

Commentary on the Gospel for Thu, Dec 29th 2011

Simeon had been patiently and prayerfully waiting for the Messiah all his life. He is a good example of a contemplative man. He was not waiting aimlessly like those waiting for Godot but with conviction that the Savior will come. So we can just imagine his joy at the sight of the baby Jesus. His canticle is an exclamation of the Hebrew expression, no one can see the face of God and live. May we be able to have a glimpse of that rapturous moment of seeing our salvation face to face.

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