Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Dear God. I Am Here for You!"

Once God came to the prophet Isaiah and asked; "Whom shall I send; who will go for us?" The prophet replied: "Here I am, Lord, send me!" (Isaiah 6:8). In today's first reading from the Book of the Prophet Samuel, young Samuel is visited by the Lord who calls to him three different times. He learns to respond: "Speak Lord, your servant is listening"! How about you? Are you listening? Are you available? Is this a good time? Or, should God try back later?

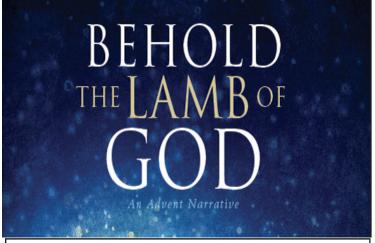
There comes a time in our lives when we must recognize the fact that since God allowed us to be born into history, we have a responsibility toward history. Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. is not remembered around the world today 40 years after his death as source of inspiration because he was flawless or always right or spared the human fears and weaknesses that plague the rest of humanity. No, he is remembered today because he was willing. He was willing to serve others and care about their plight. He was willing to forgo many of life's comforts and enter the uncomfortable circumstances of others who were suffering injustice. He was willing to seek God's will in the midst of life's challenges, to trust God's answers in the face of life's questions and to heed God's voice even when doing so may put his own life and reputation in jeopardy.

Are you willing to put your life at the service of God's plan? Will you let God decide the impact your life is going to make in history? Will you accept that not even your body belongs to you and that God desires to use it to serve his Kingdom (1 Cor. 6:19)? Will you, like John's disciples reassess your priorities and make the decision to follow Christ and seek to live a life pleasing in God's sight? Again and again, God assures his people that no matter where they are or what they face, he will be there for them (Matthew 28:20). today's scriptures raise another question: In the brief time that has been allotted you on this earth, Will you be there for God?

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Sunday, January 18, 2015

Scripture Readings

2nd Sunday In Ordinary Times 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20 Jn 1:35-42 3rd Sunday In Ordinary Time Jon 3:1-5, 10 1 Cor 7:29-31 Mk 1:15

8:15 am Daily Mass Intentions

Mon Jan 19 Annie Coles - Living Tues Jan 20 Robert Greenfield - Living Wed Jan 21 A. Babington-Ashaye - Deceased Thurs 22 Karen & Andy Cheung - Living Jan Fri Jan 23 Frances Brooks - Living



Attendance

Bible Study Every Wednesday at 7:00pm in the School Cafeteria.

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Cardinal's Appeal 2015 A Time for Reflection

This week, you are asked to review the Cardinal's Appeal brochure and the tabloid

that you will receive with your bulletin today. The theme of the campaign is: "Seek first the kingdom of God." (Matthew 6:33)

The Cardinal's Appeal campaign is much different than a one time special collection. It is a pledge campaign where you can make a gift, payable over ten months.

A significant gift to the Cardinal's Appeal will touch the lives of many others in a very positive way. As you review the work enabled by your contribution, please reflect on God's gifts to you. He has given you all that you have. Your gifts to our parish, to the archdiocese and to the work of the Church throughout the world should be given in gratitude for the continuing gifts that God gives you.

Sometimes it is difficult to envision how one pledge can help an organization the size of our archdiocese, how it can make a real difference. But each pledge does make a difference because all parishes participate in the campaign and the gifts of many enable our archdiocese to deliver needed ministries and services.

Our combined gifts not only signify our gratitude to God, they glorify Him by enabling the work of our archdiocese and give Him thanks for all He has given us.

If you received your pledge form in the mail last month, please complete it and mail it back or bring it to Mass next weekend. For those of you that did not receive a mailing or have not had time to respond to it, we will conduct our inpew pledge process at all Masses next weekend and the following weekend.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.

Please Pray for Our Sick & Homebound

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Doris Silas Gertina Simms Kathleen Simms George Simmons Mary Smith Zedekiah Smith Donnie Stewart Willis Thomas Juanita Towns Selma Twitty Hayden Vaughn Lillian Vaughn Terry Vaughn Esperanza Walker Shirley Ward Betty Washington Shantell Whitaker Lillie White Teresa Wilkinson Lozzie York



Please Pray for Our Dead

Francis Kelly — Deacon Kelly's Father



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