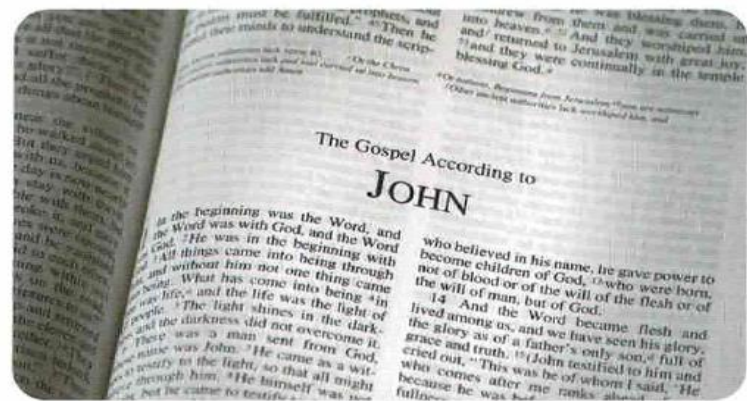


Dear Padre,

Is there a year of John? I know we're now in the year of Luke, next year will be the year of Matthew, and the following year will be the year of Mark. Then the cycle starts over with Luke. Why doesn't John have a year?

Matthew, Mark, and Luke, collectively known as the synoptic gospels, are narrative gospels. Together, they tell the story of Jesus of Nazareth. Although in some ways they might be understood synoptically, "the same," each narrative is unique in its emphasis. The Church desires that we hear these narratives and be nourished through the proclamation of the early memories of the Christian community.

John's Gospel, on the other hand, is not primarily a narrative, but is best understood as theological. As such, it is highly dependent on the use of symbolic representations to make the point it intends. For example, "I am the light of the world.



Whoever follows me...will have the light of life" (John 8:12). The interplay between light and darkness illustrates the point. John's Gospel is intended to be experienced and engaged in as "bigger than life," proposing and celebrating Christian themes that are life-giving and inviting. Therefore, we hear John's Gospel when the Church celebrates the mystery of the saving life and resurrection of Jesus. For this reason, the Gospel of John is proclaimed on Good Friday, during the Easter season, and on other major feasts.

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

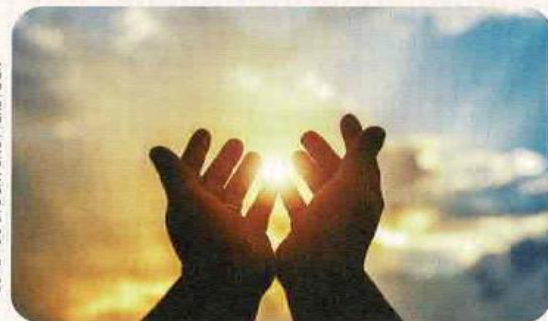
Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
January 20 Weekday Heb 5:1-10 Mk 2:18-22	January 21 St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr Heb 6:10-20 Mk 2:23-28	January 22 Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children Heb 7:1-3, 15-17 Mk 3:1-6	January 23 Weekday Heb 7:25-8:6 Mk 3:7-12	January 24 St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Heb 8:6-13 Mk 3:13-19	January 25 The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22 Mk 16:15-18	January 26 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10 1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27 Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

I suggest an exercise.... Let us think about that difficult moment in which God let me experience his love.... And let us ask ourselves: with which discrete and loving signs did he let me feel his tenderness? When did I feel the Lord nearer? When did I feel his tenderness and his compassion?

