

The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

Sunday, January 17, 2021

Readings: 1) 1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19 2) 1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20 3) John 1:35-42

Sunday Liturgy

The focus for today's Mass is: The Lord continually calls us – do we have ears to hear?

Samuel does not recognize God's voice, but he is alert and obedient, listening and ready for action. We hear that he *ran* when called, and another time he *rose*. Eli gives Samuel the correct response: *Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening*. We live in a world of noise and distraction. Are we ready to answer? Can we even hear?

In the first reading, Samuel does not recognize God calling his name; Eli instructs him to respond, *Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening*. In his letter to the Corinthians, Paul declares the body is to be used, not for sin, but to glorify God as a temple of the Holy Spirit. In today's Gospel, Andrew and Simon Peter begin to follow Jesus.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

PRIEST:

Heavenly Father, hear our prayers we offer in faith and hope.

For those who dedicate their lives to the work of the church.

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

For world leaders, working for lasting peace.

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

**For all who are sick in mind, spirit and body,
may they be restored to health.**

We Pray to the Lord. Lord hear our prayer.

For all who have died, may they rest in peace.

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

**For the members of this community,
who put their commitment to justice into practical
action.**

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

For our own personal intentions... (pause).

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

PRIEST:

Heavenly Father, hear our prayers and answer them according to your holy will.
We ask this through your son, Jesus Christ our Lord.