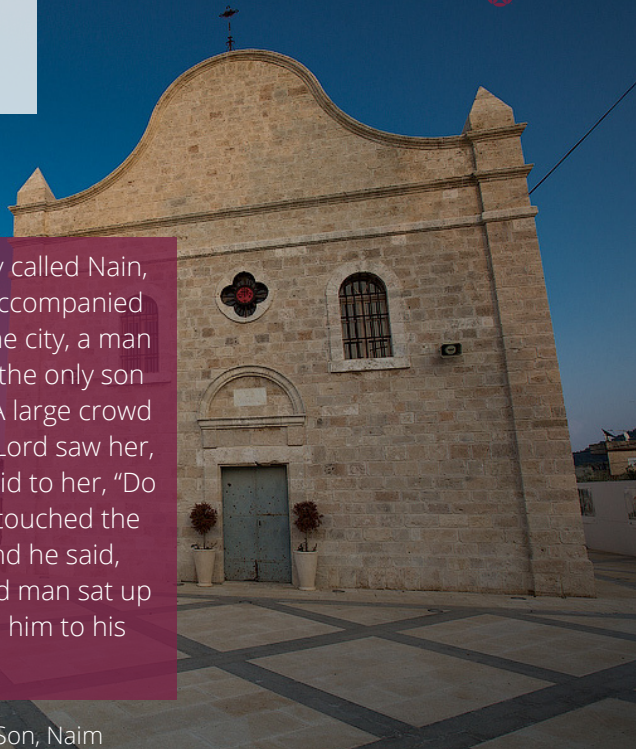


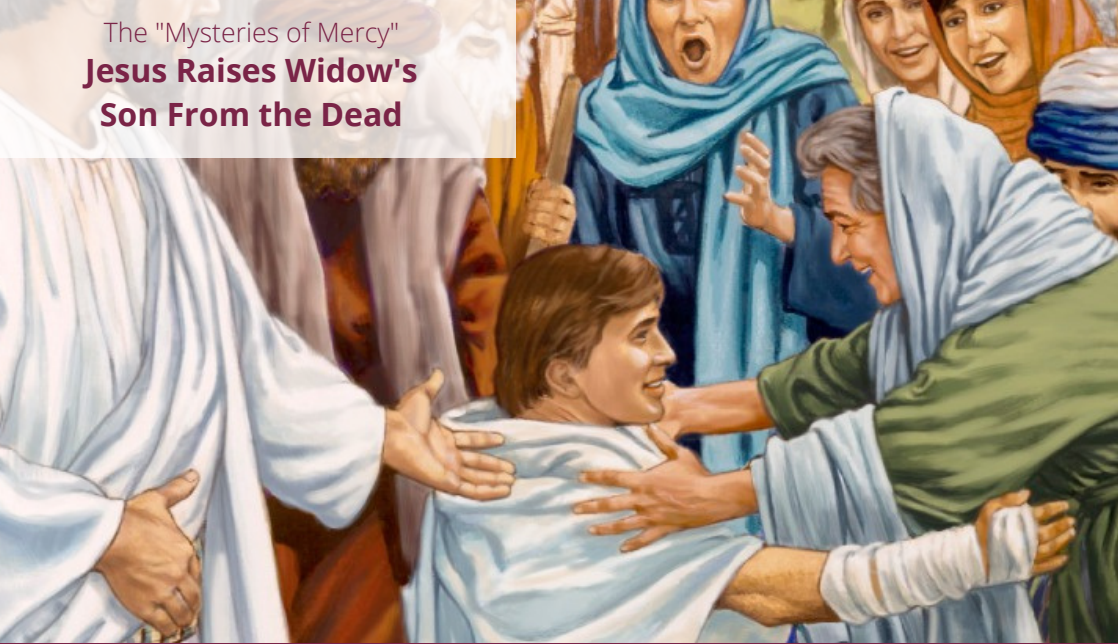
October 12

The "Mysteries of Mercy"
**Jesus Raises Widow's
Son From the Dead**

Soon afterward he journeyed to a city called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd accompanied him. As he drew near to the gate of the city, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. A large crowd from the city was with her. When the Lord saw her, he was moved with pity for her and said to her, "Do not weep." He stepped forward and touched the coffin; at this the bearers halted, and he said, "Young man, I tell you, arise!" The dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. (Lk 7:11-15)



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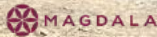
Bringing It Home:

Bring mothers who have lost their children before the Lord today in your prayer, particularly those you may know.

