Dear Padre,

Is it a sin to use God's name in profanity?

Profanity is obscene, vulgar language that may or may not include God's name. People may thoughtlessly ask God to condemn a person or a thing in their profanity, but if questioned, admit that they did not mean it literally. They say their angry words were not intended to deliberately ask God to harm someone and deliberate intent is one requirement for what constitutes a sin. God who knows our hearts can determine if our misuse of his name is a form of venting, but the Second Commandment warns us that taking the Lord's name in vain does not please him, even if no harm to another is intended. The danger in constantly and carelessly using God's holy name profanely is that over time we can easily become desensitized to



the practice, creating an irreverent attitude toward God that is offensive and may lead others into sin.

Recall that when we pray, "Hallowed be thy name" in the Lord's Prayer—the prayer Jesus taught his disciples—we ask God to enable us to give him the reverence that is due; it comes first before we ask anything for ourselves—a sure sign of our respect for God.

Because God's name is holy, we mustn't abuse it. Despite the erosion of inhibitions against poor word choices in our time, consider this prayerful petition from the last verse of Psalm 19: "Let the words of my mouth be acceptable, / the thoughts of my heart before you, / LORD, my rock and my redeemer."

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about Dear Padre.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
May 20	May 21	May 22	May 23	May 24	May 25	May 26
Blessed Virgin	Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Most Holy Trinity
Mary, Mother of	Jas 4:1-10	Jas 4:13-17	Jas 5:1-6	Jas 5:9-12	Jas 5:13-20	Dt 4:32-34,
the Church	Mk 9:30-37	Mk 9:38-40	Mk 9:41-50	Mk 10:1-12	Mk 10:13-16	39-40
Gn 3:9-15, 20 or						Rom 8:14-17
Acts 1:12-14						Mt 28:16-20
Jn 19:25-34						



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

This is how the word of God describes the working of the Spirit: first he rests on each and then brings all of them together in fellowship....In other words, the same Spirit creates diversity and unity, and in this way forms a new, diverse and unified people: the universal Church.

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May 19, 2024
Pentecost (B)

Acts 2:1-11 / 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Galatians 5:16-25 / John 20:19-23 or John 15:26-27: 16:12-15



Socrates, the Spirit, and Self

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

now thyself," advised the philosopher Socrates. Yet easier said than done. A recent public service ad warning about the dangers of smoking concludes, "The worst lies are the lies you tell yourself, like smoking isn't that dangerous." To admit the truth, to come to truth, to live the truth is no small thing.

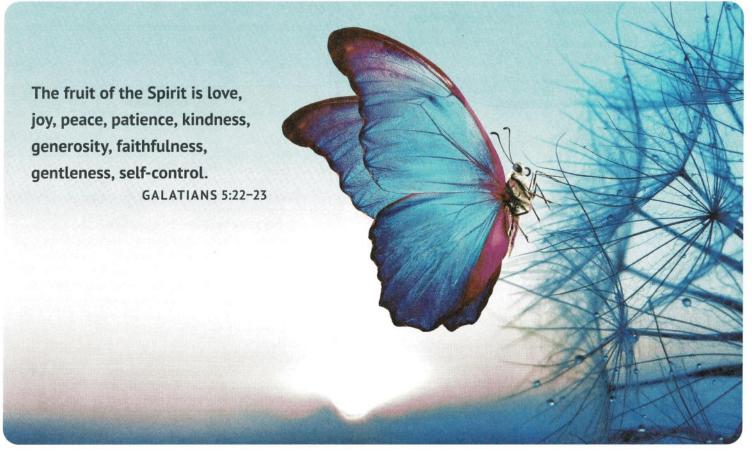
Have you ever wondered why it takes a lifetime to come to wisdom, why we aren't born with all the wisdom we need? It would make life so much easier. When Jesus promised us the Spirit, he said, "I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now. But when he comes, the Spirit of Truth, he will guide you to all truth" (John 16:12–13). To know ourselves and the truth of who we are can be a painful process, coming to terms with what we do not want to hear. So the Spirit brings us to that wisdom gradually, over the course of a lifetime, lest we run from it.

