

Dear Padre,

Is there a right to health care? As a Catholic, what kind of obligation do I have to use my resources to help with the purchase of medicine for my brother? His insurance won't cover the costs, and he's on a fixed income.

Saint John XXIII's 1963 encyclical *Pacem In Terris* (Peace on Earth) said people have a right to live and a right to the "means necessary for the proper development of life" (11). This text serves as a foundation for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' speaking of a right to "basic" or "adequate health care" in their Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholics. What is not clear in Church teaching is who has the duty to ensure that right. In some cases, the state has taken this responsibility, but this need not be the case. The condition of millions of our brothers and sisters in Christ, however, urges us to action on their behalf.

Regarding the case of one's brother, the question is difficult because of the need for more information. What is the brother's prognosis? Is he taking care of himself responsibly? What do you feel capable of doing morally without placing yourself and others in your care at risk?

Whatever one's ability to respond in this case, one's relationship with one's brother should be marked by compassion and a sincere desire and will to help in whatever way is morally reasonable. ●

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Do you have a question for the Padre?

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
June 19	June 20	June 21	June 22	June 23	June 24	June 25
Weekday	Weekday	St. Aloysius	Weekday	Weekday	Nativity of St. John the Baptist	Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
2 Cor 6:1-10 Mt 5:38-42	2 Cor 8:1-9 Mt 5:43-48	Gonzaga, Religious 2 Cor 9:6-11 Mt 6:1-6, 16-18	2 Cor 11:1-11 Mt 6:7-15	2 Cor 11:18, 21-30 Mt 6:19-23	Is 49:1-6 Acts 13:22-26 Lk 1:57-66, 80	Jer 20:10-13 Rom 5:12-15 Mt 10:26-33

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

A good father knows how to wait and knows how to forgive from the depths of his heart. Certainly, he also knows how to correct with firmness: he is not a weak father, submissive and sentimental. The father who knows how to correct without humiliating is the one who knows how to protect without sparing himself.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, ROME, FEBRUARY 4, 2015



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Our Parish COMMUNITY

June 18, 2023

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Exodus 19:2-6a / Romans 5:6-11 / Matthew 9:36-10:8



Bucket List Questions

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

The *Bucket List* is a movie about two men, played by Jack Nicholson and Morgan Freeman, who find themselves sharing a hospital room, each diagnosed with terminal cancer. As they talk about the days that remain for each of them, they begin to discuss what they would yet hope to experience before they die. Hence, the title of the film.

At one point amid their many escapades together, Freeman suggests that God is going to ask two questions when they stand before the pearly gates. Nicholson hears this and grows edgy, suspecting his eternal future may be at risk. Freeman then tells him that the first question will be, "Have you ever experienced joy in life?" At that, Nicholson beams with a silly grin that suggests he is thinking more of pleasure than he is of joy. Nonetheless, he decides his lock on eternal bliss is halfway there. Then Freeman reveals the second question: "Have you ever brought joy to the lives of others?" With that, Nicholson's face drops, realizing his life has been more about himself than about others.

Religion is not just about "going to church" but also about "going from church into the world." That, in a sense, is what Jesus did when he named the twelve apostles and sent them out to heal, bring life, and overcome evil. It is also what we find ourselves sent to do amid the scattered events of every week—to bring joy into the lives of others. ●

Reflect

If God asks you about your experiences of joy and bringing joy to others, how will you answer?



Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give.
MATTHEW 10:8B



St. James Parish Family

201 N. Missouri Street
Potosi, MO 63664



Weekly Mass Schedule

Mon	No Mass
Tues	8:00 AM
Wed	8:00 AM
Thurs	8:00 AM
	6:00 PM
Fri	8:00 AM
Sat	8:00 AM
	4:30 PM
Sun	8:00 AM
	10:00 AM

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

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8:00 AM - 2:00 PM
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Saturday: 3:30 - 4:10 PM
Thursday: 5:00 - 5:30 PM

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF: **Jun 19, 2023**

MON	8:00 AM	No Mass
TUE	8:00 AM	Bess Lalumondiere
WED	8:00 AM	Cyrilla Boyer
THU	8:00 AM	Liam Mathis (birthday)
THU	6:00 PM	Whit Wills
FRI	8:00 AM	Russell Thebeau
SAT	8:00 AM	Paula Pashia
SAT	4:30 PM	Nadine Morgan
SUN	8:00 AM	Bog Malloy
SUN	10:00 AM	Parish Family

