

# Dear Padre,

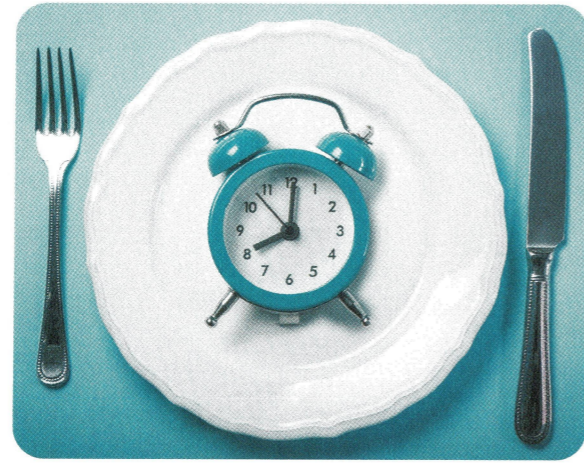
**My grandmother says Catholics used to fast from midnight until they received Communion. When did the fasting time change to only one hour, and why?**

The ancient discipline of fasting before Communion became a universal practice by the fifth century. Until 1953, those who would receive holy Communion refrained from consuming food, water, and medicine from midnight to the time of Communion. In 1953 and 1957, Pope Pius XII reduced the fast from food to three hours and from water for one hour (*Christus Dominus* and *Sacram Communionem*).

In 1966, Pope St. Paul VI further reduced the fast to one hour and allowed water and medicine at any time (*Paenitemini*). In 1973, he reduced the fast for the sick and elderly to fifteen minutes before Communion when one hour is prohibitive (*Immensae Caritatis*).

The loosening of the restrictions was in no way intended to lessen the reverence for the holy Eucharist. The changes were made to allow as many Catholics as possible to receive the Eucharist, which can be difficult when priests are in short supply. For the same reason, *Immensae Caritatis* also allowed the practice of having extraordinary ministers give Communion. Despite the changes to the Communion fast, unity and uniformity have been maintained. And of course, Catholics are free to fast before Communion beyond the duration and degree currently prescribed. ●

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## A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

**Today the Church tells us: “Use what God has given you and look at the poor.” At times, we think that to be Christian means not to do harm. And not doing harm is good. But not doing good is not good. We must do good, come out of ourselves and look...at those who are more in need.**

ANGELUS, ROME, NOVEMBER 15, 2020



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### MONDAY

November 20  
Weekday  
1 Mc 1:10–15, 41–43, 54–57, 62–63  
Lk 18:35–43

### TUESDAY

November 21  
Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

2 Mc 6:18–31  
Lk 19:1–10

### WEDNESDAY

November 22  
St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr  
2 Mc 7:1, 20–31  
Lk 19:11–28

### THURSDAY

November 23  
Weekday  
1 Mc 2:15–29  
Lk 19:41–44  
Thanksgiving Day  
Sir 50:22–24

### FRIDAY

November 24  
St. Andrew, Apostle and Companion, Martyr  
1 Mc 4:36–37, 52–59  
Lk 19:45–48

### SATURDAY

November 25  
Weekday  
1 Mc 6:1–13  
Lk 20:27–40

### SUNDAY

November 26  
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe  
Ez 34:11–12, 15–17  
1 Cor 15:20–26, 28  
Mt 25:31–46