October 13

The "Apostolic Mysteries"

Jesus Challenges His Apostles



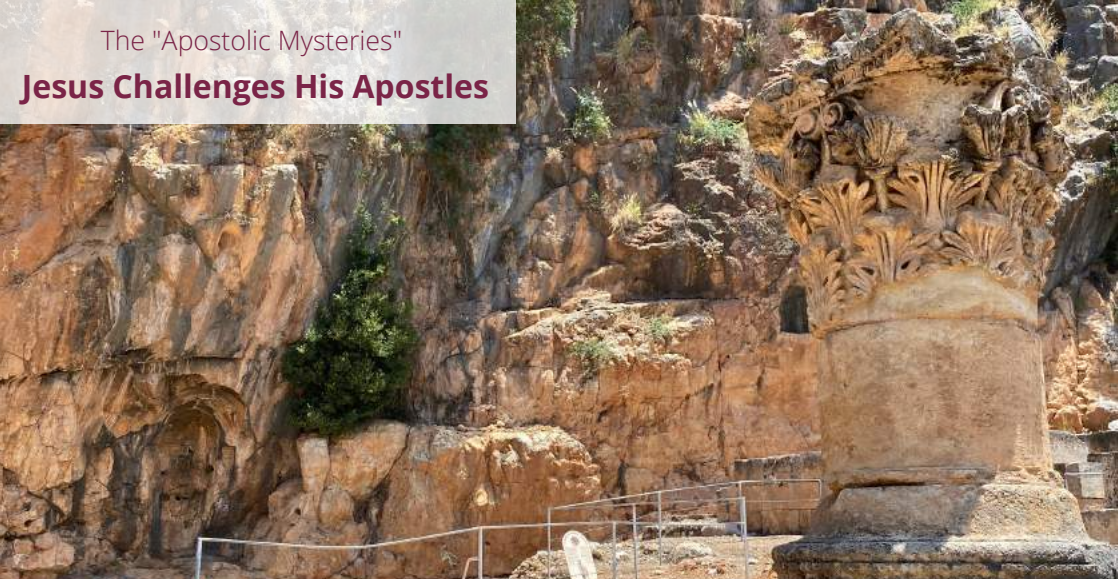
He was praying in a certain place, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray just as John taught his disciples." (Lk 11:1)

He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter said in reply, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." (Mt 16:15-16).

Caesarea Philippi, Banias.

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Bringing It Home:

In prayer, choose one of the 12 apostles who interest you. Read something about them in the Bible, and then in prayer – with great faith that they are now in Heaven – ask them as a friend to keep your intentions and life before Christ Jesus always.

The 12 Apostles

Peter: first Pope; entrusted with the keys of the kingdom of Heaven; crucified upside down; wrote 2 letters; friend of Mark the Evangelist

James, "the greater": first apostle to be martyred in Jerusalem in 44 AD; his tomb is in Campostela, Spain; older brother of John

John: only apostle not martyred; died around 100 AD; only apostle at the foot of the cross; wrote Gospel, 3 letters, and Revelation

Andrew: first called by Jesus; apostle to the Greeks; died on cross in shape of an "X"

Bartholomew (Nathaniel): friend of Philip; preached in the East and was flayed

James, "the younger": brother of the apostle Thaddeus; cousin of Jesus; wrote a letter in the Bible

