

- Opening video reflection: You tube..... "A Simple Prayer"
- Gospel 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time January 17, 2021

<u>Jn 1:35-42</u>

John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" — which translated means Teacher —, "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come, and you will see." So they went and saw where Jesus was staying, and they stayed with him that day. It was about four in the afternoon. Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, was one of the two who heard John and followed Jesus. He first found his own brother Simon and told him, "We have found the Messiah" — which is translated Christ —. Then he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon the son of John; you will be called Cephas" — which is translated Peter.

• Thoughts on Sr Adrienne Roy's Christmas message to us.....

(I apologize for writing in French, thank you for your understanding)

Dear Lucille Pleau and you all my sisters, especially those at Marie Esther, and to all or Associates:

I share your sorrow entirely, I also share, your concern and sadness to be so isolated in this time of pandemic. Your situation has been very worrying for a long time and I feel very helpless. I often think of you, Evelyn with whom I lived for 5 years and now Estelle Grenier who are sick with Covid. I assure you all of my prayers and that of the Sisters of Trois-Rivières. I listen every night to the situation of Covid patients in the USA and I am always speechless to see the great contagion of the virus, every day. I entrust you each to our healing and tender God. It is in this chaos, often, this situation that seems to us to be deadlocked that Hope is making its way and that gradually the Light is slowly coming. I congratulate you on your resilience and your compassionate faith.

May this coming year open good passages of comfort and peace. I kiss you affectionately, Adrienne

• Silence followed by sharing our faith with the following question:

"When have I experienced HOPE making its way into my life when feeling lost in darkness and doubt?"

• Closing Prayer/Song: Martina McBride's "Anyway"