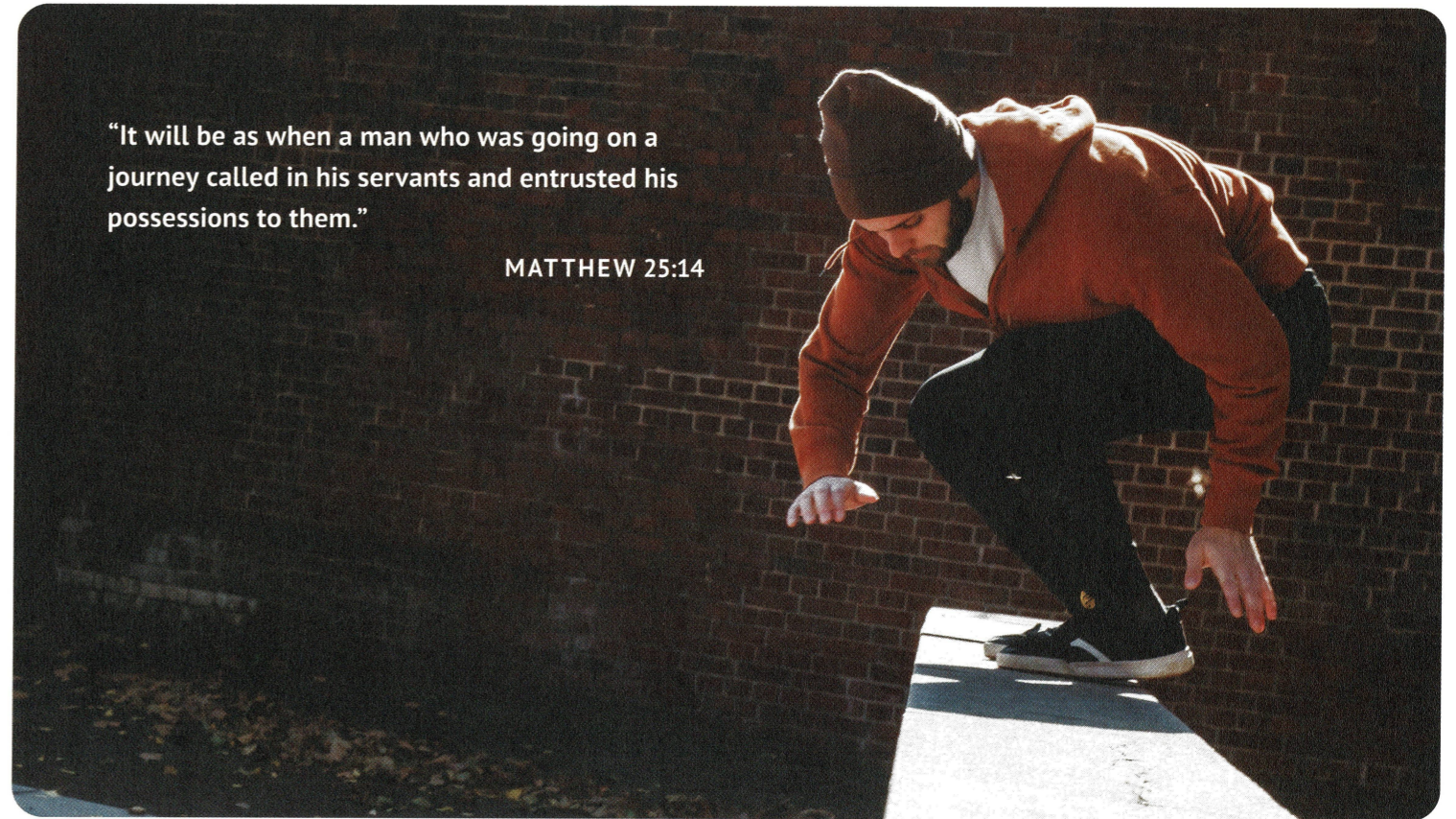
# Our Parish COMMUNITY

November 19, 2023

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Proverbs 31:10–13, 19–20, 30–31 / 1 Thessalonians 5:1–6

Matthew 25:14–30 or 25:14–15, 19–21



“It will be as when a man who was going on a journey called in his servants and entrusted his possessions to them.”

MATTHEW 25:14

## The Edges: Where God Works

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Those who are willing to take great risks are often the ones who give birth to dreams of growth and new life. Often it is at the scary edge of life where such growth ultimately takes place. In 1776, those who sparked a revolution and risked their personal wealth founded a new nation. President Abraham Lincoln issued his Emancipation Proclamation in 1863, when many were urging him not to do so, thus opening the door of freedom to those who found it locked. In South Africa, Nelson Mandela risked speaking out against apartheid, was imprisoned for twenty-seven years, and was eventually freed to become the leader of a new South Africa.

So often those who risk to make life new are those who are living at the growing edge of God’s reign, instruments of God bringing creation to new life.

