## Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, FATH & HOME Apostles June 29th, 2025

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**First Reading:** Acts 12:1-11

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 **Second Reading:** 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18 **Gospel** Matthew 16:13-19

Full readings can be found here!

## 1. HEAR

Grab your bible and look up the Gospel reading. Don't have one? No worries you can find the Gospel reading by clicking <u>HERE</u>.

(Bishop O'Connell's Gospel Reflection page.)

As an alternative to reading the Gospel, you can watch a short video with the proclamation for adults by clicking <u>HERE</u>. (YouTube, Come Follow Me channel, 1:16 min)

Children can also watch a video proclamation of the Gospel by clicking <u>HERE</u>.

(YouTube, Gospel Readings for Kids channel, 1:53 min)

## 2. PRAY

Gather your family in a comfortable room of your home. Next, ask each person to recall any time when they experienced trouble in their life. Then, ask this question: "Who was Jesus for you at that moment?" Allow some time for silent reflection.

Now, invite them to recall any time when they experienced peace, joy and happiness. Then, ask this question: "Who was Jesus for you at that moment?" Allow some time for silent reflection.

Next, ask the group: "What do you notice about your answers to those two questions?" Allow some time for silent reflection.

Then, invite each person to pray to God and give praise for what the Holy Spirit revealed to them when they reflected on those questions. Like Peter and Paul, we too can acknowledge the work of God in our lives regardless of the situations around us. Each person takes turns to voice their praise to the Lord, and all respond using this verse from the Responsorial Psalm: "Glorify the LORD with me, let us together extol his name."

## 3. TALK

Now that we have acknowledged who Jesus is for us in the different situations we experience, let's remember the question Jesus asks in the Gospel: "Who do you say that I am?" Sit with this question for a moment.



Invite everyone to share with the rest of the family, what impact Jesus has had in their life. Allow for time to voice their answer. (Option: if you have children, invite them to share what image of Jesus is in their hearts.)

Based on your answers to the questions above, how are you invited to bring that image of Jesus to others in your life? Allow time for everyone to share.



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