

LESSONS FOR LAMBS

SECOND WEEK OF LENT (REMINISCERE)

The phrase "Reminiscere" is from the Latin language. In English it means "Remember, (O Lord)." These are the beginning words of the Psalm (also called Introit) in Latin this week. Look in your parent's service folder and read the Introit. The color for the Second Week of Lent is purple.



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R E S P R O T E C T T T A
E L E P D E M O N C I D C
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N R S L R Y T E I U N O E
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M S A B M E A G R E C D N
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R P M I S D R A E A E I R
P A R C P U R P L E C A P
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Reminiscere
crumbs
demon
healed
wrestle
promises
tribes

remember
Canaanite
dogs
daughter
Isaac
protect
Messiah

purple
mercy
faith
Jacob
Israel
faithfulness

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What to listen for during the service?

In the Gospel you will hear a woman say of herself that even the dogs eat the crumbs from the table because her faith knows God loves her and will give her something she has not earned. When do we tell God we've not deserved anything good but hear that God gives us all good things anyway? Why does He do this?

Gospel Reading: Matthew 15:21-28

(The Gospel Reading is from the part of the Bible that is about Jesus and his ministry.)

21 And Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. 22 And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon." 23 But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, "Send her away, for she is crying out after us." 24 He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." 25 But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." 26 And he answered, "It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." 27 She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." 28 Then Jesus answered her, "O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed instantly.

Questions to talk about with your parents:

- 1) Who came to Jesus? What did she say to Him?
- 2) What was wrong with her daughter and what did she expect Jesus to do about it?
- 3) Why did the disciples tell Jesus to send her away? What did Jews think about Canaanites?
- 4) The Canaanite woman knows for sure that Jesus will save her too, and answer her prayers. What does Jesus call this belief? (see verse 28)
- 5) What did the Word of Jesus do for the daughter?

People of the Bible: Jacob

In the Old Testament reading we hear about Jacob. But who was Jacob? Jacob was the younger son of Isaac, so he was the grandson of Abraham. He had a twin brother, Esau. Jacob is considered the father of the twelve tribes of Israel. Esau was jealous of Jacob and wanted to kill him, so Jacob had to leave his home to escape. During his life, Jacob had three encounters with the Lord (Gen. 28:10-17; 32:22-32; 35:9-15), where God blessed him, promised to protect him and promised that many nations (descendants) would come

from him. He promised one of these descendants would be the Messiah out of the house of Judah. God changed Jacob's name to "Israel" which means "he who strives with God and men." Once again we see God's faithfulness to His people, as he used Jacob, a sinner, to bring forth the Messiah and keep His promises.

Catechism Corner

The CREED (The Third Article: Sanctification)

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy Christian Church; the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

What does this mean? Answer:

I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Ghost has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith, even as He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith; in which Christian church he daily and richly forgives all sins to me and all believers, and will at the Last Day raise up me and all the dead, and give to me and all believers in Christ eternal life. This is most certainly true.

Draw a picture of Jacob wrestling with God, which we hear about in the Old Testament reading.

