

Themes for today May 5:

If we've been working with little or no success, maybe it's because we've been working alone, without Jesus.

The theme of the shepherd unifies Scripture and reveals God's loving concern for us.

Themes for May 12:

God invites us to learn about him, fall in love with him, and live with him happily ever after.

What the human heart has always sensed, Jesus confirmed: Our destiny is eternal life with God.

HAPPY MOTHERS' DAY to all who mother !
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Annual Provincial CWL Convention June 2-3 in Humboldt

All members welcome to attend

Please contact Lynn Rogers (642-7803) if you are interested or would like more information.

Deadline for registration May 17
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Information about a certain project "Donations for

Tanzania", is on the bulletin board. What is needed are used suitcases, large suitcases, which are used both to transport donations and later for their use to be kept to store clothes.

Large suitcases can be left at our parish office, with Fr. Dennis.
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REMEMBER: TUESDAY, MAY 7 is 25th ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION OF FR. DENNIS REMOT – we will celebrate with Mass, Supper and Program starting at 6:30 PM !!

Provincial Pro-Life March for Life - Thursday, May 9, 2019 in Regina. Registration at Holy Rosary Cathedral at 11:00 am. March to Legislative Building for program and silent witness on Albert Street. Wind-up at 3:30 pm. All are welcome. You should bring your own lawn chairs if you need one. Transportation available for those who cannot do the march to the Legislative Building.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER:

First, the **literal** meaning is simply what the gospel story says. Sometimes it's not always clear what a particular story is saying.

In today's gospel, however, this isn't the case.

It's perfectly clear what the story is saying.

In fact, the story is one of the best-known narratives of the New Testament.

This brings us to the second meaning: the **symbolic** meaning.

The chief symbolism seems to center around Jesus' question to Peter, which Jesus repeats three times: "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" What symbolism is contained in this threefold question that Peter seemed to find so embarrassing? Many believe the repetition is related to Peter's threefold denial of Jesus on the night of Jesus' arrest.

They see Peter's threefold affirmation of love, "Lord, you know that I love you," as erasing his threefold denial of Jesus.

In other words, it allows Peter to make amends for his past and to redeem himself.

This brings us to the third meaning: the **intended** meaning.

Why did John relate this incident?

What did he intend to communicate to us through it?

Jesus' threefold response to Peter, "Feed my sheep," could be evidence that Jesus gave Peter the authority and responsibility to succeed him as chief shepherd of the flock, reaffirming the decision Jesus had made earlier concerning Peter, when he said, "You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church ... I will give you keys to the kingdom of heaven." Matthew 16:18-19

Jesus could have reversed that decision, saying to Peter, "Simon, I had great leadership plans for you, but you denied me three times. You failed under pressure. So I'm taking away your leadership role and giving it to someone else."

But Jesus didn't do that. Rather, he reaffirmed his decision to make Peter the chief shepherd of his flock. (continued on back page)

Church Finances

Holy Thursday APR 18 - \$ 827.00
Good Friday APR 19 - \$ 957.00
Saturday Vigil APR 20 - \$ 655.00
Sunday Collection APR 21 - \$ 1817.50
Sunday Collection APR 28 - \$ 385.00
Maintenance Fund – \$ 110.00
Development & Peace - \$ 90.00
Thank You !

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This brings us to the final meaning: the ***personal*** meaning.

This is the meaning that the gospel story might hold for the attentive reader.

In other words, God can use the Scripture passage or story to speak to us in a personal way.

For example, take the episode in today's story, where Peter says that he fished all night but caught nothing.

Jesus then tells Peter to try again.

Peter does, and the result is amazing.

He and his helpers catch so many fish that they need another boat to help them.

What personal meaning might we draw from this episode?

If, like Peter, we've been working hard on something with little or no success, maybe it's because we've been working alone, without Jesus.

Maybe the reason for our failure is that we've been trying to do it all by ourselves.

Maybe the reason for our failure is that we've forgotten what Jesus said to his followers a few chapters earlier in John's Gospel:

"I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing." John 15:5

Sunday Ministries

Sunday, MAY 12	
Collection	Please Volunteer
Greeters & Offerings	Martin & Cathy Tendler
Rosary Leaders	Bev Monea Rita Walters
Readers	Al Farwell Ron Scheltgen
Communion Ministers	Philomene Brochu Jeremie Brochu Irene Montgomery
Altar Servers	Khanesia Warken Bodyn Warken Kyle Karst
Children's Liturgy	Monique Vickery
Collection Counters	C W L
Sunday, MAY 19	
Collection	Please Volunteer
Greeters & Offerings	Michel & JoAnn Girardin
Rosary Leaders	Ron Scheltgen
Readers	Janice Erfle Debbie Auchstaetter
Communion Ministers	Ben Pasloski Rita Walters Lynn Rogers
Altar Servers	Aidan Pedersen- Forsythe Tara Pedersen Ysa Natividad
Children's Liturgy	Lynn Rogers
Collection Counters	FINANCE COUNCIL