

Saturday, January 9, 2021
Christmas Weekday
Saturday after Epiphany

In a world that seems confused and looking for direction, we receive some blunt truth from St. John in today's first reading: "All wrongdoing is sin, but there is sin that is not deadly." Mortal sin and venial sin are still perennial truths of the Catholic Church. The good news is that we are always offered forgiveness by God when we repent. John the Baptist reminded us of that and he says today in the Gospel: "No one can receive anything except what has been given from heaven." The Father sent Jesus to forgive us and even take our place to expiate our sins! May we pray today and every day, like John the Baptist, about Jesus: "He must increase; I must decrease."

God Love You!

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