

## Into the Deep: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Bible Reflections by Dr. Scott Hahn  
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First Reading: Isaiah 6:1–8 | Psalm 138:1–5, 7–8  
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1–11 | Gospel: Luke 5:1–11



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: Confronted with the holiness of the Lord, both Peter and Isaiah are overwhelmed by a sense of their own sinfulness and inadequacy. 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, to 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).

**ANNOUNCED MASSES**  
**February 9<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

<b>Saturday</b> 4:30 p.m.	<b>Feb. 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sunday Vigil</b> Raymond Jack- For Spiritual Guidance and Protection
<b>Sunday</b> 9:00 a.m.  11:00 a.m.	<b>Feb. 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> All Living and Deceased Members of the Ponte and Melo families – by Luis Ponte  Ernie Morelli – RIP – by Frances and the family
<b>Monday</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>Feb. 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Our Lady of Lourdes</b> <i>Pro Populo</i>
<b>Tuesday</b> 7:00 p.m.	<b>Feb. 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Weekday</b> Daphne Freeman – Thanksgiving - by Marie Simmons
<b>Wednesday</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>Feb. 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Weekday</b> Raymond Jack- For Spiritual Guidance and Protection
<b>Thursday</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>Feb. 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Saints Cyril and Methodus</b> Susan Marshall – RIP – by the Ladies' Auxiliary
<b>Friday</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>Feb. 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Weekday</b> Leo, Rosa Maria and Anthony Borges – RIP – by the family
<b>Saturday</b> 4:30 p.m.	<b>Feb. 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sunday Vigil</b> Tom Kennedy – RIP – by the family
<b>Sunday</b> 9:00 a.m.  11:00 a.m.	<b>Feb. 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Tai, Trong, Naomi – RIP – by Marguerite Kinh  <i>Pro Populo</i>

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**Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed  
through the mercy of God rest in peace.**

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**Collection:**  
February 3, 2019 - **\$2,526.85**  
First Saturday - **\$123.00**  
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(bringing our total to **\$133,915.00** for our goal of **\$170,000.00**)  
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### OUR LADY OF LOURDES: Mass 9am

**Monday, February 11th**, is the memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes. There will be a mass at 9am to celebrate this memorial.

### OUR LADY OF LOURDES: February 11



The veneration of Mary as Our Lady of Lourdes arose first in popular devotion and later in the Church's liturgy.

In 1858 Mary, the Mother of Jesus, appeared to Bernadette Soubrous in a cave at Massabielle, near Lourdes in France. Just four years earlier, in 1854, the Church had declared the dogma of the Immaculate Conception, so when the 'beautiful woman' of Bernadette's visions identified herself as the Immaculate Conception, there was initial skepticism. Although others accompanied Bernadette to the grotto, no one else could see or hear the visions. It did not take very long for an Episcopal Commission, an official inquiry, to state: "We judge that Mary, the Immaculate Mother of God, did really appear to Bernadette Soubirous on February 11<sup>th</sup>, 1858, and on certain subsequent days, 18 times in all, in the grotto of Misabielle, near the town of Lourdes; that this appearance bears every mark of truth and that the belief of the faithful is well-grounded."

A few years later, this date was added to the list of Marian feasts to honor the mysterious beauty of the Immaculate Conception. (*Living with Christ, February 2019*)

### ENVELOPES FOR 2019 SUNDAY OFFERINGS



Envelopes for 2019 Sunday offerings are at the front of the Church. **PLEASE TAKE ONLY THE BOX WITH YOUR NAME AND NUMBER ON IT.** If you have never used the envelopes and wish to start, please ask for a new box at the Rectory or call (514) 747-4226 during office hours (9 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.) to register. **We request all users to please put your name and address on the first few envelopes for the New Year to ensure proper recording.** Thank you.

### HOLY HOUR



Silent adoration every Tuesday evening, following the 7:00pm mass (from 7:30pm to 8:30pm) Also, Adoration every Friday, following the 9:00am mass (from 9:30am to 10:30am). Come and spend some time with the Lord!

"Our Lord hears our prayers anywhere, but He has revealed to His servants that those who visit Him in the Eucharist will obtain a more abundant measure of grace." -St. Alphonse Ligouri

### THE FOOD BANK "OASIS"



Please remember to bring non-perishable food and leave them in the bins at the doors of the church...Thank you.