

Sunday, February 7, 2021

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Illness and demons in the Gospel. Job laments, “I have been assigned months of misery, and troubled nights have been allotted to me.” Jesus arrives on the scene and “He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons.” The answer to life’s problems has arrived! Jesus has come to save us! Paul experienced the saving power of God through Jesus that he himself offered “the gospel free of charge” and made himself “a slave to all so as to win over as many as possible” to Jesus Christ. When we experience this saving power of God, we too act like “Simon and those who were with him” always pursuing Jesus. That is what our Sunday gatherings are about: our pursuit of Jesus, who continues to meet us where we are, who invites us to “lift up your hearts”, and we respond, “We lift them up to You, O Lord!” It is right and just that we give thanks and praise to the Lord our God who heals the brokenhearted!

God Love You!

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