

# Dear Padre,

**At Mass, why does the priest put a part of the consecrated host into the chalice?**

The celebration of the Eucharist was known as “the breaking of the bread” in the Acts of the Apostles (2:42). “The gesture of breaking bread done by Christ at the Last Supper, which in apostolic times gave the entire Eucharistic Action its name, signifies that the many faithful are made one body (1 Corinthians 10:17) by receiving Communion from the one Bread of Life, which is Christ...” (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 83). At Mass, bread is broken and wine is poured for Communion, just as the Body of Christ was broken and the Blood of Christ was poured out on the cross. In this fraction rite, we recognize Christ in “the breaking of the bread,” as did his disciples on the road to Emmaus (Luke 23:30–31).

After the fraction of the bread, the priest places a small piece of it into the chalice “to signify the unity of the Body and Blood of the Lord in the work of salvation, namely, of the Body of Jesus Christ, living and glorious” (*GIRM* 83). This rite is called the commingling.

While the *Agnus Dei* (“Lamb of God”) accompanies the fraction of the bread, the priest quietly recites a prayer of preparation for Communion “so that he may fruitfully receive the Body and Blood of Christ. The faithful do the same, praying silently” (*GIRM* 84). ●



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# Our Parish COMMUNITY

January 29, 2023

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12–13 / 1 Corinthians 1:26–31 / Matthew 5:1–12



## Blessed Are Our Hassles

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**A**

**s much as we all might like** a hassle-free life, for the person of faith the Beatitudes are markers of when God slips into our consciousness. They are life’s doorways to a deepening sense of God-with-us.

“Blessed are the poor in spirit” is not about material poverty, though it may include such times. To be poor in spirit is to be dependent upon God because we have run out of our own self-sufficiencies. There is nowhere else to go.

“Blessed are they who mourn” is about times when we grieve the loss of someone or something we love deeply. Who or what will now sustain us?

“Blessed are the meek” is about giving up the need to have our own way all the time. It recognizes that sometimes God’s way is breaking into what we prefer.

“Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness,” that is, for a relationship with God. It is ultimately a hunger for harmony.

“Blessed are the merciful” is about being forgiving and about those who live out the corporal works of mercy—feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, and the rest. In them we find the presence of God.

“Blessed are the clean of heart” is when we come to realize we cannot have it all. Then there is only one who will satisfy our longing.

“Blessed are the peacemakers” are those who not only love peace but work for peace, for God is peace.

“Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness.” They live for an ultimate good greater than their own. ●

### Reflect

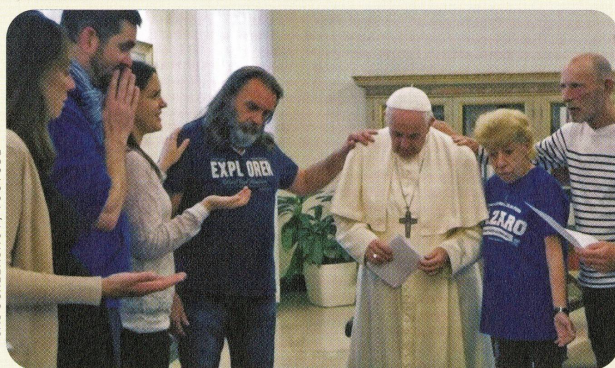
**Which Beatitude would be a good title for your autobiography?**

**Which Beatitude needs the greatest growth in your life?**



“Blessed are you....Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.”

MATTHEW 5:12



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### A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

**Sisters and brothers, I am convinced that “the world can be seen more clearly from the peripheries.” We must listen to the peripheries, open the doors to them and allow them to participate. The suffering of the world is better understood alongside those who suffer.**

FOURTH WORLD MEETING OF POPULAR MOVEMENTS, OCTOBER 16, 2021

#### MONDAY

January 30  
Weekday  
Heb 11:32–40  
Mk 5:1–20

#### TUESDAY

January 31  
St. John Bosco,  
Priest

Heb 12:1–4  
Mk 5:21–43

#### WEDNESDAY

February 1  
Weekday  
Heb 12:4–7, 11–15  
Mk 6:1–6

#### THURSDAY

February 2  
Presentation  
of the Lord  
Mal 3:1–4

Heb 2:14–18  
Lk 2:22–40 or  
Lk 2:22–32

#### FRIDAY

February 3  
Weekday  
Heb 13:1–8  
Mk 6:14–29

#### SATURDAY

February 4  
Weekday  
Heb 13:15–17,  
20–21

Mk 6:30–34

#### SUNDAY

February 5  
Fifth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
Is 58:7–10  
1 Cor 2:1–5  
Mt 5:13–16

