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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME B. JAN. 21ST 2024 "I WILL MAKE YOU FISHERS OF MEN"

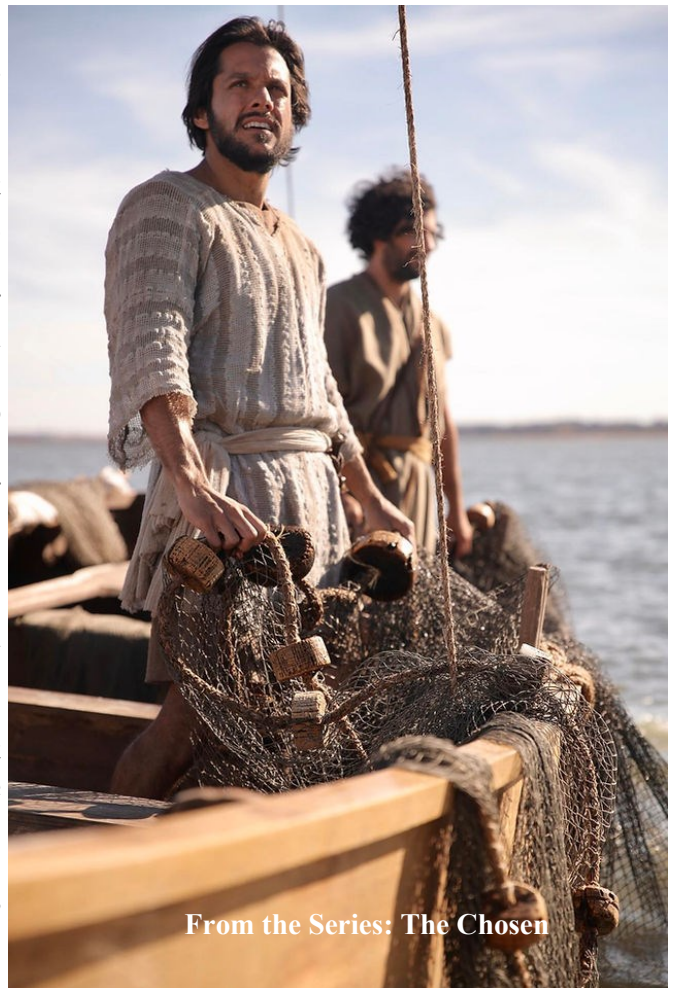
Today we begin a continuous reading of Mark's Gospel that will carry us through this segment of the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. Remember that in Cycle B of the Lectionary, most of the Gospel readings are taken from the Gospel according to Mark. Jesus' public ministry begins after the arrest of John the Baptist. Mark wants his readers to understand the important connection between the end of the ministry of John the Baptist and the beginning of Jesus' own ministry.

As we learn at the beginning of today's Gospel reading, Jesus preaches the Kingdom of God in continuity with the preaching of John the Baptist. Like John the Baptist, Jesus' pronouncement of the kingdom is a call to repentance. Yet Jesus' preaching is greater than John's. Jesus begins the time of fulfillment; the Kingdom of God is already here. This will be demonstrated again and again, both in Jesus' words and in the actions that follow. Jesus' healings and forgiveness of sins are signs of the Kingdom of God that he announces in his teaching.

In contrast to last week's Gospel, in Mark's Gospel Jesus takes the initiative in calling his first disciples. As mentioned last week, it was more typical of first-century rabbinical schools for students to seek out rabbis, asking to be their disciples. In Mark's Gospel, Jesus breaks with this tradition and invites his disciples to learn from him. Jesus is said to have first called four fishermen—Simon, Andrew, James, and John. Simon and Andrew are brothers. Jesus promises that he will make them "fishers of men." James and John are also brothers. Mark does not report Jesus' words of invitation to them, but he does report that they left their fishing immediately; their father, Zebedee, was left behind in the boat.

