

**FIRST READING:** 1 Samuel 3:3-10,19

*A reading from the Book of Samuel*

Samuel was lying in the sanctuary of the Lord where the ark of God was, when the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' He answered, 'Here I am.' Then he ran to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me'. Eli said, 'I did not call. Go back and lie down.' So he went and lay down. Once again the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' He replied, 'I did not call you, my son; go back and lie down.' Samuel had as yet no knowledge of the Lord and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. Once again the Lord called, the third time. He got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli then understood that it was the Lord who was calling the boy, and he said to Samuel, 'Go and lie down, and if someone calls say, "Speak Lord, your servant is listening"'. So Samuel went and lay down in his place. The Lord then came and stood by, calling as he had done before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel answered, 'Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.' Samuel grew up and the Lord was with him and let no word of his fall to the ground.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** Ps 39:2, 4, 7-10

Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

I waited, I waited for the Lord  
and He stooped down to me;  
He heard my cry.

He put a new song into my mouth,  
praise of our God. R.

You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings,  
but an open ear.  
You do not ask for holocaust and victim.  
Instead, here am I. R.

In the scroll of the book it stands written  
that I should do your will.  
My God, I delight in your law  
in the depth of my heart. R.

Your justice I have proclaimed  
in the great assembly.  
My lips I have not sealed;  
you know it, O Lord. R.

**SECOND READING:** 1 Corinthians 6:13-15, 17-20

*A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians*

The body is not meant for fornication; it is for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. God who raised the Lord from the dead, will by his power raise us up too.

You know, surely, that your bodies are members making up the body of Christ; anyone who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him.

Keep away from fornication. All the other sins are committed outside the body; but to fornicate is to sin against your own body. Your body, you know, is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you since you received him from God. You are not your own property; you have been bought and paid for. That is why you should use your body for the glory of God.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** John 1:41, 17

Alleluia, alleluia!

We have found the Messiah:

Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace.

Alleluia!

**GOSPEL:** John 1:35-42

*A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John*

As John stood with two of his disciples, Jesus passed, and John stared hard at him and said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God.' Hearing this, the two disciples followed Jesus. Jesus turned round, saw them following and said, 'What do you want?' They answered, 'Rabbi,'- which means Teacher - 'where do you live?' 'Come and see' he replied; so they went and saw where he lived, and stayed with him the rest of that day. It was about the tenth hour. One of these two who became followers of Jesus after hearing what John had said was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter. Early next morning, Andrew met his brother and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' - which means the Christ - and he took Simon to Jesus. Jesus looked hard at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John; you are to be called Cephas' - meaning Rock.

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS**

**THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

First Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 24:4-9

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Gospel: Mark 1:14-20



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**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**  
Saturday 4.30pm or by appointment

**PARISH MISSION STATEMENT**

We follow the words of our patron,  
St John Vianney, who said "He is here".

We recognise Christ is in the Word,  
the Eucharist, and in us His people,  
with a special reverence for Him  
in the poor and marginalised.

We are called to make Christ present  
through our prayer and charity.  
We seek to grow in our spiritual lives and  
create a community

where everyone is welcome;  
the young and the old, together to  
experience the loving presence of God.

We believe He is here amongst us  
and we joyfully go out  
to make Him present to all.

**13/14 January 2024**

**SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B**

**Let Us Pray:**

Your calling, Jesus, is irresistible. When You show Yourself and come to meet me, Your love exceeds everything else and I cannot resist You. Thank You for calling me by name! Amen.

**What are you looking for?**

Like Jesus did to Andrew, who became one of his first disciples, in this Sunday's Gospel passage, he says to you and to each of us: "What are you looking for?" When you pray, and when you look at a crucifix, or when you see a picture of Jesus, what exactly are you looking for? Jesus says: "Come and see!" Come and see what? His love? His healing power? His supernatural ability to answer our prayers? Whatever we're looking for, the reason we're seeking it is because we don't yet have it. Jesus is the fulfillment of every promise by God the Father. Jesus is the fullness of love, the provider of mercy, the divine healer, the perfect mediator of all our prayers and concerns and everything else we truly need. So, why does it feel like something is still missing? Why do our lives feel incomplete? Why do our prayers seem unanswered? The answer is revealed in what happened after Andrew began to follow Jesus. We read about it in Samuel's response to God's invitation. We proclaim it in the Responsorial Psalm: "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will."

Andrew, his brother Simon Peter, and the other disciples were privileged to witness first-hand the wondrous miracles of Jesus. They personally experienced God's love through the gentle eyes of Jesus, the tone of kindness in his voice, and the forgiveness that was visible in his smile.

Yet with all of this, they did not really find all that they were looking for (remember how easily Peter felt afraid or confused or uncertain) until they were on the giving end of it. They didn't discover the fullness of Jesus until Jesus was no longer present in the flesh and they accepted their calling to continue Christ's earthly ministry. The same is true for us who have never seen Jesus' actual eyes or heard his actual voice. We find what we're seeking when we give it to others. Why? Because then we discover that we really had it all along! This is the miracle of "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will."

