

Stewardship: It's not just about money

What a blessing to be a member of a community, for each member shares in the good done by all. St. Vincent DePaul

HELP US MEET OUR MONTHLY GOAL OF \$8,500.00 December: \$1,758.00 January: \$234.00

1/07 \$234.00 Washer& Dryer: \$350.00 Balance: \$729.73

The Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation

Sin Is A Refusal to Love

Alienation From God

When we sin, we distance ourselves from God, thinking we're unworthy of God's love.

Alienation From Others

"The woman whom you put here with me-she gave me fruit from the tree, so I ate *it" (12).* Adam blamed Eve for leading him into disobedience just as Eve blamed the serpent. As a result, Adam and Eve became alienated from each other. Our self-centeredness alienates us from others. Sin introduces division.

How Did Jesus Minister to Sinners?

Jesus came to reconcile and save us. He communicated healing and mercy in a human way. He also gave his apostles the power to forgive sins: "he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the holy spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained" (John 20:22-23). The Church continues Jesus' ministry of



reconciliation today and the sacrament of penance and reconciliation. Forgiving sins was central to Jesus' ministry. Read the following Gospel passages and consider how Jesus ministered to the sinners in each:

Mark 2: 1-12 Luke 7:36-50 Luke 19:1-10 John 8:1-11 (Continued Next Week)







Sunday, January 14th, 2024: **SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

"Speak, For **Your Servant is** Listening."

PARISH MISSION **STATEMENT**

Rooted in Christ and our Catholic Tradition We: Strengthen One Another through

• The Word, The Eucharist, and Shared Prayer

Ongoing Education of Our Children & Families, Share Ourselves & Our Gifts by

- Welcoming Others
- Offering witness to the Gospel through service to the larger Tuba City Community.



"Behold, the Lamb of God. John 1:36

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January 14th, 2023 Second Week in Ordinary Time 1 SM 3:3B-10,19; PS 40: 2,4,7-10; COR 6:13C-15A,17-20; JN 1:35-42



"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!"



St Vincent De Paul Society is still in need of officers and members. Contact Leonard Begay.

In the Gospel today, Jesus asks "What are you looking for?" Often, we are looking for happiness in very selfish ways, but we find that when we look for ways to make others happy, it is then that we truly become happy.

As you think about and pray in joining Society of St. Vincent de Paul, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who are suffering, and you give them reason to believe and to trust.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/EVENTS:

- **Today**, there will be a special collection for **Latin America**.
- January 21st, We will be having our yearly Santo Nino celebration. Come celebrate with us. Potluck in the Gym after Mass. You're welcome to bring a dish to share.
- Special Appeal: Washer and dryer donations balance: \$729.73

UPCOMING LECTOR SCHEDULE:

Sun. January, 14th: Cardelle Mix Sun. January, 21st: Santo Nino

Interested in lecturing? Contact Teresa Tsosie (928) 283-5391

The very fact that God has placed a certain soul in our way is a sign that God wants us to do something for him or her. It is **NOT** chance; it has been planned by God. We are bound by conscience to help him or her. - Mother Theresa

JOSEFINA DE JESUS

Eternal Rest Grand unto Her, Oh Lord, and let Perpetual Light Shine Upon Her. May She Rest in Peace, Amen

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MASS SCHEDULE/READINGS/MASS INTENTIONS:

Mon. Jan. 15th: No Mass 1st Samuel 15:16-23 & Mark 2: 18-22 Tues. Jan. 16th: No Mass 1st Samuel 16: 1-13 & Mark 2: 23-28 Wed. Jan. 17th: No Mass 1st Samuel 17: 32-323, 40-51 & Mark 3: 1-6 ST ANTHONY, ABBOT Thurs. Jan. 18th: No Mass 1st Samuel 18: 6-9; 19: 1-7 & Mark 3: 7-12 **No Holy Hour** Fri. Jan. 19th: No Mass 1st Samuel 24: 3-21 & Mark 3: 13-19 Sat. Jan. 20th: No Mass 2nd Samuel 1: 1-4,11-12, 19, 23-27 & Mark 3: 20-21 **BVM, ST. FABIAN, POPE, ST. SEBASTIAN** Sun. Jan. 21th: Mass 11am 1st Reading: Jonah 3: 1-5, 10 2nd Reading: 1st Corinthians 7: 29-31 Gospel: Mark 1: 14-20 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

CONFESSIONS: Saturday: By appointment. Contact the office.

