

# Dear Padre,

## What is spiritual direction? How does it differ from counseling?

In spiritual direction, a person is guided in a process of reflection, self-discovery, and recognition of God’s presence in human experience; the primary focus is on one’s relationship with God. Thus, in one sense, it is the Lord himself who is the “director” in all spiritual direction. In counseling, a person is also guided in a process of reflection and self-discovery; but the primary focus is on human growth and development. Counseling does not presuppose a person’s faith or relationship with God; spiritual direction cannot be complete without it. Both spiritual direction and counseling share the same expectations of openness and honesty in the process; they share the same standards of confidentiality and professional conduct. Moreover, spiritual direction is similar to counseling in its aim toward human growth and development, but it further aims toward holiness and “toward ever more intimate union with Christ” (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 2014). That union is twofold: a personal relationship with Christ and with Christ’s Church. “This union is called ‘mystical’ because it participates in the mystery of Christ through the sacraments” (CCC 2014). “All Christians in any state or walk of life are called to the fullness of Christian life and to the perfection of charity. All are called to holiness: ‘Be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect’” (CCC 2013). ●



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### A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

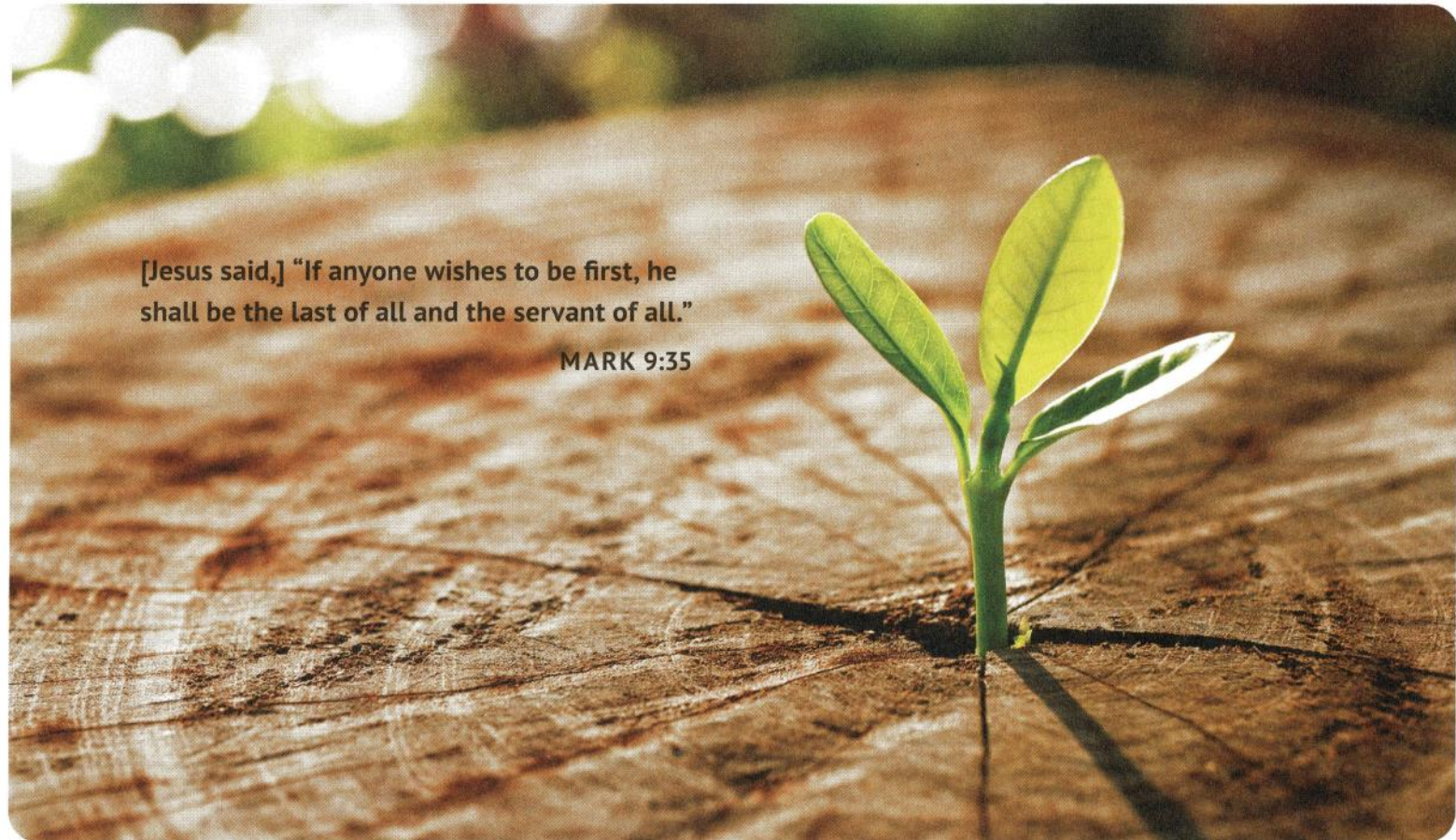
**Greatness and success in God’s eyes are measured differently: they are measured by service. Not on what someone has, but on what someone gives. Do you want to be first? Serve.... [Service] has a precise and concrete meaning in the Gospel. To serve is not a courteous expression: it means to act like Jesus.**

