

# Dear Padre,

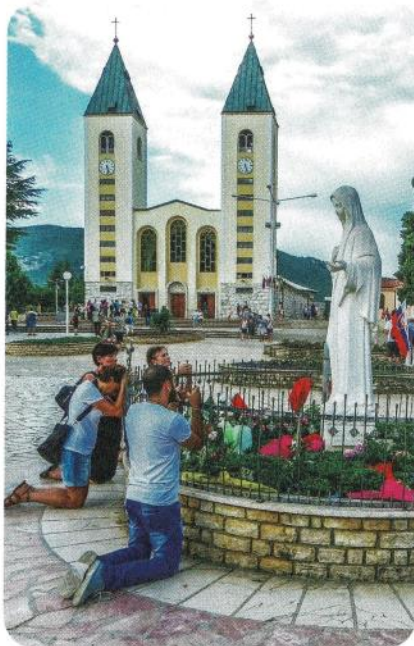
**A friend claims that various saints have appeared to her. Is this something that really happens?**

Your friend might be experiencing what are called “private” revelations. Many recognized saints experienced visions in which Jesus, Mary, or the disciples spoke to them. These revelations were sometimes the sparks that caused future saints to leave whatever they were doing and follow Jesus in a dynamic way.

Saint Francis of Assisi was a rich young man who had a vision of Christ that radically changed his life. After this private revelation, Francis embraced poverty and devoted himself to the care of the sick. He founded the Franciscans to carry on his mission. An example of recent private revelations are the apparitions at *Medjugorje*. Even though the Church has not formally recognized these revelations, many have discovered a deeper faith because of them.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* says this about private revelations: “Throughout the ages, there have been so-called “private” revelations, some of which have been recognized by the authority of the Church. They do not belong, however, to the deposit of faith. It is not their role to improve or complete Christ’s definitive Revelation, but to help live more fully by it in a certain period of history” (CCC 67).

It is important to note whether the private revelation is contrary to the faith or the morals of the Church, and whether a particular revelation brings one closer to God. ●



PRAYING IN FRONT OF THE STATUE OF OUR LADY MARY, MEDJUGORJE, BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA, DIEGO FIORE / SHUTTERSTOCK

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
August 26 Weekday 2 Thes 1:1–5, 11–12 Mt 23:13–22	August 27 St. Monica 2 Thes 2:1–3a, 14–17 Mt 23:23–26	August 28 St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church 2 Thes 3:6–10, 16–18 Mt 23:27–32	August 29 Passion of St. John the Baptist 1 Cor 1:1–9 Mk 6:17–29	August 30 Weekday 1 Cor 1:17–25 Mt 25:1–13	August 31 Weekday 1 Cor 1:26–31 Mt 25:14–30	September 1 Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time Dt 4:1–2, 6–8 Jas 1:17–18, 21b–22, 27 Mk 7:1–8, 14–15, 21–23



STEVE LOVEGROVE / SHUTTERSTOCK

## A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

**The Lord asks the disciples the decisive question: “But who do you— you!—say that I am?” Who am I for you, now? Jesus does not want to be a key figure from the past; He wants to be an important person for you today, for me today.... Jesus wants to be the God who is close to us!**

ANGELUS, ROME, AUGUST 27, 2023

# Our Parish COMMUNITY

August 25, 2024

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Joshua 24:1–2a, 15–17, 18b / Ephesians 5:21–32 or 5:2a, 25–32 / John 6:60–69



Joshua said to all the people...., “As for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.”

JOSHUA 24:2, 15C

## Taking a Stand Matters

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

One day I happened to be sitting and chatting with some teenagers. When the discussion turned to parents, expectations, and how they respond, I asked them, “What’s really important to you? What do you value and try not to compromise on?” “Why do you want to know?” one asked. “Just wondering,” I said. Silence. Then one said that being honest was really important to her, that she always tried to tell the truth. Another said “family.” Another, respecting his body, said, “No drugs, no alcohol.” More silence, and then one spoke of her faith and how it really mattered and made a difference in her life. Their conversation then moved on to other things, friends, movies, and what to do later that day.

