



WHERE DID THE BIBLE COME FROM?



It is important to realize that the Bible did not just come down from heaven neatly compiled and organized as we have it today.

By the time Jesus ascended into heaven, there still was no consensus on what we call the Old Testament, and the New Testament books weren't yet written!



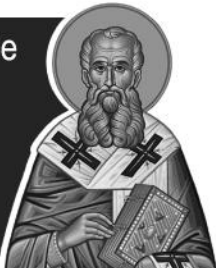
Among the disputed works were 7 books (and parts of Daniel and Esther) which can be found in Catholic Bibles today.

- Tobit
- Judith
- 1 Maccabees
- 2 Maccabees
- Wisdom
- Sirach
- Baruch
- (Parts of Daniel and Esther)

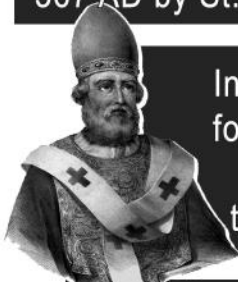
Many Jews accepted these as Scripture, and copies were found in the Dead Sea Scrolls. Some Rabbis rejected them in light of Messianic claims about Jesus.

Two thirds of the time when the New Testament authors quote from the Old Testament, they are quoting from a Greek translation of the Old Testament called the Septuagint, which included these seven works. Moreover, the early Church Fathers referred to and quoted these works as Scripture in multiple occasions.

The New Testament canon required the early Church having to make sense of the numerous works being produced, many of which made dubious claims. The first time we see the 27 New Testament books Catholics use today arranged into a single list is in a letter written in 367 AD by St. Athanasius, the Bishop of Alexandria.



In 382 AD, Pope Damasus I called for the Council of Rome, where, for the first time in Christian history, a complete list (or canon) of Old and New Testament books were formally defined. This list includes the full canon of Scriptures used by the Catholic Church to this day.



The Synod of Hippo in 393 AD and the Synod of Carthage in 397 AD ratified the canon of Scripture, affirming the inspired status of the canon as found in Catholic Bibles to the modern day.

The Church's role here led St. Augustine, Bishop of Hippo, to declare: *"For my part, I should not believe the Gospel except as moved by the authority of the Catholic Church."*



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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 22

8:00 a.m. Special Intention
4:00-4:45 p.m. Confession
4:35 p.m. Rosary
5:00 p.m. Paris Family

Sunday, January 23

- Third Sunday in Ordinary Time -

7:10 a.m. Rosary
7:30 a.m. Mike & Jill Morrissey Family
9:40 a.m. Rosary
10:00 a.m. Living & Deceased members of
Monica Harris Family

Monday, January 24

No Public Mass

Tuesday, January 25

Adoration 7:00-8:00 a.m.
8:00 a.m. Greg Mayer +
8:30 a.m. Confessions

Wednesday, January 26

6:00-7:00 p.m. Adoration
6:00-6:45 p.m. Confessions
7:00 p.m. Thanks Giving Mass

Thursday, January 27

8:00 a.m. Dorothy Brown +

Friday, January 28

8:30 a.m. Mildred Huss +

Saturday, January 29

8:00 a.m. Special Intention
4:00-4:45 p.m. Confession
4:35 p.m. Rosary
5:00 p.m. Special Intention

Sunday, January 30

- Third Sunday in Ordinary Time -

7:10 a.m. Rosary
7:30 a.m. Parish Family
9:40 a.m. Rosary
10:00 a.m. Rose Marie & Robert Bates +

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – JANUARY 23, 2022

This weekend (January 22nd/23rd), the Church celebrates the **Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**. Two years ago, Pope Francis, in his apostolic letter *Aperuit illis: Instituting the Sunday of the Word of God*, declared this weekend to also be referred to as **Word of God Sunday**. When reflecting upon the weekend readings, the connection becomes quite clear: Each reading is connected to the Sacred Scriptures in some way.

This connection is found in the reading of the Scriptures in both our **First Reading** and the **Gospel**, signifying the role of prophets in teachings in our **Second Reading**, or in recognizing the beauty and transcendence of the word itself as seen in our **Responsorial Psalm**. In the words of the Psalmist: *Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life*.

When reflecting on the words of the Psalmist, we might see how true these words are. On this **Word of God Sunday**, and every Sunday and at every Mass, the Liturgy of the Word prepares us to enter into the Liturgy of the Eucharist. In hearing the Word of God proclaimed, we are prepared to receive the very Word of God, Jesus Christ Himself, in the Holy Eucharist.

