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FALLING ASLEEP IN THE LORD

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A man I have known all my life fell asleep in the Lord this week: Mr. William Laurendine. The Laurendines moved next door to us (Mom and Dad's house) more than forty years ago. Mr. Will and Mrs. Rose Claire, Billy, Sissy (Ginger), and Joan at first. Mom and Dad and Mike, me, and Christine - we were like one family, we could count on each other. Mr. Will and Daddy would hack down the brush around our houses and work on their cars together. Eventually Judy, Cindy, and Tommy were added to the Laurendine tribe, and Laurie, Marian, and Patrick were added to our tribe.

Mr. Will was a bus driver for New Orleans Public Service; that's before RTA. Sometimes I would accompany Daddy to the New Orleans Item (newspaper), where he was a reporter and an editor. Every now and then a NOPSI bus would pull up behind us as we walked to daddy's office, the bus door would open, and Mr. Will would shout out, "Where ya at Mack!" or "Hay Mack!" You always knew it was Mr. Will.

When the steering wheel came off our car while Daddy was driving on the Tulane Ave. - Airline Hwy overpass, Daddy jammed it back on, and Mr. Will and Daddy took a look at it when we got back home. I guess they fixed it.

When Mike almost cut his foot off on a bleach bottle someone threw into the woods, Mrs. Rose Claire wrapped Mike's leg in a towel while we went to the hospital - she probably saved his foot. When Billy hurt his leg (I think he got shot in the ankle) we were there take care of things while he was treated. The Laurendines opened a snow ball stand in a playhouse near our fence, and one window facing our yard was where you could place your order.

Billy, Mike and I used to play Jesse James, cowboys and Indians. Their front porch became a Saloon, and Joani, Christine, and Judy were the slinky bar girls who served

us whiskey while we played poker. Sissy ran the joint. This was before the days of Matt Dillon and Miss. Kitty.

We all had broom stick horses, and you could see a double feature at the Patio Theater on Saturdays for a nickel, they call it five cents now. Sometimes when Grandma and Paupaw would come over, Paupaw and Daddy and Mr. Will would have a beer and talk about septic tanks. Daddy didn't drink, but he would have a beer when Paupaw and he and Mr. Will talked about septic tanks. When we were at Schwegmann's one evening, Daddy was inside making groceries and we were in the car cutting up, Mom made up a song:

The septic tank, the septic tank  
The great big HORRIBLE septic tank.  
If you're a bad little girl or boy today,  
I'll pick you up, AND THROW YOU AWAY,  
Into the septic tank, the septic tank,  
THE GREAT BIG, HORRIBLE SEPTIC TANK.

Naturally, all of us had great interest in these discussions of septic tanks.

The first girl I ever kissed had the initials J. L.

After many years, the Laurendines moved away but soon moved back just down the street. As we all have gone our own ways, we always kept track of our brothers and sisters and surrogate parents whose last name just happened different from ours. Now Mr. Will is sitting on the front porch of one of the Mansions Jesus built for us, talking with his new neighbors, until his family and old neighbors join him. I kind of thought one of us would be on that street to welcome him and his family when they came, but he moved in first this time.

I wonder if Mr. Will and Paupaw will have the septic tank situation resolved by the time we get there?

Fr. Lee



When Earth's last picture is painted, and the tubes  
 are twisted and dried,  
 When the oldest colours have faded, and the  
 youngest critic has died,  
 We shall rest, and, faith, we shall need it—lie  
 down for an æon or two,  
 Till the Master of All Good Workmen shall set us  
 to work anew!

And those that were good shall be happy: they  
 shall sit in a golden chair;  
 They shall splash at a ten-league canvas with  
 brushes of comets' hair;  
 They shall find real saints to draw from—Mag-  
 dalene, Peter, and Paul;  
 They shall work for an age at a sitting and never  
 be tired at all!

And only the Master shall praise us, and only the  
 Master shall blame;  
 And no one shall work for money, and no one  
 shall work for fame;  
 But each for the joy of the working, and each, in  
 his separate star,  
 Shall draw the Thing as he sees It for the God of  
 Things as They Are!

By Rudyard Kipling



Different translations of the Bible We are showing the differences in the contents of different editions of the Bible during the Scripture Study course on Acts of the Apostles. We, of course, prefer the Douay Rheims translation to the more modern versions. Unfortunately, we do not have enough space in this issue of INNOCENTS to present a side by side comparison of the modern versions and the Douay Rheims translation.

