

January 14 - Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

They Stayed With Jesus.



*Jesus asked
"What are you looking for?"
Something or other.
They weren't sure what.
So they answered with a question:
"Where are you staying?"*

"Come and see."

*They came and
stayed with him.
In his ordinary place.*

*They found
what they had been seeking.*

*Christ, take us also to your space.
We want to spend our time with you:
Let us find your radiance
in our day-by-day lives.
(Anne Osdieck)*

SUNDAY REFLECTIONS

Just as he did when he came in dreams to Samuel, God reveals himself to us and offers an invitation to follow him. Our response allows God to bless us with his great power and so the kingdom may advance.

Today the voice of God comes to each one of us, inviting us to respond with the words of Samuel: "Speak, for your servant is listening."

When there is no reply, or a "busy" signal, God will come again. God's patience is infinite. (Deacon Dick Folger)

PRAYER SERVICES

Wed., Jan. 17 7:45 AM NO Morning Prayer
Fri., Jan. 19 7:45 AM NO Morning Prayer

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Jan. 13 4 PM Dale Tunny
Sun., Jan. 14 10 AM Thomas Merkel
Sat., Jan. 20 4 PM Mark & Julie
Eckstein
Sun., Jan. 21 10 AM Thomas Merkel

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday – January 20 at 4:00 PM

Greeters: Steve and Katy Schmidt
Kyle and Bridgette Horan
Servers: Cloey Simon, Kayla Simon
Cantor: Brooke Payne
Lectors: Judy Steuri, Terry Harmeyer
Euch. Ministers: Roseann Wirth, Katy Schmidt
John Wagner, Gene Moorman

Sunday – January 21 at 10:00 AM

Greeters: Paul and Dolly Stirn - *back*
Daniel and Becca Harlemert - *back*
Mike and Janice Simon - *side*
Servers: Blake Simon, Brady Borgman
Cantor: Rachel Toops
Lectors: David Hardesty, Amy Kinker
Euch. Ministers: Sharon Miller, Cindy Weisenbach
Katie Spreckelson, Amanda Schutte

PARISH SUPPORT

Adult Envelopes	\$3322.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 7.28
Loose Collection	<u>\$ 217.00</u>
Total Regular Collection	\$3546.28
Capital Improvement	\$60.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$490.00

Thank You!

[O]ur free will is the only thing that is really our own. Our health, our wealth, our power – all these God can take from us. But our freedom he leaves to us, even in hell. Because freedom is our own, it is the only perfect gift that we can make to God. ~ Fulton J. Sheen

STEWARDSHIP – In today's first reading, we hear Samuel respond eagerly, "Here I am!" each time the Lord calls him. May we, too, be listening for the call of God in our lives and be ready to say like the psalmist, "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will."

SANCTUARY LIGHT – The sanctuary light will burn January 14 through January 21 for Mark Eckstein.



OUR CHILDREN – From the voices of children, Lord, come the sound of your praise! Thank you, again, to the children who sang at our Christmas Eve Mass, to the parents who waited during the practices, to Patty Simon for her assistance and Mark Wirth as our faithful organist.

WORDS OF GRATITUDE – The parish gave Mary Ann Schwering \$200 for Christmas for her winemaking for our church. She sent a note of thanks for the gift stating that she wanted to continue her husband's work and enjoyed making the wine for us.

COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE – St. Maurice is hosting a community blood drive on Monday, February 5, from 1:00 until 6:30 PM. For more information, call Arlene Gehl, 812-852-4394.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION MEALS – Some volunteers are needed to help with serving the meal that is served to the children in the Religious Education classes on Wednesday evenings. It doesn't need to be a commitment for every week but to help fill in. You would be needed from 5:40 to 7:10 PM, sometimes less than that. If you are able to help or would like more information, call Jenny Simon at 812/756-0843. **The youth group is also welcome to come and help!**

MEETINGS: WEEK OF JANUARY 22

- Liturgy - Wednesday, January 24, 6:00 PM
- Directory - Wednesday, January 24, 6:30 PM
- Faith Formation - Thursday, January 25, 4:30 PM
- Parish Council - Thursday, January 25, 7:00 PM

RELIGIOUS ED – Classes for Preschool through Grade 5 on Wednesday, January 17, 6:45 PM. A meal will be served.

Classes for Grades 6 through 11 next Sunday, January 21, 8:30 AM.

THE LORD'S LAUGHTER – A Texan farmer goes to Australia for a vacation. There he meets an Aussie farmer and gets talking.

The Aussie shows off his big wheat field and the Texan says, "Oh, we have wheat fields that are at least twice as large."

Then they walk around the ranch a little and the Aussie shows off his herd of cattle. The Texan immediately says, "We have longhorns that are at least twice as large as these."

The conversation has, meanwhile, almost died when the Texan sees a mob of kangaroos hopping through the field. He asks, "And what are those?"

The Aussie asks with an incredulous look.

"Don't you have any grasshoppers in Texas?"

THE POWER OF WEAKNESS

In *Tramp for the Lord*, Corrie ten Boom describes traveling to Russia during the Cold War — when Christians were being persecuted — to thank an old woman who'd been secretly translating Christian books (including ten Boom's). Ravaged by multiple sclerosis, the woman could move only an index finger. Yet with it she typed constantly, translating words while praying for people who'd eventually read them.

Ten Boom's reaction was, "Oh Lord, why don't you heal her?" But the woman's husband said God had a purpose in his wife's suffering. Although the secret police closely watched *other* Christians, they left this woman alone, assuming she couldn't accomplish anything.

Jesus works through our weaknesses, making his power perfect in them (see 2 Corinthians 12:9). He doesn't ask if we're capable — only if we're willing. (The Newsletter Newsletter)

