

29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 17, 2021



Ambition of James and John

MARK 10:35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." He replied, "What do you wish me to do for you?" They answered him, "Grant that in your glory we may sit one at your right and the other at your left." Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Can you drink the cup that I drink or be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" They said to him, "We can." Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink, you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right or at my left is not mine to give but is for those for whom it has been prepared." When the ten heard this, they became indignant at James and John. Jesus summoned them and said to them, "You know that those who are recognized as rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones make their authority over them felt. But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many."



TIPS FOR EXPLORING THE GOSPEL

- Read the upcoming Sunday Gospel a few days before the weekend. Listen to what God is saying to you personally.
- Select part of the Gospel ahead of time and share it with your children. Have them listen for this part during Mass.
- Don't be afraid to let kids ask honest questions. Be honest if you don't know something. Tell your child you will look into it and get back to them.

EXPLORING THE GOSPEL



Either before or after a Sunday meal together, designate one person to read the Gospel. Other family members should listen attentively. Then have each family member share an insight about the Gospel.

Discuss the following questions as a family:

- Do you think it was wrong for James and John to ask Jesus to do whatever they asked? Why or why not?
- In the Bible, a "cup" is a metaphor for what God has in store for someone. What do you think Jesus meant when he told James and John that they will drink the cup that he will drink?



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RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Upside-Down Apple Cake

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples that if they wish to be the first, they must be willing to be the last among others. Try making an upside-down cake, where the top of the cake is put in the pan first, unlike a normal cake where you decorate the top last!

INGREDIENTS:

- 3/4 c. butter, softened
- 1 1/2 c. sugar
- 3 eggs
- 1 t. vanilla
- 1/2 c. milk
- 1 1/2 c. flour
- 1 t. baking powder
- 1/4 t. salt
- 1 T. cinnamon
- 4 apples, peeled and cut into slices

SAUCE:

- 1 c. butter
- 1 c. brown sugar

DIRECTIONS:

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees and grease a 9-inch round cake pan.
2. In a bowl, cream together the butter and sugar. Whisk in the eggs, vanilla and milk until fully mixed.
3. Add the flour, baking powder, salt, and cinnamon. Mix until combined.
4. For the sauce, melt the butter in a saucepan over medium heat, and stir in the brown sugar. Bring to a boil and continue to stir for 30 seconds or until it is fully boiling.
5. Pour the sauce into the greased cake pan. Arrange the apples on top of the sauce in a circular pattern. Pour the cake batter on top of apples and smooth the top of the batter.
6. Bake for 45-55 minutes, or until the cake is done.
7. Cool for 10-15 minutes in the pan and loosen the sides of the cake with a knife. Place a plate upside down on top of the pan, then invert the pan, flipping the cake onto the plate.

Submit your own favorite snack, dessert, or dinner recipe online at www.stmarysbismarck.org/reclaiming-sundays



FAMILY PRAYER

Family Rosary

October is the Month of the Rosary. Pray the rosary as a family, reflecting on the Glorious Mysteries.

The First Glorious Mystery

The Resurrection of Jesus Christ

The Second Glorious Mystery

The Ascension of Jesus into Heaven

The Third Glorious Mystery

The Descent of the Holy Spirit

The Fourth Glorious Mystery

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven

The Fifth Glorious Mystery

The Coronation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Heaven and Earth

FAMILY FUN

Family Game Night



The apostles James and John were competitive and wanted to be considered the greatest of the disciples. Create a spirit of friendly competition by playing some family games. Parents can pick one game and the kids can pick another. Consider an outdoor game, a card game, or a board game. You can even pick up some prizes for winners of the games!

Families are encouraged to share what they are doing to celebrate each Sunday by using the hashtag **#ReclaimingSundays** on social media!