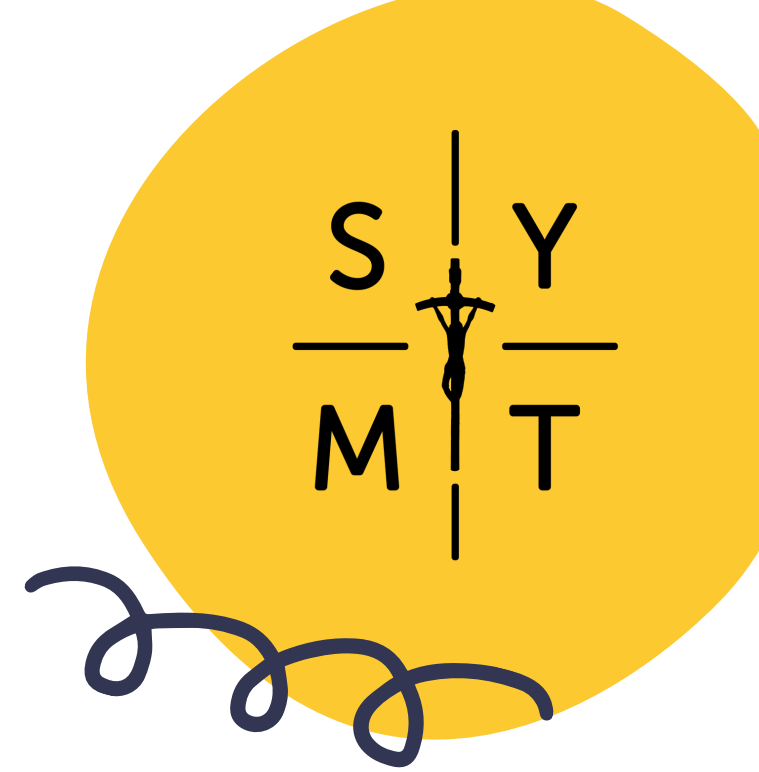




# Shine



**6TH FEBRUARY 2022**

5TH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME

**SCRIPTURE**  
LUKE 5:1-11

One day as Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret, the people were crowding around him and listening to the word of God. He saw at the water's edge two boats, left there by the fishermen, who were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from shore. Then he sat down and taught the people from the boat.

When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we've worked hard all night and haven't caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets." When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them, and they came and filled both boats so full that they began to sink.

When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, "Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!" For he and all his companions were astonished at the catch of fish they had taken, and so were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, Simon's partners.

Then Jesus said to Simon, "Don't be afraid; from now on you will fish for people."

So they pulled their boats up on shore,  
left everything and followed him.

## Reflection

Today the first disciples are called by Jesus, as he begins his public ministry. They aren't the richest or the highest in society but fishermen! Jesus met people where they were and called them to follow him. He calls us today - he knows where we are, not just physically in Church, but personally, he knows our joys, sorrows, fears and achievements.

Jesus calls us today to be his disciples and cast our nets out into the deep, to tell everyone about His Good News and invite them into relationship with Him.

Who will you tell about Jesus this week?

# ACTIVITIES

## Make an Invitation

Draw a big fish on a piece of card and decorate one side of it with bright colours, stickers, paint or whatever you want.

On the back write an invite to a family member or friend inviting them to go to Mass with you – don't forget to tell them where, when and the time!



## Fishing Game

Draw and cut out on paper shapes of fish. Glue a metal paper clip on the back of each one.

Use a wooden dowel or a stick from outside and tie a string to it. Glue a magnet to the bottom of the string.

Use a timer and see how many fish you can catch in a minute!

## Prayer

Jesus, your simple call to those first disciples was to follow you. I ask you to open my ears to hear your call too.

Give me the strength and courage to answer you and follow you each day.

Help me to cast my net out into the deep so that I may invite others to follow you too. Amen

## CHALLENGE

Spend some time with Jesus this week and listen to the ways He wants you to follow Him.

What is He asking you to do?  
Who is He asking you to reach out to and invite to follow Him too?