

# Wednesday 6th in Ordinary Time

**Gospel text (Mk 8,22-26):** When Jesus and his disciples came to Bethsaida, Jesus was asked to touch a blind man who was brought to him (...). When he had put spittle on his eyes and laid his hands upon him, he asked, «Can you see any-thing?». The man, who was beginning to see, replied, «I see people! They look like trees, but they move around». Then Jesus laid his hands on his eyes again and the man could see perfectly. His sight was restored and he could see everything clearly (...).

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*The cure of the blind man in Bethsaida: symbol of the path of our faith*

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Today, already on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus, performs a sign of great symbolic meaning: the progressive recuperation of the sight represents the path of our blindness cure followed by Peter and the others —and by us too!— until arriving to the absolute confession of Jesus as “Son of God”.

After the time of the great preaching in Galilee, this is a decisive moment for Jesus: the way to the cross as well as the invitation to follow him carrying “his cross” clearly distinguishes his disciples from those who hear but don’t follow him. This clearly transforms the disciples into the initial nucleus of Jesus new family: the future Church.

—One of the features of this community is that we are “on the way” with Jesus. And another feature is that our decision to accompany Jesus is based in seeing “clearly everything”, in “knowing” Jesus, the Son of God, who at the same time gratifies us with a new and deeper knowledge of the only true God.