

“The Rewards of Kindness” based on Matt. 10:40-42

Saying by Henry James – “There are 3 things that are important to human life – the first is to be kind, the second is to be kind, and the third is to be kind.”

One of the most important characteristics of a follower of Christ is ‘kindness’ – it is a reflection of God’s love. Although we hear of animals helping humans, kindness is primarily a human quality. See it in our church life – people who volunteer. You see it around you each day, as well.

- Study by Loretta Stalans on taxpayer beliefs about audits. “If you expect unfair treatment, you’re more likely to get it. Establish good rapport with IRS auditor, more like to ‘get a break’
- Jesus set example of acting in kindness with no chance of being ‘paid back’. Gave life before people repented.

Story of Chuck Wall regarding the ‘random act of senseless kindness’ movement. Erupted into an idea that brought much good feeling to many people.

-reflection of God’s divine image imprinted on our souls. We need such examples to bring God’s kingdom into our lives.

-Gift of the Sacrament of Holy Communion reminds us of what God’s love has done for us! “The Body and Blood of Christ given and shed for us.”

PASS IT ON!