

God calls us in so many ways. But how can we know that we are called by God?

This Sunday's first reading speaks of God's call to Samuel. He was unaware of this calling and he just thought that it was only his father calling him for three times. The last time the LORD came and revealed his presence, calling out as before, "Samuel, Samuel!" Samuel answered, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening." (1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19). Yes, we can hear his call from the innermost of our heart and mind. He also speaks in silence. And He is telling us something through the dictates of our conscience.

Today's Responsorial Psalm continually invites us to respond to God's call: here am I, Lord; I come to do your will! It is indeed a psalm of readiness and promptness to follow the will of God. There is a beautiful song composed by Fr. Cielo Almazan, OFM that may encapsulate our desire to follow and serve him in our own little way. The song goes this way:

Lord, here I am to answer your call,
Lord, here I am to serve and love you
I have left everything just to follow you
Here is my heart, here is my mind,
Here is my soul, here is my whole self,
I am for you and you alone.

We may not serve him in a consecrated life but can still say "yes" to his call by following and serving him in the different ministries offered in our parish. Following God's call is also our act of glorifying him and sanctifying our bodies as in the second reading is telling us, "Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, Therefore glorify God in your body (1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20)

In our journey of following and serving Christ, it is important that there is someone who could accompany to our encounter with Christ. Like Eli, he guided his son Samuel how to respond to God's call. John in Gospel did the same, he introduced his two disciples to Jesus and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. (Jn 1:35-42).

Our daily or weekly attendance in our liturgical celebrations already speaks of our initial steps in following Jesus. If He asks "What are you looking for?" What would be your answer? Do you also want to know "where is he staying?" I tell you, by coming here in our Church you already know that Jesus is here present whole day and night. He never sleeps waiting for us. Always "Come, and you will see." He is present in the Holy Eucharist and our Church is his dwelling place.

In our encounter with Jesus, we will discover many things that could change our way of life. Like Andrew to his brother Simon, let us also lead our brothers and sisters, our sons and daughters to this encounter with Jesus and said, "We have found the Messiah," Bring them here to Jesus. Let this encounter with Jesus change their lives. Like what Jesus did to Peter as he looked at him and said, "You are Simon the son of John; you will be called Cephas," which is Peter. From then on, he became great follower of Jesus and became the prince of the Apostles.

As we continue with the Mass, let us pray that as we continue to encounter Jesus in the Eucharist we may also be renewed with the grace of God and be more responsive in following and serving him in our lives.

Fr. Antonio Rex M. Palaya

January 14, 2024

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

+Deceased

Saturday, 4:00 PM, Rosiere, Jan 13th, Mass

+ Deceased members of the Vlies family

Saturday, 5:30 PM, Brussels, Jan 13th Mass

Sunday, 8:30 AM, Brussels, Jan 14th, Mass

Sunday, 10:15 AM, Lincoln, Jan 14th, Mass

+ Raymond & Verna LeFevre, + Kevin LeFevre,

+ Kenny LeFevre

Sunday, 2:00 PM, St Mary Church, Luxemburg, Jan 14th, Confirmation

Tuesday, 8:00 AM, Brussels, Jan 16th, Mass

Wednesday, 8:00AM, Brussels, Jan 17th, Mass

Thursday, 8:00AM, Lincoln, Jan 18th, Mass

+ Mel & Arlene Beaurain

Friday, 8:00 AM, Rosiere, Jan 19th, Mass

+ For the People

Saturday, 4:00 PM, Rosiere, Jan 20th, Mass

+ For the People

Saturday, 5:30 PM, Brussels, Jan 20th, Mass

Sunday, 8:30 AM, Brussels, Jan 21st, Mass

Sunday, 10:15 AM, Lincoln, Jan 21st, Mass

+ Andy Barta

Tuesday, 8:00AM, Brussels, Jan 23rd, Mass

Wednes, 8:00AM, Brussels, Jan 24th, Mass

Thursday, 8:00AM, Lincoln, Jan 25th, Mass

+ Mark Kinnard

Friday, 8:00 AM, Rosiere, Jan 26th, Mass

+ Deceased members of the William Naze family



Sanctuary Light

Jan 14-20: In mem of Mel & Arlene Beaurain

Jan 21-27: In mem of Francis & Lorraine Charles

Sacrificial Offerings

Dec 28-Jan 2, 2023: \$1,016.00



St. Peter & St. Hubert Scrip

Jan 1-7: \$2365.00

Gross profit: \$138.20

FYTD profit: \$3208.74

For scrip information, call Sue Havel at 920-493-2789 or email at Havel27sm@gmail.com.

