

Welcome

To our communities of faith

Our Divine Saviour Catholic Church

12th Street and Love Avenue
Tifton, GA

and

St. Ann Catholic Church

U.S. Highway 82 East
Alapaha, GA

**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 17, 2021**

**Pastor
Rev. Peter Oyenugba, MSP**

**Deacon
J. Brian Bergeron
Deacon
Eric Windmoller**

**Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.
Psalm 40**



John the Baptist's role, to point toward Jesus, is clearly shown in today's Gospel.

The two disciples who follow Jesus ask him, "Where are you staying?"

Jesus responds with, "Come and see," an invitation to follow him.

Our Divine Savior

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**Any new parishioners who would like to register,
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Please see back of bulletin for Mass Times

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Requests for Prayers

**Please pray for the sick
and those who have
requested our prayers:**

Russ Aschoff, Allison,
Brannan, Rachel Brantley,
Larissa Barosso, James
Brown, Julia Cadden Brady,
Carol Budnick, Erica
Carroll, Mary Carroll,
Tommy Carroll, Sean Winn
Carampatan, Margarie
D’Souva, Tina DeWees,
Anne Marie Emanuelli,
Carlos & Carrie Fletcher,
Lauren Marie Fletcher,
Judy Fraelich, Mary Ann
Gregoire, Rodolfo
Herandez-Labastida, Wayne
Harrell, Chloe Kendrick,
David LaForest, Isaac
Lindsey, Randy Long,
Shirley Martin, Raeleigh
Jane McCartha, Andrew
Meredith, Susana Melgar,
Pantea Pahlavan, Butch
Parker, Charles Phenicie,
Miller Blake Prostko, Nancy
Quynn, Marian Robinson,
Arlene Ruse, Josephine
Sehramski, Marlena Smith,
Sterling Saunders, Robbi
Scarbrough, Wayne
Scarbrough, John B.
Sherlock, Kaylon Spurlock,
Jennifer Unis, Dowson
Bedore, Debra Vazquez,
Rena Ward, Sonia Webb

**Please Pray for our
Military:**

Anthony Caucci, Jonathan
Elder, Clayton F. Gibbs,
Terry Jones, James Olands,
Angel Olivos, Bong
Tanesco, Aurelio Tovar,
Gregory Camargo, Michael
Gibbons, Jackson Bergeron,
Marquis Smith

January 17, 2021

**Second Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

Readings:

Samuel 3:3-10
1 Corinth 6:13-15
John 1:35-42

Theme:

God calls us to follow
Christ.

Question of the week:

In what ways do you
experience being called
by Jesus? What does he
want you to do?

January 24, 2021

**Third Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

Readings:

Jonah 3:1-5
1 Corinth. 7:29-31
Mark 1:14-20

Theme:

We are called.

Question of the Week:

If someone asked you,
“To what work has Jesus
called you?” how
would you answer?

Announcements January 16 and 17

Calendars for 2021:

Calendars for 2021 are at the entrance of the church. Please take one per family.

Volunteers Needed:

Volunteers needed to help keep everyone safe. A few volunteers are needed after each mass to help with the wiping of the pews. The more hands we have, the quicker we will finish. Thank you for helping.

Office Hours:

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, January 18th in observance of Mar-n Luther King, Jr. Day

Rosary:

The CCW will be saying a rosary at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, January 22, the Anniversary of Roe vs. Wade, in church. All parishioners are invited to attend. Please observe social distancing and wear a mask. We need this now more than ever.

Good News!

January 17, 2021

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

1 Sm 3:3b–10, 19; 1 Cor 6:13c–15a, 17–20; Jn 1:35–42

Today 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

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EVENTS of the WEEK:

Saturday, January 16

Mass at ODS [+Clotilde Abantoe: 5:00 pm
(Abantao Family)]

Spanish Mass at ODS (ODS Parishioners): 7:00 pm

Sunday, January 17

Mass at ODS (For ODS Parishioners): 9:00 am

Mass at St:Ann (For St:Ann Parishioners):11:15 am

Spanish Mass at ODS (For ODS Parishioners):1:30 pm

Monday, January 18

OFFICE CLOSED

NO Mass at ODS

Tuesday, January 19

Mass at ODS: 5:30 pm

Wednesday, January 20

Mass at ODS: 8:00 am

Thursday, January 21

Mass at ODS: 8:00 am

Friday, January 22

Mass at ODS: 5:30 pm

Saturday, January 23

Mass at ODS [+Harriet Stolberg: 5:00 pm
(Eloise Stone)]

Spanish Mass at ODS (ODS Parishioners): 7:00 pm

Sunday, January 24

Mass at ODS (For ODS Parishioners): 9:00 am

Mass at St:Ann (For St:Ann Parishioners): 11:15 am

Spanish Mass at ODS (For ODS Parishioners): 1:30 pm

2020 Annual Catholic Appeal:

If you haven't yet made your pledge to the ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL, please consider doing it this week. ODS Target Goal is \$26,905 and total given as of 12/17 is \$20,063. St. Ann Target Goal is \$4,001 and total given as of 12/17 is \$2,030. As good stewards, each of us has a responsibility to share our great gifts that come from God. Thank you to those who have already responded with a sacrificial gift or pledge to the 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal.

Dear Padre

January 17, 2021

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

What 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. From *The Eucharist: 50 Questions from the Pews*, © 2009 Liguori Publications

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