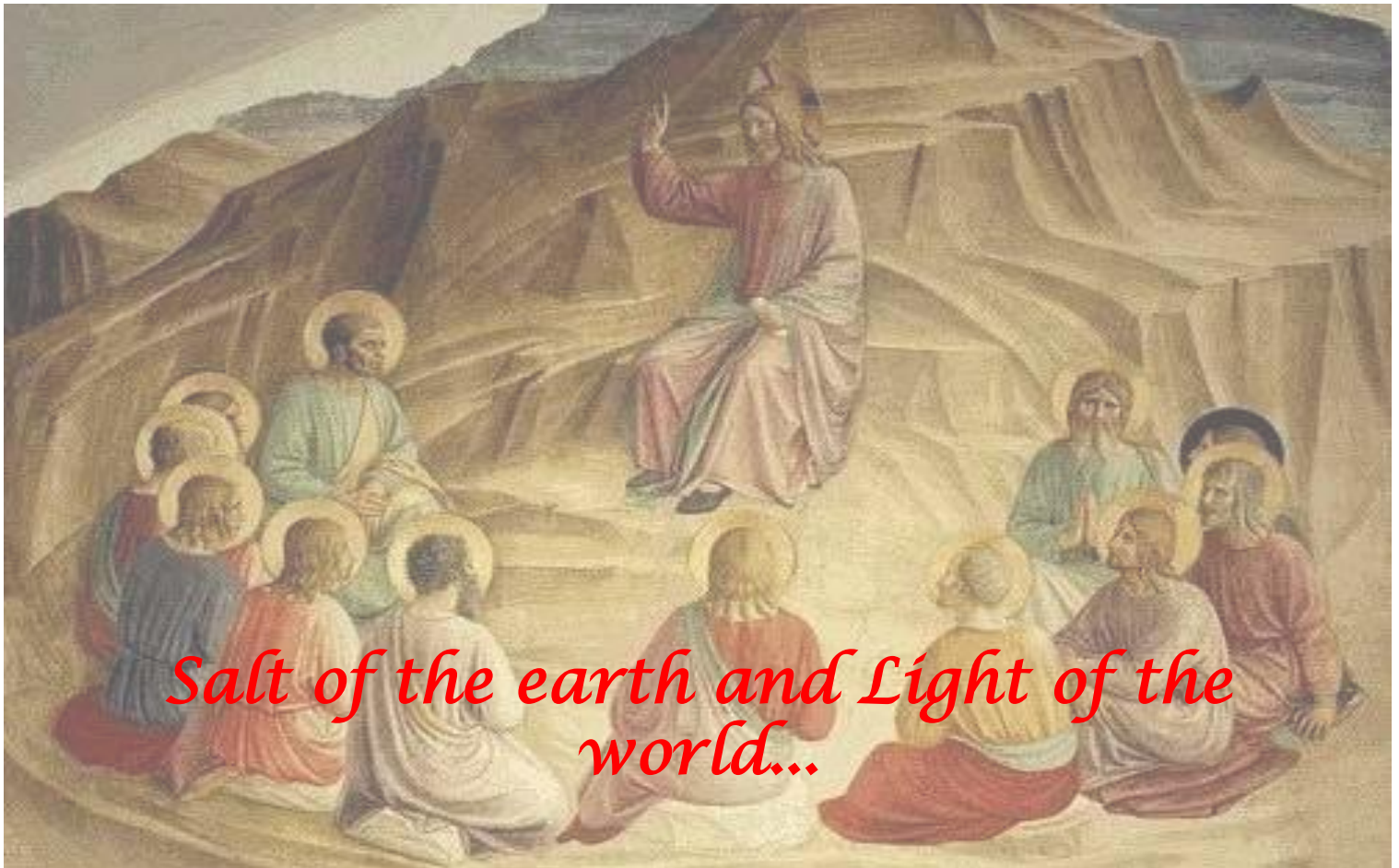


Our Lady of Tahoe Catholic Church

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

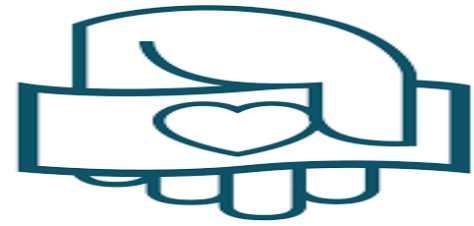


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Saturday: 5pm | Sunday: 8am & 11:30am
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My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Priest's Relief Collection is taken up each year in order to provide funds for this specific purpose. This collection will be taken up **this weekend**. As Bishop of the Diocese of Reno, I have a special concern for the priests who share with me the ministry and care for the faithful of this diocese. These priests have dedicated their lives to the ministry and service to the people of Northern Nevada. One of my responsibilities is to ensure that we are prepared to assist them, when necessary, with retirement and health needs that are extraordinary. Despite our best efforts to plan, there may be times when a priest may find it necessary to ask for additional financial assistance because insurance covers only a portion of health expenses or there is some other unforeseen crisis. I know you share with me a sense of gratitude for the ministry of our priests. Your financial support will enable me to be prepared to assist them in times of special need. Thank you for your generosity.