Liturgical Ministers:

January 13th, 4:00pm Rosiere

Lector: Char Everard

Communion Distr: Wendy Vlies, Chris Vincent

Servers: Dylan & Gretchen Barta

January 14th, 10:15 am Lincoln

Lector: Amanda Barta

Communion Distr: Dcn. Ray, Jake Barta

Servers: Sawyer & Danny Ducat

January 20th, 4:00pm Rosiere

Lector: Sue Havel

Communion Distr: Matt Thayse, Volunteer

Servers: Dylan & Gretchen Barta

January 21st, 10:15 am Lincoln

Lector: Tammy Barta

Communion Distr: Tammy & Jerry Barta

Servers: Vivian & Dominic Barta

Parish News

Building and Grounds: We are in need of a volunteer to help run point and troubleshoot when problems arise with the buildings. Please contact the Parish Office if interested.

Father Rex's Shepherd Hours in Rosiere: on Thursday & Fridays from 9:30am-noon except the fourth Thursday & Friday of each month.

Religious Education: Classes on Jan 17, 24, 31. There will be Protecting God's Children lessons on January 17 & 24. Jan 17 during class for grades K-2 & 6-8. Jan 24 during class for grades 3-5 & 9-11. Deacon Ray will be facilitating the lessons.

Confirmation: Our Youth will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday, Jan 14 at 2 pm at St Mary Church in Luxemburg. Please keep them in your prayers!

Cole Anderson	Gaige Geisel	Noah Moll
Caleigh Blasier	Payton Gilbertson	Cash Nellis
Jacob Blasier	Jake Jandrin	Cody Penovich
Alex Buhr	Will Jandrin	Tyler Plzak
Sophia Counard	Isaac Jerabek	Mitchell Srnka
Braden Delveaux	Mason LeFevre	Hailey Veaser
Madison Fenedael	Brady Massey	James Zittlow

Prayer Requests for those in need: The Worship & Spiritual Life Committee welcomes prayer requests. Please contact Julie in the parish office with any prayer requests for those in need.

Did you forget about FORMED?: All parishioners have access to an online Catholic resource platform called Formed. From movies about the saints to bible studies to e-books and more, it's your ticket to learning more about what we believe as Catholics and how to

become a better disciple of Jesus. You can view Formed on the web or download their app.

To register, follow these steps:

1. Go to formed.org
2. Click sign up
3. Choose option three – I belong to a Parish or Organization
4. Create a New Account and type in Four Saints Religious Education – with the church address
5. Follow the prompts
6. Start using the program!

Poinsettia: If you purchased a poinsettia flower(s) for Christmas – you may take the poinsettia(s) home.

Script: Also, thank you for using scrip gift cards for some of your Christmas gift giving but don't forget you can also use gift cards for your own everyday expenses.

Area News

Soup Social: Holy Name of Mary, Maplewood, on Saturday, Jan 27 Mass at 4 pm, 4pm-7pm Enjoy choice of 5 different home-made soups. Meal includes soup, bread, beverage, dessert & 2 tickets in the bucket raffle. Adult \$10; Child 5 & under \$5; Quart to go \$10. Proceeds to benefit Religious Education.

WinterFest: St. Thomas the Apostle Parish-Humboldt, Saturday, Jan 27 at Eddie Whipp's Dining Hall, 5073 WI-29, Poland. Doors open 3 pm; Chicken Dinner 5:30 pm; Dinner Tickets \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door; Dinner Tickets available at St. Thomas the Apostle-Humboldt; 845-5180 or 863-6113; Live Auction 6 pm; Raffle Drawing 8 pm.

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**Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
8am – 11am & 11:30am – 4 pm**

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Gospel Readings for Week of January 14th

Monday, Jan 15: Mark 2: 18-22

Tuesday, Jan 16: Mark 2: 23-28

Wednesday, Jan 17: Mark 3: 1-6 (St. Anthony, Abbot)

Thursday, Jan 18: Mark 3: 7-12

Friday, Jan 19: Mark 3: 13-19

Saturday, Jan 20: Mark 3: 20-21 (St. Fabian, Pope & Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr)