

Dear Padre,

How does a person become a saint?

Saint Alphonsus Liguori challenged those who entered the Redemptorists saying, "Don't become a Redemptorist unless you want to be a saint." I would widen his expression to say, "Don't get baptized unless you want to be a saint." To be a saint means that you want to go to heaven. Most people are not canonized, but anyone who leads a holy life is a member of the communion of saints. This mystical body spans heaven, earth, and purgatory. As St. Paul said, "We are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses" (Hebrews 12:1).

Technically speaking, to be canonized, that is, given the title of "saint" by the Church, a person's life should serve as a model for others, and two miracles must be attributed to his or her intercession. The formal process begins after death with the creation of the person's "cause," often with the leadership of local clergy.

The beatitudes offer us a blueprint for holiness. If we are poor in spirit, mourning, meek, hungry for righteousness, merciful, pure, peacemakers, or persecuted for doing what is right, we are on the road to sainthood. Reflect on one of the beatitudes. It can be one you do well or one that challenges you. Discern how you live it out and how you could live it out better. Slowly you will find yourself growing holier, and one day you will find yourself a saint in heaven. ●



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Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSSR / DearPadre.org

Our Parish COMMUNITY

October 29, 2023

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Exodus 22:20–26 / 1 Thessalonians 1:5c–10 / Matthew 22:34–40



The Other Side of Love

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Dennis is one of the local street people who lives around the parish where I live. He is usually pleasant and courteous and wants to do things right, though he also struggles with his own set of demons. For the most part, Dennis seems to be finding his way through the mazes of life, as people do in their own fashion.

In some ways, the parishioners have become a family for Dennis, or at least a part of the family scattered about the neighborhood. Frequently he will be gone for a time, and we will wonder what happened to Dennis, only to find him drifting back among us.

These days Dennis is angry with us. For whatever reason, Dennis brought his assembled belongings and took up residence on our garage roof. The roof is flat and has a two-foot-high wall around the edge, a place that affords a bit of shelter from the wind. Soon, however, the parish came up with a list of reasons why it would be best if Dennis did not live on our garage roof—safety, security, and insurance among them. So Dennis was asked to move on, and that's why Dennis is angry with us.

The parish staff tries to be sensitive and caring about the street people. They try to let them make their own way when that is what they want to do. Yet at other times the staff needs to do what is best for everyone involved in the parish. It's not always easy to know how to love someone. ●

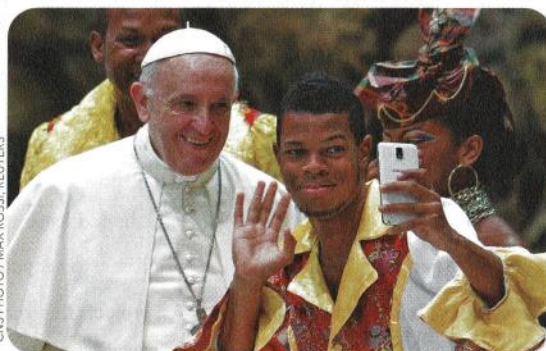
Reflect

When have you been unsure of how to love someone?

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

This is the test: if I say, "I love God," and do not love my neighbor, it does not work. The verification that I love God is that I love my neighbor. As long as there is a brother or sister to whom we close our hearts, we will still be far from being disciples as Jesus asks us.

ANGELUS, ROME, OCTOBER 25, 2020



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MONDAY

October 30
Weekday
Rom 8:12–17
Lk 13:10–17

TUESDAY

October 31
Weekday
Rom 8:18–25
Lk 13:18–21

WEDNESDAY

November 1
All Saints
Rev 7:2–4, 9–14
1 Jn 3:1–3
Mt 5:1–12a

THURSDAY

NOVEMBER 2
Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)
Any readings from no. 668 in the Lectionary or from the Masses for the Dead

