

**January 18, 2015**  
**Second Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)**

**From The Desk of Msgr. Corrigan:**

I saw the movie "Selma". It was excellent-although I think it was a little unfair to President Johnson. The Selma-Montgomery March was a very important event in the history of the United States and it should not be forgotten. Read my article on my involvement on our website icmary.com and see the movie. You will enjoy both.

As I mentioned in last week's bulletin it is very difficult to change society. Fifty years ago the civil rights movement did change our society for the better. I thought then that we were on the threshold of making more changes, especially eradicating poverty in our rich nation. We have made progress but not nearly enough. When I get discouraged and say to myself that it will never happen I remember Selma and try not to give up. I also remember that this shining moment did not happen overnight. It took years of planning and endurance by African-Americans and the brilliance and strategy (especially non-violence) of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. We honor his memory tomorrow and give thanks for his life.



**COLLECTION:**

The collection for last Sunday, January 11, 2015 was \$2,976.00

The Spanish community celebrated New Years with their "All Night" All the profits were donated to our church. The donation was in the amount of \$4,062.00. Thank you!

The second collection this Sunday, January 18, 2015 will be for the Organ Renovation. The second collection next Sunday, January 25, 2015 will be for our Property Insurance.

**Feeding our Neighbors Campaign:**

Catholic Charities will be starting their campaign to restock the food pantries and soup kitchens of the Archdiocese of New York the campaign will take place from Sunday, January 25, 2015 to February 1, 2015. We ask you to be as generous with them as you are with our own needy. There will be a box at the back of the Church and another at the front of the Church where you may leave nutritious no-perishable food items. Nearly 325,000 children have difficulty affording food, that's 22% of children in the 10 counties of the Archdiocese. So thank you for helping in this so worthy a cause.

**Second Sunday of Ordinary Time:**

Today we begin a stretch of Ordinary Time Sundays that will last about five weeks. We start with John's account of the call to the disciples. Having just celebrated a season marking the coming of the **Lord**, we now begin to see the adult **Jesus** at work. Having recalled our own baptism at last week's commemoration of the **Baptism of the Lord** today would be a good day to reflect on how we too have been called by the **Lord** in our baptism.

**In the first reading,**

1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19; **Samuel** responds to **God's** call. He listens attentively to every word.

**In the second reading,**

1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20; **Paul** reminds us that our bodies belong to **Christ** and are temples of the **Holy Spirit**. Therefore, we are to avoid sin.

**In the Gospel,**

John 1:35-42; **Jesus** is identified as the **Lamb of God**. John's disciples become disciples of **Jesus**.

**Today' Focus: Disciples in Our Whole Being:** *Being a follower of **Christ** isn't something we do just with our minds, or even with mind and heart together, we follow **Christ** in body, mind and spirit.*



**Praying with the Word**

**Lord God**, creator of all good gifts, help us to use all of your gifts to offer honor and glory to you, and to become more faithful followers of your **Son, Jesus Christ**.



**Question of the Week:**

What does it mean to me to glorify God in my body? Do I think about sexual morality in terms of what it means to answer the call to follow Jesus?

**Parish Council Meeting:** there will be a Parish Council Meeting on Wednesday, January 21, 2015 at 7:15 pm in the rectory.



**Amid so much darkness, we need to see light of hope and to be men women who bring hope to others.**

Open enrollment ends February 15

**NYS Affordable Health Care Open Enrollment:**

If you do not have health insurance you can get information on different plans, costs and subsidies on the **New York State official Affordable Care Act health plan marketplace** website: **[www.nystateofhealth.ny.gov](http://www.nystateofhealth.ny.gov)**. The marketplace's open enrollment period ends on February 15<sup>th</sup>.

**You can also get information by calling 1-855-355-5777.**

If you purchased health insurance on the State's marketplace you should have received information in October about renewing and changing plans.

If you have not renewed or changed plans and need information call the above phone number.

**The Parish office will be closed in observance of Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday.**

