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Is programming by Raymond Arroyo full of hidden anger, anger at Catholic Democrats who do not follow his lead; anger at Pope Francis, who does not seem interested, either. The Arroyo program August 3 featured Larry Kudlow, defending Donald Trump on the basis of fear from troubling leaks. The problem with the leaks, other than those from Trump himself, is political embarrassment, not national security.

Arroyo did permit Alex Neruasta (sp?) to appear with facts, but Arroyo also permitted Daniel Stein to shout down Alex and disparage Alex for having facts. Arroyo wondered out loud whether Pope Francis had changed church teaching on the legitimacy of the death penalty. Arroyo concluded the Pope had not changed Church doctrine. Arroyo accepted an argument distinguishing innocent from guilty life. Evidently a one-cell human zygote falls under the category of innocence, but those deliberately aborting such a zygote fall under the category of guilt. Nuts.

The knack of it all is to remain calm, without anger. Anger always results from unwanted political power, rather than discovery of the truth that ought to determine how power is used. At least people like me have an opportunity to seek truth openly on the internet for others to consider, or not. May God save the Teaching Magisterium as expressed by Pope Francis . . . to change when that Teaching Magisterium is wrong and to reinforce when it is correct. For [The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion](#) (Psalm 103:1:8).¹

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:	Sirach 27:30—28:7
Responsorial Psalm:	Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 (8)
Second Reading:	Romans 14:7-9
Alleluia:	John 13:34
Gospel:	Matthew 18:21-35

¹ 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) 825. Personal Notes refers to this book as the Lectionary.

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The Order for Christian Funerals uses Psalm 103 in prayer twice.² Pastoral Care of the Sick uses Psalm 103 in prayer twice more.³

Psalm 103:1-2

Steven T. Mann, "Performative Prayers of a Prophet: Investigating the Prayers of Jonah as Speech Acts"⁴

Psalm 103:1

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) 27.

² 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) 40, 226.

³ 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) 60, 296.

⁴ the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 79 Vol. 1 (January 2017), 34.

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Psalm 103:9-10

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) 232.

Psalm 103:13

Federico Giuntoli, review of Fabrizio Ficco, "Mio figlio sei tu" (Sal 2,7): La relazione padre-figlio e il Salterio⁵

Romans 14:7-9

The Church makes this passage available for Funerals.⁶

Rom 14:1-23

Benjamin White, review of Rafael Rodríguez, If you call Yourself a Jew: Reappraising Paul's Letter to the Romans⁷

Romans 14:7-9

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) 188-191.

⁵ the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 75, Vol. 2 (April 2013) 340.

⁶ 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 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) 216, 251.

⁷ the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 78 Vol. 4 (October 2016) 790.

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Rom 14:8-11

Robert L. Foster, "The Justice of the Gentiles: Revisiting the Purpose of Romans"⁸

Romans 14:8

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) 124, 191.

Romans 14:8

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[RJ1] (hardcover : alk. paper), P 1, Y 16) 237.

Romans 14:9

Daniel B. Wallace, With Scripture, Subject, and Greek Word Indexes: Greek Grammar: Beyond the Basics: An Exegetical Syntax of the New Testament⁹

John 13:34

Matthew 18:21-35

Matthew 18:21-35

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) 167, 234.

⁸ the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 76 Vol. 4 (October 2014) 701.

⁹ Grand Rapids: Michigan: Zondervan, 1996, Romans 14:7-9.

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Matt 18:10-22

Patrick J. Hartin, review of David B. Gowler, James through the Centuries¹⁰

Matt 18:15-22

John P. Meier, "Is Luke's Version of the Parable of the Rich Fool Reflected in the Coptic *Gospel of Thomas*?"¹¹

Matt 18:21-35

M. Eugene Boring, review of Larent Larroque, La parabole du serviteur impitoyable in son context (Mt 18, 21-35)¹²

Matt 18:21-35

James F. Keenan, S.J., "Rising Expectations on Sin"¹³

Matt 18:21-22

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, Derek A. Olsen, Reading Matthew with Monks: Liturgical Interpretation in Anglo-Saxon England¹⁴

¹⁰ the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 78 Vol. 2 (April 2016) 367.

¹¹ the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 74 Vol. 3 (July 2012) 534.

¹² the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 74 Vol. 4 (October 2012) 821.

¹³ Theological Studies, Vol. 77, No. 1 (March 2016) 172.

¹⁴ the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 78 Vol. 2 (April 2016) 375.

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Matthew 18:22

Pope Francis, The Joy of the Gospel (Erlanger, Kentucky: Libreria Editrice Vaticana, DynamicCatholic.com, 2014) 8.

Matt 18:23-34

Callie Callon, "Adulscentes and *Meretrices*: The Correlation between Squandered Patrimony and Prostitutes in the Parable of the Prodigal Son"¹⁵

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 "in the unity of the Holy Spirit"¹⁶ The Responsorial Antiphon for this Sunday is The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion (Psalm 103:1:8).¹⁷ Between November 25, 2011 and November 25, 2012, Personal Notes systematically examined the illiterate 2011 Missal. For a more

¹⁵ the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 75 Vol. 2 (April 2013) 265.

¹⁶ 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) 484. Personal Notes refers to this book as the Missal.

¹⁷ 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) 825. 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 Verily my sabbaths ye shall keep: for it is a sign between me and you throughout your generations that ye may know that I am the LORD that doth sanctify you. Ye shall keep the sabbath therefore; for it is holy unto you (Exodus 31:13-14)¹⁸

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. Beginning with the Second Sunday of Easter, April 23, 2017, my interest began shifting back toward annotating the Catholic Biblical Quarterly.

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 Branch of ASALH, from which the movie "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." Arroyo would do better to get his "Papal Posse" off the air as well. The bias against Catholic Democratic legislators is unbecoming.

¹⁸ UMI Annual Sunday School Lesson Commentary: Precepts for Living @: 2017-2018: International Sunday School Lessons: Volume 20: UMI (Urban Ministries, Inc.), Adonijah Okechuku Ogbonnaya, Ph.D., (ed.) (Chicago, IL 60643: UMI (Urban Ministries, Inc.), 2017) 38-39.

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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 forthcoming Trump administration will show . . . or not. On June 4 Trump pulled out of the Paris Agreement on Climate Change.

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 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. Beginning with the Second Sunday of Easter, April 23, 2017, I realized the Reformation Commentary on Scripture was doing little for my prayer-life and I began to drift away from the time-consuming details I had been recording.

As of August 4, 2017, Reformation Commentary on Scripture: New Testament IXa: 1 Corinthians, Edited by Scott M. Manetsch, General Editor Timothy George, Associate General editor, Scott M. Manetsch, (Downers Grove, Illinois: IVP Academic: An imprint of InterVarsity Press, 20167, ISBN 978 0 8308-2972 9 (hardcover : alk. paper), P 1, Y 17) was indexed. My intention is to read and annotate unread sections until the book is entirely read.