

JANUARY 14, 2018 | SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Here I Am. Send Me.*

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23;  
Mk 2:18-22  
Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28  
Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10;  
Mk 3:1-6  
Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-13; Mk 3:  
7-12  
Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11; Mk 3:13-19  
Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Ps 80:2-3, 5-7;  
Mk 3:20-21  
Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-  
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**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Saturday 4 p.m.

**WEDDING:** Must be registered in parish and make an initial appointment with the Pastor at least six (6) months in advance of the wedding date.

**BAPTISM:** Call the office to make an appointment (210) 698-1941. Our Baptism classes will be held on Feb. 1, Mar. 1, April 5 at 6:30 p.m. in Seton Hall.

**RCIA:** Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults  
Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith or considering becoming a Catholic? Are you an adult Catholic wanting to prepare for Eucharist and Confirmation? Classes will be held every Sunday at 9:00 a.m. Please call Sr. Frances Briseño for more information at 210-698-1941.

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

We ask God to bless all those who are ill and have asked us to pray for them. To have the Ministers of Care pray for your loved one email [anna@seaschurch.com](mailto:anna@seaschurch.com) or call the parish office at 210-698-1941.



**Office Hours: Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (210) 698-1941 Pastoral Center Fax: (210) 698-1983**  
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January 14, 2018

**Mass Intentions & Schedule**

8:00 AM **Monday, January 15, 2018**  
Joe & Barbara Fernandez  
Presider: Fr. Lambert

8:00 AM **Tuesday, January 16, 2018**  
Luis Salerno  
Presider: Fr. Lambert

8:00 AM **Wednesday, January 17, 2018**  
Anthony J. Serra (d)  
Presider: Fr. Conor

8:00 AM **Thursday, January 18, 2018**  
Lucinda Ellis (d)  
Presider : Fr. Lambert

8:00 AM **Friday, January 19, 2018**  
Martha Urteaga (d)  
Presider : Fr. Conor

5:00 PM **Saturday, January 20, 2018**  
Rachel & Ashley Da Silva  
Presider : Fr. Roger

**Sunday, January 21, 2018**

8:00 AM Ernest Marroquin (d)  
Presider: Fr. Kinney

9:30 AM Robert Holbrook (d)  
Presider : Fr. Kinney

11:00 AM Sophie Ryan (d)  
Presider: Fr. Raul

12:30 PM Robert Holbrook (d)  
Presider: Fr. Raul

7:00 PM Anna Haranzo (d)  
Presider: Fr. Raul

**Weekly Collection**

January 6/7  
\$35,560,09  
January 20, Archbishop Appeals Collection

**Retrouvaille**

Retrouvailles is a highly successful peer ministry that helps couples in struggling marriages restore their love for one another. The next weekend retreat is February 9. For more information go to [Helpourmarriage.org](http://Helpourmarriage.org) or scan the QR code to be taken directly to the website.



**Weekly Schedule**

**Monday January 15, 2018**  
Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday  
**Office Closed**

**Tuesday January 16, 2018**  
9:00 am CDA Rosary Making (*Seton Hall*)  
6:00 pm Good Shepherd (*Marron Center*)  
6:30 pm FF Elem (*Marron Center*)  
6:30 pm Men's ACTS (*Seton Hall*)  
7:00 pm Young Adults Ministry (*Marron Ctr.*)

**Wednesday January 17, 2018**  
5:00 pm Spanish Good Shepherd (*Marron Ctr*)  
6:30 pm EDGE (*Marron Center*)  
6:30 pm Women ACTS Team (*Marron Ctr.*)  
7:00 pm ACTS Core (*Conference Rm*)

**Thursday January 18, 2018**  
5:30 am TMIY  
9:00 am Catholicism (*Seton Hall*)  
4:00 pm Good Shepherd (*Marron Center*)

**Friday January 19, 2018**  
10:30 am Young at Heart (*Marron Center*)

**Saturday January 20, 2018**

**Sunday, January 21, 2018**  
9:00 am RCIA (*Seton Hall*)  
9:00 am Faith Formation Elem (*Marron Center*)  
9:00 am Good Shepherd (*Marron Center*)  
10:30am Faith Formation Elem (*Marron Center*)  
10:45am Good Shepherd (*Marron Center*)  
4:30 pm Confirmation Class (*Seton Hall*)  
5:30 pm Life Teen/ High School (*Marron Ctr.*)

**Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**

*"Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that."*



Monday, 1/15/18, is Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Our parish office will be closed.

