

# The Living Word

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

14 January 2024

## First Reading 1 Sm 3:3-10,19

*Speak, O Lord, your servant is listening.*

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.

## Responsorial Psalm

**Ps 39:2. 4. 7-10. R. v. 8.9**

*(R.) Here am I, Lord;  
I come to do your will.*

1. 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.)*
2. 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.)*
3. 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.)*
4. 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

*Your bodies are members of the body of Christ.*

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.

## Gospel Acclamation Jn 1:41. 17

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*We have found the Messiah:*

*Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and  
grace.*

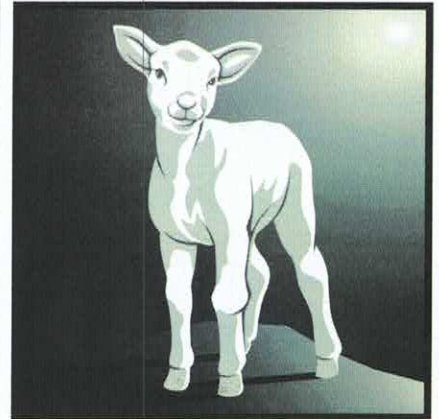
*Alleluia!*

## Gospel Jn 1:35-42

*They saw where Jesus lived and they stayed with him.*

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.



## Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

What's in a name? A Lot, if it is God who confers the name. Jesus of Nazareth, the embodiment of God-for-us, knew the power of naming in relation to calling and destiny.

So, when Andrew brought his brother to Jesus, Jesus exercised the divine prerogative of changing Simon's name to 'Cephas' which in English is 'Peter'. Jesus gave Simon a nickname, 'rock-solid' which was the exact opposite of his character! Nevertheless, he did become the rock on which Jesus built his Church.

The tradition continues with the successor of Peter. So, Cardinal Jorge Bergoglio took the name 'Francis' which indicates that he believes that the Holy Spirit inspired the Cardinals to choose him to be Pope to follow in the footsteps of St Francis of Assisi.

Each one of us has a divinely ordained name (Rev 2:17) which we may not be aware of, but the Holy Spirit is always prompting us to live up to that name.

We could pause for a moment to pray that we might so live as to reach Heaven to find that name which God has loved from and for all eternity.

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**Entrance Antiphon Psalm 65:4**

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!

**Communion Antiphon: 1 John 4:16**

We have come to know and to believe in the love that God has for us.

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**WEEKEND MASSES**

**Saturday** ---- 6pm SPP Goulburn  
6pm Taralga

**Sunday** ----- 8am (OLOF), 10 am (SPP)  
9am (Crookwell)

Binda - 10.30am (1st Sunday)

Marulan - 8.30am (2nd Sun)

Tarago - 8.30am (3rd Sun)

Tuena - **Nil until further notice**

Bungonia St Michael's: 7pm, Thurs Rosary

**CONFESSIONS**

**SPP:** 11.30 -12 (Wed /Thurs/Fri), Sat 5.15pm

**OLOF:** Sat. 9.30am -10am

**Taralga:** 5.30pm (1<sup>st</sup> Sat)

**Crookwell:** 8.30am (2<sup>nd</sup> Sun)

**ADORATION & BENEDICTION:**

11am Friday SPP

**WEEKDAY MASSES**

Tuesday - 5pm (OLOF),

Wed, Thurs Fri - 12md (SPP)

Sat 9am (OLOF)

**Mass Offerings:** Please send to office, or central collection boxes.

**Australia Day MASS:**

9am in the Cathedral SPP on 26<sup>th</sup> January, and also St Mary's Church Crookwell.

**DATES FOR THE DIARY**

JAN 17: Taralga Prayer group **10am** in the Convent

JAN 26: Australia Day Mass **9am:** SPP and Crookwell.

FEB 10: Men's Breakfast **7.30-9am** Tatts

FEB 11: Sr Rosemary Farewell - Crookwell.

FEB 14: Crookwell sacramental program enrolment

FEB 15 Goulburn sacramental program enrolment

FEB 23: Steel City Strings **6pm** Cello quartet in SPP

FEB 29: Chamber Philharmonia Cologne **7pm** in SPP

**Notices****CHILDREN'S RCIA**

For those school age children desiring to be baptised and celebrate the sacraments of reconciliation, confirmation and Eucharist, the parish program will be held over three sessions. Please contact Sr Janet Glass or Diane green via [goulburn@cg.org.au](mailto:goulburn@cg.org.au).

**SACRAMENTAL ENROLMENT DATES 2024****Reconciliation and First Holy Communion**

Crookwell enrolment: 14th February, 6pm

Goulburn enrolment: 15th February, 6pm

**Confirmation**

Crookwell

Not this Year

Goulburn:

8th August

**TARALGA PRAYER GROUP**

Taralga resumes its prayer meetings this year at 10 am Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup>, in the Convent.

**THANK YOU!** The Goulburn Conference of St Vincent De Paul would like to thank everyone who contributed to the Christmas Appeal. Your generous donation enabled us to provide Christmas Hampers for many needy people in our city.

**POSITION AVAILABLE**

A COOK is needed for the Sisters of St Joseph.

Monday to Friday: 9am to 2pm.

For a full job Description please contact Sr Karen Muir at

[karen.muir@sosj.org.au](mailto:karen.muir@sosj.org.au).

Applications close on the 19<sup>th</sup> of January 2024

**Recently Deceased:** Leslie Reko, Rathesh Fernando, Patrick Connell, Donald(Ray)Bowden, Dorell Hogan, Eileen Van Duran, Joe Agius, Kevin Wellspring, Dr Warwick Renton, Geradine Ryan OAM,

**Anniversaries:** Nita Price, Ruby Thorn, Jean Crawford, John Yeadon, Ilorraine Snow, Deceased members of the Shephard and Cramp Families, Pat Bower, John Probert, Wayne Bensley, Maxine and Frank Probert, Patrick Fisher, Kevin Bogg, Geoffry Bogg, Rev Fr Joseph Staunton, William Sharp, Debbie Schirk, Paul Heffernan, Clare Jasek, Leonard Smith, Mary Walsh, Jack Walsh

**Prayers:** A. Taylor Jr, Ojwang Family, Antipas Ojiwang, Dale Young, Gavin McKensie, Martin Strait, Geoff Croker, Brian and Lyn Murphy, Dulcie and Charles Millynn, Dorothy and Winston Selmes, The People Of Gaza.