



Fishing for People

Jesus called out to them, "Come, follow me, and I will show you how to fish for people!" Matthew 4:19 (NLT)
The puzzle is based on Matthew 4:18-22 (NLT).



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BROTHERS	JAMES	NETS	COME	GALILEE
BOAT	PETER	WATER	FOLLOW	BEHIND
ANDREW	LIVING	JESUS	SITTING	FISH
WALKING	PEOPLE	JOHN	SHORE	LEAVING

WEEKDAY READINGS (PSALTER WEEK 3)

- 26 Monday: Sts Timothy and Titus, Bishops**
Second Timothy 1: 1-8 or Titus 1: 1-5; Mark 3: 22-30
- 27 Tuesday - St. Angela Merici, Virgin**
Second Samuel 6: 12b-15, 17-19; Mark 3: 31-35
- 28 Wednesday - St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Doctor**
Second Samuel 7: 4-17; Mark 4: 1-20
- 29 Thursday - Ordinary Weekday**
Second Samuel 7: 18-19, 24-29; Mark 4: 21-25
- 30 Friday - Ordinary Weekday**
Second Samuel 11: 1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Mark 4: 26-34
- 31 Saturday - St. John Bosco, Priest**
Second Samuel 12: 1-7a, 10-17; Mark 4: 35-41

REFLECTION

Following John the Baptist's arrest, Jesus withdraws to Galilee, settling in Capernaum by the Sea of Zebulun and Naphtali, directly fulfilling Isaiah's ancient prophecy of light dawning on people shrouded in darkness. This relocation marks the launch of his public ministry, where he proclaims a core message: "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand," echoing John's call but infused with divine authority. On this Third Sunday in Ordinary Time—designated the Sunday of the Word of God by Pope Francis—the Gospel positions Jesus himself as the incarnate Word, breaking through spiritual gloom like dawn scatters night, transforming shadowed regions into realms of hope and liberation.

The passage unfolds dynamically as Jesus walks by the Sea of Galilee and encounters Simon and Andrew casting nets. With a simple command—"Follow me, and I will make you fishers of people"—they abandon their livelihoods instantly, highlighting the radical immediacy of discipleship. Soon after, he calls James and John, mending nets with their father Zebedee, and they too leave everything without hesitation. This swift response underscores the magnetic power of Christ's voice, the living Word that reshapes destinies. Matthew notes Jesus' Galilean ministry as a whole: teaching in synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease among the people, drawing crowds from afar. In the Sunday of the Word context, these acts reveal Scripture not as static text but as vibrant force—inviting us to hear Christ's call amid daily routines, repent from self-reliance, and step into mission as healers and heralds in our world.

This narrative bridges Old Testament promise and New Testament fulfillment, urging contemporary believers to embrace the Word's transformative light. Just as Galilee shifted from "land of darkness" to a beacon of joy, so can our communities, when we prioritize Sacred Scripture through *lectio divina*, spiritual conversation, communal study, and lived obedience. Let the Gospel challenge us today and ask ourselves: What "nets" must we drop today to follow Jesus more closely? In celebrating the Word of God, let us recommit our lives to letting today's gospel propel us outward, fishing for souls with compassion and truth.

NOTICES

- ♦ **The first Parish Pastoral Council meeting** for this year will be held this Monday 26th January, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. at Norton Hall. Members please make a special effort to attend and to be on-time.
- ♦ **The Catholic Charismatic Renewal** invites all to a Day of Renewal this Sunday January 25th 2026, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception starting at 2:00 p.m.
- ♦ **Liturgical Calendars** are available at the chancery. Please place your order. Cost \$20.00.
- ♦ **Registration for Confirmation** can be done at the Parish Office. Classes will begin on Tuesday 3rd February, 2026 at the Cathedral at 3:30 p.m. Please walk with a copy of your Baptism, Birth and 1st Holy Communion certificates.
- ♦ 1st year Confirmation students moving into year two, classes will resume on Tuesday 3rd February at 3:30 p.m. at Norton Hall. Please take note.
- ♦ **Infant Baptism** instructions will begin soon, interested persons can register at the parish office.
- ♦ All who are interested in becoming an Altar Server please give your name to Fr. Carl.

Collections:

January 18th, 2026 (2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time/A)

Cathedral 6:00 p.m.	\$883.77	Belmont:	\$ 131.00
Cathedral 8.00 a.m.	\$1679.80	Brizan:	\$ 200.50
Happy Hill:	\$ 775.90	Fontenoy:	\$201.50
Tempe:	\$ 340.00	Mt. Moritz:	\$165.00
Total:	\$ 4,377.47		

Thank you for your generosity. God bless you always!

Please note the following dates for Primary School Sports:

- 30th January - Uganda Martyrs Catholic -Beausejour Playing Field**
31st January - St. Mary's Junior - Kirani James Athletic Stadium
3rd February - St. Louis Girls - Kirani James Athletic Stadium

Catechesis Corner

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS CON'T...

THE SEVENTH COMMANDMENT CON'T- You shall not steal.

