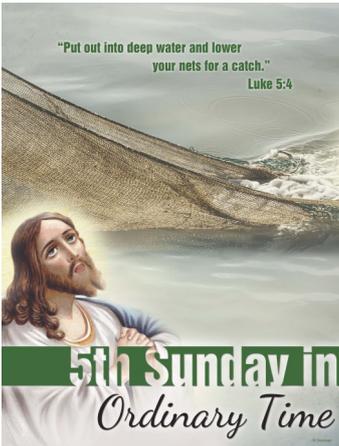


FEBRUARY 17, 2019: FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Scriptures for the 5th Sunday of Ordinary Time can be found [here](#)

This week's Gospel tells about Peter, a fisherman who is having little luck that day, following Jesus' advice to go out into the deep. Though skeptical, Peter does as Jesus tells him, resulting in an overly abundant catch. Peter responds by telling Jesus to go away from him, because Peter is a sinful man. As has been God's pattern from the beginnings of human history, Jesus reaches out to Peter, knowing his sinfulness but also knowing that Peter is capable of great things. Jesus gives him the task of bring men to him, and will prove himself to be worthy of Jesus' trust in him.

- What tasks has God entrusted to you to bring others to Christ?
- Where are you called to cast out your nets—to continue with persistence even when the benefit seems paltry?
- Does fear keep you from trying new ways to make Jesus the center of your life?

In search of holiness

All members of the Church share the mission of universal holiness. All of us and each of us is called to cultivate holiness in our lives and to bring that to the world. Like Peter, we may believe we are more sinful than holy. Just as Jesus assures Peter, we, too, are confident that our small efforts to become holy will be magnified in the eyes of God. Here's a short reflection on [holiness](#).

The saints are models of holiness for us. As Oscar Wilde once said, *every saint has a past, and every sinner has a future*. This week in the Church, we celebrate Our Lady of Lourdes, who appeared to a young girl named Bernadette. A quick view of the 1943 film telling her story can be found [here](#). February 14, popularly known as Valentine's Day, is actually the feast of Saints Cyril and Methodius. Cyril is credited with developing the Cyrillic alphabet. Learn more about these brothers [here](#).

This Week at Presentation

Did you know that you can access our parish calendar [here?](#) If events are cancelled (as they have been often lately thanks to the weather) the cancellations are posted on the calendar.

Our Women's Christ Renews His Parish weekend is February 16-17, with the Men's weekend March 2-3. You can register for either [here](#). You can also support CRHP with donations for meals [here](#).

Questions?

What questions do you have about the Catholic faith? [Email Mary Pat](#) and she will get back to you with the information!