## Thoughts on the Daily Word

22<sup>nd</sup> Week of the Year. *Thursday* 5<sup>th</sup> September. *Readings:* 1 Corinthians 3:18-23; Psalm: 23; Gospel: Luke 5:1-11.

Paul says that you first need to know that you are a fool before you progress. In the Gospel Simon has to recognise his sinfulness before he is ready to follow Jesus. Basically, we need to recognise our weakness before we can move forward. Neither our sinfulness nor weakness ever leaves us. They always remain a foundation on which we build a new relationship in Christ. When we don't do this is when factions and pride steps in and divisions occur, as Paul points out. A necessary lesson.