

16th Sunday Year B



What strikes me in today's Gospel is Jesus' compassion for, firstly, his disciples, wanting to take them to a quiet place after their initiation into mission. How did it go?

Did people accept your message or reject it? How did you feel when that happened?

I was surprised, when I invited Mum to join me on retreat, our last time away together, to Dalmally in Scotland about 4 years ago, that she said she had never been on retreat since she was a girl in school. Do we take the opportunity to have time away with the Lord, to give him the chance to care for the parts others can't reach?

Minsteracres, probably our nearest retreat house, have a bit of a programme getting going (as well as appealing for volunteers to help out); or perhaps you would like to organise your own.

Jesus also has compassion for the crowd, sheep without a shepherd. Are there sheep we have forgotten about, or neglected, or abandoned? Some people have said they have felt the church has abandoned them during the pandemic. Where do we need to be to find the lost sheep?

For 25+ years young people have been gathering at the Youth2000 festival to celebrate their faith, about 22 of those at Our Lady's shrine at Walsingham. Many people camp. From first being asked to attend in 2001, I have never missed; it is so life-giving. Sometimes I have taken young people with me, occasionally gone alone. Last year it did not happen; this year it is on our doorstep at Ampleforth Abbey in North Yorkshire. We hope to get hold of a mini-bus which should go from Durham. You can go for the whole weekend, (Friday to Monday) or book as a day visitor.

Please see details on the next page.....

We are so excited to welcome you back to Youth 2000 with our first in-person event since February 2020: REJOICE. Let's celebrate the August Bank Holiday weekend with faith, fun and friendship!

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WWW.YOUTH2000.ORG/REJOICE

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Come and join Youth 2000 at Ampleforth College from the 27th - 30th August 2021 as we REJOICE in all that the Lord is doing and has done in our lives.

Tickets for REJOICE are limited, so make sure you book early to avoid disappointment. We cannot wait to see you.

If you have any questions please email events@youth2000.org

God Bless,

The Youth 2000 Team

[Book your ticket now!](#)

If you need to look up this week's readings Universalis in English <https://universalis.com/20210718/mass.htm>

or American with reflections <https://onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/071821.html>

Children's Liturgy from Redemptorist Publication. Watch here A Good Shepherd Video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mDzuGZBq488>

Have a blessed week being cared for by our Good Shepherd
Fr Nick