

Sunday Gospel Reflection

21st Sunday Ordinary Time

1. Sign of the Cross

2. Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20 *“But who do you say that I am?”*



Peter's Declaration about Jesus

¹³ Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” ¹⁴ And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” ¹⁵ He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” ¹⁶ Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” ¹⁷ And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. ¹⁸ And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” ²⁰ Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

3. Reflection: (reflect on your own or share together if with others)

1. What are different ways that you see people speak of Jesus in our world today?
2. If someone asked you “who is Jesus?” how would you answer?
3. What does this passage say about the church?

4. Share petitions that you would like to pray for: Finish with the Special Petition.

Special Petition: For Pope Leo, successor of Peter, in his ministry to the church.

5. Lord's Prayer

6. Sign of the Cross.