Week of: June 4, 2023

Envelope.....\$	2080.00	Main & Repairs.....\$	45.00
Loose.....\$	327.00	On-Line donations.....\$	145.90
SVDP.....\$	57.00	Glennon Sunday.....\$	140.00
Votive Lights.....\$	41.00	Cemetery Maint.....\$	65.00
Light House.....\$		Gun Raffle/picnic\$	1610.00

Special Ministers June 24 & 25, 2023

Saturday 4:30 pm Laura Allen	Lectors: Sunday 8:00 am Sharon Forrester	Sunday 10:00 am Danny Mueller
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Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Saturday 4:30 pm C: Vikki Neier L: Judy East R: Paul Villmer	Sunday 8:00 am Don Thompson Glenda Farrow Julie Jost	Sunday 10:00 am Charlie Schloemer Nikki Warden Jamie Warden
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Servers:
Sat. 4:30 p.m. Lane & Madison Battreal
Sun. 8:00 a.m. Volunteers please
Sun.10:00 a.m. Daisy & Penelope Kearns & Meadow Henson

Music:
Sat. 4:30 p.m. Chala Short
Sun. 8:00 a.m. Rebecca Richards
Sun.10:00 a.m. Anita Govero or The Little Way Band

Food of the Month of June: Breakfast items continue to be needed, but ALL items are appreciated! Thank you all for your continued generosity.
THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR AMAZING VOLUNTEERS.
~We couldn't do it without you~
Please think about volunteering for our Fall Picnic this year

Heavenly Duster: **06/23:** Faye Jarvis
Altar Linens: **06/19:** Connie Scott

Protecting God's Children
Anyone who is interested & willing to be a volunteer; i.e. teachers, aides, SVDP, chaperones for youth group, etc... must take the Safe Environment online course AND attend Protecting God's Children. To make this easier, we have been able to get an instructor to come here to St. James Church. The class will be held **July 12th, 6:30 pm here in the Parish Hall.**
For Online registration go to: <https://www.preventandprotectstl.org>
If you have any questions, call the office and I can help.

"Remember, the saints were ordinary people who got tired, who got hungry, who even got annoyed. They got sick, they got headaches, they made mistakes, they sinned, and they went through temptations too—just like you and me...The big difference is how they responded to God's call and how they chose to live in the midst of hardship."
MARK HART
Ask the Bible Geek

Mass Offerings -
Masses can be said for the living also; birthdays, anniversaries, etc. Come by the office or write the name & any preferred date on paper, put in envelope with \$10 for each Mass & drop in drop box or put in the collection basket at Mass. If the chosen date is available, I will schedule for that date, if not I will schedule next available.

Word of Life
"Through our prayers and through the intercession of St. Joseph, patron of fathers, may fathers come to know the irreplaceable role they hold in the lives of their children, and the responsibility they share in welcoming God's gift of new life!"
Most Reverend Shelton J. Fabre, Bishop of Houma-Thibodaux
"Fathers' Irreplaceable Role in Welcoming Life"
May expectant fathers lovingly support the mothers of their children in welcoming new life;
We pray to the Lord

Upcoming Events

Jun 18: A Blessed Father's day to all Fathers
Jun 19: Rural Parish Clinic, St. James Church grounds
Jun 24: Old Mines, MO 300th anniversary celebration
Jun 28: Picnic mtg, 6:00 pm, Parish Hall

Jul 12: **Protecting God's Children, 6:30 pm, Parish Hall**
Jul 16: Bonfire, 6:30 - 8:00 pm 6th grade through graduating seniors, IWC @ St. Joachim Church

Picnic News!!
Hey folks, keep those bottles for our **bottle booth** coming! Just go down the condiment isle in the grocery store & grab a few. The more bottles, the more fun!

Our **Country Store** is also in need of those amazing handmade crafts and home-canned goods. Fall Picnic is only 3 months away and we all know how fast our summer's fly by.
If anyone has questions, you may call Jamie or Don Thompson

OLD FASHIONED COUNTRY PICNIC
St. Gerald Catholic Church in Gerald on Hwy. 50 in Franklin County on Saturday, June 24, 2023 from 2 – 10 pm, Mass at 5 pm. Family Style Dinner of Fried Chicken and Kettle Beef dinners are served from 2 – 7 pm. Adults \$15.00, Children \$8.00. Come on over for a great afternoon of fun and fellowship, games, rides, music and much more.

*****FORMED*****

Liberating a Continent: John Paul II and the Fall of Communism: On of history's greatest examples of the triumph of spiritual power over violence and oppression is vividly recounted in Liberating a Continent; John Paul II and the Fall of Communism, a new documentary film that poignantly captures the intricate role played by John Paul in the collapse of communism and the liberation of Central and Eastern Europe.

