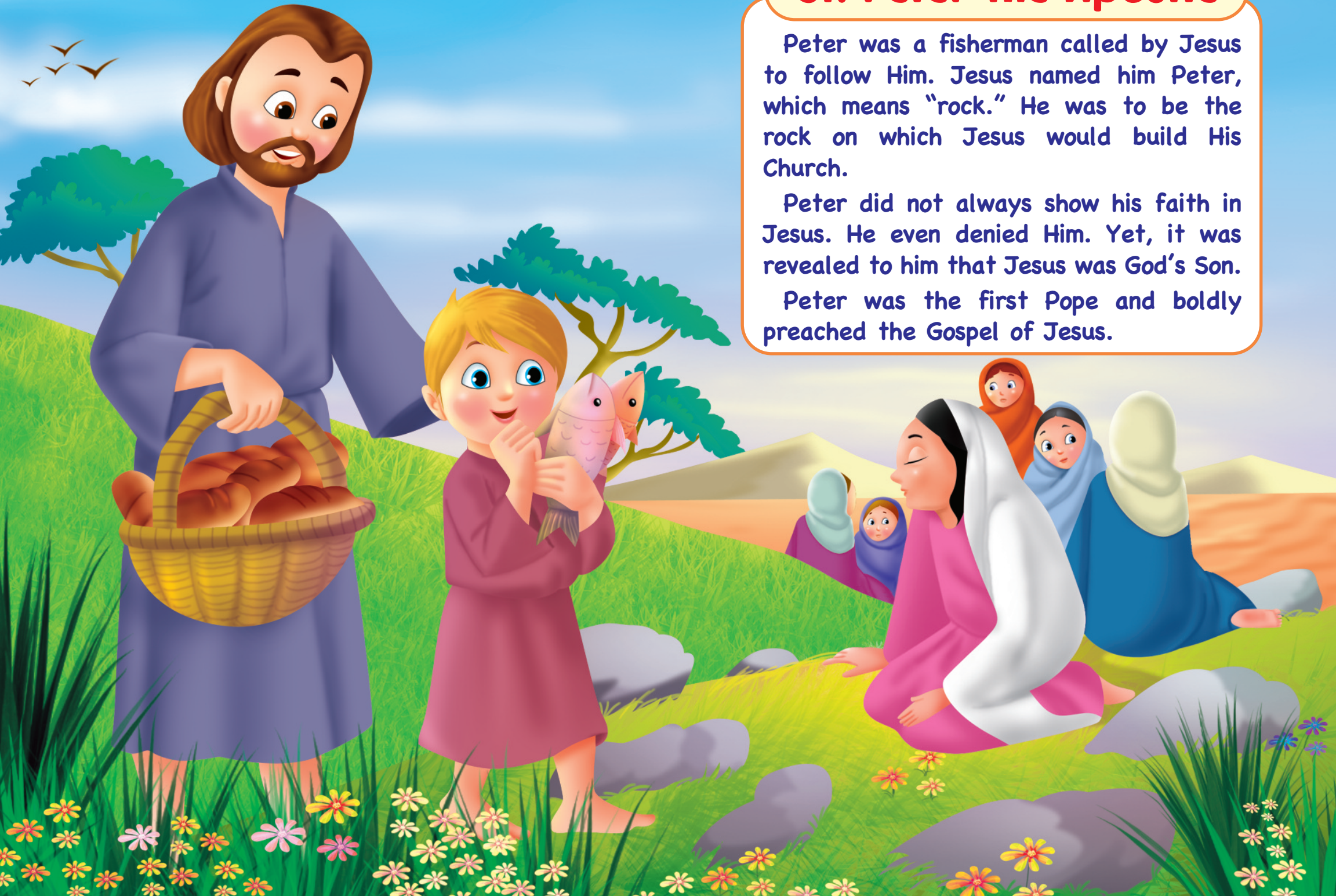


## St. Peter the Apostle

Peter was a fisherman called by Jesus to follow Him. Jesus named him Peter, which means "rock." He was to be the rock on which Jesus would build His Church.

Peter did not always show his faith in Jesus. He even denied Him. Yet, it was revealed to him that Jesus was God's Son.

Peter was the first Pope and boldly preached the Gospel of Jesus.





## St. Bernadette of Lourdes

Born in Lourdes, France, Bernadette first saw the Blessed Mother when she was fourteen. Appearing in a cave, Our Lady was dressed in blue and white and asked Bernadette to pray the Rosary with her.

Mary appeared to her eighteen times. Once, a spring began to flow from the cave. It had healing powers.

Our Lady knew that Bernadette would suffer on earth, but she promised her happiness in heaven.







## St. Martin de Porres

Martin grew up with a deep love for the poor and all creatures.

At age fifteen, he became a Dominican brother and joyfully performed the lowliest of tasks. Martin cared for the sick and spoke to anyone who needed encouraging, comforting words.

His love for all God's creatures and his gift of healing led him to run an animal hospital, even though much other work filled his time.



## St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Elizabeth is known as the first American-born Saint. At nineteen, she married William Seton. The couple raised five children.

Elizabeth was widowed at a young age and became a Catholic not long after William's death.

Always concerned about the education of children, she opened the first Catholic school in America. Elizabeth later founded the Sisters of Charity, which was the first American teaching Order of nuns.

