

## Personal Notes

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The Faithful in the United States are getting close to the last day to vote in the Presidential election. Bette and I expressed the following in the op-ed page of the Elyria Chronicle, Tuesday, October 4, 2016. “Donald Trump is demonstrating the emotional maturity of a second- or third-grader. His finger on the nuclear button is frightening.” In other words, blowing up the whole planet is more serious than preventing the development of a human zygote through birth.

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## **Readings**

First Reading	Wisdom 11:22—12:2
Responsorial Psalm:	Psalm 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13, 14 (cf. 1)
Second Reading:	2 Thessalonians 1:11—2:2
Alleluia:	John 3:16
Gospel:	Luke 19:1-10

## **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.

### **Wisdom 11:22—12:2**

Wisdom 11:22

Gerry Wheaton, “The Festival of Hanukkah in 2 Maccabees: Its Meaning and Function”<sup>1</sup>

### **Psalm 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13, 14 (cf. 1)**

Pastoral Care of the Sick, Part II: Pastoral Care of the Dying, Chapter Eight: Rites for Exceptional Circumstances, Continuous Rite of Penance, Anointing, and Viaticum, Responsorial Psalms E, uses Psalm 145.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 74, No. 2 (April 2012), 256.

<sup>2</sup> 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 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 (New York: Catholic Book Publishing Co., 1983) 328.

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Psalm 145:1

Nancy L. DeClassé-Walford, "Psalm 145: All Flesh Will Bless God's Holy Name"<sup>3</sup>

## **2 Thessalonians 1:11—2:2**

2 Thess 1:4-10

John W. Martens, "Burning Questions in Romans 12:20: What Is the Meaning and Purpose of 'Coals of Fire'?"<sup>4</sup>

2 Thess 2:1-12

Steven Wilson, review of B. J. Oropeza, Apostasy in the New Testament Communities. Vol. 1, In the Footsteps of Judas and Other Defectors: The Gospels, Acts, and the Johannine Letters; Vol. 2, Jews, Gentiles, and the Opponents of Paul: The Pauline Letters<sup>5</sup>

2 Thessalonians 1:12

Daniel B. Wallace, With Scripture, Subject, and Greek Word Indexes: Greek Grammar: Beyond the Basics: An Exegetical Syntax of the New Testament<sup>6</sup>

## **John 3:16**

John 3:16<sup>7</sup>

Caspar Cruciger (1504-1548)

Johannes Brenz (1499-1570)

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<sup>3</sup> the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 74, No. 1 (January 2012), 55, 58.

<sup>4</sup> the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 76, No. 2 (April 2014) 301.

<sup>5</sup> the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 76, No. 2 (April 2014) 370.

<sup>6</sup> Grand Rapids: Michigan: Zondervan, 1996, **276**.

<sup>7</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) 103-105.

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Wolfgang Musculus (1497-1563)

Menno Simons (c. 1496-1561)

### **Luke 19:1-10**

Luke 19:1-10<sup>8</sup>

Brenz

Martin Bucer (1491-1551)

Edward Leigh (1602-1671)

Johann Spangenberg (1484-1550)

John Jewel (1522-1571)

The English Annotations (1645, 1651, 1657)

Brenz

Luke 19:1-10

Richard I. Pervo, review of Mikeal C. Parsons, Luke<sup>9</sup>

Pervo reports that Parsons “will not help students learn to think critically.”

Luke 19:1

Timothy W. Reardon, “Cleansing through Almsgiving in Luke-Acts: Purity, Cornelius, and the Translation of Acts 15:9”<sup>10</sup>

Luke 19:6

Richard I. Pervo, review of William P. Atkinson, Baptism in the Spirit: Luke-Acts and the Dunn Debate<sup>11</sup>

Pervo reports that this is a Pentecostal take with “utter indifference to the historic Christian Faith.” Pervo adds “Luke is the only NT theologian who describes

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<sup>8</sup> 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) 366-368.

<sup>9</sup> the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 78, No. 1 (January 2016), 171.

<sup>10</sup> the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 78, No. 3 (July 2016) 476.

<sup>11</sup> the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 77, No. 1 (January 2015) 165-166.

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resurrection, ascension, and gift of the Spirit as chronologically distinct events, a brilliant idea, as demonstrated by the Christian calendar, but Lucan.” [And he came down quickly and received him with joy](#) (Luke 19:6). Evidently that verse has a relationship to speaking in tongues, a relationship I do not understand.

Luke 19:9

John Boys (1571-1625)<sup>12</sup>

Luke 19:9

Johannes Piscator (1546-1625)<sup>13</sup>

Luke 19:10

Barbara E. Reid, O.P., “The Gospel of Luke: Friend or Foe of Women Proclaimers of the Word?”<sup>14</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 [I will praise your name forever, my king and my God](#) (Psalm 145: cf. 1).<sup>15</sup>

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<sup>12</sup> 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) 294.

<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) 154.

<sup>14</sup> the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 78, No. 1 (January 2016) 13.

<sup>15</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:

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In the gobbledygook prayer at Sunday Mass immediately following the forgiveness of sins, the Faithful hearing the 2011 Roman Missal can listen for “your faithful offer you right and praiseworthy service.”<sup>16</sup> 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>.

This is a call for grace that some Black Baptists bring to mind with [Let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith](#) (from Hebrews 12:1-2).<sup>17</sup>

### Addenda

Personal Notes has been wary of Raymond Arroyo, host of “the World Over, on the Eternal Word Television Network, EWTN, attacking Pope Francis. Personal Notes has watched for various Papal policies, like anything possibly construed as positive for Democrats, that Arroyo might systematically attack.

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Second Typical Edition: Volume I: Sundays, Solemnities, Feasts of the Lord and the Saints (Collegeville, Minnesota: The Liturgical Press, 1988) 938. Personal Notes refers to this book as the Lectionary.

<sup>16</sup> 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) 491. Personal Notes refers to this book as the Missal.

<sup>17</sup> UMI Annual Sunday School Lesson Commentary: Precepts for Living ©: 2013-2014: International Sunday School Lessons: Volume 165: UMI (Urban Ministries, Inc.), a. Okechuku Ogbonnaya, Ph.D., (ed.) (Chicago, IL 60643: UMI (Urban Ministries, Inc.), 2013) 91-92.

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) 12-13

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I have already read every article cited in the Catholic Biblical Quarterly. At this stage I only read unread book reviews there. There are three for this Sunday. I have already read all of the material in the Reformation Commentary on Scripture.

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.