Paul warns against "immorality and impurity and lust," and each of us at some point in our lives must come to terms with the truth that if we do not channel our sexuality healthfully it will mess up our lives. Paul warns

against "hatred, rivalry, fury, dissensions," and each of us eventually realizes how any of those can ruin relationships and our very lives. Some of us learn such wisdom early in life, some late, yet coming to Truth is a lifelong journey guided by the Spirit. •

Reflect

What truth do you know now that you did not know ten or twenty years ago?



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May 2024 Mass Schedule

Mass Schedule					
St. Joachim	Mon:	8:00 AM			
St. James	Tues:	8:15 AM			
St. Joachim	Wed:	8:15 AM			
St. James	Thurs:	8:00 AM			
St. Joachim	Fri:	8:00 AM			
St. James	First Sat:	8:00 AM			
St. James 1st & 3rd	Sat:	4:00 PM			
St. Joachim 2nd/4th	Sat:	4:00 PM			
St. James	Sun 1	L0:00 AM			
St. Joachim	Sun	8:00 AM			

*HOLY DAY SCHEDULE: Please check the Bulletin for Mass Times.

Confessions:

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF: May 19, 2024

	OCHOROX 136-5-34		
257	MON	8:00 AM	(Mass at St. Joachim)
May	21 TUE	8:15 AM	Leslie Bone
May	22 WED	8:15 AM	(Mass at St. Joachim)
May	23 THU	8:00 AM	Fr. Welschmeyer (ordination)
May	24 FRI	3:00 PM	(Mass at St. Joachim)
May	25 SAT	8:00 AM	No Mass
May	25 SAT	4:00 PM	No Mass
May	26 SUN	8:00 AM	(Mass @ St. Joachim)
May	26 SUN	10:00 AM	Fr. Fleming (ordination)

We Need Your Help Please

Have you moved, or have you changed your Phone number? Are you new to our parish? If so, please call the office to register, or update your information. 573-438-4686

Week of: May 12, 2024

Envelope\$	1125.00	Main & Repairs\$	20.00
Loose\$		On-Line donations\$	
<i>SVDP</i> \$	220.00	Catholic Comm\$	30.00
		Catholic Home Miss \$	5.00

Special Ministers May 26, 2024 **Lectors:** Sunday 10:00 am Jamie Warden

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Sunday 10:00 am

C: Danny Mueller L: Kim Čoleman R: Diane McGirl

Sat: 4:00 pm (celebrated at St. Joachim) Sun: 8:00 am (celebrated at St. Joachim) Sun: 10:00 am Daisy and Penelope Kearns

Music:

Sat: 4:00 pm. Chala

Sun. 8:00 a.m. Rebecca Richards

Sun: 10:00 am Anita Govero or The Little Way Band

Food of the Month of May: breakfast food, oatmeal, cereal, breakfast bars

THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR AMAZING YOLUNTEERS

Heavenly Duster: 05/24: Jean Roberson 05/27: Faye Jarvis Altar Linens:



ST. JAMES GUN RAFFLE JOIN THE FUN!!!!

Tickets will be sold after all Masses until the drawing. There are 3 guns being raffled. Proceeds go to picnic income for our Parish. The drawing will take place on 6/15/24.

The Church dedicates the month of May to celebrating Mary and the Rosary....



Saint Quote

"Do not abandon yourselves to despair. We are the Easter people and hallelujah is our song."

St. Pope John Paul II

WORD OF LIFE

'Without a foundational, practical formation, it is difficult for our consciences to guide us well in concrete situations. As Catholics, we have the immense gift of the teaching authority of the Catholic Church and can turn to it for help forming our consciences. For example, learning about Christian moral principles, reading the Catechism of the Catholic Church, or researching what the Church says about a challenging teaching will help us grow in knowledge of the truth."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Understanding Conscience

May the Holy Spirit strengthen God's people to embrace and protect the precious gift of human life; We pray to the Lord:



What's on the Calendar???

May 12-20: Novena of the Holy Spirit

May 19: Pentecost Sunday

Healing service at St. Rose at 2:00

May 20: Rural Parish Clinic here at St. James 8:00 am May 31: Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Jun 02: Corpus Christi Procession @ St. Joachim Church

Jul 17: National Eucharistic Congress, Indianapolis, IN

Question:

What is the meaning of Pentecost in the Scriptures?

