Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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| BOATS | T | PRESSING |
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| CATCH | JAMES | SIMON |
| COMMAND | JOHN | SINFUL |
| CROWD | LAKE | SINKING |
| DISEM- | MASTER | SPEAKING |
| BARKED | NETS | WASHING |
| FISHERMEN | PARTNERS | WATER |
| GENNESARE | PETER | ZEBEDEE |

Catechizing Corner!

Jesus gave Peter a new name. The conferral of a new name in the scriptures signified transition to something new: a new direction or a new ministry. Simon, now called Peter, which means the rock, would be designated to lead the people. This was to be the new direction for his life.

Like Isaiah and Paul, Peter attested to his own unworthiness and need for repentance. The presence of God, the *shekina* glory, can do nothing less than move a person to deep, interior repentance. The response to such glory is hearing and responding to the call. Peter's declaration of unworthiness foreshadowed his denial of Jesus after his arrest. In the midst of Jesus' inevitable suffering and passion, Peter would deny him. Peter's recognition of Jesus as Lord foreshadowed his first post resurrection encounter with Jesus, when he said, "Lord, you know I love you."

Jesus initiated the call in the face of human limitations. An overabundance of fish was caught only in response to Jesus' initiative. The point? Success in ministry is rooted in Christ. We need only look ahead to the Acts of the Apostles to note the fruits of Peter's sending. Following his empowerment by the Spirit, Peter's first attempt netted three thousand converts."

Mary Birmingham, <u>Word and Worship</u> <u>Workbook, Cycle C Paulist Press</u>, 1998

Disciple's Reflection for the Question of the Week

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A Call to Prayer

The Word of God
Luke 5:1-11

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Closing Prayer



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Holy Family is a welcoming Catholic Eucharistic community of disciples 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 Luke 5:1-11

A reading from the Holy Gospel According to Luke

While the crowd was pressing in on Jesus and listening to the word of God,

he was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret. He saw two boats there alongside the lake; the fishermen had **disembarked** and were washing their nets.

Getting into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon,

he asked him to put out a short distance from the shore.

Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat.

After he had finished speaking, he said to Simon,

"Put out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch."

Simon said in reply,

"Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing,

but at your command I will lower the nets." When they had done this, they caught a

Gospel Glossary

To disembarked is to get out of a boat

Astonishment is amazement and surprise

great number of fish and their nets were tearing.

They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come to help them.

They came and filled both boats so that the boats were in danger of sinking. When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at the knees of Jesus and said,

"Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man." For **astonishment** at the catch of fish they had made seized him

and all those with him,

and likewise James and John, the sons of Zebedee,

who were partners of Simon.

Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." When they brought their boats to the shore, they left everything and followed him.

The Gospel of the Lord.



Faith Sharing

Questions of the Week: *Choose one*

When recently did God call you to do something that was difficult?

Following Jesus can mean leaving some things behind. What do you need to let go of to follow Jesus more fully in your life?

Name a way that you can follow Jesus?

Closing Prayer

Lord, You have called us to be your disciples, to live in faith, walking always in your footsteps. By your suffering, death, and resurrection, you have made us children of God. As you have loved us and asked us to love one another, help us to love and embrace everyone in our lives.

Fill us with love, compassion, forgiveness, patience, understanding, and tolerance, even when we face the pain of hatred, rejection, and failure.

Guide us to be good disciples. May we seek always the praise and glory of God and the good of all people. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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