Since most people have a modern version handy, we have done the next best thing, and have photo copied Joel 3: 1-21 (end) from the Douay Rheims translation. Using your own non - Douay Rheims version of the Old Testament, compare the Douay Rheims translation of this passage given on the inside back cover page of this issue. The differences are self evident.

Do we feel the more modern translations are wrong. Yes. But something is usually better than nothing. Just be careful. The modern translations leave out much of the God inspired contents, and present only a thin slice - one aspect of what God presented.

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HOLY INNOCENTS ORTHODOX CHURCH  
(Western Rite)  
1992 LITURGICAL & ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

For May, 1992

Daily Schedule

The Chapel is usually open Sunday through Friday from 6:00 AM through 10:00 PM (5:00 PM on Friday), as schedules permit.

7:00 AM Divine Liturgy (Mass) Mon  
through Fri  
10:00 AM Divine Liturgy (Mass) Sun  
7:00 PM Additional Divine Liturgy  
(Mass) on Great Feasts/Holy  
Days unless otherwise noted

Conflicts in schedule sometimes do not allow the above daily schedule to be kept. However, all activities listed in the calendar below will take place unless something extraordinary occurs.

Fri May 1 SS Philip and James, Apostles  
and Martyrs (R)

Sat May 2 St. Athanasius of Alexandria  
(BCD) 373 A.D.  
Picnic at St. Mary Magdalene

SUN May 3 Second Sunday after Easter (W)  
The Finding of The Holy Cross,  
Blessed Denis Chambeault (PrC)  
- The Pioneer of Western Rite  
Orthodoxy in France

9:30 AM Confessions  
10:00 AM Divine Liturgy (Mass)  
11:00 AM Fellowship Hour

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(Coffee)  
12:00 NOON Sick Calls

Mon May 4 St. Monica (VM) Mother of St.  
Augustine, 387 A.D. (R)

Tue May 5 St. Irene the Great (VM) (R)

7:30 PM Scripture Study Class  
Acts of the Apostles

Wed May 6 St. Alexander and Companions  
(MM) (R)

Thu May 7 St. Christopher (C)

Fri May 8 The Appearing of St. Michael,  
Archangel (W)

Sat May 9 St. Gregory of Nazianzen (BCD)  
391 A.D.

SUN May 10 Third Sunday after Easter (W)  
SS Gordian and Epimachus (MM)  
(R)

9:30 AM Confessions

10:00 AM Divine Liturgy (Mass)

11:00 AM Fellowship Hour  
(Coffee)

12:00 NOON Sick Calls

Mon May 11 St. Pancras and Companions (MM)  
Anniversary of Consecration to  
Episcopacy of Apb. Aftimios,  
11 May 1917, The Father of  
American Orthodoxy

Tue May 12 SS Nerus, Achilleus,  
Domitilla, Pancras (MM)(R)  
St. Epiphanius of Salamis (BC)

7:30 PM Scripture Study Class

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Acts of the Apostles

Wed May 13 St. Asaph (BC)

Thu May 14 St. Pachomius (Abt)

Fri May 15 St. Boniface of Rome (CM), 275  
A.D. (R)

Sat May 16 St. Brendan (Abt/C)

SUN May 17 Fourth Sunday after Easter (W)  
St. Theodoius of the Caves  
(Abt)

9:30 AM Confessions

10:00 AM Divine Liturgy (Mass)

11:00 AM Fellowship Hour  
(Coffee)

12:00 NOON Sick Calls

Mon May 18 St. Venatius (M) (R)

Tue May 19 St. Prudentiana (V)  
St. Dunstan of Worchester and  
Canterbury (BC), 988 A.D.

7:30 PM Scripture Study Class  
Acts of the Apostles

Wed May 20 St. Stephan of Piper (C)

Thu May 21 SS Constantine and Helena (CC)

Fri May 22 St. Eleutherius (BM) (R)

Sat May 23 St. Aldhelm (BM) (R)

SUN May 24 Fifth Sunday after Easter (W)  
St. Vincent of Lerin (C)

9:30 AM Confessions

10:00 AM Divine Liturgy (Mass)

11:00 AM Fellowship now  
(Coffee)

12:00 NOON Sick Calls

Mon May 25 Monday before the Ascension  
(V)  
Rogation Day (Lesser Litanies)  
St. Urban (BM) (R)

Tue May 26 Tuesday before the Ascension  
(V)  
Rogation Day (Lesser Litanies)  
St. Augustine of Canterbury  
(BC) The Great Western  
Confessor of The Faith

