

Thinking about fish

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Did you know you can spell fish ghoti (gh as in enough, o as in women, ti as in station).

You can look for fish in St James church windows. They are , there; three in a circle , as a symbol of the Holy Trinity; they are also in the nets of the fishermen and the basket of the boy who offers his lunch, and I am sure they are dotted around elsewhere.

The early Christians used to identify themselves by the sign of a fish. In Greek the letters of ichthus spell out Jesus Christ, God's Son, Saviour.

Today people may wear the fish symbol or it may be on their cars.

I find it an encouragement to see these signs of Christian life. What other signs or symbols of Christianity do you recognise?

Bible verse:

...As it is, you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world...- John 15:19

Bible Passage:

Praise the LORD, my soul.

² I will praise the LORD all my life;
I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.

³ Do not put your trust in princes,
in human beings, who cannot save.

⁵ Blessed are those whose help is the God of Jacob,
whose hope is in the LORD their God. - Psalm 146:1-3 and 5

Song: I have decided to follow Jesus – you can listen to it here -
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=54VrgIT2NLA>

I have decided to follow Jesus;
I have decided to follow Jesus;

I have decided to follow Jesus;
No turning back, no turning back.

The world behind me, the cross before me,
The world behind me, the cross before me;
The world behind me, the cross before me;
No turning back, no turning back.

Tho' none go with me, I still will follow,
Tho' none go with me I still will follow,
Tho' none go with me, I still will follow;
No turning back, no turning back.

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