#### Timely topics viewed with a Catholic perspective

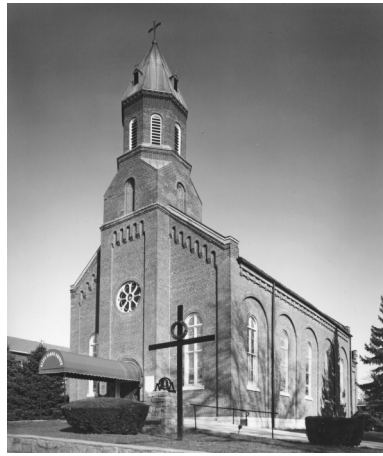
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# St. James Parish Family

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	9:00 AM
	4:30 PM
Sun	8:00 AM
	10:00 AM

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

**E-MAIL:**  
stjameschurch@centurylink.net  
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www.stjamespotosi.org  
**FACEBOOK:** St. James Catholic Church @stjamespotosi

**Office Hours:**  
8:00 AM - 2:00 PM  
Tuesday thru Thursday  
Phone: 573-438-4686

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

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

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**Special Ministers**  
**Week of: February 4 & 5 2023**

**Lectors:**  
Sat: 4:30 pm Paul Villmer  
Sun: 8:00 am Jeanne DeGonia  
10:00 am Susan Broombaugh

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:**  
**Saturday 4:30 pm**    **Sunday 8:00 am**    **Sunday 10:00 am**  
**C: Laura Allen**    **Don Thompson**    **Kim Coleman**  
**L: Vikki Neier**    **Jamie Thompson**    **Diane McGirl**  
**R: Judy East**    **Glenda Farrow**    **Mary Roy**

**Servers:**  
Sat. 4:30 p.m. Lane & Madison Battreal  
Sun. 8:00 a.m. Volunteer please  
Sun.10:00 a.m. Bruce Carter

**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

**THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR AMAZING VOLUNTEERS.**

Heavenly Duster: 2/03: Judy East  
Altar Linens: 1/30: Jean Roberson

**RCIA –The Right of Christian Initiation for Adults**  
Do you know someone who is interested in becoming a member of the Catholic faith? RCIA is the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. RCIA gives instruction to those wishing to be baptized & those who, for whatever reason, have never practiced their baptismal faith as Catholics. For more information, please phone the rectory office at (573) 438-4686.

**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.

Have you encountered God in your own life? Won't you share your "God Encounter"? Your encounter may be exactly what someone else **NEEDS** to hear. Send your stories to: [stjameschurch@centurylink.net](mailto:stjameschurch@centurylink.net). If you want to remain unnamed, we can do that. Let's just start sharing our stories.

**Word of Life**  
Many people are unaware that someone they know personally is silently suffering from participation in abortion. If a friend confided in you tomorrow that she had an abortion, would you be able to respond in a way that brings her closer to healing? Learn how in "How to Talk to a Friend Who's Had an Abortion": <http://bit.ly/friend-had-abortion> USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

For those suffering after abortion: May they know that the Lord desires to bring healing, and turn to Him for His mercy and peace; We pray to the Lord

Dynamic Catholic Alive!  
Metanoia Missionary Discipleship  
Metanoia Jesus invites us to an experience of μετάνοια, a Greek word that refers to repentance or a conversion of heart and mind. This process of μετάνοια can occur every day of our lives as we week to more closely adhere to the Lord of our lives by praying for grace to cooperate with the Holy Spirit. The Kingdom of God is present among us in the sacramental life of the Church, especially in the Holy Eucharist, and when we engage in acts of charity and the works of mercy. We can encounter Jesus Christ in our brothers and sisters in need. First, we must enter more deeply into prayer and encounter the Lord anew. Once our prayer matures, we can experience greater renewal and conversion.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF:  
**January 30, 2023**

MON	8:00 AM	No Mass
TUE	8:00 AM	Richard & Elaine Dix Family
WED	8:00 AM	Randy Boyer
THU	8:00 AM	Kevin Scott
THU	6:00 PM	Brian Land Family
FRI	8:00 AM	Elizabeth Hoechst
SAT	9:00 AM	Mary Pratt
SAT	4:30 PM	Fr. Richard Tillman
SUN	8:00 AM	Parish Family
SUN	10:00 AM	Janet Coleman

**Week of: January 22, 2023**

Envelope.....\$	4096.00	Main & Repairs...\$	100.00
Loose.....\$	482.00	On-Line donations....\$	65.90
SVDP.....\$	477.00	St. Louis Review.....\$	70.00
Votive Lights.....\$	19.00		
Light House.....\$			

**Upcoming Events**  
Jan 29: Catholic Schools Week  
Feb 02: First Thursday Adoration, Mass of Reparation & Healing Svc  
Feb 04: First Saturday Marian Devotion Mass  
Feb 22: Ash Wednesday  
Feb 25: Evangelization Workshop, Parish Hall, 9 to Noon

**St. James Church Presents**  
**YOUTH NIGHT**  
2nd grade and up  
**Friday, February 10th**  
6:00 - 8:00 pm  
Parish Hall  
**Escape Room, Scavenger Hunt & Games**  
Invite a friend to join you!  
Refreshments will be served.

