



1st Reading: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10

Second Reading: 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20

Gospel: Jn 1:35-42

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Call to Discipleship

Last week was the Feast of the Baptism of Lord leading us to understand the Trinitarian baptism. The Scripture story reminded us of our own baptism, in which God's gift of abundant grace is given. Our response to this give of love is our call to holiness. This week we continue to celebrate the Baptism of the Lord with John the Baptist, who announces, "Behold, the Lamb of God." With this testimony from John the Baptist, two disciples immediately began to follow. The first followers sought out Jesus because of John's testimony and witness. As they followed, Jesus asked, "What are you looking for?" The disciples ask where he is staying and he responds, "Come and see". The "where" is not a place or building, it is an abidance to be in a relationship with Jesus... to follow him, to stay with him, to know him.... Today's scripture beckons to us, "Come and see!"

Question for Children: What can you do this week to show that you are a follower of Jesus?

Question for Youth: Andrew seemed to know immediately that he should follow Jesus. Do you have that same sense of confidence in your faith in Jesus? What helps? What makes it hard?

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

Year of Vocation - Stories of Call

The Scripture readings between the Baptism of the Lord which ends the Christmas Season and the beginning of Lent usually present the "call." accounts, where Jesus calls the first disciples. Jesus calls his disciples to "Come and see" (John 1:39) From the readings this Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, we hear God calling Samuel, and then Samuel responds, "Speak, for your servant is listening." God is always calling us, beckoning us to be with Him. God calls us in many ways, but it takes the discerning ear and the discerning heart to hear. Are you listening for God's voice?

Pray as a family: Pray humbly the words Samuel responded with, "Speak Lord, your servant is listening". Then take quiet time to read Scripture, or just be open to the Holy Spirit.



**Make
Snowangels**



**Be a
snowangel!**

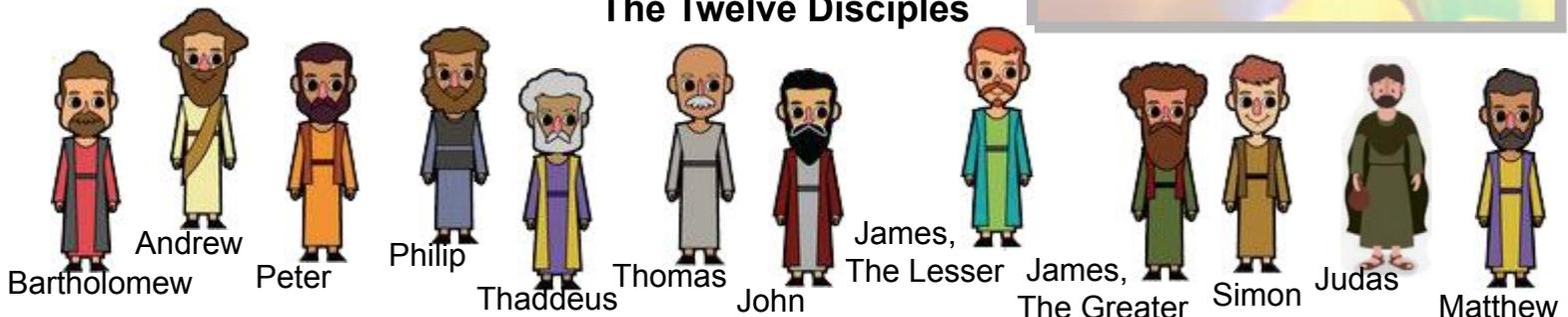
January 22 Prayer for the Protection of the Unborn

For Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life

God our Creator,
we give thanks to you,
who alone have the power to impart the breath of life
as you form each of us in our mother's womb;
grant, we pray,
that we, whom you have made stewards of creation,
may remain faithful to this sacred trust
and constant in safeguarding the dignity of every human life.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

*Collect for Jan. 22, Day of Prayer for the Legal
Protection of Unborn Children*

The Twelve Disciples



Links for More Ideas, Activities & Resources FYI

Ocarm.org - *Lectio Divina: John 1:35-42- (Adult Faith Builder)*

biblefunforkids.com - *The 12 Disciples of Jesus - crafts (Children's Faith Builder)*

youtube.com - *7 ways to Hear God's voice (Teens & Faith Builder)*