2nd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING 1 Sm 3:3-10.19

A reading from the first 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 The word of the Lord. 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. All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 39:2. 4. 7-10. R. vv. 8.9*

(R.) 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 Cor 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, which is in you since you have 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.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation *Jn* 1:41. 17

Alleluia, alleluia! We have found the Messiah: Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace. Alleluia!

Jn 1:35-42 GOSPEL

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

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Next Week: 3rd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME Readings: Jonah 3:1-5, 10; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

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St Benedict's Church

Corner Justin & Neville Street **SMITHFIELD**

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm; 8.00am (Italian); 10.30am; 6.00pm

Weekday Masses:

9.15am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday; 7pm Wednesday

Weekday Public Holidays: 10.30am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Adoration:

Wednesdays after evening Mass with Novena to St Benedict till 7.30pm; Saturdays from 4.45pm—5.45pm; & Fridays after the 9.15am Mass

First Friday of the Month:

7pm Mass & Adoration

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Tuesdays after Mass



Parish Priest Fr Jarek Zan OSPPE

Assistant Priest

Fr Wojtek Sliwa OSPPE



Sunday Masses:

St Theresa's Church

Corner The Boulevarde & Stella Street

Saturday Vigil 5pm (Vietnamese); 7.30am & 9.00am; 11am (Spanish); 5pm (Arabic)

Weekday Masses:

FAIRFIELD WEST

Mon - Fri 7.00am: Saturday 8am Weekday Public Holidays: 8.00am

First Friday of the Month:

from 6.30am

First Saturday of the Month: 7am Rosary 8am Mass

Chaplet of Divine Mercy:

Tuesdays after Mass

2nd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY 14th January 2018



We pray for the sick of this parish

Fr Gabriel Taylor OSPPE, Fr Jose Maria Enedaguila, Paul Bradbury Maria Blanda, Max Hazmoth. Indu Vassallo, Kartia Grace Russell, Frank Trimboli, Gino Mifsud, Rina Favotto, Neang Nep. Eric Pasquetti, Emely Jade, Sandra Roy, Patricia Battistel, Ivy Fernandes, Maria Perre, Tania Perre, Alina Przewoznik, Philomena Greenwood, Ernesto DiDomizio, Stella Zappacosta, Antoinette Jansen.

Bless our sick today so that they may bear their illness in union with Jesus' sufferings and restore them quickly to health

Please remember in your prayers

Gino Cesarone, Carmelina Calleja, Lucia Elda Bruzzano. Luciano Signor. Eva Di Federico, Rita Vanolini, Antonio Tionvinne Filipo Leto, Antonio Zumbo,

Recently Deceased

And for those whose Anniversaries occur at this time:

Vincenza Zappala, Tommasina Zappala, Alfio Zappala, John Attard, Sara Barrios, Ettora Cavallaro, Mario Vaccari,

PARISH INFORMATION

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Adult Sacraments (RCIA) Mariola Herbert

Every Sunday at 8.30am in the Crying Room (in front of St Benedict's) Contact Mariola: 0421 944 051.

Children's Liturgy

Mariola Herbert

Reconciliation:

Smithfield - Sat 4.45-5.45 pm (or by appointment)

Baptisms: Parish Office 9604 1199 1st Sundays of the month during the 10.30am Mass at St Benedict's Church; & Every 3rd Sunday at 12noon St Benedict's

Marriages: Parish Office 9604 1199 By appointment only (6 months required)

Sick Calls: 9604 1199

Any Time

Novena to St Benedict

Every Wednesday after the 7pm Mass with Rosary & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament



Reconciliation is available during this time.

Rosary for Vocation to Religious life and Priesthood.

After Mass on Thursdays at St Therese's Church, Fairfield West



Church Cleaners

Tuesday 16th January ~ Neo Cats

Parish Collections Week- Ending 07/01/2018

1st Collection \$1,496.80 goes to Fr. Jarek & Fr Wojtek as well as the upkeep of their Order of St Paul the First Hermit.

2nd Collection: Envelopes and/or Credit Card payments: \$1,741.50 and \$1,151.25 Loose Money.