Metanoia: A Journey with Christ into Conversion: METANOIA - and believe in the Gospel. In the Gospel of Mark, the first words of Jesus are an invitation to metanoia, to repent, to change, to be converted. Each of the 10 episodes explores areas of our life where conversion is so often necessary. Metanoia will examine topics such as who is Jesus, what must we do to inherit eternal life and many other significant matters of faith.

St. Anthony: Miracle Worker of Padua: This is the first major feature length drama on the life of St. Anthony of Padua, the beloved miracle worker and one of the most popular saints in Christian history. An outstanding film on the amazing life of St. Anthony, it presents Anthony as a dynamic & appealing person who sacrificed wealth, popularity and family for the Kingdom of God. Born into a Portugese noble family in 1195, Anthony defied his father's wishes that he become a knight &, instead, followed the call of God to become a monk, eventually joining the Franciscans as a follower of St. Francis of Assisi. Anthony became renowned for his powerful preaching & his miracles that won countless souls to Christ.

To sign up for "Formed"
Go to: <https://signup.formed.org/>
Enter our parish's zip code
Enter your name and your email address. That's it, you're in.

Missionary Discipleship Obligation Vs. Love

Jesus sent out the twelve Apostles instructing them, "As you go, make this proclamation: "The kingdom of heaven is at hand." Many of us take our lives for granted. We think we have plenty of time to "repent." Maybe we should live with a little more urgency in making things right with God. This is the difference in living our discipleship out of obligation versus out of love. Obligation implies we do the minimum required. Love implies we want a relationship. God wants us to be with Him in Heaven forever, but He also wants to be in a relationship with us right now, while we are on earth. Start this second – invite the Lord into your heart.

St. James Youth
A great big "Thank You" to Henson Chiropractic for renting the Elks Pool for our Pool Party this past Wednesday. We learned about water and it's importance in the Bible and our lives. After a short study, lots of fun was had swimming and playing in the water, eating and socializing! There's more to come in July! Can't Wait!!

An Encounter with the **Holy Spirit**
There are a number of workers in the St. Vincent de Paul Society here at St. James Church. Our primary mission is to feed those in need. Thanks to the very generous donations from our wonderful parish and several other groups, God allows us to help many people. We feel honored to do this work by lending our hands and feet to God's work on earth. It's often very surprising and rewarding.

I'm in touch with a great many people in all walks of life. Some are making requests for help. Others are making donations of their time, goods, services, or money. As a volunteer at our pantry one of my jobs is to match up donations to the special requests for assistance or to direct the donations to satisfy the general ongoing needs of the pantry with purchases of additional foods and products.

Occasionally, I get a glimpse of The Holy Spirit working through us. That's what happened today.

A woman who wants to remain anonymous, came to Susan in our parish office with a cash donation. It was to be used as needed by our SVDP group.

At about that same time, I received a call at home from a DFS social worker asking if we could assist them in getting a family reunified. This family was just down on it's luck due to a variety of causes. Two workers were collecting used furniture, needed food for the family, new bedding, towels and many other miscellaneous items this family would need in order to be reunified and to begin a new chapter in their lives.

As I was considering the needs, I received a text from Susan saying we had just received a cash donation of \$450! This would be enough to meet the needs just discussed! I got goosebumps!!!

I looked up and said a prayer of thanks to the Holy Spirit for drawing that generous giver, Susan our secretary, 2 social workers, 1 shattered family and me together at the right time to help each other accomplish this task.

Blessings on all of you reading this.
Anonymous

National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows – Visitors Center
Journey to Nicaea: The Evolution of Christianity from Gospel to Creed
Presenter: Mark Etling, PhD
Saturdays, July 1, August 5 and September 2 10:00 am - Noon
The first four centuries of the Christian era saw an incredible evolution – from a tiny movement in Israel to a vast, thriving institution in much of the Roman Empire. In its earliest days the Christian movement was a disorganized network of communities with no Bible, no central authority, and no unified system of beliefs. But by the year 400 the Church had adopted a universal statement of faith – the Nicene Creed. In this three-part series we will explore Christianity's historical and theological journey from Jerusalem to Nicaea.
Cost: \$10 per session / \$30 for the series.
For more information, call 618-394-6281.
Register online at <https://snows.org>

St. James PSR NEWS
This year St. James will have our annual Fall PICNIC, Sunday, **September 17th**. All PSR Families are encouraged to volunteer to help in any way possible. Registration for Fall PSR 2023-2024 will be held in August. PSR will be going back to the 2nd Wednesday evening of the month. The first PSR class will be Wed. September 13th. Please mark your calendars and watch the bulletin for future information. Join our Facebook page for all the latest and greatest information.