Judas Iscariot: betrayed Jesus and was replaced by Matthias

Jude (Thaddeus): James the apostles' brother of James; wrote the Letter of Jude

Matthew: tax collector and wrote the longest Gospel

Philip: preached to the Greeks and martyred around 80 AD; from Bethsaida

Simon: called the Zealot; sent to preach in North Africa; born in Cana

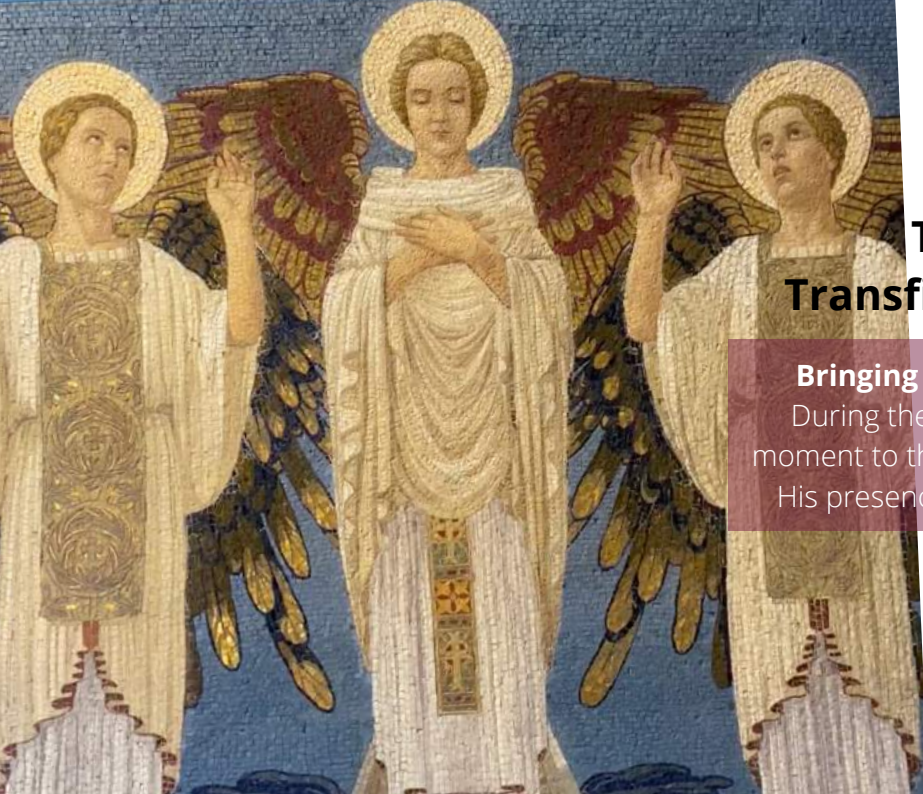
Thomas: called "the Twin"; doubted the Resurrection until he touched Jesus' wounds



October 14

The Transfiguration

After six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. (Mt 17:1-2).



The Fourth
Luminous
Mystery

The Transfiguration

Bringing It Home:

During the day take a moment to thank Christ for His presence among us

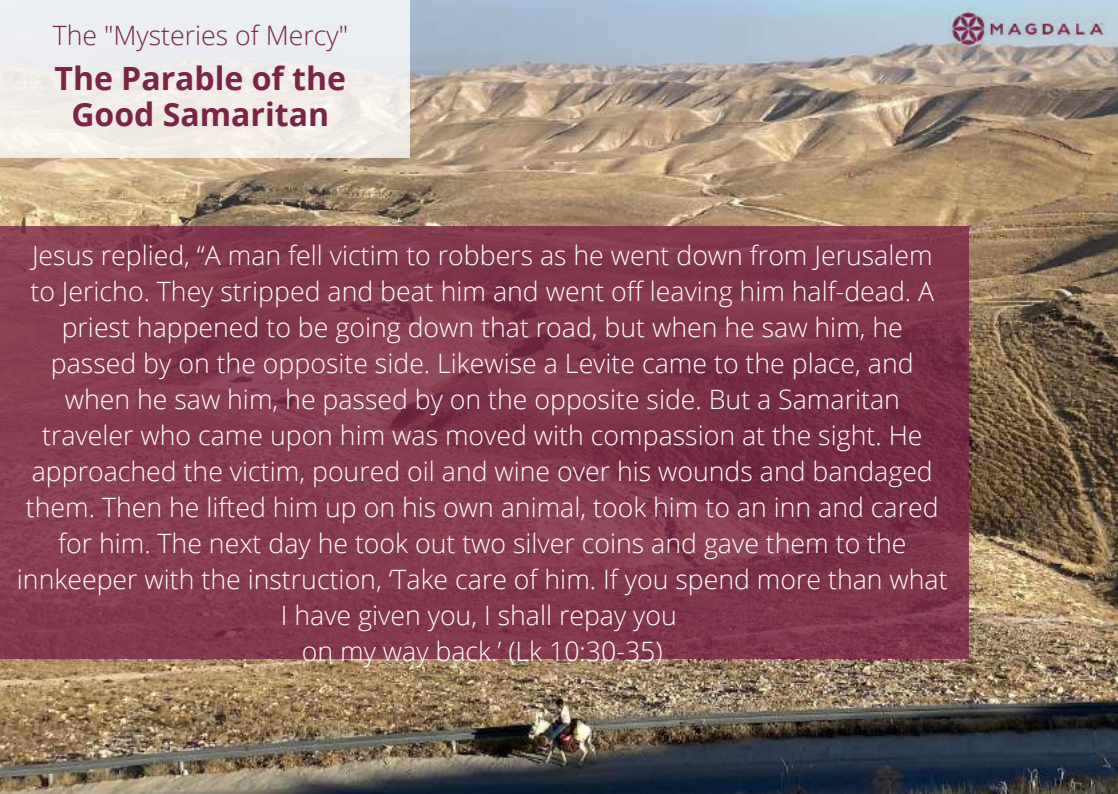
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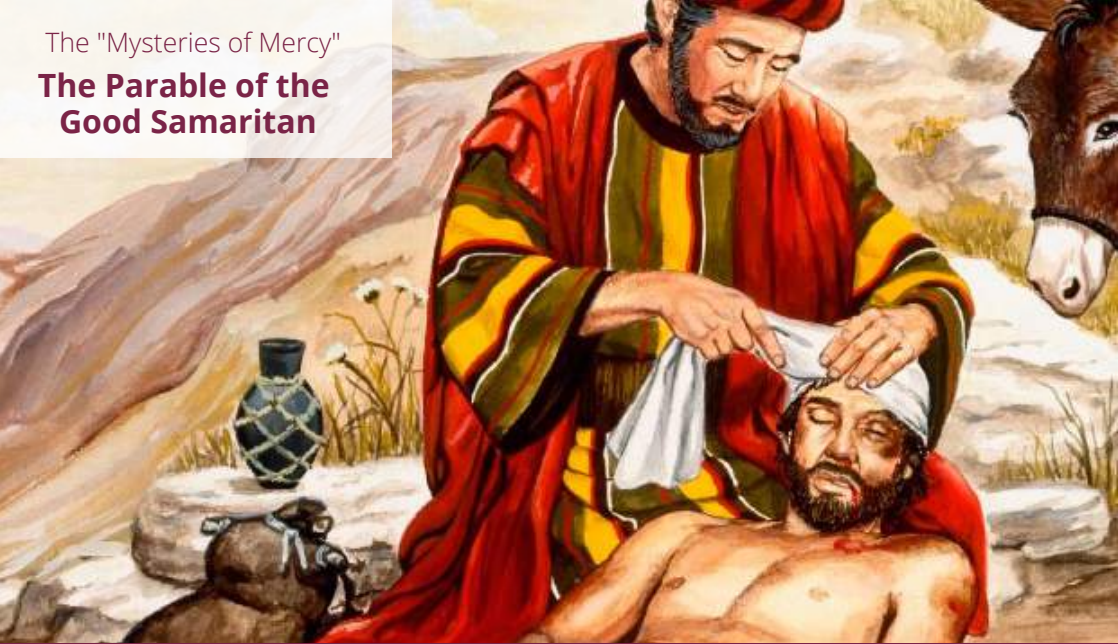
The Parable of the Good Samaritan