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| <p><b>Monday</b><br/>September 23<br/><i>St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest</i><br/>Prv 3:27–34<br/>Lk 8:16–18</p> | <p><b>Friday</b><br/>September 27<br/><i>St. Vincent de Paul, Priest</i><br/>Eccl 3:1–11<br/>Lk 9:18–22</p>                                   |
| <p><b>Tuesday</b><br/>September 24<br/><i>Weekday</i><br/>Prv 21:1–6, 10–13<br/>Lk 8:19–21</p>                  | <p><b>Saturday</b><br/>September 28<br/><i>Weekday</i><br/>Eccl 11:9–12:8<br/>Lk 9:43b–45</p>   |
| <p><b>Wednesday</b><br/>September 25<br/><i>Weekday</i><br/>Prv 30:5–9<br/>Lk 9:1–6</p>                         | <p><b>Sunday</b><br/>September 29<br/><i>Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i><br/>Nm 11:25–29<br/>Jas 5:1–6<br/>Mk 9:38–43, 45, 47–48</p> |
| <p><b>Thursday</b><br/>September 26<br/><i>Weekday</i><br/>Eccl 1:2–11<br/>Lk 9:7–9</p>                         |   |

# Our Parish COMMUNITY

September 22, 2024  
**Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)**  
 Wisdom 2:12, 17–20 / James 3:16–4:3 / Mark 9:30–37



[Jesus said,] “If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all.”

MARK 9:35

## Learning How to Die Well

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**K**arl Rahner was a German Jesuit priest and a leading theologian of the twentieth century. He once observed that one of the tasks of life is to learn how to die well. On first hearing this, we may be much like the disciples who didn’t understand Jesus when he spoke of his own need to enter death (see Mark 9:31–32).

How do we learn to “die well”? If we forgo the need to always have our own way, if we forgive and resist the impulse to get revenge, if we are sensitive to the needs of others even when it’s inconvenient, if we care for the child among us, whether that “little one” be five, forty-five, or eighty-five—if we practice a willingness to die in such ways, then when it comes time for us to make that final journey of our earthly lives, it will not be as frightening because we will have been there before.