7:30 PM Scripture Study Class  
Acts of the Apostles

Wed May 27 Wednesday before the Ascension  
(V)  
Rogation Day (Lesser Litanies)  
Vigil of the Ascension  
St. Bede the Venerable (CD)  
735 A.D.  
St. John I, Pope (M) 526 A.D.  
(R)

Thu May 28 ASCENSION THURSDAY [HD] [GF]  
(W)  
St. Germanos of Constantinople  
(BC)

7:00 PM Additional Divine  
Liturgy (Mass)

Fri May 29 St. Theodosia (BM) (R)

Sat May 30 Mary Queen of Apostles  
(W or Blue)  
Saturday after Ascension (W)  
St. Felix (BM) (R)

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SUN May 31 Sunday after The Ascensio  
Peter and Marcellinus (MM)  
(R)

(Queenship of Mary, unofficial  
but traditional, 31st or last  
Sun in May (W or Blue))

9:30 AM Confessions  
10:00 AM Divine Liturgy (Mass)  
11:00 AM Fellowship Hour  
(Coffee)  
12:00 NOON Sick Calls

ST. MARY MAGDALENE NEWS

St. Mary Magdalene Orthodox Church  
125 Hartsie - 150 Angell Lane  
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REGULAR SATURDAY SCHEDULE:

10:00 AM Divine Liturgy/Mass

HOLIDAY PICNIC SCHEDULE:

Saturdays: May 2 (for May Day), July 4, and September 5 (for Labor Day). Mass will be at 10:00am. You can arrive at any time. We will provide hot dogs, buns, chili, iced tea, and pink lemonaid. Bring anything else you wish, within reason. We had fun last year. Join us this year. Guests welcome. Remember, we only have toilet facilities, and do not have bathing facilities for those who have gone swimming. We hope to have an outside shower for swimmers by the time of the July 4th picnic.

Rabbits Yes, they are back. For a while it looked like the rabbit population had gone to better feeding grounds. Last week they seemed to come out of the wood work, casually watching us walk through the woods, and not really seeming to be inclined to run off. They are not the pretty kind you see in the pet shops; they are regular old wild rabbits. Just in time for Eastern Rite Easter, which was last week.

The picnic grounds have been made more accomodating with a large concrete table and three benches, and a wrought iron table with two chairs and an iron ottoman, and a wrought iron love seat glider. The glider is placed strategically under my bedroom window for the time being - so don't get any ideas. These are on the grounds on the Gulf side of the Temple (Church), near the BAR-B-Q.

The Swamp or Pond in the front has dried up for the Summer, as has the shallow pond around Bannana Tree Island. But the large pond at the back of the woods is still full. One of these days, if I live long enough . . .

The Iconostat is 99% complete. TaDa. Still no Icons for the Iconostat, but We now have an organ at St. Mary Magdalene. Robert and Marlan Montelepre donated theirs. Bob even helped us transport

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the organ this past week. It is heavy, and really has a beautiful sound. Many thanks and eternal blessings on you and (I've been wanting to write this for a long time) all the many little Montelepres.

Mass on virtually every Saturday at St. Mary Magdalene, is in honor of God's special relationship with the Theotokos, Mary, Mother of the Father's Son by the power of the Holy Spirit, and to comerate the special place Mary Magdalene holds in our hearts and in Jesus Christ's life while he was physically present with us.

This month, being in the Western Rite, the Month of Mary, the Theotokos, should have a special place in our devotions to Jesus Christ. Remember, Mary is not God, she is God's mother - she is not to be worshiped, but specially honored as chosen from of old to be what she is.

St. Mary Magdalene herself is rather special. Remember, Jesus cast seven devils out of her; He appeared to her first on His rising from the dead; she was the first to recognize Him on Easter; she anointed Him in preperation for His death; she is the "wild one" who fell in love with Jesus, our Lord and God. As Jesus told Philip, "I am in the Father and the Father is in me . . .", he who sees Me sees the Father. This is very special, and Mary Magdalene is special in her love. We can not help but love her too.

Very often we tend to loose sight of what is reality, because the clutter of the physical reality we live in obstructs our full senses. Keep your sights on Jesus Christ; your senses tuned into Him. The three Persons of the Trinity God are in each other and interwoven in a manner we can not now understand. But if we keep our attention on Jesus, and off of ourselves, if we honor God and not ourselves, we will avoid a great pit, the great pit. The facility at St. Mary Madgalene is for this purpose. Picnics are a means of enjoying God's creation, and provide us with the opportunity to honor Him for His good works in making all this beauty. We can have fun, and peace - they are not mutually exclusive.

