

# Lenten Meditation

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## ADVENT AND LENT

To the ordinary church worshipper, the prayers, lessons, and hymns of Advent present a confused picture. One of their themes is clearly that of personal preparation for the Christmas festival, and to many Christians that is the principal meaning of the Advent season. As Lent is to Easter, so is Advent to Christmas.

Solemn reflection prepares for the joyous festival. Prominent also among the Advent themes is that of the work of John the Baptist, "On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry," "On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry" remains one of the most characteristic and one of the most popular Advent hymns.

This theme is that the preparation which preceded Christ's inauguration as Messiah and Saviour at his baptism. Then, interwoven with these ideas, is the thought of the second coming of Christ, the completion of his victory over all opposing forces of sin and death.

It is not easy to hold all these themes in synthesis, and still less so to see how, when united, they subtly introduce the festival of Christ's birth. But this is not impossible, if Advent is seen as the yearly, dramatic re-enactment of Christ into the world; not merely for his first coming, nor his second coming, nor even for both together, but for that invasion of time and history which began with the coming of Jesus as the Babe of Bethlehem, and which will not be completed until He comes "with clouds descending."

Of vital significance in this one continuous process was his own designation as Son and Servant of God at his baptism; hence the relevance of the Baptist's work. But equally vital are all the great "moments" in the story of redemption—the ministry, the death, the resurrection, and the ascension.

It is only because of what Christ afterwards became, accomplished, still accomplishing, and will yet accomplish that the birth of Mary's babe is recalled in the universal Christian festival of Christmas. His subsequent life, and still more his triumphant death, and his progress to glory by the way of humility and sacrifice, have revealed the significance of what took place at the first Christmas.

It is because he "took upon him the form of a servant," and "became obedient unto death," thus revealing the self-giving, redeeming grace of God, that the scene in the manger stands out in Christian piety as the supreme embodiment of condescending love.

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Augustine of fall," she laughed. "It helps to make the indoors more cozy!"

"And as for the meal-getting being the same," we commented, "the seasons change these too. Who makes a 'first' apple pie in mid-winter? Or can serve strawberries fresh from the patch without the bird song of summer? And what about 'firsts' of vegetables?"

"Oh, I know there is truth in what you say," the first woman conceded, "but all the same," she said with a chuckle, "there is that repeating — that old 'over and over' to it, you'll agree."

Did you find this monotony tedious when a cake failed to turn out as pictured? Or today when everything we turned our hand to "prospered"? When a March sun was warm, a sky blue and a wind mild? In any event we acknowledge this as a pleasant day.

Until tomorrow — — — Diary — — — Good-night.

### A Country Garden

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Inky water of the cypress swamp, trees draped in Spanish moss, wisteria and fragrant Carolina jasmine climbing towards the sky. Galsworthy declared that no garden in the world — he had seen many of the most famous — was as beautiful.

The oldest American landscape garden is Middleton, close by, and it took a hundred slaves nine years from 1741 to 1750, to complete the formal terraces, the walks and artificial lakes. Middleton lies open to the sky, merging imperceptibly into the savannah land and the deserted rice fields beyond. When you stand looking down the long, curved grass ridges, they seem to penetrate in atmosphere all the peninsular beauty of the Low Country of the Carolinas.

The iron gateways to the garden are as window frames to flower pictures, to gardens full of familiar spring flowers. Even the streets are flower-scented, for the wisteria and the yellow jasmine and the banksia roses trail down the old walls.

The flower sellers no longer carry their wide rush baskets on their heads, but instead they sling them, gipsy-fashion, on their arms, filled to the brim with flowers, sometimes heavy with swamp lilies from the Magnolia gardens.

In New Orleans the Azaleas and Camellias are the favorite flowers and there are palms and banana trees with huge branches of fruit dangling down; flaming hibiscus, plumbago, orchid-flowered cannas. In that almost seasonless climate there are flowers the year round.