In reality, I had another reason for asking my question, one beyond a simple inquiry. There is something good about saying aloud what is truly important to us, what we won’t compromise on. Saying it out loud makes it more real, something we can stand for. Some of those teens didn’t say anything, maybe because they had never thought about what their values were. Perhaps hearing others speak up inspired them to think about it, maybe for the first time in their lives. Saying aloud where we stand in life makes a difference.

Jesus reminds us that it is the spirit that gives life, that the flesh is of no avail. Some of those teens have already begun to realize this truth. ●

### Reflect

**What are some values that you do not forsake easily? Why?**



**Parish Picnic**  
9/15/24

## St. James Parish Family

201 N. Missouri Street  
Potosi, MO 63664



### August 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.

\*\*\*\*\*5th Saturdays\*\*\*\*\*

5<sup>th</sup> Saturdays in odd years there will be Masses celebrated at St. James.

Even years, the 5<sup>th</sup> Saturdays will have Masses celebrated at St. Joachim.

**E-MAIL:**  
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**WEBSITE:** \*\*\*\*\*  
[www.stjames-potosi.org](http://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-until 2:00  
Wednesday 8:00-2:00  
Phone: 573-438-4686

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

#### STAFF

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#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF: August 26, 2024

Aug. 27 TUE	8:15 AM	Fr. Dattilo(birthday gift)
Aug. 28 WED	8:15 AM	Mass at St. Joachim
Aug. 29 THU	8:00 AM	N aaman & Ann Farrow
Aug. 30 FRI	8:00 AM	Mass at St. Joachim
Aug. 31 SAT	4:00 PM	Mass at St Joachim
Sept 01 SUN	8:00 AM	Mass at St. Joachim
Sept 01 SUN	10:00 AM	Debra Belfield



#### August 18, 2024

Envelope.....\$	2380.00	Main & Repairs.....\$	190.00
Loose collections..\$	333.00	On-Line donations...\$	65.60
Fall Picnic.....\$	1875.00	Stain Glass Repair...\$	.00
SVDP.....\$	131.00	Assumption of Mary...\$	427.00
Votive Lights.....\$	15.00	Flowers.....\$	.00
Cemetery Fund and funeral dinners.....\$	.00		

### Special Ministers September 01, 2024

**Lectors:**  
Sunday 10:00 am  
**Danny Mueller**

#### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

**C: Kim Coleman**  
**L: Marvin Wright**  
**R: Diane McGirl**

#### Servers

Sat: 4:00 pm Mass at St Joachim  
Sun: 8:00 am Mass at St Joachim  
Sun: 10:00 am **Daisy & Penelope**

#### Music:

Sat: 4:00 pm. **Chala**  
Sun: 8:00 a.m. **Rebecca Richards**  
Sun: 10:00 am **Anita Govero or The Little Way Band**

St Vincent DePaul August collection: Personal hygiene items; soap, shampoo, washcloths, germ x, toothbrushes, paste etc.

**May God reward you!!!**

Heavenly Duster: 09/06: **Marilyn Carter & Jeannie DeGonia**  
Altar Linens: 08/26: **Jean Roberson**

#### Help Save God's Babies and Keep Missouri Pro-Life!

Missouri Right to Life is hosting a banquet **August 27** at the **St. Charles Convention Center** with keynote speaker former Secretary of State **Mike Pompeo**. Tickets to the event are \$100. Full details and Registration are at [MRLbanquet.com](http://MRLbanquet.com) or by calling 314-434-4900.

!!!WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!!

Please consider getting us updated address and phone numbers.

\*\*\*\*\*Formed\*\*\*\*\*

#### Confession/ What Catholics Believe

Join Dr Jim Prothro as he answers some of the internet's most pressing questions about the sacrament of confession

#### The Bible Project/ Recently added

#### Wisdom: Book Collections/ The Bible Project

Biblical wisdom literature, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and Job, offers a surprising and unified message about what it means to live a good life.