Anyone wishing to put together a one day retreat for a group, or an individual one

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day "get away" retreat, should call to schedule. We encourage everyone to go on retreat at least once a year - more often if possible. Talks on various subjects can be arranged for groups in retreat, and those on private retreat will be left alone as they desire. Overnight retreats, well, if I live long enough . . .

This facility is available for all of us for picnics and retreats. Both can take place at the same time, with little or no interference one of the other. Please, feel free to use it, every Saturday, but call Holy Innocents or St. Mary Magdalene a few days in advance so we will know to expect you. Picnickers should bring their own food, etc - we supply the bath room and Bar-B-Q pit, God supplies the beach and the woods. Retreatants need only bring themselves. The only time someone is not there Saturday is when something very unusual happens.

Directions: Take I-10 East through Slidell. Cross the Louisiana - Mississippi State line; pass up the truck scales and take the first exit after the truck scales. This is the scenic route to the beaches. (Some people call this the Hwy. 90 exit.) Stay on this highway until you arrive in Waveland. Turn right at the first traffic light, go down the road towards the beach, cross over the rail road tracks and turn left on Central Ave. which is the first road over the rail road tracks. Stay on Central until you reach Coleman Ave., which is located at the first stop sign you will come to. Turn right on Coleman and you will see the beach ahead. Turn right on Beach Rd., go two blocks to Hartsie, turn right on Hartsie 550 ft. until the bend in the road. St. Mary Magdalene is on the left.

OR, I-10 to Miss Hwy 603 (43), also known as Kiln Rd., then South on Hwy 603 (43) (Kiln Rd.), cross over U.S. Hwy 90 [Hwy 603 (43) changes its name to Nicholson Ave.], to the Beach, right on Beach Road, pass Coleman Ave, and proceed as above.

## CHAPTER 3.

*The Lord shall judge all nations in the valley of Josaphat. The evils that shall fall upon the enemies of God's people; his blessing upon the church of the saints.*

**F**OR behold in those days, and in that time when I shall bring back the captivity of Juda and Jerusalem:

2 I will gather together all nations, and will bring them down into the valley of Josaphat: and I will plead with them there for my people, and for my inheritance Israel, whom they have scattered among the nations, and have parted my land.

3 And they have cast lots upon my people: and the boy they have put in the stews, and the girl they have sold for wine, that they might drink.

4 But what have you to do with me, O Tyre, and Sidon, and all the coast of the Philistines? will you revenge yourselves on me? and if you revenge yourselves on me, I will very soon return you a recompense upon your own head.

5 For you have taken away my silver and my gold: and my desirable and most beautiful things you have carried into your temples.

6 And the children of Juda, and the children of Jerusalem you have sold to the children of the Greeks, that you might remove them far off from their own country.

7 Behold, I will raise them up out of the place wherein you have sold them: and I will return your recompense upon your own heads.

8 And I will sell your sons, and your daughters by the hands of the children of Juda, and they shall sell them to the Sabeans, a nation far off, for the Lord hath spoken it.

9 Proclaim ye this among the nations: prepare war, rouse up the strong: let them come, let all the men of war come up.

10 Cut your ploughshares into swords, and your spades into spears. Let the weak say: I am strong.

11 Break forth, and come, all ye nations, from round about, and gather yourselves together: there will the Lord cause all thy strong ones to fall down.

12 Let them arise, and let the nations

come up into the valley of Josaphat: for there I will sit to judge all nations round about.

13 <sup>d</sup> Put ye in the sickles, for the harvest is ripe: come and go down, for the press is full, the fats run over: for their wickedness is multiplied.

14 Nations, nations in the valley of destruction: for the day of the Lord is near in the valley of destruction.

15 <sup>e</sup> The sun and the moon are darkened, and the stars have withdrawn their shining.

16 <sup>f</sup> And the Lord shall roar out of Sion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem: and the heavens and the earth shall be moved, and the Lord shall be the hope of his people, and the strength of the children of Israel.

17 And you shall know that I am the Lord your God, dwelling in Sion my holy mountain: and Jerusalem shall be holy and strangers shall pass through it no more.

18 And it shall come to pass in that day, <sup>g</sup> that the mountains shall drop down sweetness, and the hills shall flow with milk: and waters shall flow through all the rivers of Juda: and a fountain shall come forth of the house of the Lord, and shall water the torrent of thorns.

19 Egypt shall be a desolation, and Edom a wilderness destroyed: because they have done unjustly against the children of Juda, and have shed innocent blood in their land.

20 And Judea shall be inhabited for ever, and Jerusalem to generation and generation.

21 And I will cleanse their blood which I had not cleansed: and the Lord will dwell in Sion.