A few years ago a visitor to this garden said he had enjoyed the spring in New Orleans and had also been in Washington and now was in this garden in June when the apple blossoms, colorful tulips and blue blue for-get-me-nots was, making a lovely sight for all of us, including this much travelled gardener.

### IN MEMORIAM

In fond and loving memory of my dear Father, John M. Cole, who departed this life March 10th, 1951.

Two hands that were busy for so many years. Till God made them rest and it caused many tears.

Lovingly Remembered but Sadly Missed by Daughter Maude.

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FUNERAL AT SOUTH RUSTICO—The funeral of the late Mr. William J. Paquet Jr., who died in Charlottetown, March 7th, was held yesterday morning from the residence of Rev. J. Clarence Pitre to St. Augustine Church, South Rustico, where Requiem Mass was celebrated by Rev. J. Clarence Pitre. Present in the sanctuary was Rev. J. E. Dalton. The pallbearers were K. William Campbell, Maurice Gould, Jack Campbell, Aubrey Doucette, Joseph Earl Gallant, Allan Blanchard. Interment was in the church cemetery.

LAWYERS TO BE HERE—The Elmhurst Trust application came before the Court of Chancery in Charlottetown, yesterday. Vice-chancellor George J. Tweedy presiding. Mr. D. L. Matheson, Q.C. has returned to this Province to work on the case and Mr. John H. Alexander of the New York bar is also here. A number of lawyers from outside the jurisdiction are expected to arrive for sessions commencing at the end of this month. Local counsel in court yesterday on the multi-million dollar case were Messrs. K. M. Martin, Q.C., W. E. Bentley, Q.C., H. P. MacPhee, Q.C., M. A. Farmer, the Hon. W. E. Darby, Q.C. and the Hon. A. W. Matheson, Q.C.

### IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of John Jenkins died February 14th, 1945. Henry Jenkins died March 10th, 1947.

Those whom we love go out of sight But never out of mind. They are cherished in the hearts of those They have left behind.

Loving and kind in all their ways. Uplifted and just to the end of their days. Sincere and true in their hearts and minds. Beautiful memories they both left behind.

Always and Lovingly Remembered by Daughter, and Daughter-in-Law Edna Jenkins, Armdale, N. S.

### IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of our mother, Mrs. Annie Howard, who departed this life March 10th, 1952.

Ever remembered by Helen and Bert.

### Dorothy Dix's Column—

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have forgotten your marriage, believe me there are lots of people who are only too willing to remember it—particularly if they think mention of your previous marriage will embarrass you.

DEAR MISS DIX: I had been going with Hal for several months, and liked him very much except for the fact that he drank quite a bit. At one party, in particular, he became quite unpleasant. When my mother heard of it she told me not to see him again. In the meantime, I've found out that he has stopped drinking, and we've been seeing each other in secret. I'm 16.

ANSWER: You are heading for serious trouble, young lady. If you continue your present disobedience. If you feel that Hal is sincere in his determination to stop drinking, ask your mother if she'll talk to him. You will all benefit from a frank approach to your problem. Your mother will realize that you are fair-minded and are trying to do the right thing. Hal will find, in your mother's confidence, a further incentive to stay away from liquor, and you will have a clear conscience.

Miss Nissen cannot reply personally to readers but will answer problems of general interest through this column.

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OMISSION—The name of the Rev. A. C. MacKay, who assisted in the funeral service, was omitted from the In Memoriam of Mrs. Daniel MacPherson, published Saturday.

THERE WILL be a meeting of the Charlottetown Community Planning Association this evening 7-8 in the Police Court Room of the City Hall.

IN THE Frank Trainor In Memoriam, published yesterday, the name of Mrs. Margaret Sheehan was inadvertently omitted from the list of those who sent Mass Cards.

IN HOSPITAL.—Mr. Nelson Williams, East Wiltshire, entered the P. E. I. Hospital on Friday, reported to be suffering from viral pneumonia. Mr. Williams, a rural mail carrier for almost forty years, will be greatly missed on his route, and his many friends wish him a speedy recovery, and a return to the job he has so long and faithfully carried out.