FRIDAY

November 3
Weekday
Rom 9:1–5
Lk 14:1–6

SATURDAY

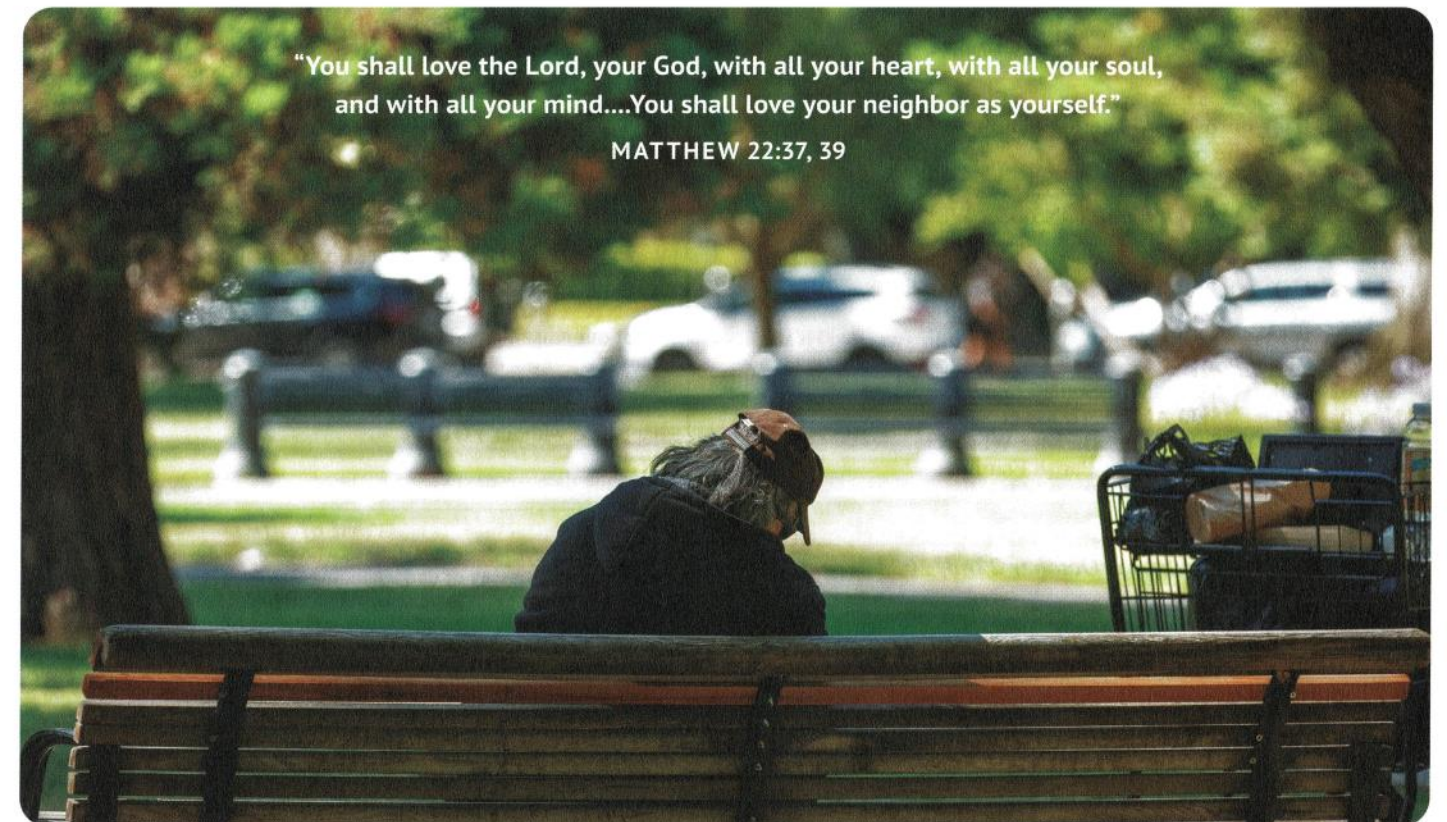
November 4
St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop
Rom 11:1–2a, 11–12, 25–29
Lk 14:1, 7–11

