

Dear Padre,

Does praying to the saints really do any good?

Prayer can connect us, however mysteriously, to those who have gone before us in faith. If prayer can change people, opening them to God's grace and healing, then surely the saints and our deceased loved ones can facilitate similar healing from their communion at God's right hand. Such prayer also calls us, however subtly, to the central mystery that we also shall one day die and be a part of that communion. Thus, even as we seek the intercession of the saints for our earthly cares, such prayer reminds us that the fire of our own lives is being consumed daily, and that each of us will inevitably receive a call to death when it becomes God's will.

When Sr. Thea Bowman (1937–1990)—brilliant, creative, beautiful, and passionately alive—was diagnosed with cancer, she wondered how to pray. “I didn't know if I should pray for healing or death. Then, I found peace in praying for what my folks call ‘God's perfect will.’ As it evolved, my prayer became ‘Lord, let me live until I die.’ By that I mean I want to live, love, and serve fully until death comes. If that prayer is answered, I am able to truly live until I die. How long really doesn't matter.” ●



GERARD POTTERBAUM

The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org

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

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
July 15 St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Is 1:10–17 Mt 10:34–11:1	July 16 Weekday Is 7:1–9 Mt 11:20–24	July 17 Weekday Is 10:5–7, 13b–16 Mt 11:25–27	July 18 Weekday Is 26:7–9, 12, 16–19 Mt 11:28–30	July 19 Weekday Is 38:1–6, 21–22, 7–8 Mt 12:1–8	July 20 Weekday Mi 2:1–5 Mt 12:14–21	July 21 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jer 23:1–6 Eph 2:13–18 Mk 6:30–34

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Jesus...makes [the disciples] see that the Christian journey is simply about changing hearts. One's own heart first all.... It is about learning to live differently, under a different law, with different rules. It is about turning from the path of selfishness, conflict, division, and superiority, and taking instead the path of life, generosity and love.

HOMILY, ÑU GUAZÚ, ASUNCIÓN (PARAGUAY), JULY 12, 2015



GIULIO NAPOLITANO / SHUTTERSTOCK

Our Parish COMMUNITY

July 14, 2024

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Amos 7:12–15 / Ephesians 1:3–14 or 1:3–10 / Mark 6:7–13



