

Dear Padre,

My son was raised Catholic and still claims he is Catholic, but he and his wife go to a Protestant church. How should I deal with my frustration?

Many parents and grandparents today share your frustration. They raised their children Catholic, maybe even sent them to Catholic schools, but the children have grown up and chosen not to continue to be faithful Catholics. A recent survey showed that nine out of ten people say they believe in God, but often they are not committed to a single religion or house of worship. About half of the people questioned attend religious services less than once a month, or never. The loyalty to one Church that was evident in our own lives, or in our parents' and grandparents' lives, is lacking in today's people under age fifty-five.

What can one do about this situation? Certainly pray for your children and continue to give a good example through your own loyalty to the Catholic Church and attendance at Sunday Mass. Invite your son and his wife to attend with you when they visit. As your children age, they may become more interested in your family's history and traditions, and the religion of their childhood may again appear attractive. Try to be patient and continue to pray that your children will return to the Church of their roots. ●



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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
April 22	April 23	April 24	April 25	April 26	April 27	April 28
Easter Weekday	Easter Weekday	Easter Weekday	St. Mark, Evangelist	Easter Weekday	Easter Weekday	Fifth Sunday of Easter
Acts 11:1-18 Jn 10:1-10	Acts 11:19-26 Jn 10:22-30	Acts 12:24-13:5a Jn 12:44-50	1 Pt 5:5b-14 Mk 16:15-20	Acts 13:26-33 Jn 14:1-6	Acts 13:44-52 Jn 14:7-14	Acts 9:26-31 1 Jn 3:18-24 Jn 15:1-8

Our Parish COMMUNITY

April 21, 2024

Fourth Sunday of Easter (B)

Acts 4:8-12 / 1 John 3:1-2 / John 10:11-18



I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead... and there will be one flock, one shepherd.

JOHN 10:16

Living with Our Instincts

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

We live with a maze of instincts—some from the dark side and some from the light. In her book *Caste*, Isabel Wilkerson describes how cultures tend to consign certain individuals to the bottom of the social ladder. She specifically compares the caste system in India with how the Nazis sought to suppress and eliminate Jews and with the way blacks were oppressed by slavery and even in our own time. She describes the instinct in every society to relegate others to a lower class, always seeking to ensure that we are not at the bottom. This instinct can come from the dark side of people.

There is also an instinct for goodness to others, an instinct of light—to recognize everyone as brothers and sisters. As Saint John notes, “we are God’s children now”

(1 John 3:2). It is the voice of the Shepherd instilled in the human spirit that calls us into one fold, the voice of God urging us to healing goodness.

It is the dark side that nurtures white supremacy. It is the light that enables us to see beyond the color of our skin. It is the dark side that excludes those who seem different. It is the light that welcomes and offers hospitality. It is the dark side that succumbs to fear. It is the light of God’s love that confronts the wolves of hate and urges us to follow. There is always tension between darkness and light. ●

Reflect

How does the voice of the Good Shepherd call you to reject the dark and embrace the light?



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Christ’s love is not selective; it embraces everyone.... He is everyone’s shepherd. Jesus wants everyone to be able to receive the Father’s love and encounter God....The Father entrusts everyone to Jesus the Good Shepherd, who gave his life for everyone. Brothers and sisters, Jesus defends, knows and loves all of us.

REGINA CAELI, ROME, APRIL 25, 2021

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Parish Picnic 9/15/24
Next mtg:
24 Apr, 2024

St. James Parish Family
201 N. Missouri Street
Potosi, MO 63664



**April 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.

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*Live Your Life for an Audience
of ONE: GOD!*

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

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF:
April 15, 2024

Apr 23	MON	8:00 AM	(Mass at St. Joachim)
Apr 24	TUE	8:15 AM	Ronnie Politte
Apr 25	WED	8:15 AM	(Mass at St. Joachim)
Apr 26	THU	8:00 AM	Fr. Rodger Fleming
Apr 27	FRI	3:00 PM	(Mass at St. Joachim)
Apr 28	SAT	4:00 PM	Parishoners
Apr 28	SUN	8:00 AM	Logan and Gladys Kathcart
Apr 28	SUN	10:00 AM	(Mass @ St. Joachim)

We Need Your Help Please
Have you moved, or have you changed your Phone number? Are you new to our parish? If so, please call the office to register, or update your information. 573-438-4686