Jesus replied, "A man fell victim to robbers as he went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. They stripped and beat him and went off leaving him half-dead. A priest happened to be going down that road, but when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. Likewise a Levite came to the place, and when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight. He approached the victim, poured oil and wine over his wounds and bandaged them. Then he lifted him up on his own animal, took him to an inn and cared for him. The next day he took out two silver coins and gave them to the innkeeper with the instruction, 'Take care of him. If you spend more than what I have given you, I shall repay you on my way back' (Lk 10:30-35)



The "Mysteries of Mercy"
**The Parable of the
Good Samaritan**



Bringing It Home:

Today, notice someone on your path who is needy, and respond by doing a work of mercy – of charity – for them or someone you know who is in need.

Corporal Works of Mercy

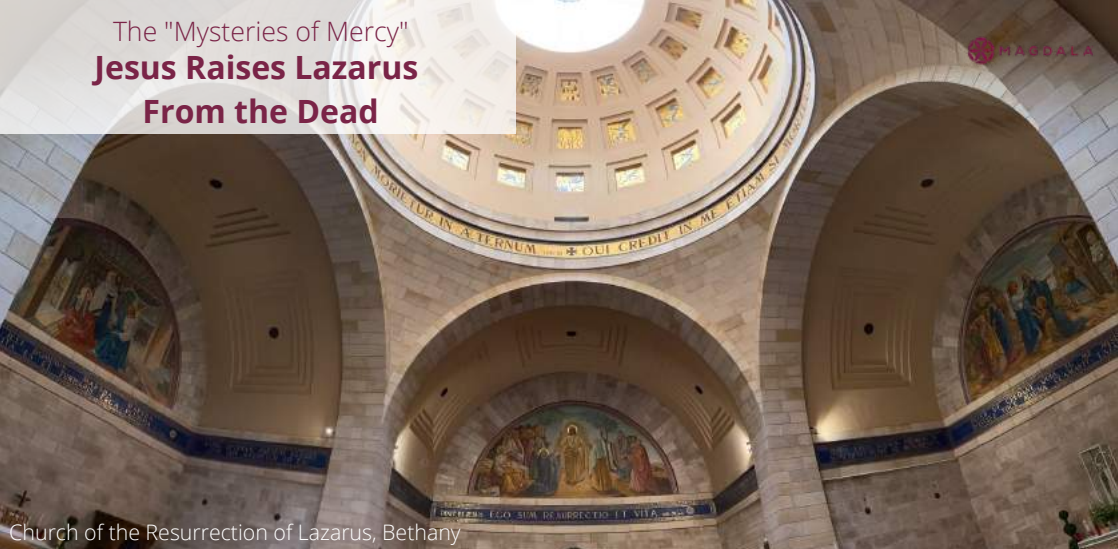
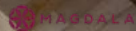
- Feed the hungry
- Give water to the thirsty
- Clothe the naked
- Shelter the homeless
- Visit the sick
- Visit the imprisoned/ransom the captive
- Bury the dead