In the parable in this week’s Gospel, three individuals are entrusted with a treasure of great worth. The third person backs away from any risk, burying it because he is stifled by fear. God’s dynamic presence, on the other hand, grows when individuals risk doing the right thing in spite of the consequences, when they are willing to speak an unpopular truth, when they take a stand for those on the edges of society, when they break down the barriers of racism and oppression. In the end, we need to listen less to our fears and more to our dreams. It’s where God does God’s best work: at the edges. ●

### Reflect

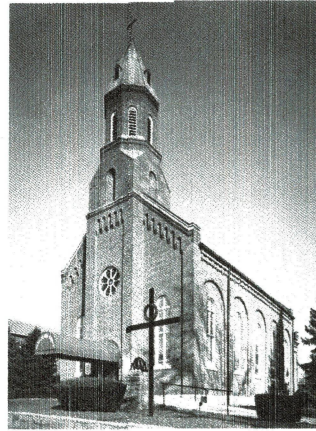
**When have you risked bringing about new life?**





# 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

### HOLY DAY 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 @stjamespotosi

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

### Staff

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Tuesday thru Thursday  
Phone: 573-438-4686

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

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

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF: November 20, 2023

MON	8:00 AM	*(Mass at St. Joachim)
Nov 21 TUE	8:15 AM	John Bequette
Nov 22 WED	8:15 AM	*(Mass at St. Joachim)
Nov 23 THU	8:00 AM	M. J. Mathis (Birthday)
Nov 24 FRI	8:00 AM	*(Mass at St. Joachim)
Nov 25 SAT	4:00 PM	*(Mass at St. Joachim)
Nov 26 SUN	8:00 AM	*(Mass at St. Joachim)
Nov 26 SUN	10:00 AM	Fr. Fleming

### Week of: November 12th, 2023

Envelope.....\$	1925.00	On-Line donations.....\$	75.90
Loose .....	728.00	Campaign for Human	
SVDP .....	602.00	Development.....\$	45.00
Votive Lights.....\$	86.56	Religious Retirement...\$	165.00
Light House.....\$			
Main & Repairs.....\$	135.00		

### Special Ministers November 26th, 2023

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

### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

**Sunday 10:00 am**  
C: Mary Roy  
L: Nikki Warden  
R: Dave Woodland

Sat: 4:00 p.m (celebrated at St. Joachim)  
Sun: 8:00 a.m (celebrated at St. Joachim)  
Sun: 10:00 am Daisy, Penelope & Joshua 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: 11/24: Judy East  
Altar Linens: 11/27: Jean Roberson

### Still needing more Volunteers please:

**Funeral Lunch Committee:** We only have a couple of our Parish Family volunteers at this point. We really need 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.

"Christians are people of hope, people of possibilities. So have courage, my friends, and together, let's set out to change the world as the first Christians did."

**MATTHEW KELLY**  
*The Biggest Lie in the History of Christianity*



### Word of Life National Hospice and Palliative Care Month

"We can't imagine loving a child whom we conceived more than we love Andrew. It is amazing how he fits our personalities so well... Adopting Andrew has made us more aware of God's power and of his love for us. We realize that he always has a perfect plan for our lives." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "An Adoption Love Story" (respectlife.org/adoption-love-story)

For married couples considering adoption: May the Holy Spirit guide their discernment, grant them peace, and bring to fruition His holy will; We pray to the Lord:

### What's on the Calendar???

Nov 19: St. Joachim, St. Anne's Turkey Bingo, KC Hall, 12 Noon  
Nov 20: Rural Parish Clinic, 8:00 am  
**Nov 23: Thanksgiving Day: Mass @ 8:00 am, St. James**  
Nov 26: Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe  
  
Dec 02: First Saturday Marian Devotion Mass, Adoration & confessions, 8:00 am  
Dec 07: First Thursday Mass & Adoration, 8:00 am to 5:30 pm.

