KEEPING FAITH FIRST-WORD SEARCH

CAPERNAUM SEAL
FOUND GOD
RABBI MANNA
AMEN MOSES
SIGNS HEAVEN
ETERNAL HUNGER

Catechizing Corner!

We leave the gospel of Mark to spend time in reflection of John's Jesus and the Bread of Life and the explanation of the feeding of the multitudes.

Today's opening prayer reminds us that the gift of life itself comes from God. That life is nourished by Jesus, the Bread of Life, who gives us eternal food, food that satisfies. Gifts without measure flow from God's goodness, and the ultimate gift to us is the gift of his Son, Jesus. The prayer after communion reminds us again that this gift of love is ultimately given to us in the sacrament, in which Jesus continues to give us his presence in the gift of the **Eucharist.**

Mary Birmingham, Word and Worship Workbook,

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Disciple's Reflection for the Question of the Week

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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A Call to Prayer

The Word of God John 6:24-35

Faith Sharing Questions of the week

Closing Prayer



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Holy Family is a welcoming Catholic Eucharistic community of disciples of Jesus Christ connecting faith with life and reaching out to those in need!

Call to Prayer

Begin by calling upon God: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, Amen.

Let us pause for a moment and listen attentively to this week's passage.

The Word of God John 6:24-35

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into boats and came to Capernaum looking for Jesus. And when they found him across the sea they said to him,

"Rabbi, when did you get here?"
Jesus answered them and said,
"Amen, amen, I say to you,
you are looking for me not because you saw
signs but because you ate the loaves and were
filled.

Do not work for food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For on him the Father, God, has set his seal." So they said to him, "What can we do to accomplish the works of God?"

Jesus answered and said to them,

"This is the work of God, that you believe in the one he sent."

So they said to him,

"What sign can you do, that we may see and believe in you?

What can you do?

Our ancestors ate manna in the desert, as it is written:

He gave them bread from heaven to eat." So Jesus said to them,

"Amen, amen, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave the bread from heaven;

my Father gives you the true bread from heaven.

For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."
So they said to him,
"Sir, give us this bread always."
Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst."

The Gospel of the Lord

Faith Sharing

Questions of the Week:

<u>Children</u>: When Jesus offered to give the people 'bread' from heaven, what did they think?

<u>Teens:</u> When you receive the body and blood of Christ, how does in make you feel?

<u>Family:</u> How has this word touched or challenged my understanding of faith?

Adults: What role does the Eucharist play in your life?

Closing Prayer

Call us forth to repentance and new life. Call us to listen and hear your Word. We ask this, as we ask all things, through Christ our Lord,
Amen.

Gospel Glossary

Capernaum is the ancient site in North Israel and the center of Jesus' ministry. A **Rabbi** is Jewish spiritual leader and the chief religious official of a synagogue. **Manna** is an edible substance that was given to the Israelites following the Exodus.

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