DID YOU KNOW? THE BIBLE IS A CATHOLIC BOOK

You may remember that our Christmas gift to the parish in 2020 was Jimmy Akin's *The Bible is a Catholic Book*. Though a bit of a provocative title, the book itself is quite simple. In four chapters, Jimmy Akin provides a thorough overview of the historical origins and formulation of the Sacred Scriptures as we know them today.

The Sacred Scriptures are not only inspired by the Holy Spirit, but are, in themselves, historical: They were written and exist in time! There even exists a moment in time, two-to-three whole decades, after which our Lord Himself had already lived, died, and rose from the dead, but there was not yet a written account of His life. Once the last of the Sacred Scriptures had been written, the canon as we know it today would not be fully compiled for nearly two whole centuries, until the Church called the Council of Rome.

Though it is easy to take for granted in our modern day, we cannot ignore the historical reality of the Sacred Scriptures. The Catholic Church, when looking at liturgical use, determined which books were to be accepted as canonical and inspired (*authentic*). Once compiled, the Church preserved and preached the Scriptures. Finally, the Church, through Her Magisterium ("*Teacher*"), has and continues to serve as the authentic interpreter and guardian of the Sacred Scriptures (cf. 2 Thessalonians 2:15, 2 Peter 1:21).

Having received such an amazing gift from the Church, we also gain a responsibility to make use of it. When attending Mass, most of what we say and hear is itself scriptural. But, this should not be our only experience with the Sacred Scriptures. The Sacred Scriptures should themselves be a part of our daily lives. And, in making the Sacred Scriptures a part of our lives, we shall see how this life-saving Word changes us.

When speaking of those who read the Sacred Scriptures, Pope Francis recounts that "the sweetness of God's word leads us to share it with all those whom we encounter in this life and to proclaim the sure hope that it contains (cf. 1 Pet 3:15-16)." Make we take this gift, use it in our own lives, and then share it with all that we meet. For this is a gift that leads to eternal life. As has been true for two millennia, the Bible is a Catholic book and it is a book that we are called to use!

~Faithfully in Christ, Fr. David

MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, January 24 - Third Week in Ordinary Time - St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor on the Church - 2 Sm 5:1-7,10/ Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday, January 25 - Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle - Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/ Mk 16:15-18

Wednesday, January 26 - Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops - 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/ Mk 4:1-20

Thursday, January 27- St. Angela Merici, Virgin and Religious Founder - 2 Sm 7:18-19,24-29/ Mk 4:21-25

Friday, January 28 - St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Religious and Doctor of the Church - 2 Sm 11:1-4a,5-10a, 13-17/ Mk 4:26-34

Saturday, January 29 - 2 Sm 12:1-7a,10-17/ Mk 4:35-41

Sunday, January 30 - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Jer 1:4-5,17-19/ 1 Cor 12:31—13:13/ Lk 4:21-30



Becky Biberstein, Michael Green, Rick Cotterman, Frances Carr, Tom Richhart, Carol Leitner, Pat Pfeifer, Troy Cook, Bobbie and Cheryl Jackson, Sandy Arnold, Andrea Holte, Jen Coyne, Bonnie Burns, John Houlihan, Nora LaVine, Kimberly Abney, Sydnee Bradburn, Leanne Lee, Matt McFarren, Ryan Feedback, Dr. Doug Phillips, and Gene Keys

Wedding Banns II

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- Sat., Feb. 26 - G.I.R.L.'S Night Out Mardi Gras Celebration 6:30-10:00 p.m. Tickets on sale NOW after Masses.
- Sun., Mar. 13 - Blood Drive hosted by Knights of Columbus 7:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
- Fri., March 25 - Knights of Columbus Fish Fry - Watch for Details!

PARISH CALENDAR

- Sat., January 22 - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., January 23 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- Sun., January 23 - Religious Education Class - 8:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.
- Tues., January 25 - Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Tues., January 25 - Children's Choir Practice - 5:30 p.m.
- Wed., January 26 - Adoration 6-7 p.m. / Confessions 6:00-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Thurs., January 27 - RCIA - 6:30 p.m.
- Sat., January 29 - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., January 30 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- Sun., January 30 - Religious Education Class - 8:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.
- Tues., February 1 - Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Tues., February 1 - Children's Choir Practice - 5:30 p.m.
- Tues., February 1 - Knights of Columbus - Recitation of the Holy Rosary 6:40 p.m. in Church meeting in Parish Social Hall at 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., February 2 - Praise & Worship Holy Hour 6-7 p.m. / Confessions 6:00-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., February 2 - Parish Council meeting after Mass - 7:45 p.m.
- Thurs., February 3 - RCIA - 6:30 p.m.
- Fri., February 4 - First Friday Adoration 9:00 a.m. (Following 8:30 a.m. Mass) Confessions 5:00-5:45 p.m., Mass at 6:00 p.m.
- Sat., February 5 - First Saturday Confessions following 8:00 a.m. Mass until 9:00 a.m.