#### Prayers/ Devotionals Audio

27 Collection of audio content discussing Prayer and Catholic Devotionals

Formed is free to the parishioners, paid for by St. James parish. It is simple to put on your phone.

- Go to : <http://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???

Aug 27: Parish picnic meeting-6:00  
Aug 28: St Augustine feast day & PSR mtg  
Aug 29: The Passion of St John the Baptist  
Sept 01: St Rose picnic  
Sept 03: Ladies Sodality @ 1:00  
Sept 05: First Thursday Adoration  
Sept 07: First Saturday Devotion/Mass  
Sept 08: St Joachim parish picnic  
Sept 10: KofC mtg AND Parish Council mtg-5:00  
Sept 13: Clarity House  
Sept 15: **St. James Church Picnic!!!**  
Sept 22: St Joseph –Bonne Terre picnic

Finding quiet is an ancient form of communication with God. A **Contemplative Workshop** is held Sept 14 from 9am-11:30 at Mary, Mother of the Church.  
Carolyn@314-578-0062 or Paul@314-954-2299

Ladies Soldality meets at 1:00 Sept 03

To all parishioners who have provided desserts for the parish picnic in the past, THANK YOU!! We are asking that you please bring them again this year. Phone calls to individuals will no longer be made.

**THANK YOU AGAIN AND AGAIN !!!**

#### IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN NFP OR NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING , YOU CAN GET INFORMATION FROM

[www.NaturalPlan.org](http://www.NaturalPlan.org)



**The mission is for everyone in the St. James parish. Please consider attending.**

#### \*SAVE THE DATE\*

48th Annual Respect Life Conference  
Saturday, October 5th 2024

Conference highlights include

- Holy Mass
- Presentations on timely topics
- Networking & Fellowship
- Ministry partner fair

#### SAINT QUOTE

“Finally, all of you, be of one mind, sympathetic, loving toward one another, compassionate, humble.

do not return evil for evil, or insult for insult: but, on the contrary, a blessing, because to this you were called, that you might inherit a blessing.”  
-1 Peter 3:8-9



### Parish Picnic News!!!!

“Grand Raffle” tickets for the Fall Picnic will be available after all Masses through September 07. They can be purchased or requested by calling Don Thompson at (573)631-8668 or Jamie Thompson at (573)854-3101 Tickets will not be mailed this year, if you know of someone who counts on them, please help them out.



#### Country Store

The Country Store is ready to accept items!! All of those homemade wonderful crafts or baskets that you have been working on all year-we are ready to accept them!! Everyone looks forward to the wide selection you always provide-You are amazing!!!



**BOTTLES .....BOTTLES .....BOTTLES**

Bottles have been coming in!!! You have been so creative-please, don't stop!! Keep bringing them in!

The next Picnic meeting is on **Tuesday August 27** at 6:00pm in the Parish Hall

We are accepting donations for BINGO prizes. Anyone who would like to donate Please contact Laura Allen or Geraldine Heifner or the office or bring with you to the picnic meeting on Tuesday.



**September 15th is soon!!**

#### OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

If you or someone you know would like to inquire about the Catholic Church, be baptized, confirmed or make first communion, call the parish office at 573-438-4686 or Joyce Politte, OCIA Coordinator, at 636-328-1343. Come and See!  
Classes will begin August 29, 6:30 p.m. at St. Joachim Parish in the Incarnate Word Center. Special arrangements may be made to accommodate those with special needs.

#### St. James PSR NEWS

There will be some changes with PSR. Join our Facebook page for all of the latest info.  
PSR will begin on WEDNESDAY Aug 21.  
Aug 28 we will be having a meeting for ALL parents of PSR students at 6:00. If you will not be coming contact Laura and make arrangements please.  
Laura at 573-366-5235  
K-6 classes will be held at St. James.  
Confirmation classes will be held at St. Joachim  
Don't forget that the first step in Christian life is charity. A great way to do this is to volunteer at the Parish Picnic!!

