



So [Eli] said to Samuel,  
"Go to sleep, and if  
you are called, reply,  
'Speak, LORD, for your  
servant is listening.'"

1 SAMUEL 3:9

## You Called?

**T**oday we focus on our call from God. Both Samuel and Jesus' disciples were called. Unfortunately, not everyone realizes he or she has been called to be a disciple. Pope Francis insists that by virtue of baptism we are all missionary disciples. What does this mean? What does it ask of us?

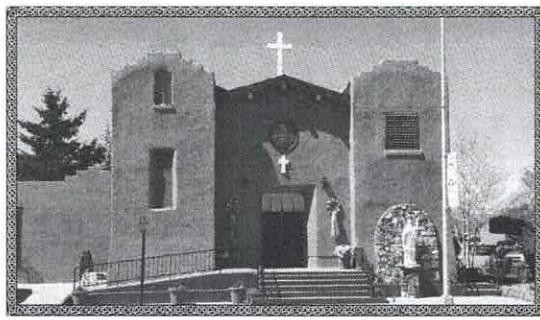
Today's readings set the stage for our consideration of discipleship. They tell us several things. As with Samuel, the invitation from God can be unexpected, for it can occur in the very ordinary events of life. Perhaps, like Samuel, we don't hear the call because the event is so ordinary. Maybe we need someone to open our eyes to God's presence in the ordinariness of life. But what do we expect a call from God to be? A thunderclap? A blinding light? Actually, when we realize we have been called by God, it is like a crash of thunder or a blinding light.

Intrigued by Jesus, the disciples wanted to hear more, and so they followed him. Frequently God speaks to us through the lives of other people. When we see goodness in them we too want to be good, to do good. This might prompt us to share what we have, to comfort those who suffer, to forgive those who have offended us. We may not yet know how to do it, but such goodness can touch us deeply. Do we listen, like Samuel? Are we open, like the disciples?

*Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA*

### FOR *Reflection*

- \* *In the ordinariness of your life, what might actually be God's voice?*
- \* *What kind of goodness attracts you?*



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## Parish Office Hours (CCD Building)

Mon, Tues, Thurs, 9:00AM -1:00PM  
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## Sacrament of Baptism

(Classes and Parents Interview)  
Contact Pastor

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(Classes and Couple Interview)  
Contact Fr. Jason -6 Months Prior

## Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

By appointment with the Pastor

## JANUARY 17TH

### St. Francis Xavier, Clayton

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Thurs at 5:30pm**

**Adoration /Confession: Tue 5:30-7:30pm Thurs 6:00-7:00pm**

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**Weekend Mass: Sunday 8:00am (Oct 1 - May 31)**

**Confession: Sunday before 8:00am OR by appt**

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**Confession: Sunday before 8:00am OR by appt**

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*This is my body, which will be given up for you.  
This is my blood, the blood of the new and everlasting covenant.  
It will be shed for you & for all... so that sins may be forgiven.  
Do this in memory of me.*

**Masses will be offered January 2021**

+ All the Departed Parishioner's & Family Members

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| <b>ri, Jan 15.</b>           | SI Intentions of the Parishioners<br>And Missions of SFX Church |                                                                                     |
| <b>at, Jan 16.</b>           | SI Britt & Agnes Fisk<br>+ Eddie Wood<br>+ Mary Blan            | by Ross & Shelley Carter<br>by Ross & Shelley Carter<br>by Ross & Shelley Carter    |
| <b>un, Jan 17.</b><br>(OLOG) | +Inez Romero<br>+Clora Bigford<br><br>+Sam Britt                | by Ross & Shelley Carter<br>by Deacon Roger &<br>Debbie Ayers<br>by Mary Alice Beck |
| <b>ri, Jan 22.</b>           | SI Intentions of the Parishioners<br>And Missions of SFX Church |                                                                                     |
| <b>at, Jan 23.</b>           | SI Britt & Agnes Fisk<br>+ Eddie Wood<br>+ Mary Blan            | by Ross & Shelley Carter<br>by Ross & Shelley Carter<br>by Ross & Shelley Carter    |
| <b>un, Jan 24.</b>           | +Inez Romero<br>+Sam Britt                                      | by Ross & Shelley Carter<br>by Mary Alice Beck                                      |
| <b>ri, Jan 29.</b>           | SI Intentions of the Parishioners<br>And Missions of SFX Church |                                                                                     |

