

February 16th, 2025

## **Important Dates**

- Feb 16 1st Eucharist Parent Meeting 1pm
- Feb 16 7th Grade Confirmation Meeting 2pm
- March 5<sup>th</sup> Ash Wednesday Mass 7pm
- March 15th Saturday Reconciliation
- March 16th Confirmation Retreat

### Reminders

As we head into our winter weather, keep in mind your families safety. Church is rarely cancelled, but if road conditions are unsafe near you, please stay home.

If you have a child in 2<sup>nd</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup> grade please join the zoom meeting this afternoon.

# What Are We Learning?

3<sup>rd</sup> We learned what morality is about- decision making. How do you know what is a good choice and a bad choice? Does Evil exist? We broke up into groups to discuss situations and how to they would handle them. We then discussed Beatitudes which means Blessings. Jesus taught us 8 of them.



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### **Faith Reflection**

#### **First Reading**

Jeremiah 17:5-8

#### Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:12,16-20

#### **Gospel Reading**

Luke 6:17,20-26

Today's Gospel offers a contrast to many of the messages we hear in our society today. If we were to accept uncritically the "get ahead" messages of our culture, we would think that happiness means having money, being successful, and having many possessions. In this way, we are not unlike the people who heard Jesus teach on the day that he taught the Beatitudes. They too associated happiness with possessions and success. The report of the Beatitudes in Luke's Gospel, however, takes things one step further. Not only will we not find happiness through the "get ahead" messages of the world, but relying upon these messages will cause us harm. The warnings spoken are particularly allenging because they suggest that our way of life must change if ware gain the lasting happiness of eternal life.

### **Good News!**

·Happy Valentine's and Presidents' Day!

## What Are We Learning?

1 Corinthians 16:14: Let all that you do be done in love.

As we celebrate Valentine's Day let us make an extra effort to embody this verse.