SUNDAY

November 5
Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mal 1:14b–2:2b, 8–10
1 Thes 2:7b–9, 13
Mt 23:1–12

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"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind....You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

MATTHEW 22:37, 39

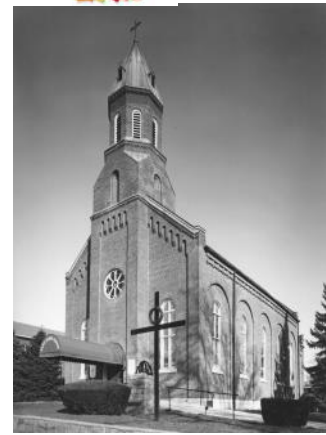


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St. James Parish Family

201 N. Missouri Street
Potosi, MO 63664



November 2023

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	10:00 AM
St. Joachim	Sun	8:00 AM

*HOLYDAY SCHEDULE:

Please check the Bulletin for Mass Times.

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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

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*****Our website is back! Please note a slight change in the web address:
www.stjames-potosi.org. There is a dash "-" between stjames & Potosi. Welcome back :-)

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF:
October 30, 2023

MON	8:00 AM	*(Mass at St. Joachim)
Oct 31 TUE	8:15 AM	Patsy Courtois
Nov 01 WED	12:00 Noon	Laymon Hollinsworth (HOLY DAY of Obligation)
Nov 02 THU	8:00 AM	Souls in Purgatory
Nov 03 FRI	8:00 AM	*(Mass at St. Joachim)
Nov 04 SAT	8:00 AM	Barbara Whitlock
Nov 04 SAT	4:00 PM	Parish Family
Nov 05 SUN	10:00 AM	Ronnie Jacobsen

Week of: October 22nd, 2023

Envelope.....\$	5317.49	All Saints day.....\$
Loose.....\$	1200.00	All Souls day.....\$
SVDP.....\$	220.00	World Mission.....\$ 1024.00
Votive Lights.....\$	43.00	Permanent Deaconate\$
Light House.....\$	15.00	
Main & Repairs.....\$	50.00	
On-Line donations.....\$	75.90	

Special Ministers November 4th & 5th, 2023

Lectors:
Saturday 4:00 pm Laura Allen
Sunday 10:00 am Jamie Warden

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:
Saturday 4:00 pm C: Vikkie Neier L: Annette Portell R: Judy East
Sunday 10:00 am Mary Roy Diane McGirl Kim Coleman

Servers:
Sat: 4:00 p.m. Lane & Madison Battreal
Sun: 8:00 a.m. (celebrated at St. Joachim)
Sun: 10:00 am Daisy, Joshua & Penelope Kearns



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

Food of the Month of November: Canned meats and canned pasta meals: spam, canned chicken, canned ham, canned beefaroni, spaghetti O's, ravioli, etc.....

THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR AMAZING VOLUNTEERS.
~We couldn't do it without you~

Heavenly Duster: 11/03: Nedra Villmer
Altar Linens: 11/13: Glenda Farrow

Special Minister Training/Refresher

November 12, following 10:00 am Mass
Fr. Tony is holding this training for anyone interested in becoming a special minister. If you feel the calling, please join us. He would also like to invite current special Ministers to attend as well.

Funeral Lunch UPDATE: We only have a couple of our Parish Family volunteers at this point. We would love to have a few more so we could have at least 2 teams and take turns serving our Funeral Luncheons. So, please consider volunteering to help take care of our parishioners. For more information and to volunteer, please call Kim Coleman @ 314-808-2207 or the office @ 438-4686.

We can NOT do this without the help of volunteers!

PICNIC UPDATE: We want to express our utmost appreciation for all of our amazing parishioners who donated their time, their talent and treasures for the amazing success of our parish picnic this year. We have such an wonderful Parish Family. THANK YOU ALL! Picnic income for this year is \$13997.27!!!! (This would not have happened without YOU!)