St. Luke describes the setting of the descent of the Holy Spirit as "the day when Pentecost had come" (Acts 2:1). This Fiftieth Day (pentekoste) was for Israel a spring harvest feast ending the days of celebration after Passover. It was also a celebration of the giving of the Law on Mt. Sinai. For the Christian, it remains the "fiftieth day", but after Jesus' Passion, Death and Resurrection, and the celebration of the Gift of the Holy spirit.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church (paragraphs 731-732) says:

On the day of Pentecost when the seven weeks of Easter had come to an end, Christ's Passover is fulfilled in the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, manifested, given, and communicated as a divine person: of his fullness, Christ, the Lord, pours out the Spirit in abundance.

On that day, the Holy Trinity is fully revealed. Since that day, the Kingdom announced by Christ has been open to those who believe in him: in the humility of the flesh and in faith, they already share in the communion of the Holy Trinity....

Why is Pentecost so important to Christians today?

In John 14:26, Jesus said, "The Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you."

Thus, Pentecost is not only an historical event. As the fulfillment of Jesus' promise, it continues to bear fruit in the Church today, especially in the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation.

"How good God is to give me His Holy Spirit to supply what I need to strive for holiness." – Mother Angelica

Missionary Discipleship

Pentecost- Gifts of the Holy Spirit

What an extraordinary event the first Pentecost was! Fortunately, it continues today as we experience the continued action of the Holy Spirit in prayer and the moments of daily life. We often refer to Pente cost as the birthday of the Church because it is the first moment when the Apostles formed a community of believers and, led by the Holy Spirit, began to invite others to become followers of Jesus Christ. How often we forget the power of the Sacrament of Confirmation that we have received. The Lord sends the gifts of the Holy Spirit into our hearts, giving us wisdom, knowledge, understanding, counsel, fortitude, piety, and fear of the Lord. These gifts are necessary for our salvation as they strengthen our virtues and facilitate our cooperation with the grace of God in our lives amid the trials we face daily. Saint John Paul II prayed daily for a greater outpouring of the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

PARISH PICNIC NEWS!!!

It may seem early to think about the picnic, but we all know how time flies, especially when the weather gets so beautiful. Don't let everyone else have all of the fun!! Join the picnic crew.

The bottles are still being collected and you might just have the most original idea yet! Please bring in one of your favorite bottled items. The box in front of the cry room will be left there for your convenience.

Thank you all for your support of our Parish!



Our next Picnic mtg is scheduled for June26th @ 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall.

We strongly encourage our parish family to come to the next mtg and get involve. We look forward to seeing you

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Pentecost Novena: Join us in praying the original novena with the apostles as we await the promise of the Father (Acts 1:4) at Pentecost. Download available.

Who is the Holy Spirit?

How often do you think about your own breath? You 're breathing right now, even if you 're not fully aware. For our bodies, breathing is necessary. And for our souls, the Holy Spirit is necessary. Just as our lungs breathe air, our soul breathes God. And we need this breath of God to live our life as Christians. The Holy Spirit, the "breath of God" can seem vague or illusive, but when we consider further, we discover that the Holy Spirit is one of the secrets to being fully alive.

> Catholic Investments for Catholic Families May 28, 7:00 pm 16283 N MO-21 Cadet MO 63630 RSVP: Ryan.Lister@kofc.org

Catholic investors often face a common dilemma of choosing between investment growth and their moral values. We believe investment growth shouldn't be at the cost of your Catholic beliefs.

This seminar will introduce you to Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors. We will go through our faith-based investment approach and how it aligns with Catholic values and financial goals.

This Fraternal Benefit Night is being put on by the Potosi & Old Mines Knights of Columbus. Everyone is welcome! For questions, contact: Eric Aubuchon: 314-605-6268 eric.aubuchon@kofc.org

St. James PSR NEWS

A big thank you all who help make this last year so great!!!

If you are interested in helping, or to be an instructor or instructor's aid, please let us know.

Anyone wanting to register for fall PSR please contact Laura Allen. There will be some changes with PSR classes this fall. Please watch bulletin for further information

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