

	Mass Schedule	Diocesan Bishop	Most Rev. Gerard P. Bergie D.D.
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30 a.m.		Pastor	Fr. Greg Schmidt
Saturday	5:00 p.m.		frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com
Sunday	9:00 a.m. (Children's Liturgy of the Word) 11:00 a.m.	Deacon	Deacon George Newman
Confessions		Director of Music	Dr. David Holler
Saturday	3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. or by appointment Office Hours	Maintenance	Jim Salmon
Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.		Administration	Christine Buckley
Monday to Friday, 9.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.			Cheryl Wood

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January 14, 2024 Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

"Speak, for your servant is listening." With those few words, Samuel humbles himself and declares his loyalty and obedience to God. There are perhaps for many of us challenges in those words. Initially, Samuel responds, "Here I am," but thinks it was Eli who called him. The idea of being a servant and the willingness to serve are what may be trials for us in terms of how we live.



Samuel does not recognize the voice of the Lord. That, too, might be a problem for us. First, we need to be listening. Are we, or are we merely going through the motions? Responding to God with "Here I am" is a magnificent way to react to God. It is not that God does not know where we are but saying that can serve as a reminder to us that we are stewards and servants to Him, and it implies we are prepared to hear what He wants us to do.

"Here I am" is said numerous times by those in the Old Testament including Abraham, Jacob, Moses, Isaiah, and by Ananias in the New Testament. When Jesus says, "Come follow me," as He does to us, do we hear Him, and even more importantly do we respond, and do we follow?

In order to do that properly we have to be prepared to serve Him and others. Thus, like Samuel, we need to listen, and then we need to serve. At a recent papal audience, Pope Francis said, "Love and charity are service, helping others, serving others. When you forget yourself and think of others, this is love!".

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Parish Calendar

Monday, January 15 8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Shirley Favero †

Tuesday, January 16 8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Tom Urlocker † 4:00 p.m. - Serra Club Mass followed by meeting 7:00 p.m. - RCIA

Wednesday, January 17 8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Meaghan Scott † Diane McLaughlin † 7:00 p.m. - Preparation Night for First Holy Communion

Thursday, January 18 - No Mass

Friday, January 19 8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Teofil Szymski †

Saturday, January 20

5:00 p.m. (Livestream) – Joseph Kowalchuk † Shea Kenny †

Sunday, January 21

9:00 a.m. - Maria & Giuseppe Quaresima †
Maria & Antonio Ierace † | Biaggio Procopio †
Serafina & Angelo Procopio †
11:00 a.m. - Mass for the People

Are You Being Called?

"Come, and you will see." How are you being called to come and see how you can build up the kingdom of God as His co-worker? Consider the generous service of priesthood or consecrated life. Talk to your priest or reach out to Fr. Greg at the church office, 905 684 5603 or email frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com.

Faith Formation & Catechesis



We welcome you to join our RCIA session

"The Sacrament of Holy Orders"

Tuesday, January 16th at 7:00 pm, in our Divinity Room





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Catholic Women's League Corner: January 13 / 14

- * Join us this weekend for our gathering Mass on Sunday, January 14 at 11 am. During this Mass we will celebrate the induction of our new members, with a rehearsal at 10:30 am in the church.
- * Following the 11 am Mass, the reception to celebrate our new members will take place during Coffee Sunday.
- * All women of the parish are invited to attend any of our events.



Please join us for Saint Valentine Afternoon Tea

At St Ann Parish in Fenwick



\$20 per person, includes tea, finger sandwiches and sweets

Reservations required for tea service Please call the Parish office 905-892-6123 to purchase your tickets in advance

Saturday,	Bake Table	834
February 10th	open to the	Canboro Rd,
from 1-3pm	public 12-3pm	Fenwick

essings from your Parish Family

Help us recognize significant anniversaries and birthdays in our Parish Community.

Anniversaries - 25, 40, 50, 60, 65 Birthdays - 80, 85, 90, 95, 100

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