Spiritual Works of Mercy

- Instruct the ignorant
- Counsel the doubtful
- Admonish sinners
- Bear patiently with those who wrong us
- Forgive offenses
- Comfort the afflicted
- Pray for the living and the dead

October 16

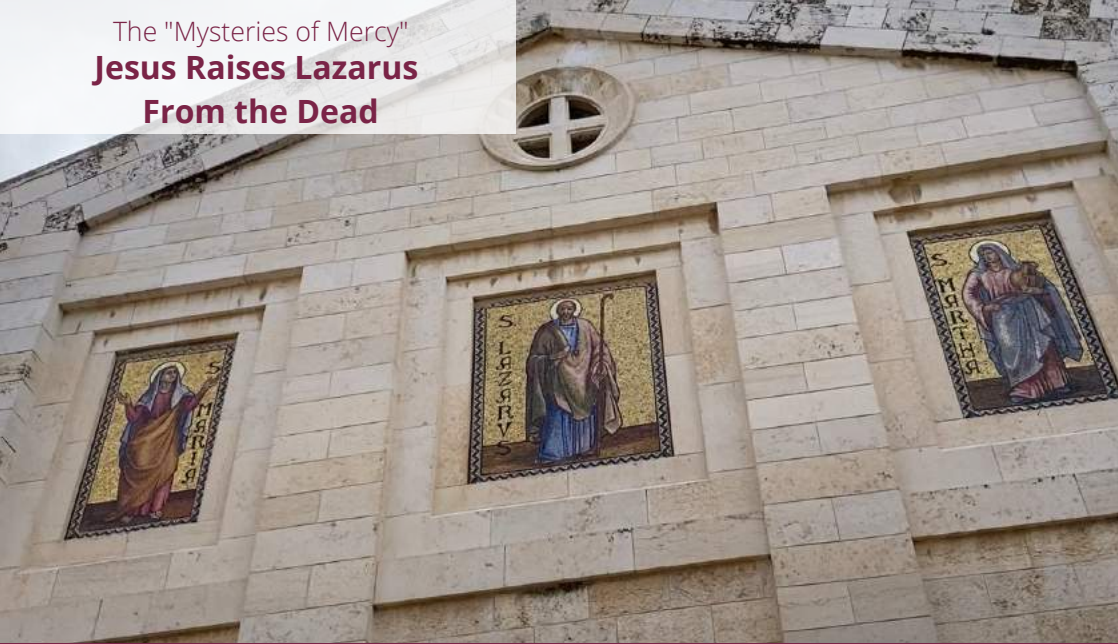
The "Mysteries of Mercy" **Jesus Raises Lazarus From the Dead**



Church of the Resurrection of Lazarus, Bethany

Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus raised his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you for hearing me. I know that you always hear me; but because of the crowd here I have said this, that they may believe that you sent me." And when he had said this, he cried out in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, tied hand and foot with burial bands, and his face was wrapped in a cloth. So Jesus said to them, "Untie him and let him go." (Jn 11:40-44)

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Bringing It Home:

In prayer, make a list of those people who have blessed you with friendship in different moments of your life, and pray for them by name.

October 17

The "Mysteries of Mercy"
**The Triumphal Entrance
of Jesus Into Jerusalem**



The disciples went and did as Jesus had ordered them. They brought the ass and the colt and laid their cloaks over them, and he sat upon them. The very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and strewed them on the road. The crowds preceding him and those following kept crying out and saying: "Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest." And when he entered Jerusalem the whole city was shaken and asked, "Who is this?" (Mt 21:6-10)

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Bringing It Home:

Take our your Bible in prayer today, and read the Gospel of Mathew 21:1-9.
Keep verse 9 in your mind today, and repeat it before you go to sleep at night.