

Stewardship Messages

January 2024

January 7, 2024

Epiphany of the Lord

“They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.” - Matthew 2:11

It is worthy to note that the Magi showed respect to Jesus and prayed before offering their gifts. Taking time to pray about our gifts and reflecting on how we are to share them is important. God gave us all of our gifts and He has plans for us on how we are to use them to help one another.

January 14, 2024

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, ‘What are you looking for?’” - John 1:38

How often could Jesus ask the same question of us: “What are you looking for?” The world makes it easy for us to look for “things” and material possessions rather than to concentrate on seeing our identity as God’s children. It is important to ask God, through prayer, how He wants you to live in our mission of enriching God’s kingdom on earth.

January 21, 2024

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.”- Mark 1:17

Jesus’ call to followers was not just something that happened many, many years ago along the shore of the Sea of Galilee. Jesus calls us each by name – here, now, today. We must recognize and answer His call – and use our God-given gifts to live in ways that God intends for us.

January 28, 2024

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“I should like you to be free of anxieties.”- 1 Corinthians 7:32

We tend to worry – sometimes quite a bit. But, when we really think of what causes our anxieties, are they the result of our desire or perceived need to have *things* or societal standing? Do we obsess about things? Talking with God – praying - helps to put our needs in perspective and reminds us that He gives us what we really need.