About Being Sent

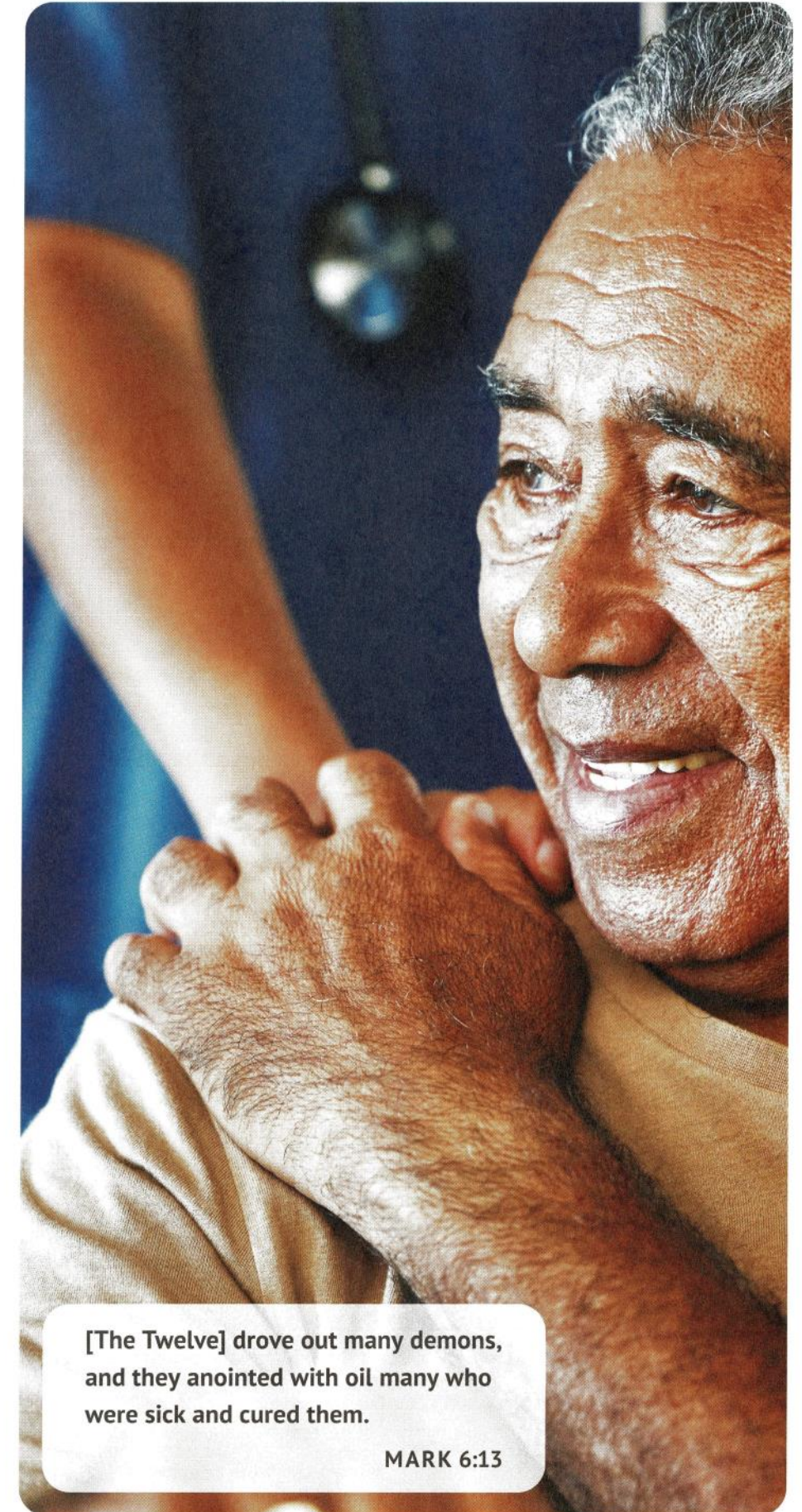
FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

A cousin died recently. After the burial, I walked among the gravesites remembering many of those I had once known who were now buried nearby. I came across a tombstone engraved with the epitaph: “In all of life God brings us to where we should be.” I noted the statement was not about where we *want* to be or where we think we *need* to be, but about where we *should* be. I agree. Even though we may find ourselves grumbling about how it is that we ended up where we are in life, the gospel suggests that God has sent us to that place.

We may think to ourselves: *this is not the life I chose; this is not the marriage I thought it would be; this is not what I thought raising a family would look like; this is not what retirement is supposed to be.* We may think that little of life is what we chose it to be. Yet somehow, God brings us to where we are, as if we've been sent as the Twelve were sent to overcome evil and bring about healing, even though no one ever asked if it was what we wanted. Wherever we are, it is there that we have been chosen to become holy. The Letter to the Ephesians tells us that God chose us, even before the world began to unfold, chose us to be holy, to be the presence of God in all that comes our way. ●

Reflect

How is God calling you to be holy where you are today?



[The Twelve] drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

MARK 6:13

**Parish Picnic
9/15/24**

St. James Parish Family
201 N. Missouri Street
Potosi, MO 63664



**July 2024
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	8:00 AM
St. Joachim	Sun	10:00 AM

***HOLYDAY SCHEDULE:**
Please check the Bulletin for Mass Times.

E-MAIL:
stjameschurch@centurylink.net
WEBSITE: *****
www.stjames-potosi.org
FACEBOOK: St. James Catholic Church @stjamespotosi

Confessions:
Saturday: 3:15 - 3:45 PM;
prior to Sat evening Mass
Or by appointment

Office Hours:
Tuesday and Thursday after
Mass-untill 2:00
Wednesday 8:00-2:00
Phone: 573-438-4686

**Parish Hall or
Parish School of
Religion**
Phone: 573-436-0144

*****ANNOUNCING*****
5th Saturdays in odd years there will be Masses celebrated at St. James.
Even years, the 5th Saturdays will have Masses celebrated at St. Joachim.