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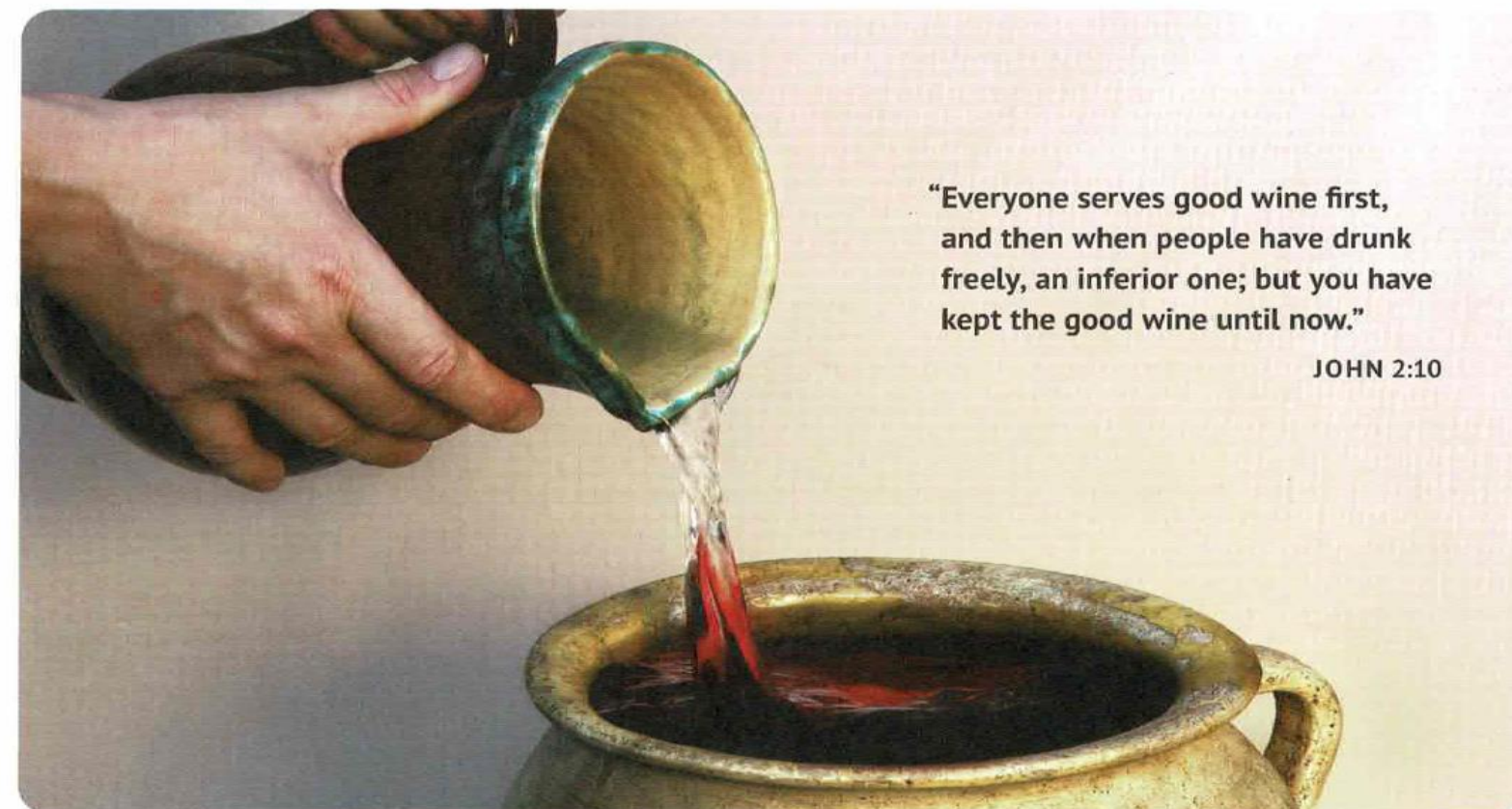
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Our Parish COMMUNITY

January 19, 2025

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Isaiah 62:1-5 / 1 Corinthians 12:4-11 / John 2:1-11



"Everyone serves good wine first, and then when people have drunk freely, an inferior one; but you have kept the good wine until now."

JOHN 2:10

When Water Becomes Wine

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

For all of us, at one time or another, life seems to run out of wine. We look at our relationships and find ourselves saying, "There's no more wine." It may be a friendship of five years or a marriage of twenty-five years, but, for some, the wine runs out. For others, it is the job that loses its challenge. Or, one day, the foreman gathers everyone to announce that the plant is closing. In a moment, all has turned into vinegar; there is no more wine. For others still, it is when retirement suffocates the future, choking all that once gave meaning.

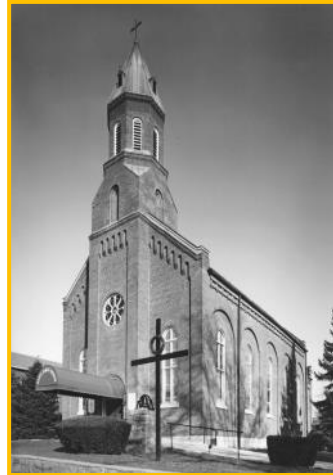
However, there are also those times when hope is reborn, when we feel "espoused" not only by life but also by God, when the ordinary turns extraordinary—and the water becomes wine. It is the phone call offering a new job after we have collected unemployment checks for months. It is falling in love when we have given up on the notion. It is conceiving a child after years of barren waiting. It is someone who listens, finally, when no one else would. It is at times like these—and many others as well—when we are caught off-balance and trip into God unwittingly, saved from drudgery and redeemed to live a life enriched, when water is turned into wine. It is a deeply felt joy that reveals God's presence. ●

Reflect

Is there an area in your life where you need "new wine"?

