

#### **Parish Priest:**

FR REMY SON-LAM BUI

**Assistant Priest:** 

Fr Moses Tamale

#### Parish office hours:

Currently Tuesday, Thursday & Fridays 9.30 to 4.30pm

**Parish Secretary:** 

Mrs. Mary Pankiw 0422 818 461

### Masses Times: English:

7am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. 6.30pm Wednesday. and 9am Saturday Weekend Masses

Saturday vigil Mass –

6:00pm Sunday – 8:30am, 10:00am and 6:00pm

Polish: 11.30 Sunday

#### **Vietnamese**

Tuesday, Thursday 6:30pm. 7am Wednesday Weekend Mass

Saturday vigil Mass – 7:30pm (Chaplain)
Sunday 7:00am,

4:00pm (Chaplain) and

7:30pm

#### **Convent/Pastoral Care**

Sisters of Our Lady of the Southern Cross 9723-3704

**S.V.D.P** 9823-1222

<u>School:</u> 9724 1560 Mrs. Patricia Laidler

For Weddings and Baptism – call parish office.

### Sacred Heart Parish

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#### SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY - YEAR B

1 Sam 3:3-10, 19; 1 Cor 6:13-15, 17-20; John 1:35-42



Our readings today are about responding to God. The first reading describes the call of Samuel. We would describe Samuel as a miracle baby, born to Hannah and Elkanah in their old age. In gratitude to God, Hannah offered Samuel to work in the temple of the Lord at Shiloh (1Sam 1:24ff), and God continued to bless Hannah with five more children (1Sam 2:18ff).

In today's story Samuel was sleeping in the temple near the Ark of the Covenant. It is during that time that the Lord called Samuel, to whom he responded, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening". These words can be pattern of our discernment process in seeking to do the will of God in our lives. "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening", what a beautiful attitude toward God. We can compare it to our responsorial Psalm, "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will."

One of the most essential aspects of responding to God's call is listening. The words of Samuel indicate the attitude we should have when we pray. On very many occasions we change Samuel's words and say or think: 'Listen, Lord, your servant is speaking'. Of course, the Lord listens to us, but we must first listen and pay attention to what he is saying to us. Sometimes He even answers our prayers but we never realise because we get so taken up in speaking rather than listening. The last line of our first reading goes, Samuel grew up, and the Lord was with him, not permitting any word of his to be without effect. This was a result of Samuel listening.

The two disciples in our gospel today, responded to Jesus' invitation, "come and see". The gospel tells us that, they went and saw where Jesus was staying, and they stayed with him that day. The disciples must have been listening to Jesus that day, and they liked what they heard and saw, and even invited others to join them. Their lives were never the same because they spent time with him and entered his world - they listened to Jesus.

God always wants to speak to us but we don't hear his voice because we don't listen well. We need to cut out the noise so we can listen well. According to St Paul, faith comes from listening to someone who first met the Christ; "and how can they believe in whom they have not heard?" (Rom 14-17). Listening is an essential part of our faith. Let us listen and pay attention to the voice of the Lord, and like Samuel we will grow up in God's presence and our words will have effect. By listening we will discover more about ourselves, and what God really might be like.

Sick Calls or Emergency Only 0410 216 549 Or 0481 350 323 (Fr Moses)

Call priest day or night.

Fr Moses Tamale



## Parish Notices – What happen at our parish

#### Please do not come to Mass if you are unwell. Get tested, please...



Continue to be Covid safe - social distance while attending Masses especially when going to Communion, register when you come in, and sanitize your hands on entering and leaving. Cover any coughs, and please go home if you start to feel sick.

Take your bulletin and any other notices home.

#### Face Masks and QR codes.



In keeping with NSW Health directives, anyone attending a church now must wear a face mask. Children under the age of 12



are exempt from this rule, but are encouraged to wear face masks where practicable. NSW Health can impose a \$200 fine on each individual failing to abide by this rule.

Update on Registrations at Mass in Covid times at Sacred heart Cabramatta:

NSW Health is requesting that we encourage and record people attending Mass by using the QR Code allocated to our parish. This started last weekend and we are happy to report that about 70% of our visitors were able to log in using the Service NSW APP. This is a big effort by all of you and our parish staff and volunteers.

#### A Big THANK YOU for your effort.

- After this weekend, there will be no more booking for Mass. No online booking or phone or emailing the office or volunteers. Everyone who attends mass will be asked to use the QR Code upon entry (remember to sign out when you leave the church).
- 2. Remember you must use your App to enter each time you come to Church. NSW Health advise this is for contact tracing in the event of any sign of Covid 19.

