Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

Come and see... They went and stayed with Him...

First Reading: 1Samuel 3:3-10,19 Speak, O Lord your servant is listening.

Psalm 39:2,4,7-10 Here I Lord: I come to do your will.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 6:13-15,17-20 Your bodies are members of the body of Christ

Alleluia Verse: Alleluia, alleluia. We have found the Messiah: Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace. Alleluia!

Gospel: John 1:35-42 They saw where Jesus lived and they stayed with him

Com. Verse: You have prepared a table before me, and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst.

Prayers of the Faithful

Celebrant: Today we have heard stories about the different ways we are called to follow the Father. We bring these petitions to the same One who hears the cries of the faithful ones.

Leader: We pray for our Pope and the Church. (pause)

All: May we continue to discern the best way to bring the light and love of the Gospel in every situation.

Celebrant: We pray to the Lord

All: Lord hear our prayer

Leader: We pray for the people of our world. (pause)

All: May we be able to do our part in bringing about justice rooted in harmony and peace.

Celebrant: We pray to the Lord

All: Lord hear our prayer

Leader: We pray for all consecrated men and women in Religious life. (pause)

All: May they WAKE UP THE WORLD with their commitment, fidelity and joy in sharing the Gospel of Jesus.

Celebrant: We pray to the Lord

All: Lord hear our prayer

Leader: We pray for all the faithful, that like Andrew in today's Gospel (pause)

All: May we be more courageous in inviting others to meet and follow Jesus.

Celebrant: We pray to the Lord

All: Lord hear our prayer

Celebrant: Faithful Father, hear the prayers of those gathered here, who like Samuel, have heard you call. Take our prayers and make them perfect in you. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

OUR POPE SAYS: Pope Francis

Today too, Jesus lives and walks along the paths of ordinary life in order to draw near to everyone, beginning with the least, and to heal us of our infirmities and illnesses. I turn now to those who are well disposed to listen to the voice of Christ that rings out in the Church and to understand what their own vocation is. I invite you to listen to and follow Jesus, and to allow yourselves to be transformed interiorly by his words, which “are spirit and life” (Jn 6:62). Mary, the Mother of Jesus and ours, also says to us: “Do whatever he tells you” (Jn

Please Pray For the sick: Les and Clare Fern, Margaret Schubert, Joe & Rosemary Valle, Ardea Tramontin, Br James Maher MSC; Josephine Di Lembo; Margaret Morrissey, Margaret McDonald, Margaret Heagney (Catherine Phillip's mother) Loretta Grimster, Nancy Supple (Anne Davey’s mother)

For the dead: Father Leon DeSouza RIP
ers: feeding hungry bodies, clothing naked bodies, healing sick bodies, burying dead bodies—these are the ‘corporal works of mercy’? This is how we show God’s compassion.

The Gospel is meant to be seen as an invitation to us today as much as it was to the disciples sent by John to follow Jesus “Come and see”. Are we ready to listen to Jesus? Can we hear him speak to us personally and as communities? We have to listen to him rejecting violence of any kind. Listening to Jesus [others, prayer, Scripture] will bring about dramatic change from within and we can become agents of change in our world. A wise person once said “Don’t curse the darkness. Light a light!” Perhaps we need only ask, as the opening prayer suggests: ‘Show us the way to peace.’

PARISH NOTICES AND COMING EVENTS

Collections: 1st Collection: $ 912.80
2nd Collection: $1061.55 Direct Debit: $1179.00
St Vincent de Paul: If you would like to volunteer with, or join, the St Vincent de Paul Society or need the Society’s help please call the Society on 8948 8100.

JANUARY CALENDAR

Sunday 18th: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday 26th Australia Day Mass at 8am
First meeting for parents and children for Reconciliation:
Thursday 5th or 12th February at 6pm

Dates for the Sacramental program 2015:
Reconciliation: Thursday 26th March at 6pm
First Communion: Saturday 13th June at 6pm
Confirmation: Saturday 19th September