Week of: April 21, 2024

Envelope.....\$	3402.50	On-Line donations.....\$	80.60
Loose	299.00	Retired Priests.....\$	30.00
SVDP.....\$	509.00	Holy Land.....\$	45.00
Votive Lights.....\$	9.50	Easter offering.....\$	200.00
Light House.....\$			
Main & Repairs.....\$	90.00		

Special Ministers
April 28, 2024
Lectors:
Sunday 8:00 am
Jamie Thompson

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:
Sunday 8:00 am

C: Dave Woodland
L: Sharon Forrester
R: Jim Politte


Sat: 4:00 pm (celebrated at St. Joachim)
Sun: 8:00 am Abraham Rolwes and volunteer
Sun: 10:00 am (celebrated at St. Joachim)

Music:
Sun: 8:00 a.m. Rebecca Richards
Sun: 10:00 am Anita Govero or The Little Way Band

Food of the Month of April: Peanut Butter & canned meats pls
THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR AMAZING VOLUNTEERS.
~We couldn't do it without you~

Heavenly Duster: 04/19: Marilyn Carter & Jeanne DeGonia
Altar Linens: 04/29: Sharon Forrester

TODAY !! **Quilt Bingo** **TODAY!!!**

 St. James Quilt Bingo is on! **April 21st**, beginning @ 1:00 pm. Doors open @ 11:00 with refreshments available throughout the day. All are welcome. Must be at least 16 to enter the building. Any questions, please call Judy Cain @ 573-210-8220 for more information. 

Parish Mission

The Joint Parish Mission Core Team from (St. Joachim), Dave Politte - Chairperson, Don Boyer and Joyce Politte – Parish Coordinator and (St. James), Kim Coleman – Parish Coordinator, Diane McGill and Judy Wright have started planning for the joint Parish Mission this fall that will led by Fr. Tom Santen. The Parish Coordinators will be reaching out to you soon asking for your help in planning for each parish. This will be a great opportunity for all of us! Please prayerfully consider being a part of the planning team and pray for a successful mission for all.

The team has met a couple times (and with Fr. Tom Santen) to share ideas regarding the theme for the mission as well as schedule, hospitality, prayer cards, banners, tee shirts and more! Please read the bulletin for future updates.

Word of Life

“Suicidal individuals—with or without a terminal illness—typically do not want to die; they want to escape what they perceive to be an intolerable situation, and they inaccurately believe that suicide is their only way out. The patient requesting assisted suicide is often asking, ‘Does anyone want me to be alive, or care enough to talk me out of this request and support me through this difficult time?’”
USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, “Every Suicide is Tragic” usccb.org/every-suicide-tragic

For those tempted to end their lives: That through the grace of the Resurrection, Christ will fill them with hope, belief in his love, and the assurance that their lives are worth living; We pray to the Lord:

What's on the Calendar???

Apr 21: Quilt Bingo, 1:00 pm, Parish Hall
Apr 24: Picnic mtg, 6:00 pm, Parish Hall
May 02: First Thursday Mass & Adoration
May 04: First Saturday Marian Devotion Mass, Rosary & Adoration
May 05: First Holy Communion
May 08: Parish Mission Meeting
May 07: Ladies Sodality mtg, 1:00 pm , Parish Hall
May 12: May Crowning
May 13: SVDP mtg, 6:00 pm, Food Pantry
May 14: Parish Council mtg, 5:30 pm, Rectory
Knights of Columbus mtg, 6:30, Parish Hall
May 20: Rural Parish Clinic here at St. James 8:00 am

MISSION MEETING

St. James along with St. Joachim, St. Stephen and St. Michaels will be hosting a mission Saturday, September 28th, through Thursday October 3rd. St. James will be having our first mission meeting for our parish on Wednesday, May 8th, at 6:00pm in the parish hall. We are inviting all parishioners to come and be a part of our parish mission. Kim Coleman, Judy Wright and Diane McGill would be happy to answer any of your question. We are looking forward to seeing you at our first mission meeting on Wednesday, May 8th.
Mission Dates: September 29th thru October 3rd, 2024



Cemetery Upkeep!
Cemetery Flowers and Decoration removal has begun. If you have any decorations other than those that are allowed in the Cemetery Rules, such as shepherd's hooks, votive lights, stepping stones, soda/beer cans, deer antlers, stuffed animals, etc, you need to get them now as mowing season is now upon us! Thank you for your cooperation.

