

February 11, 2024 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's second reading, St. Paul urges the Corinthians to "do all for the glory of God." If we follow that advice in everything we do, we cannot help but be good stewards!

Mass Schedule Week of Feb. 11 Intentions

Monday	8:00am	Piedmont	
Tuesday	8:00am	Piedmont	5:15pm Van Buren
Wednesday	6:00pm	Piedmont	ASH WEDNESDAY Miller Phillips
Thursday	8:00am	Piedmont	
Friday	8:00am	Piedmont	
Saturday	4:30pm	Williamsville	
Sunday	8:30am	Van Buren /	parish family
	11:00am	Piedmont	Ronnie Reed

Tuesday 6:00pm Piedmont Adoration

7:00pm RCIA anyone interested in learning more about faith

Wednesday 6:30pm

Thursday 6:00pm FAITH STUDY, VB

Friday 6:00pm P. Stations of Cross

All Piedmont masses are live streamed on Facebook: daniel hirtz

Confessions: ½ hr. before mass, or by appointment 247 0277

NO SATURDAY 6:00PM PIEDMONT MASS until APRIL 7



Outreach Help: January 78 Gas vouchers \$1950.00 Utilities 1625.00, Rent 200.00 Medical 220.00

Pilgrimage: Interested in the Sacred Heart Challenge the Diocese is offering? Visit the 12 Sacred Heart

Churches across the diocese within the year. Call Fr. Dan The Texas Missions & Fr. Rother OK. June 3-

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Homily 4th Sunday

I have to. How many times we use those words. This week we hear them in each reading. Job lost everything and his wife says: 'Curse God and die'. But Job declares his innocence and says he must continue to be faithful to God. St. Paul says 'Willingly or unwillingly' he has to proclaim the gospel. He can't do other. Even though I could have retired six years ago I feel I must keep serving. God called me to celebrate the mass and I would rather celebrate with a congregation rather than alone (even though that might sometimes be the case here). Jesus says he has to go to other towns to proclaim the gospel. He can't just stay in Capernaum and hang up his shingle. How many times will a young person say: "I have to go to ball practice." knowing that they want to go and will probably spend hours shooting baskets during the week. Their parents say "I have to go to the game" and may do so a couple times during the week. We make comments to others in the house that 'I have to go and get a shower and get my teeth brushed.' we could just choose to stay dressed and sleep in the recliner. Like Paul and Jesus we might respond to our vocation in saying 'I have to change the baby', 'I have to get supper ready', etc. knowing that is what we signed on for and willingly do so. When it comes to mass though and we say 'I have to go to mass' do we mean that in the same way or are we saying 'I wish I didn't have to go to mass.' of all our 'have tos' which is the greatest? Jesus called each of you to be priest, prophet and king. In doing so, just as Moses was commanded to anoint Aaron as priest and have him offer sacrifice in a certain way, with certain vestments, on certain days so Jesus commanded us to 'do this as my memorial' and 'As often as you do it do it as my memorial' and Paul says 'Do not forsake the gathering of the assembly on the day of the Resurrection.' In going further, we pray: 'Give us this day our supersubstantial, necessary bread' desiring the Eucharist daily. Do God not have a right to ask certain things of us? Do we not recognize the privilege that is ours in going to mass? When we have company and say: "I have to go to mass." and they wonder why we would leave our company are we ready to help them understand. Scripture calls us to be prepared to explain this faith of ours. So yes, Johnny, I have to go to mass. It is the greatest privilege I have during the week and Jesus is waiting for me. So yes. Say: "I have to go to mass" it's the most necessary thing I do all week.