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2nd Ordinary Sunday



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OPENING HYMN

Go Make of All Disciples (verses 1 & 4) – Ritual Song # 798

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

C. 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.

C. 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.

READING 1

1 SM 3:3B-10, 19

A reading from the First Book of Samuel.

Samuel was sleeping in the temple of the LORD where the ark of God was. The LORD called to Samuel, who answered, "Here I am." Samuel ran to Eli and said, "Here I am. You called me." "I did not call you," Eli said. "Go back to sleep."

So he went back to sleep. Again the LORD called Samuel, who rose and went to Eli. "Here I am," he said. "You called me."

But Eli answered, "I did not call you, my son. Go back to sleep."

At that time Samuel was not familiar with the LORD, because the LORD had not revealed anything to him as yet.

The LORD called Samuel again, for the third time. Getting up and going to Eli, he said, "Here I am. You called me." Then Eli understood that the LORD was calling the youth. So he said to Samuel, "Go to sleep, and if you are called, reply, Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening."

When Samuel went to sleep in his place, the LORD came and revealed his presence, calling out as before, "Samuel, Samuel!" Samuel answered, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

Samuel grew up, and the LORD was with him, not permitting any word of his to be without effect.

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PS 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10

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

I have waited, waited for the LORD,
and he stooped toward me and heard my cry.

And he put a new song into my mouth,
a hymn to our God.

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

Sacrifice or offering you wished not,
but ears open to obedience you gave me.
Holocausts or sin-offerings you sought not;
then said I, "Behold I come."

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

"In the written scroll it is prescribed for me,
to do your will, O my God, is my delight,
and your law is within my heart!"

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

I announced your justice in the vast assembly;
I did not restrain my lips, as you, O LORD, know.

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

READING 2

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

A reading from the First Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians.

Brothers and sisters: The body is not for immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord is for the body; God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? But whoever is joined to the Lord becomes one Spirit with him. Avoid immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the immoral person sins against his own body. Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you have been purchased at a price. Therefore glorify God in your body. The Word of the Lord.

ALLELUIA

JN 1:41, 17B

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

GOSPEL

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.

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS AND RELATIVES

Hudson Tutko, Athena Becker, Stephen Pociask, Marian Sleczkowski, Al & Betty Ann Perhas, Ed Babish, Barbara Cook, Paul Koper, Ted Flora, Dave Guillot, Emily Guy, Marcy Raiford, Johanna Pardoe, Antoinette Drake, Marianna Pełka, Bronisław Korus, Ewa Nowak, Justin Riddle, Ford Bartle, Rosalie Clark, Lucille Davelli, Joan Kotulsky, Karyn Muse, Jeff McBride, Carol Davelli, Helene Tylor.

Please keep us informed that we might minister to those who are ill at home, in the hospital or nursing home. Father Mariusz will visit them with the Holy Communion.

CLOSING HYMN

Let There Be Peace on Earth – Ritual Song # 831

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. Therefore, today's readings remind us of our personal and corporate call to become witnesses for Jesus by leading lives of holiness and purity.

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.

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

In the Gospel, John the Baptist claims that his vocation is to introduce Jesus to two of his own disciples as the "*Lamb of God,*" suggesting Jesus' vocation to become a sacrificial lamb to atone for our sins. 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.

LIFE MESSAGE

Our Christian vocation is to live and die like the *Lamb of God*. We live like the *Lamb of God* by leading pure, innocent, humble, selfless lives, obeying Christ’s commandment of love; by appreciating the loving providence and protecting care of the Good Shepherd for his Church; by partaking of the Body and Blood in the Holy Eucharist and deriving spiritual strength from the Holy Spirit through prayer and the Sacraments.

We are called to die like the *Lamb of God*: by sharing sacrificially our blessings of health, wealth, and talents with others in the family, parish, and community; by bearing witness to Christ in our illness, pain, and suffering through our graceful acceptance of all of it; by offering our sufferings for God’s glory, as penance for our sins, and for the conversion of sinners.

Doing this requires a personal experience of Jesus as our Lord and Savior. Once we have experienced the personal presence of Jesus in our daily lives, we will start sharing with others the *Good News* of love, peace, justice, tolerance, mercy, and forgiveness preached and lived by Jesus.

