Matthew 5:1-12a

As a teaching moment, Funerals uses this section of Matthew as one of the texts for Funerals for Adults.¹⁵ Pastoral Care of the Sick uses the same section.¹⁶ These verses offer consolation to those put upon in the social order. Divine order reigns over not only history and human society, but also the universe.

Matthew 5:1-12

David W. McNutt, "Overview"¹⁷

Matt 5:1-12

Warren Carter, review of Robert K. Macewen, Matthean Posteriority: An Exploration of Matthew's Use of Mark and Luke as a Solution to the Synoptic Problem; Robert H. Gundry, Peter: False Disciple and Apostate according to Saint Matthew;

¹⁵ International Commission on English in the Liturgy: A Joint Commission of Catholic Bishops' Conferences, Part III: Texts of Sacred Scripture: 13: Funerals for Adults, 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 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) 231.

¹⁶ Part III: Readings, Responses, and Verses from Sacred Scripture, The Roman Ritual: Revised by Decree of the Second Vatican Ecumenical Council and Published by Authority of Pope Paul VI: Pastoral Care of the Sick: Rites of Anointing and Viaticum: Approved for use in the dioceses of the United States of America by the National Conference of Catholic Bishops and Confirmed by the Apostolic See: Prepared by International Commission on English in the Liturgy: a Joint Commission of Catholic Bishops' Conferences (New York: Catholic Book Publishing Co. 1983) 301.

¹⁷ in Reformation Commentary on Scripture: New Testament III: Luke, Beth Kreitzer (ed.), general editor, Timothy George, associate General editor, Scott M. Manetsch, (Downers Grove, Illinois: IVP Academic: An imprint of InterVarsity Press, 2015: ISBN 978-0-8308-2014 (*hardcover : alk. paper*), P 1, Y 15) 134.

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Derek A. Olsen, Reading Matthew with Monks: Liturgical Interpretation in Anglo-Saxon England¹⁸

Carter reports that Macewen dusts off an old problem, Gundry just seems to stir up trouble, and Olsen is practically irrelevant in Medieval England.

Matthew 5:1-11

Kevin W. Irwin, The Sacraments: Historical Foundations and Liturgical Theology¹⁹

Matthew 5:2

Luther²⁰

Matthew 5:3

St. Thérèse of Lisieux, The Story of a Soul: A New Translation²¹

Matt 5:3

John P. Meier, "Is Luke's Version of the Parable of the Rich Fool Reflected in the Coptic Gospel of Thomas?"²²

Matt 5:3

Michael A. Lyons, "Psalm 22 and the 'Servants' of Isaiah 54; 56—66"²³

¹⁸ the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 78, No. 2 (April 2016) 377.

¹⁹ New York: Paulist Press, 2016, 244.

²⁰ 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.

²¹ Robert J. Edmonson, CJ, (translator) Brewster, Massachusetts: Paraclete Press, 2006, 72, 113, 256.

²² the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 74, No. 3 (July 2012) 528.

²³ the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 77, No. 4 (October 2015), 656.

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Matthew 5:3
Schwenckfeld²⁴

Matthew 5:3
Balthasar Hubmaier (1480-1540)²⁵

Matthew 5:4, 10
Katharina Schütz, Zell, "Letter to the Suffering Women of the Community of Kentzingen Who Believe in Chris, Sisters with me in Jesus Chris, 1524"²⁶

Matt 5:4
John R. Donahue, S.J., review of Rebekah Eklund, Jesus Wept: The Significance of Jesus' Laments in the New Testament²⁷
Donahue reports that Eklund has filled a gap in her well-researched and reasoned study, with a separate article on lament as politics. Personal Notes regards Christianity as fundamentally about the relationship between truth and politics, which determines which for groups and individuals.

²⁴ in Reformation Commentary on Scripture: New Testament III: Luke, Beth Kreitzer (ed.), general editor, Timothy George, associate General editor, Scott M. Manetsch, (Downers Grove, Illinois: IVP Academic: An imprint of InterVarsity Press, 2015: ISBN 978-0-8308-2014 (*hardcover* : *alk. paper*), P 1, Y 15) 302, fn. 5.

²⁵ 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) 287, fn. 29.

²⁶ In Scott H. Hendrix, ed. and trans., Early Protestant Spirituality (New York, Mahwah: Paulist Press, 2009) 112, 180.

²⁷ the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 78, No. 3 (July 2016), 545.

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Matthew 5:4
John Boys (1575-1625)²⁸

Matthew 5:6²⁹
Bugenhagen

Philips

Matthew 5:6
Johannes Bugenhagen (1497-1560)³⁰

Matthew 5:7, 9
Pope Francis, The Joy of the Gospel³¹

Matthew 5:7
Martin Bucer, "How to Live for Others and Not for Oneself, 1523"³²

²⁸ in Reformation Commentary on Scripture: New Testament III: Luke, Beth Kreitzer (ed.), general editor, Timothy George, associate General editor, Scott M. Manetsch, (Downers Grove, Illinois: IVP Academic: An imprint of InterVarsity Press, 2015: ISBN 978-0-8308-2014 (*hardcover : alk. paper*), P 1, Y 15) 380, fn. 14.

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³⁰ in Reformation Commentary on Scripture: Old Testament V: 1-2 Samuel, 1-2 Kings, 1-2 Chronicles, Timothy George (ed.), general editor, Scot M. Manetsch, Associate General editor, Derek Cooper and Martin J. Lohrmann (ed.), (Downers Grove, Illinois: IVP Academic: An imprint of InterVarsity Press, 2016, ISBN 978 0 8308-2955-2 (*hardcover : alk. paper*), P 1, Y 16) 415, fn. 1.

³¹ Erlanger, Kentucky: Libreria Editrice Vaticana, DynamicCatholic.com, 2014, 150.

³² In Scott H. Hendrix, ed. and trans., Early Protestant Spirituality (New York, Mahwah: Paulist Press, 2009) 147.

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Matthew 5:8

Edward Leigh (1575-1625)³³

Matthew 5:8

Johann Wild (1525-1575)³⁴

Matt 5:8

Michael G. Lawler and Todd A. Salzman, "Virtue Ethics: Natural and Christian"³⁵

Matthew 5:8

Daniel B. Wallace, With Scripture, Subject, and Greek Word Indexes: Greek Grammar: Beyond the Basics: An Exegetical Syntax of the New Testament³⁶

Matt 5:10-12

Vincent P. Branick, review of Robert H. Gundry, Commentary on the New Testament: Verse-by-Verse Explanations with a Literal Translation³⁷

Branick reports "a rather false clarity about some ambiguous texts."

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³⁵ Theological Studies, Vol. 74, No. 2 (June 2013) 465.

³⁶ Grand Rapids: Michigan: Zondervan, 1996,

³⁷ the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 74, No. 1 (January 2012) 152.

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Matthew 5:10-12

Heinrich Bullinger (1497-1560)³⁸

Matthew 5:10-11

Justas Jonas (1550-1625)³⁹

Matthew 5:10

Philips⁴⁰

Matthew 5:10

Ulrich Zwingli, "Letter to Oswald Myconius, July 24, 1520"⁴¹

Just as the church was born through blood, only through blood can she be renewed.

Mathew 5:11-12

Johann Baumgart (Pomarius) (1525-1590)⁴²

³⁸ in Reformation Commentary on Scripture: Old Testament V: 1-2 Samuel, 1-2 Kings, 1-2 Chronicles, Timothy George (ed.), general editor, Scot M. Manetsch, Associate General editor, Derek Cooper and Martin J. Lohrmann (ed.), (Downers Grove, Illinois: IVP Academic: An imprint of InterVarsity Press, 2016, ISBN 978 0 8308-2955-2 (hardcover : alk. paper), P 1, Y 16) 224, fn. 9.

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⁴⁰ 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) 163, fn. 8.

⁴¹ In Scott H. Hendrix, ed. and trans., Early Protestant Spirituality (New York, Mahwah: Paulist Press, 2009) 13.

⁴² in Reformation Commentary on Scripture: New Testament III: Luke, Beth Kreitzer (ed.), general editor, Timothy George, associate General editor, Scott M. Manetsch,

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Matthew 5:11⁴³

Johannes Oecolampadius (1497-1560)

Johannes Brenz (1497-1560)

Matthew 5:11

Erasmus⁴⁴

Matthew 5:11

Martin Luther, "Preface to German Mass and Order of Service, 1526"⁴⁵

Matt 5:11

Ligita Ryliškytė, S.J.E., "Post-Gulag Christology: Contextual Considerations from a Lithuanian Perspective"⁴⁶

These comments might have also been written from the perspective of a bused child.

(Downers Grove, Illinois: IVP Academic: An imprint of InterVarsity Press, 2015: ISBN 978-0-8308-2014 (*hardcover : alk. paper*), P 1, Y 15) 363, fn. 3.

