



**Fourth Week of Advent**  
**Tuesday, December 22nd, 2020**

*Mrs. Lisa Johnson, Art Teacher, shares her reflections on today's Scripture readings.*



1 SM 1:24-28; 1 SAMUEL 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8ABCD; LK 1:46-56

The first reading where Hannah brings sacrifice to the temple to thank God for giving her a child, Samuel. This reading made me think about my own child, my daughter, Helen. I am thankful for her every day. I too prayed for a child when I didn't think it was possible. She has been a blessing in so many ways. I thank God, as Hannah did, for the gift of my daughter. During the pandemic, I have come to truly reflect on how important my family and friends are to me. We should always think of our family and friends as gifts from God and be more grateful that they are in our lives.

In the Gospel reading, Luke 1:46-56, Mary says: "the Almighty has done great things for me, and Holy is his name." Her gratitude towards God is inspiring, for she has put all her trust in the Lord. My favorite line of this reading is, "for he has looked upon his lowly servant." The way

Mary humbles herself is something we all need to do. We all can be trusting servants. I try to always have a servant's heart, but I can always do better and show more gratitude for my many blessings.

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