



“Becoming a disciple of Jesus means accepting the invitation to belong to God’s family, to live in conformity with His ways of life.”

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SCRIPTURE
of the DAY

Exodus 3: 1-8, 13-15

Psalms 102: 1-4, 6-8, 11

1 Corinthians 10: 1-6, 10-12

Luke 13: 1-9

These promptings of the Holy Spirit arise from our conscious listening in silence and solitude to the gentle voice within each of us. Our prayer has to be: “Speak Lord, your servant is listening”. It is this prayer of the heart that begins the journey to the inside (in this season of Lent) and seeks answers to two fundamental questions in life: Who am I? Where am I going in Life?

Only when we understand that Baptism gives us an inner experience of the foundational encounter with the God of Love, as shown and expressed by the parents and gradually the family as the Domestic Church. The outward public “sign” (Rite) of Baptism must be accompanied by the more significant nourishing of the “Inward Grace” in order for Faith to grow with sensitivity to be in a life-long endeavour to discover and re-discover, listen and listen again to the “Calling of the Lord” and thus be able to respond to our Vocation as Christians and also for the Church as a People of God.

Baptism is not the beginning of our membership in the Church because receiving this Sacrament we were taught of “the outward sign of an inward grace”. Membership in an organisation is very different from being an integral part of a human body with a divine inner life: our Faith informs us that this Body is the body of Christ, who was risen from Death to be the Church as the People of God. This Church has a history and memory but is always open to reinterpreting the story of Jesus to be relevant to the people of today.

How is our Faith Renewal linked to the Church as Communion?✠

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CELEBRATING, LISTENING AND WALKING AS PILGRIMS OF HOPE

MONTHLY FOCUS & RATIONALE

FAMILY – CALLED TO NURTURE FAMILY VALUES AND RELATIONSHIPS

“Speak Lord, Your Servant is Listening”

– 1 Samuel 3:10

We are aware that our Faith is founded on our Baptism and as Church, that allows us to grow and to live this life as Children of God and to keep in view the Dream of the Father. It is this progression in Faith and growth in Grace that is nurtured in the family that gradually becomes the Love and experience of God. **We move from knowing God to understanding our own identity as creation of God, and thus the capability to discern our divinely inspired Destiny.**

