

## Fifth Sunday of Easter

F E B K N Z B T J A  
M N C O R L O N T N  
D I S C I P L E S O  
N H W T O J K M C T  
H U T J N P U D R H  
C L S E E U T N I E  
E H W Q V M X A N R  
M C I G P A I M N Y  
D T D L O T B M H Z  
M A N X D D P O X D  
P A R N L R O C E U  
F P P N T C E I X I  
F B H S Y S F N D D  
V T I X Q I B G T W  
R B U N R Q L X M T  
S H I O X X T D W F  
U A L R E G N O L E  
O G D I M B K C Z V  
Y V X U Q B N U F O  
W S M N J S Z H H L

ANOTHER	LITTLE
CHILDREN	LONGER
COMMAND-	LOVE
MENT	MAN
DISCIPLES	NEW
GLORIFIED	ONE
GOD	SON
JUDAS	

### *Catechizing Corner!*

In today's gospel, Judas is on his way to betray Jesus and Jesus proclaims that now the Son of Man is glorified. The present tense verb is used to demonstrate that John's Jesus is in control and very certain of the events and the outcome that are to follow.

Before he goes, he must leave a legacy of love to those he leaves behind. He leaves a "new commandment." According to Charles Talbert, the content of Jesus' new commandment is: "Love one another as I have loved you." The purpose of the new commandment is: "in order that you also love one another." The consequence of the new commandment is so "all will know that you are my disciples." The Hebrew tradition as well as other religions all had foundational laws of love. So why was this new? According to the law of love as established in Leviticus 19:18, the Jews were to love one another as they loved themselves. However, the term one another was exclusively understood to mean their own countrymen. Jesus' understanding of one another was meant to include all people. The commandment of love was new because it was a command of the new covenant in Christ, in the new messianic era. In the old covenant God gave the law as a response to covenant love. Christ gave the new law for the same reason. It was new because it was grounded in the pattern of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection. It is a love rooted in the offering of one's life for others. This is the heart of the paschal mystery.

Mary Birmingham, *Word and Worship Workbook, Cycle C*  
Paulist Press, 1998

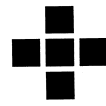


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## Disciple's Reflection for the Question of the Week

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**A Call to Prayer**

**The Word of God**  
John 13:31-  
33A,  34-35

**Faith Sharing  
Questions of the**

## 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 13:31-33A,34-

A reading from the holy gospel according to John

When Judas had left them, Jesus said,  
"Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is **glorified** in him. If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and God will glorify him at once. My children, I will be with you only a little while longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also

### Gospel Glossary

The Son of Man, that is to say Jesus, is **gloried** because he will share the glory of God his Father

should love one another.  
This is how all will know that you are my disciples,  
if you have love for one another."

## The Gospel of the Lord.



## Faith Sharing

Questions of the Week:

*Choose one*

1. The word of God must dwell within our minds until all that we do is the result of what we heard and know from Christ. Is there a full mind for the word to dwell with in your heart? How can you increase its capacity this week?
2. Who is the outsider in our community? How will you bring the Word to that person?
3. This week how can you as a disciple, express "love for one another" by bringing hope to those who suffer from mourning, sorrow, or pain?

## Closing Prayer

God our Father, look upon us with love. You redeem us and make us your children in Christ. Give us true freedom and bring us to the inheritance you promised. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

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