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Just Come in the Side Door

This fragment is from a church ceiling fresco that crumbled and fell to the ground. It was eventually added to the Vatican collection. A piece of rubble is now a priceless object of art. Viewers look up at the apostle from below as he gazes toward Christ's divine glory.

We also are striving to attain that heavenly vision, and Jesus advises us on how to realize it. We should work to enter the smaller gate, the narrow door. It's not the bigger main entrance that everyone uses. The narrow door is a less-traveled side entrance used by those who are close to the owner and his family. Christ invites us to be so familiar and comfortable with him that we come through the side door.

Many pass the Master's house, know where it is, but have lost the practice of stopping inside. They know about God, even pray occasionally, and don't hurt anyone. No doubt not hurting others is admirable, but there is so much more for someone baptized into Christ. We're not called to merely avoid hurting others but to have a deep, transforming experience of healing love that we then share with others.

Jesus' warning seems to be that when there is a mad rush to enter the front gate, those well-intentioned but out-of-practice souls who "don't know him" might find themselves struggling to squeeze in. Jesus and the Church don't want that to happen to anyone. He invites us to get familiar, stop in often. He might say, "When you get here, just come in the side door!"

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



For Reflection:

Do I make getting to know our Lord in prayer a priority?

Piece: Head of an Apostle, 1481-83
Artist: Melozzo da Forlì / Location: Vatican Museums

[Jesus said,] "Strive to enter through the narrow door, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough." Luke 13:24

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Calendar

Monday
AUGUST 26
Weekday
1 Thessalonians 1:1–5, 8b–10
Matthew 23:13–22

Tuesday
AUGUST 27
St. Monica
1 Thessalonians 2:1–8
Matthew 23:23–26

Wednesday
AUGUST 28
St. Augustine, Bishop
and Doctor of the Church
1 Thessalonians 2:9–13
Matthew 23:27–32

Thursday
AUGUST 29
Passion of St. John
the Baptist
1 Thessalonians 3:7–13
Mark 6:17–29

Friday
AUGUST 30
Weekday
1 Thessalonians 4:1–8
Matthew 25:1–13

Saturday
AUGUST 31
Weekday
1 Thessalonians 4:9–11
Matthew 25:14–30

Sunday
SEPTEMBER 1
Twenty-second Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Sirach 3:17–18, 20, 28–29
Hebrews 12:18–19, 22–24a
Lk 14:1, 7–14

Dear Padre,

Why would God establish laws and feast days for Jews and suddenly change them?

Scripture can explain this. God didn't suddenly change laws and feast days, but followed a consistent plan, with the Old Covenant leading to the New Covenant.



Genesis tells us that Adam and Eve were given life to walk with God in Eden. From eternity it was God's intent to gather humanity into one family in a relationship of love. With Abraham the covenant was extended: "I will make of you a great nation....All the families of the earth will find blessing in you" (Genesis 12:2–3). Moses led the tribes from Egypt to Mount Sinai. Here God renewed and strengthened the covenant, giving the Hebrews the Ten Commandments as a guiding light to all. Then, through centuries of hardship, God sent prophets to call people back. These prophets promised God would send a savior in a covenant that would last forever: "I will be their God, and they shall be my people" (Jeremiah 31:33).

Jesus was the Savior foreseen in Genesis 3:15 who would crush Satan's head. He was the one promised by the prophets, the King in David's line (Luke 1:32–33)

who would establish God's New Covenant offering salvation to all.

Jesus wasn't part of a sudden change of plans, but the completion of God's design to invite everyone back into the family love and intimacy first offered to Adam and Eve. The laws and feasts, prophecies and psalms of the Old Covenant foretold Christ.

—Fr. Oscar Lukefahr, CM (Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org)

A word from POPE FRANCIS



In the Old Testament, the requirement to be holy, in the image of God who is holy, included the duty to care for the most vulnerable people, such as the stranger, the orphan, and the widow. Jesus brings this Covenant law to fulfillment; he who unites...divinity and humanity, a single mystery of love.

—Angelus, October 26, 2014



Know Someone Overly Anxious About Sin?

For more than fifty years, Redemptorists have ministered compassionately with those struggling with scrupulosity. For more information and to sign up for our free monthly

newsletter, visit: ScrupulousAnonymous.org

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

Sun.	August 25	9:00 a.m.	Jeremy (baby) +
		11:00 a.m.	Baby Paul H
		5:30 p.m.	Sacred Heart Church
Mon.	August 26	8:00 a.m.	Anna—Maria Lood +
		12:10 p.m.	Joseph Lood
Tues.	August 27	8:00 a.m.	Mary Bach
		12:10 p.m.	Zedra Gervardi +
		5:30 p.m.	Bach-Papak family
Wed.	August 28	8:00 a.m.	Marianne Bach
		12:10 p.m.	Eugenia Castillo Pasco
Thur.	August 29	8:00 a.m.	Cay Bach
		12:10 p.m.	Isabelo Taquinvd Jr
Fri.	August 30	8:00 a.m.	Rolf and Juliana
		12:10 p.m.	Elisabeth Lood
Sat.	August 31	8:00 a.m.	Ingemar Lood
		5:30 p.m.	Vinh Tran

MASS SCHEDULE AND PARISH EVENTS

August 25, Sunday

- Masses 9:00 a.m., 11 a.m., 5:30 p.m.
- Legion of Mary meeting, 12:30 p.m., Lower Chapel

August 26, Monday

- Masses 8:00 a.m. & 12:10 p.m.
- SMART (Addictions) Recovery meeting, 6:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall
- YAMS Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Lower Chapel

August 27, Tuesday

- Masses & MPH Devotion (after Mass) 8:00 a.m., 12:10 p.m., 5:30 p.m.
- Rosary, Lower Chapel, 6:15 p.m.

August 28, Wednesday

- Masses 8:00 a.m. & 12:10 p.m.

August 29, Thursday

- Masses 8:00 a.m. & 12:10 p.m.

August 30, Friday

- Masses 8:00 a.m. & 12:10 p.m.

August 31, Saturday

- Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Mass Praise & Worship, La Luz de Cristo (Spanish), 10:00 am, Lower Chapel
- Sunday Vigil Mass 5:30 p.m.

*Reconciliation: 30 minutes before Daily Masses,
4:00pm - 5:00pm on Saturday*

CALL FOR CANTORS

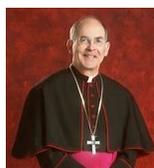
Come and share your gift of song with our parish! Sacred Heart Parish is looking for cantors to lead congregational singing during the Saturday 5:30 p.m. or Sunday 5:30 p.m. masses. We are also looking for singers to join our Sunday 9 a.m. or 11 a.m. choirs. If you feel called to join our Music Ministry, come see us after one of the masses for more information, or details on how to join.



You can also feel reach out to Clint Chan at clintcharleschan@gmail.com

MASS AND RECEPTION WITH ARCHBISHOP SARTAIN

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1st - 12:00 p.m.
ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL
804 9th AVENUE. SEATTLE



Come join Archbishop Sartain for Sunday Mass and to wish him well as he prepares for retirement

Public reception following.

THE STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Offerings (August 12—August 19)	\$4,297
Online Giving (August 12 - August 19)	<u>\$553</u>
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