Save the date for next year **SEPTEMBER 15TH, 2024 Parish Picnic**

Word of Life

"Hope is always possible. To those who care for the sick, the scene of the Cross provides a way of understanding that even when it seems that there is nothing more to do there remains much to do, because 'remaining' by the side of the sick is a sign of love and of the hope that it contains. Healed by Jesus, we become men and women called to proclaim his healing power and provide care for our neighbors, until the very end." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "The Witness of the Good Samaritan: Palliative Care and Hospice"

For those nearing the end of life: May they receive care that respects their dignity and protects their lives as they place their hope in the promise of eternal life; We pray to the Lord

What's on the Calendar???

- Oct 31: Trunk-or-Treat...see PSR News for details
- Nov 01: Holy Day of Obligation: All Saints Day, Mass @ 12:00 noon, St. James, 8:15 am & 6:30pm @ St. Joachim
- Nov 02: First Thursday Mass & Adoration
All Souls' Day (The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed)
- Nov 04: First Saturday Marian Devotion Mass
Finance Committee Mtg, 11:00 am, Parish Hall
- Nov 05: **Daylight Savings Ends...Set your clocks back!!! :-)**
- Nov 12: Special Minister trng following 10:00 am mass.
- Nov 15: PSR Class (notice corrected date please)
- Nov 23: Thanksgiving Day: Mass @ 8:00 am, St. James

First Saturday Marian Devotion Mass November 4th, 8:00 am

First Five Saturdays Devotion to our Lady

First Thursday Adoration November 2nd after 8:00 am Mass

A Holy Hour
Of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament is so important to Jesus that a multitude of souls go to heaven who otherwise would have gone to hell.
(Jesus to Blessed Belanger)
"The only time our Lord asked the Apostles for anything was the night He went into agony. Not for activity did He plead but for an Hour of companionship." "During a Holy Hour we grow more and more into His likeness."
"The purpose of the Holy Hour is to encourage deep personal encounter with Christ."

"Dear children! Winds of evil, hatred and peacelessness are blowing through the earth to destroy lives. That is why the Most High sent me to you, to lead you towards the way of peace and unity with God and people. You, little children, are my extended hands: pray, fast and offer sacrifices for peace - the treasure for which every heart yearns. Thank you for having responded to my call."

October 25, 2023

All Souls Candlelight Vigil on November 2 Miraculous Medal Shrine, Perryville

You and your loved ones are invited to join Vincentian Father Clayton Kilburn as he leads a Candlelight Vigil from the Shrine Church to the historic grotto to remember your deceased loved ones in prayer. The vigil begins at 6:00 p.m., CT. For more information, call Frank Ryan at 573-768-7013.

*****FORMED*****

Bread for the Journey/ Jesus and the Eucharist/ Session 7: The Eucharist sustains us on our spiritual journey. Our participation at Mass through the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist is an offering of thanksgiving to God. We are then sent forth to share what we have received.

Bread of Life: The Eucharist in Galilee: Christ's teaching about the Eucharist was not reserved solely for the Last Super. Rather, this profound mystery is the crescendo of Jesus' entire ministry: all his work in Galilee prepared for and pointed to the Eucharist. Join Dr. Tim Gray in Bread of Life: The Eucharist in Galilee for an exciting five-part series about Jesus' teaching on the Eucharist
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Enter your name and your email address. That's it, you're in.

Missionary Discipleship

True Love of Neighbor
Jesus builds upon His teachings from last week by highlighting the importance of loving our neighbor. Faith is not a private matter but must be shared and actively lived in charity toward our brothers and sisters. Woe to us if we observe a neighbor in need and do not seek to minister to his/her needs. In the Old Testament, God instructed the Jewish people to show love and mercy toward Gentiles, aliens, and the poor. Now Jesus reiterates and expands this commandment to all people. As John writes in his first letter, "But whoever has the world's goods, and sees his brother in need and closes his heart against him, how does the love of God abide in him?" (1 John 3:17). If we truly love God, then we will have deep concern for the welfare of those in need.