St. James Parish Family

201 N. Missouri Street
Potosi, MO 63664



January 2025 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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Confessions:
Saturday: 3:15 - 3:45 PM;
prior to Sat evening Mass
Or by appointment

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF
January 20, 2024 8AM Mass @ St. Joachim

Jan 21 TUE	8:15 AM	Brian Boyer
Jan 22 WED	8:15AM	Mass @ St. Joachim
Jan 23 THU	8:00 AM	Souls in Purgatory
Jan 24 FRI	8:00 AM	Mass @ St. Joachim
Jan 25 SAT	4:00 PM	Mass @ St. Joachim
Jan 26 SUN	10:00 AM	Aona Declue

January 12th, 2025

Envelope.....\$	2784.00
Loose collections..\$	1703.00
SVDP.....\$	608.00
Votive Lights.....\$	78.00
Main & Repairs.....\$	172.00
On-Line donations.....\$	62.60
Christmas offering.....\$	300.00
Stainglass.....\$	1500.00
St Louis Review.....\$	105.00
Solemnity of Mary..\$	435.00



January 26th, 2025

Lectors
Sunday 10:00 am
Jamie Warden
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

C: Kim Coleman
L: Mary Roy
R: Nikki Warden

Servers

Sat: 4:00 pm Mass @ 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 January collection: Soup, Crackers, and Peanut Butter. :)

Faith, Hope, and Charity

Heavenly Duster: 01/10: **Marilyn Carter & Jeanne Degonia**
Altar Linens: 01/13: **Glenda Farrow**

Grants available for students in Kindergarten through Eighth Grade for the 2025-26 school year. Grant applications open on Tuesday, January 21 at 8 a.m. Apply at www.ttef-stl.org
If you have any questions please contact danaboyn@stjoachimschools.com

With the weather coming PLEASE be watching the Parish App and Facebook page for mass **CANCELLATIONS**. We do not want people trying to get out if the weather is **BAD**.

*****Formed*****

Lectio: Confirmation
Confirmation is mysterious.

Is Confirmation really necessary if we've been baptized? What is the connection between the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost and the graces bestowed at Confirmation? What does the Bible have to say about the meanings of the actions and prayers found in the Rite of Confirmation? Why are there different practices in the Church about the proper age to receive Confirmation? How does Confirmation strengthen us to endure persecution as we witness to Jesus? Discover the answers to these questions and more in this Lectio series on the Sacrament of Confirmation.

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???



Jan 22: Prayer for legal protection of unborn children
Jan 22: PSR
Jan 25: The conversion of St. Paul the Apostle
Jan 29: PSR
Feb 02: The presentation of the Lord
Feb 04: Ladies Sodality MGT @ 1PM
Feb 07: First Friday
Feb 10: St. V MGT @ 6PM
Feb 11: Parish Council MGT @ 5:30
Knights of Columbus MGT @ 6:30PM
Feb 14: Clarity House
Feb 15: St. V food giveaway
Feb 17: Rural Parish Clinic



MATTHEW 6:34
"Live one day at a time,
And don't worry about tomorrow.
God will take care of your tomorrow too."



SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Starting January 21, 2025

LOOKING FOR A SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR? LOOK NO FURTHER!

All Catholic Schools in the Archdiocese of St. Louis and any Private elementary school in the City of St. Louis.

APPLY HERE



QUESTIONS?

Contact the Scholarship Team!
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Signs of Hope

A Morning of Reflection to celebrate the Jubilee Year of Hope

Saturday, February 22, 2025
8:30am-Noon
Hillsboro Knights of Columbus Hall

9330 Old Missouri 21,
Hillsboro, MO 63050

Registration for "Signs of Hope"



Join us as we explore what it means to be "Pilgrims of Hope" in our families, in our parishes, in the greater community.

All are welcome!

Register at QR code or:
<https://forms.office.com/r/58hTLCym1j>

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If anyone is needing a TAX letter for contributions that was made PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE get with me ASAP.



Sometimes its nice just having someone say "Thank you"
I want to give a BIG THANK YOU to everyone in our Parish, you all along with Jesus and Father Tony make this church possible.

Anyone wanting Poinsettias please get them from church. Thanks



Liturgical Composers Concert, Thursday, January 30, 7-8:30 pm at Mercy Center Chapel, 2039 N. Geyer Rd, Frontenac (in person or live stream). General admission \$25, Preferred Seating/Reception with Composers \$50, Individual Live Stream \$15. Register and pay at www.mercycenterstl.org/liturgical-composers-concert.

St. James PSR NEWS

January Classes
22nd and 29th (Make up Class)

Contact Laura at 573-366-5235 with any questions.