The counting of collections and donations is a vital component of our Parish operations.

We are always looking for additional volunteers to assist our team of counters each week. If you are free for a few hours on a Monday morning or evening, and would like to help, please see one of the priests or contact the Parish Office.

Thank you for your generous support & May God Bless you all!

St Gertrude's Fund Credit Card December Payments

Please Note that due to the Parish Office holiday period shut down, the December credit card payments were processed in early January 2018.

Please remember in your prayers

Fr Gabriel Taylor OSPPE & Fr Jose Maria Enedeguila (Spanish Chaplin) who will be having major surgery in the coming week/s.

O Lord, Holy Father, creator of the universe, author of its laws, you can bring the dead back to life, and heal those who are sick. We pray for our sick brothers that they may feel your hand upon them, renewing their bodies and refreshing their souls. Show them the affection in which you hold all your creatures.

Read more at http://www.beliefnet.com/prayers/catholic/illness/prayer-for-asick-brother.aspx#BddWAyjLJCS8ALzh.99

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Donations at Crib

Donations made at the crib will go towards the orphanage and community of Sr Anna Maria in Pakistan.



Thank you for your support and offerings to help the poor during this Christmas Season!

~ Feasts~

Sunday 14 January Solemn Mass at 10:30am of St Paul the First Hermit

Patron Saint to the Pauline Fathers



Renewal of Vows by Pauline Fathers and *Brothers will be said on Monday* 15th January at the 9.15am Mass at Smithfield. Everyone Welcome.

Tuesday January 16 Our Lady Queen of Hermits.

Patroness of the Order of St Paul the First Hermit and yearly consecration to our Lady of the Pauline Fathers and brothers.

> Wednesday January 17 St Anthony, abbot

Smithfield YOUTH MASS

Next Mass: Sunday 21 January at 6pm

Youth Program on 3rd Sunday of the month . 7pm - 8pm in the Montefano Hall. All Youth Welcome!

❖ THERE WILL BE NO YOUTH FELLOWSHIP IN **JANUARY** WILL RESUME IN 18th FEBRUARY 2018

Catechist Sunday 4 February 2018

Catechist Commissioning Mass will be held on Sunday 4 February at 10.30am, Smithfield

HELP URGENTLY NEEDED!!!!!!

We urgently need more church cleaners for 2018. on a roster one-day-a-month basis. If you are interested in putting a group together or just wish to help another group, then please contact the parish office.

Men are also welcome to help!

Sacraments

The Sacramental Office will reopen in February on Tuesday 6 Feb 2018.

St Gertrude's Parish Fund

New sets of envelopes will be available to pick up at the end of February. Therefore please contact the parish office on 9604 1199 of any changes prior to distribution.

Also as there has been a decline in givers using the envelope systems, and to save money and paper wastage, new envelope numbers will be allocated to givers using envelopes between # 250 and 300.

A letter advising you of your new number will be sent in the coming weeks.

Any one wishing to use envelopes for St Gertrude's Parish Fund then please complete the following form and return to the parish office as soon as possible.

Thank you for your support!

REQUEST FOR ENVELOPE FORM

Please complete this form and place it in the collection plate or post to

St Gertrude's Parish, 6 Justin Street, Smithfield.

Yes, I would like a set of weekly envelopes

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Happy New Year, Buon Anno

To Members & Parishioners

FEDERAZIONE CATTOLICA ITALIANA

Annuncia le Attivita' del Mese di Febbraio *TOMBOLA Il primo e Terzo Venerdi' del Mese Il 2 e 16 di Febbraio. Con caffe' / Biscotti e Panini per Pranzo.

Nella sala di St Teresa Fairfield West dale 10am – 1pm. *RIUNIONE dei Membri Associati il 13 di Febbraio 7.30 pm.

THE ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION [FCI]

Activities for February

*BINGO every 1st and 3rd Friday of month 10am - 1pm St Teresa Church Hall Fairfield West Morning Tea & Lunch provided.

*Members Reunion will be held on the 13th February 7.30 pm. Thankyou.

Antonio (Tony) Coiera. 9757-1961 or 0409-908 424.



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