Furthermore, if we learn how to die well, our lives will take on new meaning. The focus of our lives will not be on ourselves, but on others and their needs. We will find ourselves less disappointed when life doesn’t go our way. Blue moods will evaporate more readily. We will have a greater interest in daily life. In other words, the very aspects that once seemed to drag us down will become doorways to hope and renewed life. What once seemed to have been a kind of death will become an avenue to faith in the resurrection. ●

### Reflect

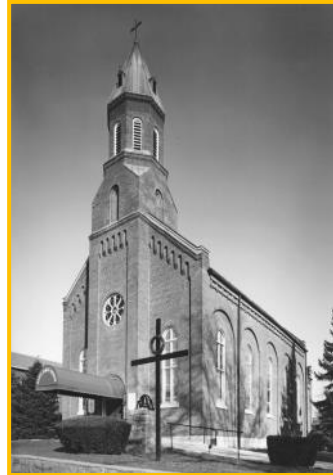
**Have you ever “died to yourself” and then experienced a resurrection?**

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# St. James Parish Family

201 N. Missouri Street  
Potosi, MO 63664



## September 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](http://www.stjames-potosi.org)

**FACEBOOK:** St. James Catholic Church

**Office Hours:**  
Tuesday and Thursday after Mass-until 2:00  
Wednesday 8:00-2:00  
Phone: 573-438-4686  
Closed Holy Days

**Parish Hall or Parish School of Religion**  
Phone: 573-366-5235

### STAFF

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**Laura Allen**—Coordinator of Religious Ed. 573-366-5235

### Confessions:

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

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF: September 23, 2024

|             |          |                     |
|-------------|----------|---------------------|
| MON         | 8:00 AM  | Mass at St. Joachim |
| Sept 24 TUE | 8:15 AM  | Mary Rolwes         |
| Sept 25 WED | 8:15 AM  | Mass at St. Joachim |
| Sept 26 THU | 8:00 AM  | Heather             |
| Sept 27 FRI | 8:00 AM  | Mass at St. Joachim |
| Sept 28 SAT | 4:00 PM  | Mass at St. Joachim |
| Sept 29 SUN | 8:00 AM  | Mass at St. Joachim |
| Sept 29 SUN | 10:00 AM | Mark Coleman        |



### September 15, 2024

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|-----------------------|---------|---------------------------|--------|
| Envelope.....\$       | 1150.00 | On-Line donations.....\$  | 65.60  |
| Loose collections..\$ | 389.00  | Stain Glass Repair.....\$ | .00    |
| Fall Picnic.....\$    | 75.00   | Assumption of Mary...\$   | .00    |
| SVDP.....\$           | .00     | Flowers.....\$            | .00    |
| Votive Lights.....\$  | 4.10    | Ladies Sodality....\$     | .00    |
| Cemetery Fund ...\$   | 15.00   | Cathlic Univ.....\$       | .00    |
| funeral dinners ...\$ | .00     | PSR.....\$                | 200.00 |
| Main & Repairs.....\$ | 25.00   |                           |        |

## September 29, 2024

Lectors  
Sunday 10:00 am  
Jamie Warden

### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

**C: Kim Coleman**  
**L: Mary Roy**  
**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 & Joshua**

### 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 September collection: Soup & peanut butter-crackers

## Faith, Hope and Charity

Heavenly Duster: 10/04: **Faye Jarvis**  
Altar Linens: 10/07: **Glenda Farrow**

### Help provide scholarships to Catholic Schools!

100% tax credits available to individuals and Businesses. Participate in the MOScholars Program today. For more information call the Today and Tomorrow Educational Foundation at 314-792-7032, visit our website at <https://ttef-stl.org/moscholars/>

**Caring Hearts PRC**  
\* Walk For Life \*  
9:45 AM Oct 5<sup>th</sup>  
@ the City Park  
JOIN US!!!



### \*\*\*\*\*Formed\*\*\*\*\*

### This week on formed:

#### The Martyrs-Littlest Saints

When a young Christian girl is arrested and imprisoned in ancient Rome, she hears stories of martyrs like St. Catherine of Alexandria and St. Lawrence the Deacon-will she find the strength to make the ultimate sacrifice for her faith?

### OTHER GEMS IN THE APP:

#### The Liturgical Calendar

#### The daily Mass readings

#### Litany of St. Joseph

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???

