

Lectio Divina

- **Read and re-read**, out loud and slowly the Gospel
 - **Meditate** on reading as being spoken to you, an experience in your life
 - **Pray** - Thanksgiving - Repentance - Petition
 - **Action** - Attitude (Call to change / to act / to do)
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January 21st 2018 3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year B - Mark 1: 14-20

In this week's gospel we see Jesus laying the foundation for his work of salvation. It was a very humble beginning starting in Galilee which is on the periphery of Palestine just a little fishing village. The very sad arrest of John the Baptist raised great fear and sorrow because of his great work. It was the end of that moment but the beginning of something new. The Spirit of God was at work in Jesus as he called his disciples to follow him. This spirit continues to work in our day if we listen to him.

When have you in your life had the experience of the power of the Holy Spirit inviting you to changes in your life? How did you respond to this call?

Prayer:

Thank you Lord for the Good news of God that the kingdom of heaven is within our reach if we believe that it is possible and place our trust in You.

Forgive us for the times we did not invite the friends of Jesus into our hearts because they were not the kind of company we like to keep, the poor, the marginalised and the rejected in society.

Lord help all preachers of the gospel not to be abstract in their preaching but to proclaim the Good news of God as Jesus did - as new possibilities which are at hand to us all.

