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2 Ordinary Sunday

FAITH SHARING

The main theme of today's Scripture readings is Divine vocation – that everyone is called by God to be a witness for Christ by doing something for others with his or her life, using his or her unique gifts and blessings.

1 SM 3:3B-10, 19

The first reading describes how Yahweh called Samuel to His service and how the boy Samuel responded to Him, saying, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening." Hence, God blessed him in the mission entrusted to him, and Samuel became an illustrious figure, ranking with Moses and David as a man of God.

Responsorial Psalm R. Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

1 COR 6:13C-15A, 17-20

In the second reading, St. Paul explains to the Corinthians that their Divine call is a call to holiness. Hence, they need to keep their bodies pure and souls holy, because by Baptism they have become parts of Christ's Body and the temples of the Holy Spirit.

JN 1:35-42

In the Gospel, the disciples followed Jesus to his residence, accepting his invitation to "come and see." They stayed with him that day. Then Andrew brought his brother Simon to Jesus, presenting him to Jesus as the Messiah. Thus, today's Gospel also describes the call or vocation of the first apostles and challenges us to invite others to Christ by our Christian witnessing.

ENTRANCE HYMN (Isaiah 43:1b, 4a; Jeremiah 15:16)

V. Thus says the Lord: Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are Mine. Because you are precious in My eyes and glorious, and because I love you.

R. When I found Your words, I devoured them; they became my joy and the happiness of my heart, because I bore Your name, O Lord, God of hosts.

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

JN 1:35-42

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint John.

John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God."

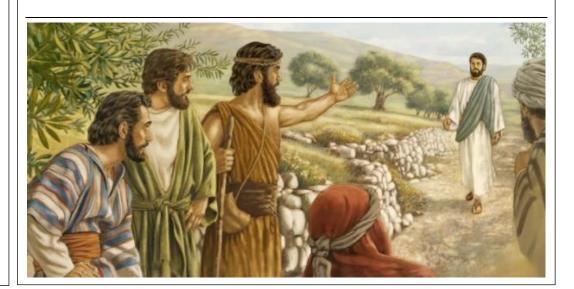
The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" — which translated means Teacher — "where are you staying?"

He said to them, "Come, and you will see." So they went and saw where Jesus was staying, and they stayed with him that day.

It was about four in the afternoon. Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, was one of the two who heard John and followed Jesus. He first found his own brother Simon and told him, "We have found the Messiah" — which is translated Christ — Then he brought him to Jesus.

Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon the son of John; you will be called Cephas" — which is translated Peter.

The Gospel of the Lord.



Today's Hymns

Processional Hymn #1 Hymn of Faith

Hymn to the Holy Spirit #144 Come, Thou Creator

Offertory Hymn #178 Jesus Bless Your Faithful People

Communion Hymn #110 Cross of Compassion

Recessional Hymn #225 Abide With Me

WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday, January 17 2 Ordinary Sunday 12:00 Noon – Holy Mass * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *

Wednesday, January 24
3 Ordinary Sunday
12:00 Noon – Holy Mass

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BULLETIN INFORMATION

If you have any information which supposed to be in our parish bulletin, please call or email Fr. Mariusz. Due date for each bulletin is always Friday, 4:00 p.m.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Let us pray for all of the sick and homebound members of our Parish, especially: Howard Friedman, Bernice Muha, Janet Caruso, Michael and Patricia Havrilla, Gerry Brunson, Frank and Shellie Fisher, Gregg Smith, Clint Koch, Duane Schulte, Bill and Bernice Biroscak, Stephanie Besterci, David Potts, Andrew Chernesky, Joan Piechota, John Smith, Ernie Hoffman, John and Jane Aldershoff, Peggy Harris, Ina Reese, Bob Stutz, Tom Goff, David Gavenda, Michelle Freer, Kay Stampone, Dorothy Nabinger, John Russell, Ronald Brower, Jan Cherneski, Sally Bisch, Stan Sub, Ruth Mechowski, Ewelina Mendelewski-Filyushchenko, Richard Golazewski, Joseph Seliga, Fr. Donald Wunderlich, Walter Papp.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Most loving Jesus, I adore You in the Most Blessed Sacrament, in Which You are truly present. I love You above all things and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot receive You sacramentally, I ask You to come spiritually into my heart and heal my soul. I embrace You and unite myself with You; may I never be separated from You. Inflame my heart with the fire of Your love, my Lord and Savior.

NOVENA TO ST. PAUL THE FIRST HERMIT IN THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF CZESTOCHOWA IN DOYLESTOWN

On January 15th the Pauline Fathers and Brothers USA in Doylestown, PA have celebrated a solemn Mass in honor of St. Paul the First Hermit with the renewal of the religious vows. Novena to St. Paul the First Hermit, patron saint of the Pauline Fathers & Brothers takes place this year from January 8th to January 17th.

Their presence and their hard work and service for the Polish people in America, especially in Philadelphia area is priceless. Thanking them please pray for all Pauline Fathers and Brothers, and to also pray for vocations to this community.

FOOD BOXES COMING BACK SOON

St. Valentine's has been again qualified by the City of Philadelphia as an authorized Food Bank for Philadelphians. Farmers for Families – the COVID related help program, run by the Share Food Program will start soon deliveries of combine boxes of fruit, vegies, meat and dairy products which will be distributed at St. Valentine's every Wednesday up to the end of April.

Volunteers are wanted for helping in unloading the truck, packing, distributing and cleaning but also for helping to deliver those boxes to the homebound seniors on Wednesday evening. Preferred Polish speaking, but not obligatory.

