

**READINGS**

February 7, 2016

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 6: 1-2A, 3-8

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11

Gospel: Luke 5: 1-11

**STEWARDSHIP**

January 31st.....\$2,235  
Our Lady of Wisdom relies on Bobcat Catholics like you for more than half the resources necessary to bring students of Texas State closer to the their Catholic faith. Contact our Development Director, Zane Stehling, to join this mission at 512-392-5925.

**INTO THE DEEP**

Simon Peter, the fisherman, is the first to be called personally by Jesus in Luke’s Gospel. His calling resembles Isaiah’s commissioning in the First Reading. Yet each experiences the Lord’s forgiveness and is sent to preach the good news of His mercy to the world. No one is “fit to be called an apostle,” Paul recognizes in today’s Epistle. But by “the grace of God,” even a persecutor of the Church—as Paul once was—can be lifted up for the Lord’s service. In the Old Testament, humanity was unfit for the divine—no man could stand in God’s presence and live (see Exodus 33:20). But in Jesus, we’re made able to speak with Him face-to-face, taste His Word on our tongue. Today’s scene from Isaiah is recalled in every Mass. Before reading the Gospel, the priest silently asks God to cleanse his lips that he might worthily proclaim His Word.

God’s Word comes to us as it came to Peter, Paul, Isaiah, and today’s Psalmist— as a personal call to leave everything and follow Him, to surrender our weaknesses in order to be filled with His strength. Simon put out into deep waters even though, as a professional fisherman, he knew it would be foolhardy to expect to catch anything. In humbling himself before the Lord’s command, he was exalted—his nets filled to overflowing; later, as Paul tells us, he will become the first to see the risen Lord. Jesus has made us worthy to receive Him in the company of angels in God’s holy Temple. On our knees like Peter, with the humility of David in today’s Psalm, we thank Him with all our hearts and join in the unending hymn that Isaiah heard around God’s altar: “Holy, holy, holy....” (see also Revelation 4:8).

*Adapted from: Sunday Bible Reflections by Dr. Scott Hahn*

**PLEASE CONSIDER BISHOP VÁSQUEZ’ PRAYER INTENTION FOR TODAY:**

For all the faithful, that we will go where the Lord leads, allowing all people experience the Lord’s presence, we pray...

**ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES**

**FEBRUARY 10, 2016**

**MASS**

7:30am and 12:30pm

**LITURGY & DISTRIBUTION OF ASHES**

4pm, 7pm, 8pm, 9pm

5:30pm at LBJ Teaching Theatre (*on Campus*)

**AVERAGE SUNDAY MASS ATTENDANCE JANUARY**  
**10am, 257; 5pm, 110 ; 7:30pm, 115**



Starting February 12th  
Fridays during Lent at 1pm in the Chapel.  
Led by Fr. Will

**WEEKLY ACTIVITIES**

**ROSARY** every Sunday  
9:30am in the Lounge

**ADORATION** of the Blessed Sacrament

*Tuesdays* 5:45-9pm and *Mornings* Mon-Fri 8:30-9:30am in the Chapel

**NIGHT PRAYER** hosted by the men of Lambda Omega Alpha, 1st and 3rd Tuesday evenings after Adoration.

**FREE LUNCH** every Tuesday 11am-1pm in the Lobby

**BOBCATS FOR LIFE**  
Thursdays 6:30pm in the Library

**BIBLE STUDIES** every day!  
[www.txstatecatholic.org](http://www.txstatecatholic.org)

**GOSPEL REFLECTION**

“Put out into the deep water and lower your nets for a catch.” But we have already tried that, is a paraphrase of Simon Peter’s response. Doing as the Lord asked, they filled two boats to overflowing with fish. When has the Lord encountered you and done the unexpected? What is the Lord asking that you may be reluctant to do?

**CELEBRATE NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK**

“The upcoming observances of National Marriage Week (Feb. 7-14) and World Marriage Sunday/Valentine’s Day (Sunday, Feb. 14) provide an opportunity to celebrate the gift and blessing of marriage and to affirm and support engaged and married couples.” - Bishop Richard Malone

**LAMBDA OMEGA ALPHA INFO MEETINGS**

Do you love the Lord? Do you love brotherhood? Our Catholic service fraternity invites all young men to Information meetings today Feb. 7th and next Sunday Feb. 14th after the 10am and 5pm Masses. Please meet them in the lobby.

**BOBCAT AWAKENING #46**

**Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>**. An energy filled weekend with great talks, small groups, prayer and Sacraments. Open to college students at Texas State. Apps online & our website search, “Bobcat Awakening”, paper copies in the lobby. Cost is \$35.

**MARDI GRAS**

Join us for a Mardi Gras celebration Tuesday, Feb. 9th from 11am-5pm. We will have food, fun, music and pictures with Pope Francis!

**MEN’S DISCERNMENT DAY RETREAT**

“Project Andrew” Sat. Feb. 13 10am-2pm at St. Mary Cathedral in Austin. Single, Catholic men between the ages of 16 and 45 who are interested in learning more about discernment, the priesthood and seminary life are invited. The day will include prayer, testimonials by priests and seminarians, Mass and lunch. Contact the diocesan Vocation Office at (512) 949-2430.

**WOMEN’S DISCERNMENT DAY RETREAT**

“Project Miriam” Sat. Feb. 20 10am-2pm at St. Mary Cathedral in Austin. Single, Catholic women between the ages of 16 and 45 who are interested in learning more about discernment, and religious life are invited. The day will include prayer, testimonials, Mass and lunch. Contact the diocesan Vocation Office at (512) 949-2430.

**REMINDER:** Special Collection on Wed., Feb. 10th for World and Home Missions

**FR. CHARLIE BANKS** for Spiritual Direction this Tues., Feb. 9th. Sign up in the Lobby for 30 min. appts.