

A clay sculpture depicting a scene of distress. On the right, a man stands with his head bowed and hands clasped, appearing to be in a state of grief or despair. On the left, a woman is crouching or kneeling, her body hunched over. The figures are made of brown clay with some areas of blue and yellowish-green patina. They are set on a rough, greyish-brown rocky base. The background is a plain, light grey.

Third Sunday in Lent

Year A

Exodus 17:1-7 • Psalm 95 • Romans 5:1-11 • John 4:5-42

The LORD said to Moses...

“Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.”

Exodus 17:5a, 6a

Moses Bringing Forth Life-giving
Water

Sarcophagus



In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, and the dry land, which his hands have formed.

Psalm 95:4-5



Crawford Notch -- Thomas Cole, National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC

...we have peace with God through
our Lord Jesus Christ,

Romans 5:1a



Turtle Peace Labyrinth -- Teaneck Creek Conservancy, Teaneck, NJ

The Samaritan woman said to him,
"How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink
of me, a woman of Samaria?"

John 4:9



Christ and the Samaritan Woman -- Austin Miller

Jesus answered her, "If you knew... who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water."

John 4:10



Jesus and the Samaritan Woman -- Jesus MAFA, Cameroon

The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?"

John 4:11



Christ and the Samaritan Woman -- Henryk Siemiradzki, Lviv Art Gallery, Lviv, Ukraine

Jesus said to her, "The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life."

John 4:13a, 14b



Christ and the Samaritan
Woman

Tree Sarcophagus, 4th c.,
Louvre, Paris

The woman said to him, "I know that
Messiah is coming...when he comes,
he will proclaim all things to us."

John 4:25



Christ and the Samaritan Woman

Holy Trinity Orthodox Church

Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."

John 4:26



Christ and the Samaritan Woman -- Saint-Sulpice, Favieres, France

Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, ... "Why are you speaking with her?"

John 4:27

Christ and the
Samaritan
Woman

Rembrandt



Then the woman...went back to the city. She said to the people,
"Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?"

John 4:28



The Woman at the Well -- Paete, Philippines

So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days.

John 4:40



Christ and the Samaritan Woman -- San Apollinare Nuovo, Ravenna, Italy

They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world."

John 4:42

Savior of the World, or
Christ Pantocrator

El Greco
National Gallery of
Scotland, Edinburgh,
Scotland



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