

*Lectio Divina*  
*February 13, 2021*  
*6th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*Greeting and Opening Prayer*

**Part I**

- 1) Hear the text read.
- 2) Recall the text by saying a word or short phrase that touched your heart. Listen to what others say. If someone says your word, simply repeat it again.

**Part II:** Commentary by Mary Ann Hinsdale, IHM

**Part III:** Hear/See the text again with 5 mins silence

**Part IV: Reflection and Sharing in Small Groups**

- ◇ Share your reflections on what is happening in the text and what it means today.
- ◇ What do you observe?
- ◇ Is there anything that leaves you perplexed/confused?
- ◇ What does this text mean to you?
- ◇ What has praying with this text called forth from you personally?
- ◇ What needs to change in you having read this text?
- ◇ What difference will this text make in your life?

**Part V: Give Thanks**

Offer petitionary prayers to God.

*Closing Prayer*

*Mark 1:40-45 New Revised Standard Version*

*Jesus Cleanses a Leper*

A leper[a] came to him begging him, and kneeling[b] he said to him, “If you choose, you can make me clean.” Moved with pity,[c] Jesus[d] stretched out his hand and touched him, and said to him, “I do choose. Be made clean!” Immediately the leprosy[e] left him, and he was made clean. After sternly warning him he sent him away at once, saying to him, “See that you say nothing to anyone; but go, show yourself to the priest, and offer for your cleansing what Moses commanded, as a testimony to them.” But he went out and began to proclaim it freely, and to spread the word, so that Jesus[f] could no longer go into a town openly, but stayed out in the country; and people came to him from every quarter.

Footnotes

- a. Mark 1:40 The terms leper and leprosy can refer to several diseases
- b. Mark 1:40 Other ancient authorities lack kneeling
- c. Mark 1:41 Other ancient authorities read anger
- d. Mark 1:41 Gk he
- e. Mark 1:42 The terms leper and leprosy can refer to several diseases
- f. Mark 1:45 Gk he

