

Saint Mary Youth Ministry
The Gospel of John
March 2011



JOHN 16

Jesus continues preparing the apostles for His departure. Last month, Jesus talked to them about continuing His works.

In chapter 16, Jesus continues to prepare His followers. Jesus gets the point across that people will hate them...but in chapter 16, he challenges them to an even bigger sacrifice...their faith community.

How will they treat you as followers of Jesus

- ◇ They will put you out of the synagogues
- ◇ They will behave this way because they have not heard the Father nor me.

How would you feel if you were not welcome to come into St. Mary and all of the parishioners turned their backs on you? (Be careful how you answer ...God is listening :)

Jesus tells them He is leaving...

- ◇ Now I am going to Him who sent me.
- ◇ Sorrow, chaos fills your minds
- ◇ It is to your advantage that I am going
- ◇ If I did not go...the Advocate would not come

I have many things to say to you but you can not hear them now when the Spirit of Truth comes—He will guide you

Jesus said...do you believe in me...the hour has come

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qdbPynNI9Xo>
What Life Would be Like (Big Daddy Weave)

JOHN 17

Now is the time for Jesus to have time with His Father... to give a “report” of how things have been going. Jesus feels like His followers are prepared for His departure...but realizes that they still don't fully understand. He's protective of His followers.

- ◇ Father, the hour has come, glorify the Son, so that the Son may glorify you.
- ◇ This is eternal life...that they may know you and that you may know them.
- ◇ All mine are yours
- ◇ Holy Father protect them, so that they may be one as we are one.

John 17:26

I made known to them your name and I will make it known, that the love with which you loved me may be in them and I in them.

During Lent, when you're a little kid you thought about what you might give up during the season. You're not a little kid anymore. Jesus pours out His heart to God sharing all that He has done to teach the people about the love of the Father.

This is a challenge to you as teens: What are you going to do during Lent to show that you are a follower of Jesus Christ? How are you going to actually live out your faith differently over the next couple of months? If you don't attend Mass regularly...maybe you can start. If you already attend Mass ...maybe you can bring a Catholic friend with you or start paying attention more to the Word of God than dreaming about that person you really like. Maybe you can do some extra Actions to help others. Write down some ideas.

ROOTED IN THE GOSPEL

The May *Rooted in the Gospel/Scripture Challenge* is going to have a *Minute to Win It* theme. Youth should have a good understanding of the vocabulary from the *Rooted in the Gospel* booklets. They should also take some time during Lent to go thru previous lessons to brush up on John's Gospel.

ACTIONS

Catholic Relief Services: Faith group Lent project

Faith Formation: Aides/subs needed. Contact Sabrina with your cell and email.
(868-3334 or sabrinae@centurytel.net)

Pastoral Care: *Camillus*. March 12/13 after Masses;
Gathering Place bags.

Liturgy & Worship: Weekend Masses

Stations of the Cross March 14 & 28 @ 6:30 p.m. (Also April 4 & 11)

Holy Hour March 21 @ 6:30 p.m.