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⁴⁴ in Reformation Commentary on Scripture: New Testament VIII: Romans 9—16, Timothy George (ed.), general editor; Scot M. Manetsch, Associate General editor; Philip D. W. Krey and Peter D. S. Krey (ed.), (Downers Grove, Illinois: IVP Academic: An imprint of InterVarsity Press, 2016, ISBN 978 0 8308-2971-2, P 1, Y 16) 209, fn. 7.

⁴⁵ In Scott H. Hendrix, ed. and trans., Early Protestant Spirituality (New York, Mahwah: Paulist Press, 2009) 286.

⁴⁶ Theological Studies, Vol. 76, No. 3 (September 2015) 479.

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Matthew 5:11

Desiderius Erasmus (1466-1530)⁴⁷

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.

In the gobbledygook prayer at Sunday Mass immediately following the Gloria, the Faithful hearing the 2011 Roman Missal can listen for “that we may honor you with all our mind.”⁴⁸ The Responsorial Antiphon for this Sunday is **Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!** (Matthew 5:3).⁴⁹ Between November 25, 2011 and November 25, 2012, Personal Notes systematically examined the illiterate 2011 Missal. For a more 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>.

⁴⁷ 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) 35, fn. 22.

⁴⁸ n.a., The Roman Missal: Renewed by Decree of the Most Holy Second Ecumenical Council of the Vatican, Promulgated by Authority of Pope Paul VI and Revised at the Direction of Pope John Paul II: English Translation According to the Third Typical Edition: For Use in the Dioceses of the United States of America: Approved by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and Confirmed by the Apostolic See (Washington, DC, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2011) 464. Personal Notes refers to this book as the Missal.

⁴⁹ 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) 533. Personal Notes refers to this book as the Lectionary.

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This is a call for grace that some Black Baptists bring to mind with [Let them praise the name of the LORD; for he commanded, and they were created](#) (Psalm 148:5).⁵⁰

Addenda

Due to greater responsiveness at the [National Catholic Reporter](#) blog, beginning with the Fourth Sunday in Lent, Reading 032B, March 15, 2015, my interest began shifting from annotating my index here, to engaging conversation there. I may keep up the Bibliography, but without further comment. Time will tell.

On Wednesday, December 28, 2016, I discovered that my web site, www.western-civilization.com was receiving 1000 hits per day, from the United States, most of which were for these readings. That complicates my priorities, priorities that require balancing between developing these Personal Notes, engaging writing on the National Catholic Reporter at <https://www.ncronline.org/blogs/ncr-today>, developing a Cleveland Organizing Branch of the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH), attending to my archival resources at the Western Reserve Historical Society, and preparing my 1972 dissertation, "Cleveland and the Negro following World War II" for publication at least on the web. I am the founding president of the Hampton Roads, from which the Number 1 Movie January 15, "Hidden Figures," arose, meaning that these priorities have potential consequences of note.

Raymond Arroyo, "The World Over," on EWTN uses fear-mongering, rather than the Joy of the Gospel to entrance its viewers. In the past, Arroyo has responded to my concerns, particularly the Reverend Robert A. Sirico, who rarely appears anymore, with his drivel. Beginning, May 3, 2015, I intend to begin pointing out, here, the role fear, rather than joy, has in "The World Over."

By July 31, I had identified a pattern of attack on Pope Francis by Arroyo. The attack is on what the Pope is preaching about climate change and capitalism. In the United States Republicans have firm opposition to such sermonizing, as the Trump administration will show . . . or not.

As, on June 23, 2015, I prepared Reading 110B for the Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary time for July 26, I decided to begin reading unread book reviews and articles

⁵⁰ [UMI Annual Sunday School Lesson Commentary: Precepts for Living ®: 2016-2017: International Sunday School Lessons: Volume 19: UMI \(Urban Ministries, Inc.\), A. Okechuku Ogbonnaya, Ph.D., \(ed.\) \(Chicago, IL 60643: UMI \(Urban Ministries, Inc.\), 2016\) 228-229.](#)

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from Theological Studies for two reasons. The first is I have already read every article cited in the Catholic Biblical Quarterly. The second is that traditionally Theological Studies articles have been more helpful to my prayer life. I also began reading unread book reviews in the Biblical Quarterly. When perusing the Reformation Commentary on Scripture, I sometimes call attention to what I underlined there.