STAFF

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Pray MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF:
July 15, 2024

MON	8:00 AM	(Mass at St. Joachim)
July 16 TUE	8:15 AM	Sharon and Tammy
July 17 WED	8:15 AM	(Mass at St. Joachim)
July 18 THU	8:00 AM	Lisa Gilliam
July 19 FRI	8:00 AM	(Mass at St. Joachim)
July 20 SAT	8:00 AM	(Mass at St. Joachim)
July 20 SAT	4:00 PM	Parish Family
July 21 SUN	8:00 AM	(Mass at St. Joachim)
July 21 SUN	10:00 AM	Gary Bone

July 07, 2024

Envelope.....\$	6190.00	Main & Repairs.....\$	235.00
Loose collections.\$	787.00	On-Line donations.....\$	80.60
Fall Picnic.....\$.00	Stain Glass Repair.....\$	0.00
SVDP.....\$	697.00		
Votive Lights.....\$	19.25	It is wonderful to be apart of such an outstanding parish!!!	
Cemetery Fund....\$	50.00		

**Special Ministers
July 21, 2024**

Lectors:
Saturday 4:00pm Sunday 10:00 am
Laura Allen Bob Mills

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
Saturday 4:00pm Sunday 10:00 am

C: Annette Portell C: Charlie Schloemer
L: Judy East L: Nikki Warden
R: Paul Villmer R: Jamie Warden

Sat: 4:00 pm Lane and Madison Battreal
Sun: 8:00 am (celebrated at St. Joachim)
Sun: 10:00 am Penelope Kearns and Meadow Henson

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 July: personal hygiene items; soap, tooth brushes, deodorant, wipes, shampoo, liquid soap etc.

YOU ARE SUPER!!!!!!

Heavenly Duster: 07/19: Marilyn Carter & Jeanne DeGonia
Altar Linens: 07/22: Faye Jarvis

TAKE KIDS BACK TO HOMETOWN NAZARETH, WHERE JESUS WAS A KID

At this immersive Holy Land Adventure V.B.S., kids will get the inside scoop from Jesus' mom and village Shopkeepers. They'll learn to stand up for their faith among people who doubt that a carpenter's son is really God's son.

Where: Parish Workers, St. Michael House
When: Monday July 22nd through Friday July 26th
Time: 8:30a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Snack will be provided; children will need to bring their lunch Monday through Thursday. A pizza party will be provided for Friday. For registration or have any questions please call;
Parish Workers 636-586-5171 or Emily Sanders 573-210-4636

There will be registration forms at the side of church where bulletin board is located.

****Formed****

Mysteries of the Rosary: a 4 part series on the rosary.
Symbolon; the Faith of the Church. Unlock the profound beauty and depth of the Catholic faith. Delving into Catholicism's rich history, core teachings, and spiritual practices.

Formed is free to the parishioners, paid for by St. James parish. It is simple to put on your phone.
Go to: <https://signup.formed.org/>
Enter our parish's zip code. 63664
Enter your name and your email address. That's it, you are in!

What's on the Calendar???

July 15: Mission meeting in the rectory
July 17: PSR registration pool party
July 23: St. James Picnic meeting at 6:00pm
July 25: **Feast of St. James the Apostle** (extra graces for parishioners-Why not go to Mass!)

July 29: Memorial of Sts. Martha, Mary, and Lazarus
Aug 13: Knight of Columbus meeting
Aug 09: House of Clarity
Sept 08: St. Joachim Church Picnic
Sept 15: **St. James Church Picnic!!!**
Sept 29: Parish Mission

Knights of Columbus

The Knights have meetings every second Tuesday of the month at 6:30. They welcome new members, please talk to Don Thompson.

