

FR.TK. REFLECTIONS 6th SUNDAY YEAR A 2023.

THE DECISION MAKING MOMENT:

God wants us to do good not bad yet He has given us Freedom to choose either or. Sirach tells us the choice is very clear, **life or death, good or evil, fire or water** to be **faithful or not**. which one do you chose today?. The decision is up to to you with **all freedom and eventualities**.

Jesus in the Gospel is clearly and forcefully calling a spade spade and tells us the consequences of sitting on the fence or **breaking the commandments**. **Despite the fact that the society and the world seems to have chartered** its own rule and regulations regarding **lust, swearing, adultery and anger**, yet the call of today is decision making which takes us back to last Sundays reading of being **light of the world and salt of the earth**.

We are the the light of the world when we say that we don't **murder, commit adultery, and perjure self for sure many don't commit** all that yet the question of sin is always accompanying us as human being. christ is telling us today we may not commit murder but do we avoid senseless **anger, defamation, slander, insult, trivializing self worth of persons, malicious hints, and character assassinations!** Is this not **stabbing one's character in heart and at the back?** We need to close, examine self today and see how much we have damaged others. Are we still the salt and the light in the society!

We are the salt and light when **we respect human dignity**. we don't have to agree with person but we can respect opinions of others. It has been said **you shall not commit adultery, but Christ is telling us avoid infidelity of heart, fantasizing, toying temptations through magazine and internet**. Let us not let the modern technology control us **,let us control them and use them for the well being of us but not to mislead us**. This can lead people to be together and **legally married yet**

they are emotionally divorced!How is our vocations as married couples and religious people? do we subject ourselves and our vocations to all the modernizations.Are we the salt and the light in the society in our commitments to our families and vocations? We are called to **bear witness in such world.**

Jesus today teaching and calling us to be **firm and truthful.**The real measure of violence in the world and society is not found in the crime Statistics,but **in all ways we put people down,despise,talk against,hold grudges** so too commitments in marriage is not measured by the number of **divorces** but rather by **serious commitments and responsibility** in our family relationships.

We are ***called to be the light and the salt in such society of our time.we simply must shine,HOW ARE YOU GOING TO DO IT?.***