Sept 22: St Joseph Fall Festival-Bonne Terre  
Sept 23: St. Pius of Pietrelcina feast day  
Sept 27: St Vincent de Paul feast day  
Sept 29-Oct 03: Parish Mission Fun Begins  
Oct 03: First Thursday Adoration  
Oct 05: First Saturday  
Oct 05: Caring Hearts PRC \*walk for life\*  
Oct 06: La Fete De L'automne  
Oct 06: STS. Philip/River Aux Vases Picnic  
Oct 06: Archdiocesan Diaconate Office (Special Collection)  
Oct 07: Our Lady of the Rosary  
Oct 11: Clarity House  
Oct 14: Rural Clinic at St James



### Looking for volunteers to bring Holy Eucharist to Washington Co. Hospital & Nursing Homes monthly.

Please contact the office if you would like to help.



St. James Parish offers catechism classes. In corporation with St. Joachim starting sept 5th. The first several months is devoted to learning about the catholic faith and deciding whether one is interested in continuing the journey towards becoming Catholic and receiving Holy Sacraments.. It is up to us as parishioners to reach out to our family and friends to encourage them in this process and to sponsor them in achieving their goals. If interested contact Judy Wright or Joyce Portell 573-631-9721

Archbishop Mitchell Rozanski will preside at the Hope and Healing Prayer Service for survivors of physical, sexual, verbal and/or emotional abuse on Thursday, October 3, 2024 at 7pm, at St. Joseph Parish in Clayton. (106 N. Meramec Ave. Clayton, MO 63105)  
Survivors, family members, and friends are encouraged to attend, as well as those who help those who have been abused, work to prevent abuse, and want to pray for healing and reconciliation.



### Permanent Diaconate Information Night

Do you feel called to do something special for you Church? If so a vocation to the Permanent Diaconate might be something that you are being called to. The Office of the Permanent Diaconate is asking that interested men attend one of the Information Nights to begin exploring a vocation the Permanent Diaconate. Upcoming Information Nights will be held on Wednesday, October 23, 2024 and Monday, October 28, 2024 at Cardinal Rigali Center. All meetings will begin at 6:30 PM. Wives of men considering this vocation are strongly encouraged to attend. For more information or to reserve a spot at the meeting, please contact the Office of the Permanent Diaconate at 314.792.7433.

On Behalf of St. James Parish Council and myself, we would like to thank all those who donated their time and talent to our Parish Picnic. We would like to thank Don and Jamie Thompson for being our co-chairs and all those who ran booths and worked at the picnic. It was a very good day, our Lord blessed us with good weather and no rain until after 3:00 PM. We served many dinner until we ran out of food. We think it was a great success.

God Bless You All

St. James Parish Council and Fr. Tony Dattilo



Thank You!

Winners of the Raffle tickets:  
\$500– Marilyn Carter  
Quilt– Scott Cain  
200 gal propane-Sherry Battreal  
Cardinal tickets– Kathy Pashia  
Grill– Zach Jacobson  
Save-a-lot Gift card– Debra Adams



A Big Thanks to our parish for everything with the Picnic. You guys rock!



Quilt Bingo  
October, 27th @ the Parish Hall  
\*Save the date , more info to come\*

### LA FETE DE L'AUTOMNE ( Autumn Festival)

- \*Sunday October, 6th 11:00AM-4:00PM\*
  - Location is at Fertile across from Washington State Park
  - French food, live music, country store / craft booths, and so much more
- Additional information @ [www.omahs.weebly.com](http://www.omahs.weebly.com)

### St. James PSR NEWS

Next PSR class is Wednesday September, 25th  
Grades K-5 will be doing a SAFE-TOUCH session, if you have any questions please feel free to contact Laura Allen  
6th grade SAFE-TOUCH will be October, 2nd.

- Drop off @ 5:45 PM
- Doors will be locked @ 6:05 PM( if your late dropping off please message Laura , she will meet you at the door)
- Pick up @ 7:15 PM

Laura at 573-366-5235