III. The Social Doctrine of the Church

"Christian revelation . . . promotes deeper understanding of the laws of social living." (GS 23 # 1). The Church receives from the Gospel the full revelation of the truth about man. When she fulfills her mission of proclaiming the Gospel, she bears witness to man, in the name of Christ, to his dignity and his vocation to the communion of persons. She teaches him the demands of justice and peace in conformity with divine wisdom. The Church makes a moral judgment about economic and social matters, "when the fundamental rights of the person or the salvation of souls requires it." (GS 76 # 5). In the moral order she bears a mission distinct from that of political authorities: the Church is concerned with the temporal aspects of the common good because they are ordered to the sovereign Good, our ultimate end. She strives to inspire right attitudes with respect to earthly goods and in socio-economic relationships.

The social doctrine of the Church developed in the nineteenth century when the Gospel encountered modern industrial society with its new structures for the production of consumer goods, its new concept of society, the state and authority, and its new forms of labor and ownership. the development of the doctrine of the Church on economic and social matters attests the permanent value of the Church's teaching at the same time as it attests the true meaning of her Tradition, always living and active. (cf. CA 3)

The Church's social teaching comprises a body of doctrine, which is articulated as the Church interprets events in the course of history, with the assistance of the Holy Spirit, in the light of the whole of what has been revealed by Jesus Christ. (cf. SRS 1; 41). This teaching can be more easily accepted by men of good will, the more the faithful let themselves be guided by it. The Church's social teaching proposes principles for reflection; it provides criteria for judgment; it gives guidelines for action: Any system in which social relationships are determined entirely by economic factors is contrary to the nature of the human person and his acts. (cf. CA 24) A theory that makes profit the exclusive norm and ultimate end of economic activity is morally unacceptable. the disordered desire for money cannot but produce perverse effects. It is one of the causes of the many conflicts which disturb the social order. (cf. GS 63 # 3; LE 7; 20; CA 35). A system that "subordinates the basic rights of individuals and of groups to the collective organization of production" is contrary to human dignity. (GS 65 # 2). Every practice that reduces persons to nothing more than a means of profit enslaves man, leads to idolizing money, and contributes to the spread of atheism.

"You cannot serve God and mammon." (Mt 6:24; Lk 16:13). The Church has rejected the totalitarian and atheistic ideologies associated in modern times with "communism" or "socialism." She has likewise refused to accept, in the practice of "capitalism," individualism and the absolute primacy of the law of the marketplace over human labor. (cf. CA 10; 13; 44). Regulating the economy solely by centralized planning perverts the basis of social bonds; regulating it solely by the law of the marketplace fails social justice, for "there are many human needs which cannot be satisfied by the market." (CA 34). Reasonable regulation of the marketplace and economic initiatives, in keeping with a just hierarchy of values and a view to the common good, is to be commended.

To be cont'd...

Prayer for the Discernment of A New Bishop

O God, Eternal Shepherd, who govern your flock with unchanging care, grant to your Church in St. George's-in-Grenada a shepherd who will faithfully follow in the footsteps of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Give us a Bishop filled with wisdom and understanding so that, guided by your Holy Spirit, he may be a faithful pastor, a prudent teacher, wise in discerning the needs of our diocese and region. Strengthen him to uphold the gospel of truth, to lead your flock with humility and courage and to build up the Body of Christ in love and holiness. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Immaculate Mary, Mother of the Church, pray with us and for us. **Amen.**

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POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY

For prayer with the Word of God

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



Our Lady Queen of Peace, **BELMONT/SPRINGS**
Saints Joachim & Anne, **BRIZAN**;
Blessed Trinity, **FONTENOY**;
Church of the Uganda Martyrs, **HAPPY HILL**;
Our Lady Queen of the Universe, **MT. MORITZ**;
St. Benedict the Moor, **RIVER ROAD/DARBEAU**
Our Lady Lily of the Valley, **TEMPE**.

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3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time / A - January 25th, 2026

Sunday Mass Schedules:

Cathedral Saturday: 6:00 p.m.
Belmont Saturday: 6:00 p.m.
Brizan Sunday: 6:30 a.m.
Cathedral Sunday: 8:00 a.m.

Happy Hill Sunday: 8:00 a.m.
Tempe Sunday: 8:00 a.m.
Fontenoy Sunday: 10:00 a.m.
Mt. Moritz Sunday: 10:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses:

Cathedral: 6:15 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.
Happy Hill - Wednesday - 6 p.m.

CONFESSION:

Cathedral: Saturdays: 7.00 a.m. - 8.00 a.m.
(Priests available at request)

Welcome to our Mass on the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, the Sunday of the Word of God. Isaiah's prophecy of light dawning in darkness meets Paul's call for unity in Christ and Jesus' summons to follow him in Galilee, inviting us to let Scripture transform our lives and community today.

First Reading: Isaiah prophesies light dawning in Galilee's darkness, transforming despair into joy and breaking oppression's yoke. As Sunday of the Word of God, this invites us to let Scripture illuminate personal struggles, revealing God's promise of hope.

Second Reading: St. Paul pleads for unity, rejecting divisions over human leaders in favour of Christ alone. On this Sunday, the Word urges the Church to embrace Scripture as our common bond, fostering harmony over factions.

Gospel: Jesus fulfills Isaiah in Galilee, proclaiming repentance, calling disciples, and healing as light to the nations. Celebrating the Word of God, we hear Christ's summons through Scripture to follow, repent, and share his mission today.