

# Stewardship: It's not just about money

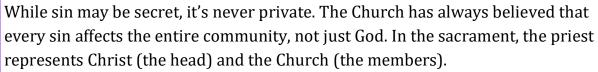
What a blessing to be a member of a community, for each member shares in the good done by all. St. Vincent DePaul

# HELP US MEET OUR MONTHLY GOAL OF \$8,500.00 December: \$1,758.00 January: \$1,414.00 1/07 \$234.00 1/14: \$455.00 LA: \$26 1/21: \$239.00 1/28: \$486.00

## The Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation

## Why Confess To a Priest???

We don't live in our minds alone; we need to express-with words, signs, and gestures-what's in our minds and hearts. We need to see, hear, and feel forgiveness-not just think about it.



As Jesus' stand-in the priest isn't learning anything new; God sees all our actions.

And like God, he wants only to offer mercy. He is also bound by the seal of the confessional: "He can make no use of the knowledge that confession gives him about penitents' lives" (CCC 1467). So in this sense only, all our sins remain private.

### Acts of Contrition, Absolution

We express sorrow for our sins in an act of contrition. We may express sorrow in our own words, the priest may lead us in prayer, or we may use a memorized prayer like this one: *My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against you whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our Savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In his name, my God have mercy.* **Amen (Continued Next Week)** 







## Sunday, February 4th, 2024: FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Praise the Lord, who heals the Brokenhearted."

#### PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Rooted in Christ and our Catholic Tradition We: Strengthen One Another through • The Word, The Eucharist, and

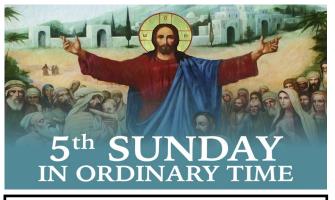
 The Word, The Eucharist, and Shared Prayer

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.



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## **February 4th, 2023 Fifth Week in Ordinary Time** JB 7:1-4, 6-7; PS 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; 1 COR 9-16, 22-23; MK 1:29-39



Our readings today remind us that Christ came to serve. Jesus' entire life was focused on others. He came to fulfill His Father's mission — the salvation of mankind. He labored for this mission by becoming the humblest of servants.

In today's Gospel, Simon says to Jesus, "Everyone is looking for you." Jesus did not seek after the praise. Rather, He responded by saying, "Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach

there also." Jesus was already looking to whom He could serve next.

As Christian stewards, we are also called to be humble servants who labor for our Father's mission. We should strive to imitate the Perfect Steward, Who was constantly aware of the needs of those around Him and put His gifts to good use. For us, this begins right here in our home, parish, and community. We are called to live each moment in awareness of our Father's mission and in gratitude for all He has given us.

Jesus tells us that the way to be attentive is through prayer. Before Jesus made the decision to go to the nearby villages to preach, He first went off to pray. It is through prayer that Jesus could hear what His Father was asking of Him. We, too, are called to spend time in daily prayer — we will then become aware of the opportunities to serve the Lord. THE

#### **UPCOMING LECTOR SCHEDULE:**

**Sun. February 4th:** Leonard Begay **Sun. February 11th:** Sonia Rojo If you feel the call to Lector please contact Teresa Tsosie (928) 283-5391





In the Gospel today, we find that Jesus would rise very early before dawn and go to a deserted place to pray and then he went out to preach and to heal.

Please pray for the poor and suffering, knowing that you are bringing the love and peace of Jesus to those who live in fear and doubt, loneliness and dread. Contact Leonard Begay to join SVDP

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS/EVENTS:**

- February 11, There will be a second collection for the Black and Native fund
- February 14th, Ash Wednesday, distribution of Ashes and Mass will at 7 PM.
- **Contact the Office** for donation letters for 2023 tax returns.

#### **APPRECIATION**

I wish to use this medium to Thank God for my successful vacation leave. My thanks also go to Fr. David Tate who covered the parishes through out my absence. I also appreciate you my parishioners for your love, care, concern, support and prayers for which made it possible for me to have a wonderful and memorable vacation. I enjoyed my leave to it's fullest with my family, relatives and friends. Both my family and friends sent their thanks and gratitude to you all. You are God's gift to me. May God bless you abundantly. Above all, I thank our miraculous God for saving me from the road accident when I was returning, about 30 miles to Our Lady of Guadalupe, Kayenta.

Blessing and Peace,

Fr. Faustinus Ibebuike

#### MASS SCHEDULE/READINGS/MASS INTENTIONS:

Mon. Feb. 5th: No Mass 1st King 8: 1-7, 9-13 & Mark 6: 53-56 AGATHA VIRGIN. MARTYR Tues. Feb. 6th: 6 PM Mass 1st Kings 8: 22-23, 27-30 & Mark 7: 1-13 PAUL MIKI, PRIEST, MARTYR & COMPANIONS Welfare of the family of Joseph and Marianne Scully by parish Wed. Feb. 7th: 6 PM Mass 1st Kings 10: 1-10 & Mark 7:14-23 Welfare of the family of Joseph and Marianne Scully by parish 8 AM Mass Thurs. Feb. 8th: 1st Kings 11: 4-13 & Mark 7: 24-30 Welfare of the family of Joseph and Christina Mortino by parish Holy Hour Adoration of the Blessed **Eucharist with Benediction** 6 pm - 7pm Fri. Feb. 9th: 8 AM Mass 1st Kings 11: 29-32: 12: 19 & Mark 7: 31-37 Welfare of the family of Joseph and Christina Mortino by parish Sat. Feb. 10th: 8 AM Mass 1st Kings 12: 26-32; 13: 33-34 & Mark 8: 1-10 SCHOLASTICA, VIRGIN, RELIGIOUS Welfare of the family of Joseph and Christina Mortino by parish Sun. Feb. 11th: Mass 11am 1st Reading: Leviticus 13: 1-2, 44-46 2nd Reading: 1st Corinthians 10: 31-11: 1 Gospel: Mark 1: 40-45

**CONFESSIONS:** Sat. after 8 am Mass or by appointment. Contact the office.