Nomination for Woman of the Year:
Held Sunday Sept. 15 at Hilton St. Louis Frontenac. Awarded by Most Reverend Rozanski. If you know someone who you think should get a pat on the back for service or dedication contact Lu Cortese, Presdent of SJEN-St. Joseph Radio.
Lu Cortese: (636)447-6000
Or www.saintjosephradio.net

PARISH PICNIC NEWS!!

The next Picnic meeting is on Tuesday July 23 at 6:00pm in the Parish Hall.

Let's have a flood of bottles for the most popular game at the picnic!! For the rest of July let's see if we can bring in the most bottles!!

Our Lady of Guadalupe for Life
SAVE THE DATE

15th Annual Benefit Dinner
Sunday, October 13, 2024
WHERE: Orlando's Garden South
4300 Hoffmeister Ave.
Hwy 55 at Union Rd., St. Louis, MO 63125

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 4:00 pm
Followed by Cocktails and Dinner

Keynote Speaker
Bishop David Konderla
Bishop of Tulsa, Oklahoma

Also joining us will be:
Fr. Anthony Wlocek, SJ Zip Rappaport Scott Kennebeck

More information go to:
ourladyforlife.com

Online Giving is an option if you are tired of remembering to write a check or fill your envelope. There is a flier in the narthex if you are interested.

"In the day of prosperity be joyful, and in the day of adversity consider; God has made the one as well as the other."

Ecclesiastes 7:14

We...Are The Body of Christ

We walk by faith. On the journey to the kingdom. Called to serve. We, are the Body of Christ! This is our mission. This is our time to come together as one faith community answering God's call to serve and to witness! All parishioners from St. James, St. Joachim, St. Joseph and St. Stephen are invited and encourage attend our joint Parish Mission from September 29 – October 3, 2024. This will be an opportunity for renewal! So please, mark your calendar and plan to join us each night of our mission this fall! Fr. Tom Santen will be leading us on the journey during these days of prayer, reflection with inspired teaching.

Clarity House of Retreat:
Meets every second Friday of the month. Rosary starts at 6:00pm and Mass follows. Prayer, Quiet, Healing, people come together....

We...Are The Body of Christ

Mission Theme: We are the Body of Christ! As Catholics we are on the journey to the kingdom, united as one faith community comprised of all the faith communities in Washington County including St. James, St. Joachim, St. Stephen's and St. Joseph led by our Pastor, Fr. Tony Dattilo.

Mission Leader: Fr. Tom Santen has been invited by Fr. Tony to lead us on this mission journey through his inspired preaching of God's word!

Mission Schedule: The joint parish mission will be held five consecutive nights from Sunday, September 29 through Thursday, October 3, 2023. St. Joachim Parish will host the mission on Sunday, Wednesday and Thursday. St. James Parish will host the mission on Monday and Tuesday.

Mission Format: Each night will include praise & worship music prior to the evening's themed message given to us by Fr. Santen. Afterwards, everyone is encouraged to participate for refreshments and social gathering in the parish hall. A penance service will be incorporated into the mission schedule and a closing Mass will be held on the last night of the mission. There are plans to have some version of the mission incorporated into the morning Masses that week as well.

Who can attend: This mission is an opportunity for all of us to gather in days of prayer including our school children, youth, young adults, and adults (with graying hair!). This mission is open to all! Each night's message will be unique so you are strongly encouraged to attend every night! If you can only attend a couple nights, please do so! We are all in this together!

What you can do: Pray for a successful mission. The mission prayer will be recited at or before Mass from now until the time of the mission. Prayer cards will be in the pews. It will appear in the parish bulletin for you to pray the mission prayer at home. Plan to attend. Volunteer to help if asked. Updates will be provided in the bulletin and the schedule will be more detailed as we get closer to the mission.

St. James PSR NEWS

PSR Registration and Pool Party!!!!
Wed., July 17th

Anyone wanting to register for fall PSR please contact Laura Allen.
There will be some changes with PSR classes this fall.
Join our Facebook page for all the latest and greatest information.