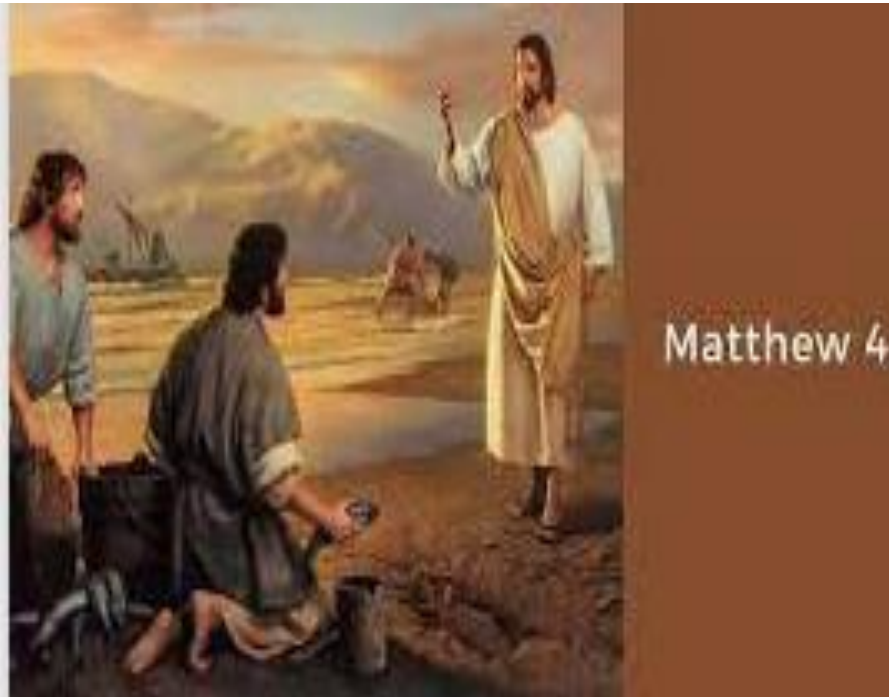


# St Bede's Catholic School

Weekly Theme

Theme - Vocation

24<sup>th</sup> April - 28<sup>th</sup> April 2023



The liturgical  
colour is **WHITE**

We are in the  
**Easter Season**

## Morning Prayer

God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, and consecrated persons.

Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to your call.

Amen

In 1964, Pope Paul VI, launched the Vocations Sunday, which is now celebrated on the fourth Sunday of Easter. This is also known as Good Shepherd Sunday. This year it is on the 30<sup>th</sup> April. This date marks the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

# VOCATION

[Discernment | National Office for Vocation  
England & Wales \(ukvocation.org\)](http://www.ukvocation.org)

*Each of us will someday choose a career or job that we hope will bring us happiness. But, how do we choose what we will do and how do we know whether it will make us happy. Think for a moment of someone you know, someone you respect, someone you really admire. Who is that person and why do you respect and admire them? I'll bet they serve other people in some way, and use the talents God gave them to help others.*

*Would you ever consider using your talents to help others?*

# Vocations

The word vocation simple means a calling to do a job that suits the person best. It is also the desire to do a particular job especially a religious career like being a priest.

For religious people, a vocation is often something they feel God has asked them to do.

In Matthew 4: 16-22, we find the very first call (vocation) to Christian life. This was The Call of the Disciples.

As Jesus was walking along the shore of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake, for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fishers of men." At once, they left their nets and followed him. Jesus went a little farther on and saw James and John, the sons of Zebedee; they were in their boats mending their nets. Immediately, Jesus called them and they followed him, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men.

Matthew 4: 16-22

Discussion point: Jesus calls the disciples and at this point dedicates his life to serving and teaching them.

Why do you think it was necessary for Jesus to personally teach the disciples during his life on earth?

Discuss