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Dear Parishioners:

Some days are easier to be faithful to God than others. If a selfless challenge stands before us that we would prefer not to face, the temptation to avoid it can surface and selfishness can take us over. To be selfless on a regular basis requires inner silence because selfishness can get pretty loud within us. Choosing to be silent allows God to surprise us with a hundred-fold abundance! Selfishness is restricting on God's abundance because we think a greater abundance than God's abundance is selfishness. The illusion of selfishness is that it portrays itself as being abundance without God when, in reality, it is desolation.

Jesus reveals that God is self-less and as members of Jesus' Body we are called to be self-less too. This requires an inner silence approach to life. In every moment we can be silent about being selfish and observe how God guides us to be self-less. This is another way of describing what it means to die to self.

Inner silence is the blessed way for living more faithfully in God's abundance. It is amazing how less selfishness and more selflessness can change the whole of our lives. Shall we call this our greatest challenge?

In God's Abundant Love,

Fr. Terry