### DO YOU BELIEVE IN MIRACLES?

Can miracles stand up to the test of science?  
\*\*SEEING IS BELIEVING\*\*

"The believers in miracles accept them (rightly or wrongly) because they have evidence for them. The disbelievers in miracles deny them (rightly or wrongly) because they have a doctrine against them."  
G.K. Chesterton, Orthodoxy

Day and Time: Wednesday, December 20th 6:30pm - 9pm Location: St. Joseph Church 15 St. Joseph Street   Bonne Terre, MO 63628	Day and Time: Thursday, December 21st 6:30pm - 9pm Location: St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church 504 S 3rd St, De Soto, MO 63020
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\*\*\*Same presentation each night. Choose one\*\*\*  
For more information, go to: [www.ScienceTestsFaith.com/JeffCity](http://www.ScienceTestsFaith.com/JeffCity)

### \*\*\*\*\*FORMED\*\*\*\*\*

**St. Giuseppe Moscati: Doctor to the Poor:** "The holy physician of Naples," he was a medical Dr. & layman in the early twentieth century who came from an aristocratic family & devoted his medical career to serving the poor. He was also a medical school professor & pioneer in the field of biochemistry whose research led to the discovery of insulin as a cure for diabetes. Moscati regarded his medical practice as a lay apostolate, a ministry to his suffering fellowmen. Before examining a patient or engaging in research, he would place himself in the presence of God. He encouraged his patients to receive the sacraments. Dr. Moscati treated poor patients free of charge, & he would often send someone home with an envelope containing a prescription & a 50-lire note. (English subtitles).

**Stand Your Ground w/Mark Houck/Chris Stefanick Show:** You can hear a clip of Chris speaking at a conference. He explains that the world hates men who say the word, "NO." So often in today's culture, we are called to draw boundaries. We can feel like a tiny David against the Goliath of Cancel Culture & the internet. The culture tires to weed out men who stand up for the little guy, but it's important to remain STRONG. Finally, Chris catches up w/Mark Houck. You might remember him from last yr, when the FBI raided his house early one morning as his family was just waking up & brought him in for defending his son. Mark gives the FULL STORY on what exactly happened that morning & why it is so important to be a voice for the most vulnerable members of society, both as a father & a pro-lifer

**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

#### Stewardship

God generously bestows gifts upon us, spiritual gifts as well as physical gifts. He asks us to use those gifts for the purpose of building up the Kingdom of God and leading others to Jesus Christ. Because we are called to be good and faithful stewards, it is important for us to spend time in prayer with Jesus so that He can instruct us how to best utilize the gifts He has given to us. Do we invest our talents and share them with others? Or, do we go out and bury them, refusing to share them in service to the world? God, who is infinitely generous, rewards us for manifesting His power by means of the gifts He has given to us.

### A Thanksgiving Prayer:

"THANK YOU LORD, FOR YOUR BLESSINGS ON ME"

You gave me Your love Lord, and a fine family. Thank You Lord, for Your blessings on me. While the world looks upon me, as I struggle alone, they say I have nothing, but they are so wrong. In my heart I'm rejoicing, how I wish they could see. There's a roof up above me, I've a good place to sleep. There's food on my table, and shoes on my feet. I know I'm not wealthy, and these clothes, they're not new. I don't have much money, but Lord, I have You. And that's all that matters. Though the world may not see. Thank You Lord, For Your blessings on me.  
AMEN "The Brothers"

**A very Blessed and Happy Thanksgiving to everyone!**



### Book of MEMORY

We will have the "Book of Memory" placed on a table in front of Church for you to enter the names of relatives & friends that are deceased.

Louis & Theresa Whitehead	John & Stella DeGonia
Debbie Barbey	Michael J. & Mary P. Pratt
Mason Richardson	Cyrilla A. Boyer
Loretta Richardson	Cindy Malawey
Margaret Kemp	Wesley Forrester
Lena Coffman	Gladys Kathcart
Fred A. Nnull	Logan Kathcart
Jim Richardson	Ty Broombaugh

### Christmas for Kids

This weekend, **November 18th**, we have our **Giving Tree** up. It is up a little earlier this year due to the changes in our Mass Schedules in hopes that this will give you, our Parishioners a little additional time to bring your gifts in and get them to the children on time.

We will need all of the gifts returned back to Church by Sunday, **December 10th**.