WEEKEND OF January 29/30, 2022

CANTORS
5:00 Marita Crawfis
7:30 Donna Geisel
10:00 Nancy Leitz

LECTORS
5:00 Ginny Fenstermaker
7:30 Geoff Frank
10:00 Ben Wagner

Welcome!
5:00 Volunteers
7:30 Doug/Janet Lehman
10:00 Dan/Larisa Sudhoff

Altar Servers
5:00 Alex/Audrey Mechling or Volunteers
7:30 Beth Geisel, Angel/Zoe Soto
10:00 Wyatt Girod, Grant Reifsteck, Charlie Andrews

St. Joseph Parish Finance Report January 15/16 Weekend

Adult Envelopes- \$3,087.00
Child Envelopes- \$3.00
Loose- \$180.00
Repair/Rainy Day Fund- \$749.03
Religious Ed. Fund- \$50.00
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God- \$1.00
Memorials in Memory of Greg Mayer- \$200.00
Memorials in Memory of Janet "Sue" Meyer- \$55.00
Gym Rent - \$325.00
Total- \$4,650.03

Our weekly budget is \$5,116.40
We are \$6,270.61 ahead of our budget for the month of January.

St. Vincent de Paul Fund- \$489.00

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
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Tuesday, February 1, 2022
Recitation of the Holy Rosary 6:40 p.m. in Church, meeting in Parish Social Hall at 7:00 p.m.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Friday, February 4
9:00 a.m. (Following 8:30 a.m. Mass)
Confessions 5:00-5:45 p.m.
Mass at 6:00 p.m.

"Spend an Hour with me." - Jesus
Sign up sheet is in the narthex.

If you are unable to keep the time you signed up for, please call the Parish office, 824-1380, as we need to make sure Jesus is not left alone, exposed on the altar. Thank you.



From Death To New Life

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Rita Blair, mother of Lynn (Rick) King, who passed away Monday, January 17, 2022.



May God welcome Rita home,
fill her with peace and bless those who will miss her.

Eternal Rest Grant unto her O Lord, and let Perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in Peace. Amen.

Catholic Toolbox: *The Bible*



- *The Bible is a collection of 73 different books.*
- *The word “Bible” means “the books” in Greek.*
- *There are 46 books in the Old Testament.*
 - *“Testament” means “covenant”*
 - *These books were written before the time of Jesus.*
- *There are 27 books in the New Testament.*
 - *These books were written by the Apostles who walked with Jesus or by their immediate followers.*

Chapter and Verse
Chapter numbers were added in the 1200s by Archbishop Stephen Langton, the Catholic Archbishop of Canterbury.

Verse numbers were added in the 1500s by Robert Stephen Estienne, a French printer and classical scholar.

Original Written Languages of the Bible
Hebrew - Majority of the Old Testament
Aramaic - Short portions of the Old Testament
Greek - The New Testament

The Pentateuch

Genesis
Exodus
Leviticus
Numbers
Deuteronomy

Historical Books

Joshua
Judges
Ruth
1 Samuel
2 Samuel
1 Kings
2 Kings
1 Chronicles
2 Chronicles
Ezra
Nehemiah

The Gospels

Matthew
Mark
Luke
John

History of the Early Church

Acts of the Apostles

The Old Testament

Biblical Novellas

Tobit
Judith
Esther
1 Maccabees
2 Maccabees

Wisdom Books

Job
Psalms
Proverbs
Ecclesiastes
Song of Songs
Wisdom
Wisdom of Ben Sira

Prophets

Isaiah
Jeremiah
Lamentations
Baruch
Ezekiel
Daniel
Hosea
Joel
Amos
Obadiah
Jonah
Micah
Nahum
Habakkuk
Zephaniah
Haggai
Zechariah
Malachi

The New Testament

Letters of St. Paul

Romans
1 Corinthians
2 Corinthians
Galatians
Ephesians
Philippians
Colossians
1 Thessalonians
2 Thessalonians
1 Timothy
2 Timothy
Titus
Philemon
Hebrews

Catholic Letters

James
1 Peter
2 Peter
1 John
2 John
3 John
Jude

Apocalyptic Book

Revelation

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