

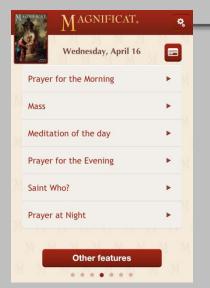




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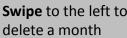
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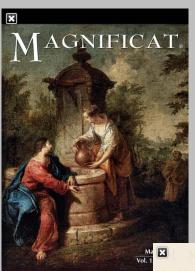
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Monday, March 10

Prayer for the Morning

Mass

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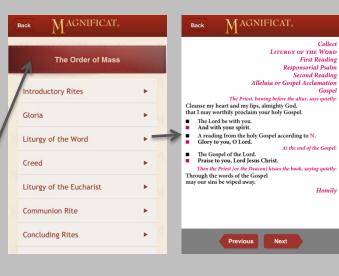
A Man and a Woman

This little canvas is a study for a great work of art, the brushstrokes like a snapshot of genius. All is encapsulated here, the composition as well as the artist's principal theme: that look exchanged between Jesus and the Samaritan woman. While his disciples take offense that Jesus should even be talking to a woman (Jn 4:27), the painter dares offer for our contemplation precisely that one-on-one encounter of gazes between our Lord and this woman. Though obviously free of lust, it is a look whose depiction, exactly because we might find it troubling, invites us to reflect on the nature of our own point of view. "If you look at a woman with desire, you have already committed adultery with her in your heart" (cf. Mt 5:28).

Jesus came to restore relationships between men and women—not by freeing them from love, but by freeing them from sin. And he did so not by replacing one form of

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ℳAGNIFICAT。 Mass Monday of the First Week of Lent The gratuitous love demonstrated by the sheep who attend the hungry, the disadvantaged, and the sick is possible because they have themselves first been loved that way by the Lord, their "rock and redeemer." The command, "Be holy, for I, your God, am holy" is not a warning or an ultimatum—rather, it is the guarantee that we can be. NTRANCE ANTIPHON Like the eyes of slaves on the hand of their lords, so our eyes are on the Lord our God, till he show us his mercy./ Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy. COLLECT Convert us, O God our Savior, and instruct our minds by heavenly teaching, that we may benefit from the works of Lent. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Judge your fellow man justly. A reading from the Book of Leviticus THE LORD SAID to Moses, "Speak to the whole assem-The Order of Mass



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