

Connections

3rd Sunday of Lent, Cycle C

Before looking at the questions below, take some time to read the readings found in

A Catechumen's Lectionary, page 77

First Reading

Book of Exodus, Chapter 3, Verses 1-8, 13-15

1. Did God call Moses for Moses' sake or for the Israelite people? Does God call each of us for the same reason(s)? "Does I Am Who Am" intervene in our history as he did in the Israelites'? Name some incidents that you think are/were God's interventions.
2. Is God calling all of us all the time, either to conversion or to action? God told Moses he was standing on holy ground. What made it holy? What is holy ground for you?

Second Reading

First Letter of St. Paul to the 1 Corinthians,
Chapter 10, Verses 1-6, 10-12

1. Do you have to work at keeping a friendship alive and healthy? Does your answer have any implications about your relationship with God?
2. Are there opportunities for deeper conversion (turning more toward God) and productivity you could take advantage of? Are there some for your parish too?

Gospel

According to Luke, Chapter 13, Verses 1-9

1. In the book *Diary of a Country Priest* George Bernanos said, "Grace is everywhere." Do you always cooperate with it? Could you cooperate to a greater degree? How?
2. Do you give people another chance after they make a mistake? Does God use people as "gardeners" to help cultivate and fertilize with grace? Does God use you? Has God used others to help you bear fruit?