**Remember Our Heroes**

Robert Castillo, Peter Greenburg, Roy Vaughn, Matt Pryor, Miguel T. Sotello and Ron Wyble, deployed to Iraq. Bruce Balvin, Luis A. Ramos, Zac Gerner, Jordan Bittner and Anthony Delgado, Jr., Matthew Wilkinson deployed to Afghanistan and Christopher Le Comte in Germany, Zachary Williams in Ethiopia and Mack Peter in Colombia. Austin Reyes in S. Korea.

**For individual support (illness or emotional need), please call the SEAS Pastoral Center at 698-1941.**

### Start the Year with a New Bible Study

Join us for an intriguing study into the book of Revelation: *The Kingdom Yet to Come*. Through ten lessons we will study how the Kingdom established by Christ in His Church is intimately connected with the Kingdom of Heaven, especially through the celebration of the Mass. Classes begin on Wed., 1/24 at 9 AM and 7 PM. Register at [seaschurch.com/bible-studies](http://seaschurch.com/bible-studies) or call the parish office.

### Habitat For Humanity

It is time to sign up to help with our Habitat House project! Volunteers needed for construction, food, and support services. Please see the insert in today's bulletin with all the specifics, and sign up for the areas in which you are interested. Return the form to the little "house" boxes at the back of the church, or to the office. You may also register online by going to [seaschurch.com](http://seaschurch.com) and clicking on Habitat. Thank you for helping us with this awesome project! The excitement is BUILDING!



### Fish Camp Retreat for 8th and 9th Graders

Registration for our 9<sup>th</sup> annual Fish Camp retreat is now open! Register on-line at [seaschurch.com/fish-camp](http://seaschurch.com/fish-camp). Our retreat will be held at Camp Capers in Waring Texas, from February 2-4. Fish Camp is for all 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade students currently enrolled in our SEAS Faith Formation programs. Sign up early because space is limited and fills up fast! Please contact Mary Koonce at [mkoonce@seaschurch.com](mailto:mkoonce@seaschurch.com) with any questions.



### Young at Heart

Our 2018 Young at Heart meetings will be held on the 3rd Friday of every month beginning on January 19th at 10:30 in the Marron center. In honor of the January 4th feast day of St Elizabeth Ann Seton we will be hosting a Bingo party this month and invite all of our 55+ parishioners to attend. Rsvp online for catering purposes.

## Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

The two disciples who were with John in today's Gospel did not yet know Jesus. John knew they sought the Messiah, and he understood his mission to point the way to the Lord. In the first reading, Eli realized that the Lord was calling Samuel and told him how to respond when called. Saint Paul witnessed to the Good News of Jesus to the people in Corinth, and continued to show them how to live as Christian people. John, Eli, and Paul grasped that, as people of faith, we are called to show others the way to the Lord. Who helps you be attentive to God's presence and to respond in faith? To whom are you called to witness, to show the way to the Lord?

### BEHOLD, THE LAMB OF GOD

John's introduction was a simple declaration: "Behold, the Lamb of God." The two disciples immediately responded. Jesus sensed their willing hearts and invited them to follow him. Do you sometimes wish that recognizing the Lord would be so straightforward in your own life? Would it not be wonderful if a friend could point to Christ with certainty? While we do not always have such a clear sense of God's presence with and within us, we do have a regular opportunity to encounter Christ, in the celebration of the Mass. Like the disciples, we too hear, "Behold the Lamb of God." After the consecration, just before we receive Holy Communion, the priest raises the host and says, "Behold, the Lamb of God. Behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb." It is like having a friend point the way to the Lord for us. Here is Christ, ready for us to receive his Body and his Blood, to enter into deep communion with him, and to live our lives as his disciples. Nourished in word and sacrament, we are called to point the way to the Lord as witnesses to Christ's love.

### HERE I AM. SPEAK, FOR YOUR SERVANT IS LISTENING

The Lord does not only call people like Samuel and the two disciples. God calls each of us. We must be attentive to God's presence in prayer, sacred scripture, the sacraments, interactions with others, the beauty of creation. We are to grow in willingness to respond, to live as God's people in the daily circumstances of our lives. Eli's guidance to Samuel is for us as well: with an open heart and mind, we do well to say to God, "Speak, for your servant is listening." Like the two disciples in today's Gospel, we must be ready to set aside whatever might stand in the way of our relationship with Christ and our Christian living. It was more than Simon's name that changed. The disciples discovered in Jesus a new way of life, and they shared the good news of this life with all.