Lessons from Fatima for October, Month of the Holy Rosary

- The Rosary is a great prayer against war.** The children received the visits of Our Lady during the final throes of the First World War. Though they had limited contact with the war, they were exhorted to pray for its end. They received the Rosary as a different type of weapon to battle for an end to war.
- The Rosary is a great prayer for peace.** Beyond asking for the end of war, the Rosary serves as a means to achieve personal peace. The three children became true apostles of prayer and were able to achieve inner peace, even though they had to suffer many tribulations because of popular opinion and even the reactions of their own friends and family.
- The Rosary is a great prayer to save souls from Hell.** The Fatima prayer, added on after the Glory Be in every decade, is a great prayer to ask for the salvation of souls. By having this petition ingrained through the frequent recitation of the Rosary, people become used to praying for the intention of all intentions: the salvation of souls.
- The Rosary is a great prayer to seek personal conversion.** Praying the Rosary made a profound impact on the shepherd children. They received the immense grace of seeing the Blessed Virgin, but they also were introduced to a true life of prayer that helped them walk the path of personal conversion. Frequent prayer changed their interior attitudes and expectations from life.
- The Rosary is a great way to learn to pray.** The Rosary is fairly short and fairly easy. It is a great way to learn to pray. It is a mixture of what is called vocal and mental prayer. The repetition of the words is a vocal prayer and is one of the easiest types of prayer. The combination with the meditation on the mysteries is a mental prayer. Thus, the person who prays the Rosary is introduced into prayer, beginning with what is more familiar and moving on to what is more difficult.
- The Rosary is a great way to pray always.** The Rosary can become part of one's daily routine, thus helping the Christian to respond to St. Paul's exhortation to pray without ceasing. (1 Thes. 5:17) Mary did not ask the children for a daily Rosary, but to pray always, sempre in Portuguese.
- Repetition within the Rosary is a gift.** Some people are taken aback by the constant repetition within the Rosary. However, this repetition allows the person praying to meditate the sense of the words and to have time for prayer. In a world that tries to invade even our interior thoughts, the repetition of the Rosary helps to build up a shield to defend our interior life.

Perhaps beyond all of these tips that can be gleaned from the apparitions of Fatima, the most important is that during the Rosary we treat Mary as our Mother.

Please pray for the families of Amelia Biri as they continue to grieve. Please pray for Linkin Wideman's family, that they may have God's special Grace showered on them as they are making very tough decisions right now. And pray for God's Blessings on Jerry Portell, Elis & Zach Wideman as they continue healing.

Rural Parish Workers of Christ the King

RUMMAGE SALE, SATURDAY, November 4, 2023
8:30-12:00 noon at St. Michael House, located at the Junction of Hwy 21 & CC across from Washington State Park on the grounds of the Rural Parish Workers of Christ the King. For more info, call 636-586-5171.
Sale will feature items of clothing, shoes, household items, linens, purses, toys, furniture, books, lamps, etc. Must take items the day of the sale.
All proceeds benefit St. Michael House, a Christian Activity Center.

St. James PSR NEWS

- ** Next in-person class:** Wednesday, November 15th @ 6:00. Dinner will start approximately 5:15. Unit 2 will be due. **There will be a short meeting on November 15th for the parents of 2nd grade students.**
- ** Trunk or Treat:** Tuesday, October 31st, we will be having Trunk or Treat in the parking lot by the rectory beginning @ 5:00 pm. Come decorate your trunk and have some fun. If you can't join us, but would be willing to donate candy or treats, please contact Laura Allen @ 573-436-0144/573-366-5235.
- ** November 1st is All Saints Day,** a Holy Day of Obligation. Please see the bulletin for Mass Times.
- ** Daylight savings time** ends on November 5th. Don't forget to set your clock back 1 hr. Confirmation Class will be assisting with several service projects this year. So please watch the bulletin for updates.

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