## Use the Service NSW app to check in before entering

We're helping keep our community safe with contactless check-in

- 3. At the moment, we are still limited to 110 inside the church and the rest will need to sit on the chairs allocated outside keeping in line with social distancing. Changes occur all the time with "hot spots" and "case numbers recorded" so please be tolerant.
- 4. For those who are not able to use their phone or not have it with them, there will be someone at the check in point to enter your details direct to NSW Health website. We just need your 1<sup>st</sup> Name and Family name and a contact phone number.

Thank you again for your efforts in this new way of registrations at Mass.

If you are elderly, unwell or cannot get to Mass, please use another way of keeping the Sunday Sabbath. Follow Mass from the Cathedral or other parish website, or YouTube.

If you have been in contact with anyone who tests positive - stay home.



Pending

Check out now

Forgot to check out?



# Supporting Parish Catechists

Father Moses in his reflection on the front page writes that the two disciples responded to Jesus' invitation to "COME AND SEE" by coming and listening to what he had to say. They were interested enough, and not only stayed but asked others to join them.

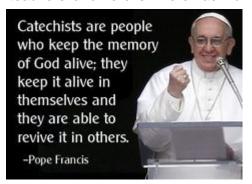
Father also quotes from Romans 14:17, where it says "how can they believe in whom they have not heard"

When I was putting this in the bulletin, it reminded me that this is exactly an issue I have at the moment.

Covid 19 and the restrictions, took away our scripture classes in 2020. Our catechists only went into the schools for 2 weeks then all had to stop. I trust that the children still learned about God from their parents, grandparents and hopefully church. But some may not have.

In a few weeks we will start to go back to the state schools and religion classes.

But we need people to be there for the children. Some of our catechists cannot return this year and we are short of 'teachers' and here is where I ask for help.



Can you 'come and see' if you can assist. Come and see me at the parish office for a one on one chat – it may not suit you at all but at least you can see.

We can go through what you would need to do to be ready and times and dates of classes.

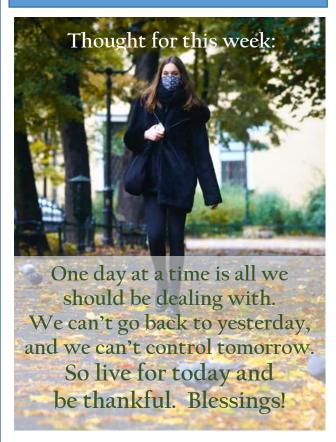
No commitment required at this stage, just come and see. These children cannot believe in God if they have not heard of him.....

Call me – Mary 9724-2151 or my mobile anytime 0422 818 461 and let's see how we go....

Mary Pankiw, Catechist coordinator.

# Baptismo

Louie Nguyen, Arlo Pham,
Dylan Hoang Tran, Louis Nguyen.
Congratulations and welcome to these
children and their families



#### 🔥 CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org you may also want to speak with your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crims to the

#### **Recently Deceased:**

Maria Thi Do Nguyen, Luca Tran Anh Son, Maria Tran Thi Dien, Ruta Kazlauskas

#### Remembrance / Anniversary le giố

Nguyen Ngoc Anh 'Giesu', Ivan Puskas, Keven Curran, Maria, Marin, Daminh, Maria, Phi Ro, Gioan Baotixita & Giuse, Anna, Giuse & Anna & Philiphe, Giuse, Dominico, Maria, Terexa & Anna, Micae, Roco & Teresa, Maria, Daminh, Maria Vo Thi Ty, Cosimo, Giuse, Anna, Maria, Maria Teresa, Giuse Nguyen Van Van, Maria & Phero, Phero Nguyen Quang Be, Maria Nguyen Thi Su, Fr Mac

#### Mass Intentions:

Pray for Holy Souls, departed relatives, Thanksgiving, family peace, unborn children, departed forebears and parents, Covid patients, Dads recovery, Thanksgiving to God, Our Lady and St Joseph.

We pray for those whose cannot celebrate with us due to restrictions or ill health. We pray for our families that God will guide them and protect them. We pray for our own intentions – our hopes, our failures, our disappointments and that our faith will grow strong in troubled times and our gratitude will be given to the Lord for all the wonderful moments in our lives. .



## Here is the Lambof God

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

John the Baptist called Jesus the Lamb of God. In Jesus' time, lambs were often used as sacrifices to please God. Jesus would eventually sacrifice his life for us. What are some sacrifices you can make that could help others?





### Following Jesus

Following the example of Jesus' life isn't always easy. For each of the following things that Jesus asks us to do, write down why you find it either easy or difficult to do.

Be a peace maker

Help people in need

Forgive those who do wrong by you

Be kind to others

Lead others to Christ

As Andrew leads Simon to Jesus, enter each letter into the corresponding box below to reveal who they find.