### Personals

Friends of Mrs. William A. Halliwell, Stanchel, are sorry to learn she has entered the P.E.I. Hospital for an operation.

Her friends will regret to learn that Mrs. Ethel MacDonald has had to reenter the Charlottetown Hospital.

The many friends of Peter Adolph Gallant of South Rustico will regret to learn that he is a patient in the City Hospital for an operation.

### IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of our dear husband and father, Robert L. Stevenson, Winsloe, who passed away March 10th, 1952.

Since you've gone first and we remain, To walk the road alone. We live in memory's garden, dear. With happy days we've known.

We hear your voice; we see your smile. Though blindly we may grope, The memory of your helping hand Still buoys us on with hope.

We've known so much of happiness. We've had our cup of joy. And memory is one gift of God That death can not destroy.

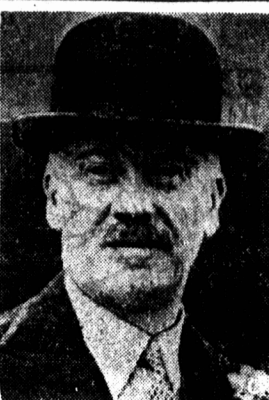
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### Card Of Thanks

John Sanderson wishes to express his thanks to all those who in any way helped during his recent bereavement, and those who sent flowers, Mass cards and messages of sympathy.

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### FOUNDED FESTIVAL

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The many friends of Mrs. Charles Young will regret to learn she has entered the P. E. I. Hospital for treatment. All wish her a speedy recovery.

## Five Receive Religious Habits

Five young ladies received the holy habit of the Sisters of St. Martha in a reception ceremony at the Mother House, Mount St. Mary's, yesterday morning. His Excellency Bishop Boyle officiated in the presence of a large gathering of relatives and friends. The sermon was preached by Rev. S. Moors, O.S.A.

These young women, who by putting on the religious dress, took the first important step in their chosen career of a consecrated service, were given the following religious names: Miss Anna Trainor, Sister Mary Wilfred; Miss Marjorie Deveaux, Sister George Marie; Miss Clara Pineau, Sister Eric Grace; Miss Mary MacInnis, Sister Francis Adele; Miss Theresa Currie, Sister Mary Clare.

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## Lady Alexander To Represent I.O.D.E. On Victoria League

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The National Chapter of Canada, Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire is the sole representative of the Victoria League in Canada, and it is through the National and Provincial Hospitality Committees of the I. O. D. E. that facilities for hospitality by the Victoria League are being presented to the people of Canada. Mrs. Hugh L. Allward, Toronto, is the National Hospitality Convener.

Members of the Victoria League are desirous of meeting Canadians of all ages travelling to Great Britain, particularly students studying abroad, and they sincerely hope that Canadians going to the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II will take advantage of the hospitality offered by the League. Victoria League has been set up solely for the purpose of promoting friendship between Great Britain and the Dominions, and has branches throughout England and other parts of the British Commonwealth, with headquarters located at 38, Chesham Place, Belgrave Square, London.

The League has entire to social and historical functions and ceremonies of interest, which are taking place every day in the city of London and elsewhere throughout the country, and the League will gladly extend invitations to overseas visitors. Victoria League has a large membership of persons who are willing and anxious to arrange tours and personally act as guides; visitors may obtain meals at a nominal charge in the League's well-equipped canteen and snack bar, where concerts and dances for young people are frequently held.

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Proceeds were for the Britain-Holland Flood Relief Fund. Also thanks to C. F. C. Y., Charlottetown Guardian and generous donations sent by people who were unable to attend the game.

The Legion members wives served both teams lunch, while coffee and tea were donated by the ladies of the canteen. Total receipts were \$227.00, expenses \$33.90. The amount turned over to the Charlottetown Branch of the Royal Bank was \$193.10 for the Canadian National Flood Relief Fund.

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