SAMBS MEETINGS AND MISSION COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Jan 14, 2024; Feb 11, 2024; Mar 10, 2024; Apr 7, 2024; May 12, 2024

USHERS FOR SUNDAY COLLECTION AND HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday, January 14: Don Newcamp, George Jobes

Sunday, January 21: Joe Parknavy, Ed Gorlczyk

Sunday, January 28: Lenny Guy, Joe Lawrence

Sunday, February 4: Frank Pociask, Stan Tadajski

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

January 18 – January 25 this year we celebrate the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

NEW AND RETURNING PARISHIONERS

We extend a warm welcome to new and returning parishioners who joined us recently. Any time please feel free to reach out to our parish office and Parish Committee members.

PARISH WEBSITE

Stay updated on parish news and events by visiting our website www.hfpncc.org or follow us on Facebook. (Thank you David and Marian for all posted updates).

BULLETIN BY EMAIL

If you wish to receive our weekly bulletin by email, please simply send an empty email with the title BULLETIN to pastor@hfpncc.org.

PARISH COMMITTEE MEETING

The next Parish Committee meeting will be on Thursday, January 18th at 7:00 PM in the Parish Hall. All members are encouraged to attend.



EPIPHANY HOME BLESSINGS

Contact Father Mariusz (cell 412-330-8286, office 412-678-0566) or email pastor@hfpncc.org if you would like your home blessed during the 2024 Epiphany Season where time and date arrangements can be made.

DE-DECORATING

Thank you all who showed up yesterday to remove our Christmas decorations. Today, after Mass, you can take home the poinsettias that you donated.

SPRING CRAFT SHOW

The Spring Craft Show will be on **Saturday, April 20, 2024 from 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM**. We will be preparing on Friday, April 19, 2024 from 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM. We will need help starting the week of Sunday, April 7, 2024 to start setting the tables, organizing the Chinese Auction Baskets. and pulling down all the supplies.

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, January 14, 2024 – 2nd Ordinary Sunday

10:00 AM – Holy Mass

† Bonnie Zaucha – requested by Ted & Janis Gibala

† Warren Albeck – requested by Henrietta Albeck

Monday, January 15, 2024 – Weekday

Tuesday, January 16, 2024 – Weekday

Wednesday, January 17, 2024 – Weekday

Thursday, January 18, 2024 – Feast – The Chair of Peter at Antioch

Friday, January 19, 2024 – Weekday

Saturday, January 20, 2024 – Weekday

Sunday, January 21, 2024 – 3rd Ordinary Sunday

10:00 AM – Holy Mass

† Laura Adamek – requested by Alexa Foster & Karyn Muse

For Christian Unity.

1/28/24 Su 10:00 AM Septuagesima Sunday
 † Phillip Kotulsky – requested by his children
 † Nellie Lawrence – requested by Henrietta & Terry Kleckner
2/2/24 Fr 10:00 AM Solemnity of the Presentation of the Lord
 OPEN
2/4/24 Su 10:00 AM Sexagesima Sunday
 † Ted Balawajder – requested by Bob & Jan Yonek
2/11/24 Su 10:00 AM Quinquagesima Sunday
 † Josephine Dorazzio – requested by Marcia & Jack Schmitz
2/14/24 We 10:00 AM Ash Wednesday
 † Jan Pełka
2/14/24 We 7:00 PM Ash Wednesday
 OPEN
2/18/24 Su 10:00 AM 1st Sunday of Lent
 OPEN
2/25/24 Su 10:00 AM 2nd Sunday of Lent
 † Genevieve Lawrence – requested by Henrietta & Terry Kleckner
3/3/24 Su 10:00 AM 3rd Sunday of Lent
 OPEN
3/10/24 Su 10:00 AM Solemnity – Institution of the PNCC
 OPEN
3/17/24 Su 10:00 AM Passion Sunday
 OPEN
3/19/24 Tu 10:00 AM Solemnity – St. Joseph, Spouse of the BVM
 Mass for all men of the Holy Family Parish
3/24/24 Su 10:00 AM Palm Sunday
 OPEN



MASS INTENTION REQUEST FORM

Mass for _____

Date requested _____

Requested by _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____ **Mass stipend \$** _____

*Please mail this form and the Mass stipend to:
 Rev. Mariusz Mularczyk, 1921 Eden Park Blvd, McKeesport, PA 15132*

The Call of Samuel

And the Lord came and called as before, "Samuel! Samuel!"
And Samuel replied, "Speak, your servant is listening."
1 Samuel 3:10 (NLT)

Based on 1 Samuel 3:1-10



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