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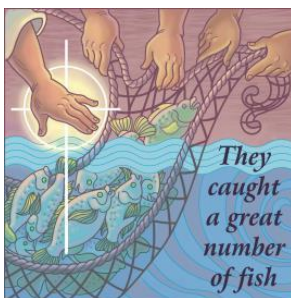
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FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Feb 9, 2025

FIRST READING: In a vision Isaiah is called to be a messenger for the LORD of hosts. Isaiah responds, “Send me!” (Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8)

PSALM: In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord (Psalm 138).

SECOND READING: Paul reminds us of the gospel he preached through which we are saved, if we believe it (1 Corinthians 15:1-11 [3-8, 11]).

GOSPEL: Jesus directs Simon to take his boat into deep water for a miraculous catch of fish. Simon and his partners leave all to follow Jesus (Luke 5:1-11).

LITURGICAL REFLECTION: THEOPHANIES

Today’s readings recount three theophanies, or particular manifestations of God’s presence. The prophet Isaiah is caught up in a dramatic scene of heavenly worship, with a royal throne, burning embers, and seraphim singing, “Holy, holy, holy.” Isaiah is overwhelmed. In the responsorial psalm, the assembly adds its own worship to that of the seraphim: “In the sight of the angels, I will sing your praises, Lord” (Psalm 138:1). Paul reminds the Corinthians of his own experience of a post-Resurrection appearance of the Lord, making him an apostle, but one “born abnormally” (1 Corinthians 15:8), since he had no acquaintance with the earthly Jesus. The first of those who did know the earthly Jesus were surprised by fishing advice from the teacher who had commandeered Simon’s boat, resulting in an extraordinary catch. Although less colorful than those of Isaiah or Paul, this theophany was just as overwhelming.

WEEKLY PARISH EVENTS CALENDAR

MON	02/10	
TUES	02/11	
WED	02/12	
THURS	02/13	
FRI	02/14	
SAT	02/15	3:00PMConfession
NEXT SUN	02/16	



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK: (Feb 10th – Feb 16th)

MON	02/10	7:50AM	+ (A) Bea Macy – (Family)
TUES	02/11	7:50AM	+Matilda Simcic – (Husband, Martin)
WED	02/12	7:50AM	+ Anthony Petrore – (M/M John Rok)
THUR	02/13	7:50AM	+ Mary Jane Hajnik – (Rita Boselli)
FRI	02/14	7:50AM	+ Fr. Robert Grattan
SAT	02/15	4:00PM	+ Living & Deceased Members of Gentile & David Families
SUN	02/16	7:30AM	+ (B) Terri Spinda – (Husband, Ed)
		10:30AM	+ (B) Ryan Lorditch & Ken Shank – (Family)



Sunday, Feb 9, 2025

St Therese Prayer Shawl Ministry.



For the month of January, we are pleased to announce that our prayer shawl ministry crafted 11 comfort shawls and 2 blankets, which were blessed and delivered to St Therese parishioners who currently reside in local nurse home facilities. A Big Thank you to the crocheters who provide their time and talent, and to those who have donated yarn or given a monetary donation. Every little bit helps.

We are always looking for new knitters and crocheters to join our group. Our ministry members crochet their shawls at home and then gather at the end of the month after the shawls have been blessed to discuss distribution. The next time we will meet will be on Wednesday, March 5th 2PM in the church Hall. If crocheting isn't your thing, we are always looking for driver to deliver the shawls.

The Basket will remain in the vestibule for donations of yarn (4ply Worsted), gift cards from either Joann Fabrics, Walmart or Michaels, or monetary donations are also appreciated.

If you would like to receive a prayer shawl for a parishioner or loved one, please contact the parish office. If you have any questions please contact Debi Hubbard @ mommyhub@atlantcibb.net or 814-421-2416

Stewardship Reflections: Today we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, when Mary and Joseph brought their infant Son to the Temple in obedience of the laws of their Jewish faith. Even knowing their Son was God, they still carefully observed the faith practices of their day, bringing Him to the temple "to present Him to the Lord." The Holy Parents were good stewards of their child, teaching Him to live in obedience of the practices of their faith from his infancy and throughout His years.

Those of us entrusted with the care of children, whether our own children, godchildren, nieces, nephews, grandchildren, students, etc. - we have a vital role to play in the faith formation of these young ones. We, like the Holy Parents, must steward these children well, forming them in the faith by both instruction and example throughout their lives.

What a privilege and high calling we have as Christian stewards. Let us take these stewardship lessons to heart and present our gifts and our young ones joyfully to the Lord.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS
(Feb 1st & Feb 2nd, 2025)

Weekly	\$ 5,045.00
Building Fund	\$ 476.00
Fuel	\$ 1,920.00



Sincere Condolences - The St. Therese Community would like to offer our sincere condolences to the family of **Susan Mock** who was called to her eternal reward last week. May God grant His eternal rest to **Susan** and peace and consolation to her family. Susan was the sister of Helen Sorchilla



Congratulations to our winners of the Pick 3 Ground Hogs Day Ticket.
Winning Number 323 (evening drawing)
323 Winner - No Winner
322 # below - No Winner
324 # above - Tammy Mitchell

We would like to Thank everyone who supported this fundraising project. Thanks to the people who sold the tickets for the church. We appreciate all of your help.

TIME CHANGE



There will be a **Faculty Meeting, Today Sunday February 9th following the 10:30 Mass.**

Please try to attend.

Families and the Gospel (Luke: 5: 1-11)
In today's gospel Jesus asked Simon to start by "going a short distance." Later he asked Simon to "go into deeper water." The first step toward reconciliation is usually a "short distance" which gives us the courage to go further "into deeper water." Reconciliation starts with the first short step!

Piroghi Project



We are still looking for a person or persons to run the Piroghi Project for the upcoming year. This is a big project to take on but, it is one of the biggest Fundraisers of our parish. If anyone is interested in taking on this project or helping out please call the office Mon-Fri 9-2