**Sunday Reflection:** The Beatitudes are the paths along which true Christians travel. They embody the heart of the Gospel and define what it means to be Christian. Read LPI Sunday Reflection on line to see why there is nothing ordinary about Ordinary Time  
LPI

Hello!  
My name is Emma Johnson, and I am a student intern for the Archdiocesan Office of Peace & Justice. Marie Kenyon, the director of this office, has asked that I reach out to you.  
The state of Missouri has executed 2 individuals in the past two months, with another execution scheduled for February 7th. As Catholics, we are pro-life from womb to tomb, and this includes standing against the death penalty. The Catholic Church teaches that "the death penalty is inadmissible because it is an attack on the inviolability and dignity of the person" (CCC 2267).  
You're Invited to join us for a prayer vigil against this 3rd execution on 02.07.22 | 5:15 PM | 2727 Highway K Bonne Terre, MO

**February 2nd: First Thursday Adoration**  
"The only time our Lord asked the Apostles for anything was the night He went into agony. Not for activity did He plead but for an Hour of companionship."



**February 4th: First Five Saturdays Devotion to our Lady**  
"You have seen hell, where souls of poor sinners go. To save them God wishes to establish in the world devotion to my Immaculate Heart. If what I say to you is done, many souls will be saved and there will be peace."

**\*\*\*\*\*FORMED\*\*\*\*\***  
This week on Formed:  
**ST FRANCIS DE SALES: PASTOR OF SOULS:** Determined from his youth to pursue the priesthood, St. Francis de Sales lived a storied life as a priest & missionary before settling down to the duties of a small-town bishop in the foothills of the French Alps. The spiritual writings of this beloved teacher of everyday holiness are justly celebrated. In his doctrine we find the summation of the teachings of the Catholic Reformation.

**THE BIBLE COLLECTION: PAUL THE APOSTLE:** The Church's greatest enemy became Christ's most prolific messenger. Paul the Apostle is a sweeping saga of the man who brought the Gospel to the Western world.

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.

**EVANGILIZATION 101WORKSHOP**  
Planning Area 14  
25 February 2023  
9:00 A.M-12:00 P.M.  
St. James Potosi Parish Hall  
This workshop will cover beginning fundamentals of evangelization. This is a free workshop offered to anyone who wants to increase their comfort of **sharing their faith**.  
Registration is required:  
[archstl.org/evangelization](http://archstl.org/evangelization)

**World Marriage Day**  
On Sunday, February 12, 2023, at 2:30 pm., Auxiliary Bishop Mark S. Rivituso will celebrate a Mass for World Marriage Day at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis, 4431 Lindell Blvd. St. Louis, MO. A reception will follow in Boland Hall. All married couples are invited to attend and celebrate the gift of marriage. World Marriage Day honors husband and wife as the foundation of the family – the basic unit of society. It emphasizes the faithfulness, sacrifice and joy of daily married life. World Marriage Day started in Baton Rouge, LA in 1981 and was later adopted by Worldwide Marriage Encounter who now is sponsoring this event on February 12th.

**ENCOUNTER WITH GOD** by Becky Howell  
For 50 plus years I was a terrible smoker. I would often pray about stopping and give it up for Lent only to return to the habit again and again. I had a smoker's cough and often got bronchitis. Though I wanted to quit, as I look back on it, I realize that I was not really committed to quitting. I would keep a pack of cigarettes hidden in my underwear drawer for bad days! I LOOKED for reasons to declare I was having a bad day so I could go get my cigarettes when no one was home and smoke on my side porch!  
If you've been to Confession at St. James then you know that there is a statue of Jesus in the confessional depicting Him with many wounds caused by the sins of those He loves. That statue startled me when I first saw it and made me feel uncomfortable.  
One hot summer day, I was working in my yard. I was thinking of all the trials of the previous week. No one was home. I decided as soon as I finished my work that I'd get my cigarettes and a cold drink and sit on my side porch to smoke and relax in peace. At that exact moment, an image of that statue flashed across my mind and I "heard" the words, YES OR NO?!  
My eyes popped, my mouth dropped open and I RAN upstairs to my underwear drawer! I grabbed that pack of cigarettes and crumbled each one into the trash! That incident happened over 5 years ago and I've never again smoked or even wanted to!

**WHAT DID I LEARN?**  
1. God knows who I am and He knows my specific challenges.  
2. If I have to hide what I'm doing from other people, it's likely a sin.  
3. God can help power a believer through any problem if he or she is committed to change.  
4. My sins don't just hurt me. They also hurt my Lord God and Savior.  
5. My body is the temple of the Lord. I need to care for it and my soul if I want God to live in me  
Thank you for sharing your "Encounter with God"

**St. James PSR NEWS**  
**Family Catechesis Helping Build Faithful Families!**  
**Next Class will be February 12th!** Unit 5 is due.

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