**Thank you all for helping support the Children of our Community.**

### PSR Christmas Parade Float for Dec 7th

Our PSR Program will participating in the Town Christmas Parade again this year. Tuesday, November 21 @ 6:30 pm in the Parish they will be holding a meeting to discuss the float theme & decorations. They already have a trailer but will need help with decorations & "people power". Please come to the meeting if you are interested in helping!

### 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.
- 2nd grade students will be practicing for first Reconciliation.
- First Reconciliation will be on December 13th during class time.

Confirmation Class will be assisting with several service projects this year. So please watch the bulletin for updates. Join our Facebook page for all the latest and greatest information.





# December 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 St. Joachim ~ 8 am & Adoration ~ Fr. Tony Potosi Manor ~ 10 am ~ Fr. Tony Georgian Gardens ~ 10:30 am ~ Fr. Nyman	2 St. James ~ 8 am & Adoration, Rosary, Confessions St. James ~ 4 pm ~ Fr. Tony St. James ~ 5 pm ~ Anointing of the Sick ~ Fr. Tony
3 St. James ~ 8 am ~ Fr. French St. Stephen Chapel ~ 8 am ~ Fr. Tony St. Joachim ~ 10 am ~ Fr. Tony	4 St. Joachim ~ 8 am ~ Fr. Nyman	5 St. James ~ 8:15 am ~ Fr. Tony	6 St. Joachim ~ 8:15 am ~ Fr. Tony First Reconciliation & PSR Confessions ~ 6 pm ~ Fr. Tony	7 St. James ~ 8 am & Adoration ~ Fr. Tony St. Joachim ~ Confessions ~ 10 am - 2 pm	8 Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary St. Joachim ~ 8 am ~ Fr. Tony St. James ~ Noon ~ Fr. Tony Bob Mills ~ Fr. Tony St. Joachim ~ 6:30 pm ~ Fr. Tony	9 St. Joachim ~ 4 pm ~ Fr. Tony St. Joachim ~ 5 pm ~ Anointing of the sick
10 St. James ~ 8 am ~ Fr. Tony St. Joachim ~ 10 am ~ Fr. Tony	11 St. Joachim ~ 8 am ~ Fr. Nyman	12 St. James ~ 8:15 am ~ Fr. Tony Prison Mass ~ 1:30 pm	13 St. Joachim ~ 8:15 am ~ Fr. Tony First Reconciliation & PSR Confessions St. James ~ 6 pm ~ Fr. Tony	14 St. James ~ 8 am ~ Fr. Tony	15 St. Joachim ~ 8 am ~ Fr. Tony	16 St. James ~ 4 pm ~ Fr. Nyman St. Joseph Chapel ~ 6:30 pm ~ Fr. Tony
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24 Christmas Eve St. James ~ 8 am ~ Fr. Tony St. Joachim ~ 10 am ~ Fr. Dyer St. Joachim ~ 4 pm ~ Fr. Dyer St. James ~ 4 pm ~ Fr. Tony St. Joachim ~ 10 pm ~ Fr. Tony	25 Christmas Day St. James ~ 8 am ~ Fr. Tony St. Joachim ~ 10 am ~ Fr. Tony	26 (No Daily Mass at St. James today) St. Stephen Chapel ~ TBD ~ Fr. Knight	27 St. Joachim ~ 8:15 am ~ Fr. Tony	28 St. James ~ 8 am ~ Fr. Tony	29 St. Joachim ~ 8 am ~ Fr. Tony	30 St. James ~ 4 pm ~ Fr. Tony
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*Confessions ~ Saturday ~ 3:15 pm – 3:45 pm or by Appointment*

# January 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	1 St. Joachim ~ 8 am ~ Fr. Nyman St. James ~ 10 am ~ Fr. Tony	2 St. James ~ 8:15 am ~ Fr. Tony	3 St. Joachim ~ 8:15 am ~ Fr. Tony	4 St. James ~ 8 am & Adoration ~ Fr. Tony	5 St. Joachim ~ 8 am & Adoration & Benediction ~ Fr. Tony Potosi Manor ~ 10 am ~ Fr. Nyman Georgian Gardens ~ 10:30 am ~ Fr. Tony	6 St. James ~ 8 am & Adoration & Benediction St. James ~ 4 pm ~ Fr. Tony
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