Stewardship Messages February, 2022

February 5/6, 2022

Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

"Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?' 'Here I am,' I said, 'send me!'" -- Isaiah 6:8

How often do we say "Here I am, Lord" when God asks us to do something? Do we "hear" His message? How often do we choose to not "hear" or not respond? The messages from the Lord are not always calls to do "large" or widespread things that will impact many people. They may be everyday occurrences like a simple kindness to a stranger or a note of encouragement to a friend. Concentrate on "hearing" when the Lord is calling you – and answer with "Here I am."

February 12/13, 2022

Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

"Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude and insult you, and denounce your name as evil on account of the Son of Man." -- Luke 6:22

Being a follower of Christ is not always easy. Some people will make comments or worse about your Catholic faith. God knows this. Through the Holy Spirit, we can have the courage to confidently stand up our faith and spread it to others – even in uncomfortable situations.

February 19/20, 2022

Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

"But rather, love your enemies and do good to them, and lend expecting nothing back..." -- Luke 6:35

This message can be difficult. The very word "enemy" connotes someone who has done or wishes us harm or unpleasant outcomes. It is natural to not have positive feelings for people like that. However, as followers of Christ, we are called to be merciful and compassionate. Pray for God to strengthen you with those gifts.

February 26/27, 2022

Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time

"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit." -- Luke 6:43

How do you use the "good fruit" – the gifts – that God has given you? Every person has his or her own set of gifts and talents, given to him or her by God. We are called to use our gifts openly and generously. Maybe it is a good time to prayerfully look at your own gifts and determine if there are different or fuller ways that you can use your uniqueness in service of God and others.