With every best wish and an assurance of prayers, I remain,

Yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Daniel H. Mueggenborg
Bishop of Reno

Saint Josephine Bakhita's Story

For many years, Josephine Bakhita was a slave but her spirit was always free and eventually that spirit prevailed. Born in Olgossa in the Darfur region of southern Sudan, Josephine was kidnapped at the age of 7, sold into slavery and given the name Bakhita, which means *fortunate*. She was resold several times, finally in 1883 to Callisto Legnani, Italian consul in Khartoum, Sudan. Two years later, he took Josephine to Italy and gave her to his friend Augusto Michieli. Bakhita became babysitter to Mimmina Michieli, whom she accompanied to Venice's Institute of the Catechumens, run by the Canossian Sisters. While Mimmina was being instructed, Josephine felt drawn to the Catholic Church. She was baptized and confirmed in 1890, taking the name Josephine. When the Michielis returned from Africa and wanted to take Mimmina and Josephine back with them, the future saint refused to go. During the ensuing court case, the Canossian Sisters and the patriarch of Venice intervened on Josephine's behalf. The judge concluded that since slavery was illegal in Italy, she had actually been free since 1885. Josephine entered the Institute of St. Magdalene of Canossa in 1893 and made her profession three years later. In 1902, she was transferred to the city of Schio (northeast of Verona), where she assisted her religious community through cooking, sewing, embroidery, and welcoming visitors at the door. She soon became well loved by the children attending the sisters' school and the local citizens. She once said, "Be good, love the Lord, pray for those who do not know Him. What a great grace it is to know God!" The first steps toward her beatification began in 1959. She was beatified in 1992 and canonized eight years later. **Reflection** - Josephine's body was mutilated by those who enslaved her, but they could not touch her spirit. Her Baptism set her on an eventual path toward asserting her civic freedom and then service to God's people as a Canossian Sister. She who worked under many "masters" was finally happy to address God as "master" and carry out everything that she believed to be God's will for her.

Susan will be out of the office on Fridays during February and March. Please contact her Monday through Thursday if you need assistance. Thanks!

Happiness is a 3-day weekend!

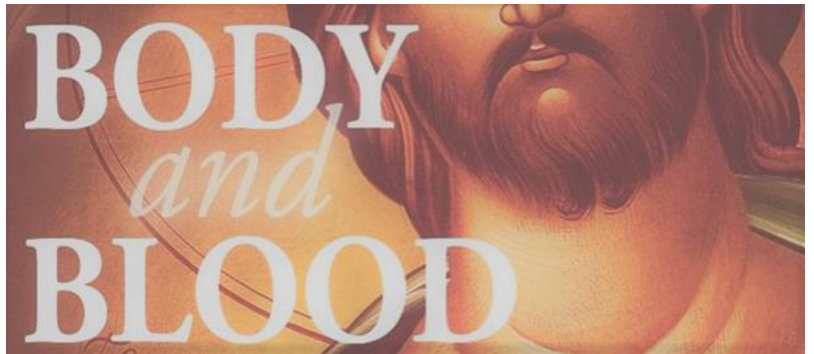


Mass Intentions

Saturday	4	5pm	Yana Morgan	David and Stephanie Scott
Sunday	5	8am	Intentions of OLT Parishioners	Pro Populo
Sunday	5	11:30am	Kathy Devine	David and Stephanie Scott
Wednesday	8	11:30am	Sue Jackson	Julie Ryan
Thursday	9	11:30am	Suzi VanCamp	Chris Thomas
Friday	10	11:30am		

Last weekend's collection came to \$2,239.00.
Thank you for being a blessing with your giving!

For those who use boxed envelope sets, GOOD news...they are here, on the tables, in the back of the church. If you don't have a set, but would like one, please contact the office. Blessings in Christ!



During the month of February, we pray for all marriages which have been negatively impacted by the scars of an abortion. May these couples reach out for help so they can experience the willingness of God to walk with them through this challenging time, His immeasurable love, and His mercy. Please find out more about us at <https://www.highdesertcatholic.org/>. Click on Our Works, scroll down, click on Project Rachel. Contact our confidential, non-judgmental help line 775-324-4325 or email KarenM@Catholicreno.org to take advantage of valuable resources.

Offertory Rites #3 – Fruit of the Earth and Work of Human Hands

“Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life” Excerpt from the Roman Missal

At the Last Supper, Christ Himself took bread and wine and changed them into His own flesh and blood. Since then, in accord with the divine command, we have been doing what He did—taking bread and wine and transubstantiating them into the body and blood of Christ. Fundamentally, we ‘do this’ because Jesus told us to. However, the fact that Christ chose both bread and wine has a particular appropriateness to it—in both bread and wine, we see the action of the divine and the action of the human. God Himself gives us grain and grapes, but then we must act to change them into bread and wine—it is the fruit of the earth and the work of human hands. Christ then receives this, and again changes them into His body and blood. He then gives them back to us, which in turn changes us into the mystical body of Christ. This gift, change, and return continue the Divine interchange begun in the Liturgy of the Word. How are you cooperating in the plan of God? Where do you see God changing things in your own life?



As disciples of Jesus Christ, and in the name of Mary, Our Lady of Tahoe Catholic community welcomes and embraces all those who come to us. With guidance of the Holy Spirit, through worship, the sacraments, and loving service, we provide for one another's spiritual and material needs. In being so nourished, we reach out in faith to serve the larger community.



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