Mark's Gospel is told with a great sense of urgency and immediacy. Jesus is a person of action, and events occur in rapid succession. We see this in today's Gospel. Time is of the essence; the fishermen immediately put aside their livelihood to become Jesus' disciples. The Kingdom of God is here and now. The time of fulfillment is at hand. How might our lives be different if we more fully shared this sense of the immediacy of God's kingdom?

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III DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO B

“SÍGANME Y HARÉ DE USTEDES PESCADORES DE HOMBRES”

Hoy comenzamos una lectura continua del Evangelio de Marcos que nos llevará a través de este segmento del tiempo litúrgico del Tiempo Ordinario. Recuerde que en el Ciclo B del Leccionario, la mayoría de las lecturas del Evangelio están tomadas del Evangelio según Marcos. El ministerio público de Jesús comienza después del arresto de Juan el Bautista. Marcos quiere que sus lectores comprendan la importante conexión entre el fin del ministerio de Juan el Bautista y el comienzo del propio ministerio de Jesús.

Como aprendemos al comienzo de la lectura del Evangelio de hoy, Jesús predica el Reino de Dios en continuidad con la predicación de Juan el Bautista. Al igual que Juan el Bautista, el pronunciamiento de Jesús sobre el reino es un llamado al arrepentimiento. Sin embargo, la predicación de Jesús es mayor que la de Juan. Jesús inicia el tiempo del cumplimiento; el Reino de Dios ya está aquí. Esto quedará demostrado una y otra vez, tanto en las palabras de Jesús como en las acciones que siguen. Las curaciones y el perdón de los pecados de Jesús son signos del Reino de Dios que anuncia en su enseñanza.

A diferencia del Evangelio de la semana pasada, en el Evangelio de Marcos Jesús toma la iniciativa de llamar a sus primeros discípulos. Como se mencionó la semana pasada, era más típico de las escuelas rabínicas del siglo I que los estudiantes buscaran rabinos y les pidieran ser sus discípulos. En el evangelio de Marcos, Jesús rompe con esta tradición e invita a sus discípulos a aprender de él. Se dice que Jesús llamó primero a cuatro pescadores: Simón, Andrés, Santiago y Juan. Simón y Andrés son hermanos. Jesús promete que los hará "pescadores de hombres". James y John también son hermanos. Marcos no informa las palabras de invitación de Jesús, pero sí informa que dejaron de pescar inmediatamente; Su padre, Zebedeo, se quedó en la barca.

El evangelio de Marcos está narrado con un gran sentido de urgencia e inmediatez. Jesús es una persona de acción y los acontecimientos ocurren en rápida sucesión. Vemos esto en el Evangelio de hoy. El tiempo es la esencia; Los pescadores inmediatamente dejaron de lado su sustento para convertirse en discípulos de Jesús. El Reino de Dios está aquí y ahora. El tiempo del cumplimiento está cerca. ¿Cómo podrían ser diferentes nuestras vidas si compartiéramos más plenamente

NATIONAL PRAYER VIGIL FOR LIFE

The National Prayer Vigil for Life is a prayer vigil held on the eve of the March for Life each January. Thousands of pilgrims from across the nation pray for an end to abortion and a greater respect for all human life. It is held at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C.

The National Prayer Vigil for Life is one small part of the Church's "great prayer for life." It is sponsored by the USCCB Pro-Life Secretariat, the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, and The Catholic University of America Office of Campus Ministry.

A great prayer for life is urgently needed, a prayer which will rise up throughout the world. Through special initiatives and in daily prayer, may an impassioned plea rise to God, the Creator and lover of life, from every Christian community, from every group and association, from every family and from the heart of every believer.

—Pope Saint John Paul II,
Evangelium Vitae



SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass

Wednesday — Friday, 12 noon

Weekend Mass

Saturday Vigil at 4:30 PM

Sunday at 9:00 and 11:15 AM in English,
Spanish Mass: 2nd Sunday of the Month at
5:00 pm in the Church. 4th Saturday of the
month at 7:00pm in Cachagua.

