



**Tuesday, March 24, 2020:
Tuesday of the Fourth Week of Lent**



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Good Morning!

Today we read from Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12, Psalm 46 and John 5:1-16. "When Jesus saw the one who had been ill for thirty-eight years, he said to him, "Do you want to be well?" "The sick man answered him, 'Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; while I am on my way, someone else gets down there before me.'" Healing water is the theme in both readings today. Ezekiel is shown by the angel water flowing from the temple. The angel leads Ezekiel further and further and further, until they reach where the flow of water has become a river. The angel has Ezekiel sit at the bank of the river. Read the description of the gift this river can be. It is life giving and life sustaining. During Lent we always talk about being in the desert and certainly now we are in a desert of some sort. The water has not started to trickle but we wait hopeful and eager, like the sick man by the pool of Bethesda. Psalm 46 strengthens us as we read, "God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in distress. Therefore we fear not, though the earth be shaken and the mountains plunge into the depths of the sea." Sit by the river with you faith in God. Listen to the voice of Jesus say, "Do you want to be well?" Jesus knows what you need! "A clean heart create for me, O God; give me back the joy of your salvation."

Remember to turn into RevKev Reflects if you'd like to watch a live version of this reflection and a recording of daily Mass during this time. I should have it recorded by noon each day.

Peace,

RevKev

<http://www.usccb.org/>"The Lord of hosts is with us; our stronghold is the God of Jacob."