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|                            | <u>SFX</u> | <u>OLOG</u> |
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**Announcement**  
**First Holy Communion Classes will  
 resume Wednesdays**  
**3:30-5**  
**Conformation Classes are Wednesdays**  
**5:30-7**

The most powerful way to draw the pro-life theme from today's readings is to build on Paul's declaration to the Corinthians, "You are not your own" (second reading). The battle cry of "pro-choice" is "my body, my life, my decision" – in other words, the idea that we are indeed our own. The idea is that we are each the captain of our own ship, and nobody can tell us what to do.

Christianity changes and challenges all that. Because of what Jesus Christ did, we are no longer our own. He owns us – yet not to oppress or enslave us, but to incorporate us into His Body. Nobody owns himself, and nobody owns anyone else.

**Announcements**  
**SFX Celebration Raffle Winners**

**1st Place– Teresina Montano**

**2nd Place– Sam Burton**

**3rd Place– Debbie Martinez**

**4th Place– Sheila Castillo**

**5th Place– Stephanie Cruz**

**6th Place– Mark Gutierrez**

**Lectors for Masses**

Saturday, Jan. 23– Sammie Wood  
 Sunday, Jan. 24– Pat Crisp  
 Saturday, Jan. 30– Effie Walker  
 Sunday, Jan. 31– Andrea Naranjo

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# Dear Padre,

## Can the Eucharist be celebrated outside of a church—for example, inside my home?

**W**hat an interesting question. The earliest celebrations of the Eucharist were held in the homes of the early Christians. As centuries evolved and the Christian population grew, larger rooms were rented and later built to house the community gathering. The word *church* is what we now call a building in which people worship. If we were to be completely accurate, we would call the building the house or shelter for the Church because the Church is understood primarily as the baptized community living in faith and charity.

Unfortunately, because of changing demographics and priest shortages, many communities are consolidating and church buildings are being shut down and even destroyed. As a result, communities and places for liturgy grow larger. Large communities can easily become impersonal and pastoral leadership increasingly difficult.

Recently, some large parishes have developed neighborhood communities in an attempt to subdivide into smaller faith-sharing units—not unlike the original house churches. These smaller communities gather for regular prayer and catechesis. The parish priest occasionally attends their meetings and celebrates the Eucharist with them. This is one example of celebrating the Eucharist outside of a church building.

So, although there can be exceptions for pastoral necessity, canon law indicates that celebrating Mass in a sacred place is the norm. The bishop may clarify this law for his own diocese to best meet the needs of his people while respecting the dignity of the Eucharist.

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CHRISTOPHER BOBROLLER

## Calendar

### Monday

JANUARY 18

Weekday

Heb 5:1-10

Mk 2:18-22

### Tuesday

JANUARY 19

Weekday

Heb 6:10-20

Mk 2:23-28

### Wednesday

JANUARY 20

Weekday

Heb 7:1-3, 15-17

Mk 3:1-6

### Thursday

JANUARY 21

St. Agnes,

Virgin and Martyr

Heb 7:25—8:6

Mk 3:7-12

### Friday

JANUARY 22

Day of Prayer for the

Legal Protection of

Unborn Children

Heb 8:6-13

Mk 3:13-19

### Saturday

JANUARY 23

Weekday

Heb 9:2-3, 11-14

Mk 3:20-21

### Sunday

JANUARY 24

Third Sunday

in Ordinary Time

Jon 3:1-5, 10

1 Cor 7:29-31

Mk 1:14-20



## A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

*Jesus does not want disciples who are merely able to repeat memorized formulas. He wants witnesses: people who spread hope, with their way of welcoming, smiling, and loving; above all loving because the power of the resurrection makes Christians capable of loving even when love seems to have lost its motivation.*

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