

JANUARY 25, 2015

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



JONAH 3:1–5, 10

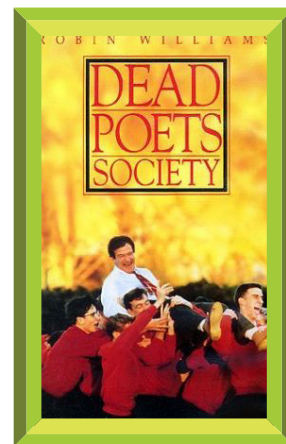
PSALM 25:4–5, 6–7, 8–9

1 CORINTHIANS 7:29–31

MARK 1:14–20

REFLECTION

You only live once. YOLO! It's a sentiment that can be used as an excuse to make risky choices or as a reason to live life to the fullest. A similar idea, *Carpe Diem!*, was popular a few years ago. It means "seize the day." Now is the time. In the day-to-day grind of life and the routine of busy-busy it can be easy to become complacent, to feel like things will always go on as they have. This week's Gospel is the call of the first disciples—Mark's version. Last week we heard John's take on the same event. Jesus's message is clear, don't wait around! The Kingdom of God is at hand, it's happening, and we need to take part in it! Jesus calls the disciples away from an ordinary life and promises to make them "fishers of men" (Mark 1:15). Have you ever met someone like that, someone who inspired you so much you wish you could drop everything and follow them? Someone you knew was about to change the world and you wanted to be a part of it?



DEAD POETS SOCIETY [1989]

A classic film with Robin Williams about *seizing the day*.

ACTION

Seize the day! Do something today that you've been putting off or something you've been afraid to do.

JOURNALING QUESTIONS

- Watch this video of the song "Brave," by Sara Bareilles, then write a response: www.youtube.com/watch?v=QUQsqBqxoR4.
- If Jesus stopped by and asked you to follow him what would you say?