

### **Thoughts on the Daily Word:**

*2<sup>nd</sup> Week of Year. Friday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2023, Readings: Hebrews 8:6-13; Psalm: 84; Gospel: Mark 3:13-19.*

Priesthood is linked to the covenant; the priest presides over the relationship between God and the people of his covenant. The quote from the Old Testament shares the honesty of that tradition. The chosen people had failed to live up to the demands of the covenant so now God was going to take that response into his own hands and ensure that, through a new covenant, the relationship would be fulfilled. Once again God, in Christ, would choose those he has called and ensure that through the power of grace humankind would be able to fulfil the covenant. The mystery of the cross would reveal just how far God would go to ensure that the covenant would be fulfilled.