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on whose land we walk, live and worship.**



FOR YOUR DIARY JANUARY	
15 Mon	No Mass
16 Tues	6pm Mass
17 Wed	9:00am Rosary 9.30am Mass 7.30pm Rosary on-line via ZOOM
18 Thurs	9.30am Mass
19 Fri	<b>8.30am Staff Commissioning Mass</b>
20 Sat	4:30pm Reconciliation  <b>3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> 5.00pm Mass (SJV)
21 Sun	7:00am MASS (St Jude's) 9:30am MASS (SJV) 10.30am Baptism - WRAY

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING  
6PM WEDNESDAY 24 JANUARY**

**NEED A LIFT OR CAN PROVIDE A LIFT TO MASS**  
Do you, or someone you know, need a lift to Mass? Please complete the **"I Need A Lift To Mass"** form and we will arrange transport for you. If you are able to provide a lift to someone, please complete the **"I Can Provide a Lift To Mass"** and place it in the PPC Suggestion Box.



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A huge THANK YOU to generous parishioners who have donated Gift Cards and cash to our ongoing support of The Romero Centre. In December, a total of \$210 in cards and \$472.15 in cash was donated. The Brisbane drop-in centre assists asylum seekers and refugees who are often unable to work or receive any government benefits – due to their visa conditions. Please consider a regular donation to this most worthy cause. A reminder that gift cards or cash can be placed in a marked envelope in the weekly collection at Mass.

	Welcomer	1st Reader	2nd Reader	EMHC	Screen	Servers	Counter
Sat 13 Jan	Maureen B	Alison G	Colleen S	Jen B	Anjoline	DH	A
Sun 14 Jan	Margaret P	Steve P	Sonia M	Margaret H	Emma	PN, SN	
Sat 20 Jan	Denis H	Denise D	Jane O	Gerardina R	Irene	AG	B
Sun 21 Jan	Bond W	Carolina C-V	Kennedy C	Adeline W	Donna	PN, SC-V	

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**OF YOUR CHARITY, PLEASE PRAY FOR:**  
**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Phillip Hunt, Tyler Whitton, Rose-Marie Dickson, Margaret Ewers  
**ANNIVERSARIES:** Anne-Marie Arthus, Russell Barton, Kevin Bourke, Floretina Brewer, Jim Clair, John Costello, Cecil Crew, John Cronin, Daphne Eddleston, Mary (Molly) Evrat, Camelo Fazio, Paul Jackman, Patrick Leben, Dulcie Maher, Agnes Veronica (Ronnie) Mason-Johnson, Jennifer Lynas, Hilary Maloney, Jessie Massie, Fletcher McCormack, Sr Paula McGrath, Keith McGregor, Colin Moir, Doris O'Donnell, Brian O'Sullivan, , Mark Purdon, Donna Pytko, George Reading, Millicent (Vera) Reed, Jean Rosenstengel, Joseph (Neil) Sheppard, Theodore Shepherd, Hubert Smith, Eric Steeden, Douglas Southern, John Wade, Lilli Wargin, Aleida Wishey, Bill Spann, Maria Skubis, Luzdivina Lozano, Jean Hine.  
**WE PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Jack and Mary Beard, Jocelyn Barron, Dell Chapman, Emily de Looze, Anne Dixon, Irene Gavrilla, Maureen Handcock, David Schilling, Leesa Scott, Richard Pook, Violet Maureen Phillips, Joanne Small, Barry Smith, Emma Walters, Natasha Skitmore, Stacie Stonier, Patrick Nofokifolau & Brian Prove.  
*To include a name in our 'Of Your Charity' list, the Privacy Act requires the personal permission of the nominee or a close relative. Names on the recently deceased, anniversaries and our sick parishioners. Lists are reviewed at the end of each month.*

**SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE**  
We would like to form a team of Safeguarding Representatives, each responsible for one of the weekend Mass times:  
**Saturday 5pm at St John Vianney's**  
**Sunday 7am at St Jude's**  
**Sunday 9.30am at St John Vianney's**  
If you regularly attend one of the above Mass times and feel you are being 'called' or are 'tapped on the shoulder' by Fr Baiyi, please consider the position prayerfully.



**CONGRATULATIONS  
AND WELCOME**  
We congratulate and welcome:  
**Hope Wichura, Eli Holdsworth**  
who were Baptised in our Parish this weekend.

**WELCOME**

**Fr Baiyi Gong**

We welcome Fr Baiyi Gong to our lovely St John Vianney's Manly Parish embracing the worshipping communities of Manly and Gumdale.  
A special  
**Welcome Morning Tea**  
**will be held after the 9.30am Mass**  
**in St John Vianney's Hall**  
**on Sunday 28 January.**  
*All parishioners are invited to come along to the morning tea and extend a walm Manly Parish welcome to Fr Baiyi. Please bring a plate to share.*

Fr George sends his best wishes for good health and happiness throughout the Year of 2024 to all parishioners at St John Vianney's.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY**  
**In recess for holidays.**  
**Returns in February**

**For the Children**  
**SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**Lamb of God**  
Some of the men who would become Christ's apostles had been disciples of John the Baptist. It was while they were with John, on the banks of the river Jordan, that they first saw Jesus, the Lamb of God.  
**LET US PRAY**  
Andrew saw the Lamb of God and followed him. Help us to follow you every day, Lord, so that others will know that we Christians and will follow you too. Let us pray together the Agnus Dei:  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, *have mercy on us,*  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, *have mercy on us,*  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, *grant us peace.*



**FIRST AID CERTIFICATE**  
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**BUILDING COMMUNITY  
SUGGESTIONS FOR SOCIAL EVENTS**  
The PPC members are keen to continue building our parish community through organising a variety of Social Events including:  
Bus Trips,  
Movie Nights,  
BBQ's,  
Quiz Nights,  
Table 4 Eight Dinners  
and so on.  
If you have any suggestions and/or would like to help organise any of these events please put a note in the PPC Suggestion Box. All ideas will be discussed at the next PPC Meeting.