*******FORMED*******

Genesis: Part 1 of 2/Torah: God makes a good world and installs humans as it's rulers. Humanity rebels and ends up ruling the world in a destructive way, leading to violence, death and the founding of the city of Babylon. God's response is to set in motion a plan to rescue and bless the whole world through the family of Abraham.

Bernadette: From Jean Delannoy, one of France's foremost filmmakers, comes this top quality feature film production of the story of St. Bernadette and the apparitions of Our Lady of Lourdes. Actress Syndey Penny gives a beautiful performance as Bernadette, and the rest of the cast is equally superb. Also stars Roland Lesaffre and Michele Simonnet. It is highly recommended by the Vatican as a "sensitive portrayal of a very moving story that deserves a wide audience." Shot on location in France with outstanding cinematography and a beautiful music score, this is the film that was chosen to be shown daily at the shrine in Lourdes.

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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
Abundance of Life

How comforting it is to know that Jesus came that we may have life more abundantly. The spring is a wonderful time to observe the beauty of life present in God's creation. Plants are blooming, birds are singing, and people are more visible outdoors because of the warm weather. What does it mean to live more abundantly though? It means living as a person whom God has destined for greatness. It means that Jesus has justified us by His precious blood and called to be people of great sanctity to deposit the scent of holiness everywhere we go. The grace of justification transforms us to live more fully with hope, joy, and zealous charity for God and neighbor. Because of the life Christ gives us, we are a new creation destined for eternal glory in heaven with the Triune God.

“Whatever troubles may be before you, accept them cheerfully, remembering whom you are trying to follow. Do not be afraid.”

Mary MacKillop

Question: In our parish, those who are not able to receive the Eucharist are invited to come up in the communion procession and receive a blessing. Since we have several extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist, it is usually they who give the blessing. Is this correct?

Answer: There are certain cases in which a layperson may give a blessing. The general introduction to the BOOK OF BLESSINGS states: “Other laymen and laywomen, in virtue of the universal priesthood, a dignity they possess because of their baptism and confirmation, may celebrate certain blessings, as indicated in the respective orders of blessings, by use of the rites and formularies designated for a lay minister”(18)

In rubrics for the distribution of Holy Communion to the sick by extraordinary ministers, the minister may not bless the sick person but only may make the sign of the cross over himself and ask for a blessing upon both.

Based on these statements, the practice of extraordinary ministers giving blessings during Holy Communion does not appear to be in keeping with Church law.

Catholic Answers

SCAM ALERT: If you've received a text or an email saying it came from Fr. Anthony Dattilo requesting any type of financial assistance, it is a SCAM. It did not come from him and he will NEVER ask for any time of monetary help. Please report as a scam and delete.

Thank you, Fr. Tony

PARISH PICNIC

Parish Family; **The Bottle Game was a HUGE Success last year! So, we are planning it again this year!**

It's not too early to start this year with planning for the Picnic... "the Bottle Game" is back. We are asking all to bring a "bottle of..." (examples; shampoo, wine, ketchup, mustard, pickles, lotion, dish-washing liquid, laundry detergent, syrup, 2 liter soda, honey, jelly, vanilla, cooking oil, etc.) that we will use for this fundraiser. The way this will work is, we will sell the same number of "chances" that we have for the number of "bottles" that we receive, the tickets will be numbered, the bottles will be numbered, each ticket will cost \$3 to purchase, so you can see that this will be a good fundraiser for the church, just think you might end up with a bottle of.....!

We would ask that you please make sure when you are making your purchase for these items to please check the expiration date on any perishable food items.

We will put 3 boxes/containers in the back of church, not in the vestibule – **under the pew in front of the cry room for all to place their bottles in.** It's not too early to start collecting, so bring your bottles.
Thank you all for your support of our Parish!

Our next Picnic mtg is scheduled for **April 24th @ 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall.** We strongly encourage our parish family to come to the next mtg and get involved. Lets make this year's picnic as good if not better than last year! :-)

St. James PSR NEWS

**** Next in-person class:** Wednesday, **May 15th:** Last PSR Class this year. PSR and Picnic!

May 5th, First Holy Communion, 10:00 am, St. James Church
May Crowning is May 12th, following 10:00 am Mass

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