Reconciliation

Saturday at 3:30 PM and by appointment

Office Hours

Wednesday — Friday:
10 AM - 12 PM; 2 - 4 PM

The church is open Wednesday — Sunday
from 10 AM to 4 PM for personal prayer.

PARISH STAFF

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Music Ministry

4:30 pm Sat. Mass: Kim Hartford—Kathy Nathan

9:00 am Sun. Mass: Stefania Ortiz

11:15 am Sun. Mass Parish Choir

Angelica Lozano

Custodian

MASS INTENTIONS

Mass Intentions January 20th—28th 2024

Saturday Vigil Jan 20th 4:30: + **Barney Hulse**

Sunday Jan 21st 9:00: + **Eli Munoz**

11:15: + **Colman O'Callaghan**

Wed. Jan 24th 12:00: + **David Shelly**

Thurs. Jan 25th 12:00: + **Merritt Green**

Fri. Jan 26th 12:00: + **Alexander W. Gray**

Saturday Vigil Jan 27th 4:30:

- **Int. of the Waddell Family**

7:00 pm Misa en Cachagua:

+ **Floro**, + **Lucia y + Federico Blanco**, &

+ **Albino y + Tarcisio Casas**

Sunday Jan 28th 9:00: + **Michael Coakley**

11:15: + **Merritt Green**

*MAY THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL
DEPARTED, THROUGH THE MERCY OF GOD, REST IN
PEACE. AMEN.*

WEEKLY COLLECTION

January 13 & 14 2024:

\$4,416.95

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EVENT CALENDAR

**Fourth Saturday of the Month Mass.
Misa CACHAGUA.**

Sat. Jan. 27th at 7:00 pm.

Familia Martinez Blanco.

18800 Cachagua Rd. # 17. Carmel Valley,
CA 93924.

2024 LENTEN SEASON

Wed. Feb. 14, Ash Wednesday

12:00 pm Mass w/ ashes

6:30 pm Bilingual Mass w/ ashes

**Bilingual Stations of the Cross
Fridays during Lent 5:30pm.**

2024 LENTEN DINNERS

Friday February 23th at 6:00 pm

Friday March 8th at 6:00 pm

Friday March 22nd at 6:00 pm

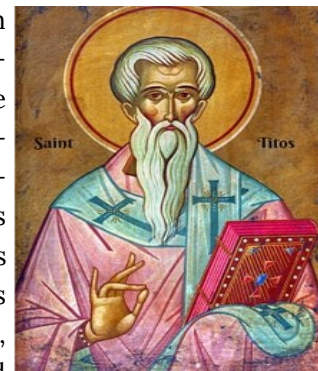
OLMC 2023 TAX STATEMENTS

Statements documenting 2023 contributions to the parish were mailed this week. Please note that these statements do not include AMA contributions whether delivered to the parish or sent directly to the Diocese. AMA contributions are acknowledged by the Diocese. If you do not receive a statement but believe you should have please contact the parish office.



SAINT OF THE WEEK: JAN. 26TH SAINT TITUS

St. Paul spoke with great affection and respect for St. Titus. He addressed him as "true child of mine in the faith that we share," suggesting that he had personally recruited Titus for Christ (see Titus 1:14). So Titus became one of Paul's most trusted colleagues, serving as his secretary, traveling companion, and ambassador. He accompanied



Paul at the Council of Jerusalem that decided not to require circumcision of Jewish converts. To strengthen his case that gentile Christians need not become Jews first, Paul had refused to circumcise Titus, who was Greek.

When Paul discovered the sex scandal and subsequent dissension at Corinth, he sent Titus to deal with the situation. Apparently a gifted pastoral leader, he successfully brought the community through its ordeal. Afterwards Paul told the Corinthians of Titus's affection for them that was "all the stronger when he remembers how obedient you have all been, and how you welcomed him with fear and trembling" (2 Corinthians 7:15 NJB).

Paul appointed Titus the first bishop of Crete, assigning him to consolidate the church there by appointing elders in every town. Paul had low regard for Cretans and accepted a popular view that generally they were "liars, dangerous animals, all greed and laziness" (Titus 1:12)