Dear Padre,

After we die and go to heaven, will our guardian angel still be with us? Will we know the angel in a closer way?

"The existence of the spiritual, non-corporeal beings that Sacred Scripture usually calls 'angels' is a truth of faith" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 328). The notion that each person has his or her own guardian angel may be based on Jesus' warning not to despise "little ones" because "their angels in heaven always look upon the face of my heavenly Father" (Matthew 18:10). Saint Basil wrote, "Beside each believer stands an angel as protector and shepherd leading him to life." How might we interact with these constant companions in heaven? In heaven, we'll be consumed with the



presence of the beatific vision-the immediate knowledge of God, which the angelic spirits and the souls of the just enjoy. In beholding God face to face, we find perfect happiness. "This perfect life with the Most Holy Trinity—this communion of life and love with the Trinity, with the Virgin Mary, the angels and all the blessed—is called 'heaven.' Heaven is the ultimate end and fulfillment of the deepest human longings, the state of supreme, definitive happiness" (CCC 1024). Even though "this mystery of blessed communion with God and all who are in Christ is beyond all understanding and description" (CCC 1027), to imagine the pure joy of being close to our guardian angel is just a foretaste of what heaven will be!

Fr. Byron	Miller,	CSsR/	DearPadre.org
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Monday September 30 <i>St. Jerome, Priest</i> <i>and Doctor of</i> <i>the Church</i> Jb 1:6–22 Lk 9:46–50	Tuesday October 1 <i>St. Thérèse of</i> <i>the Child Jesus,</i> <i>Virgin and Doctor</i> <i>of the Church</i> Jb 3:1–3, 11–17, 20–23 Lk 9:51–56	Wednesday October 2 <i>The Holy</i> <i>Guardian Angels</i> Jb 9:1–12, 14–16 Mt 18:1–5, 10	Thursday October 3 <i>Weekday</i> Jb 19:21–27 Lk 10:1–12	Friday October 4 <i>St. Francis</i> <i>of Assisi</i> Jb 38:1, 12–21; 40:3–5 Lk 10:13–16	Saturday October 5 <i>Weekday</i> Jb 42:1–3, 5–6, 12–17 Lk 10:17–24	Sunday October 6 <i>Twenty-seventh</i> <i>Sunday in</i> <i>Ordinary Time</i> Gn 2:18–24 Heb 2:9–11 Mk 10:2–16 or 10:2–12
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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

We need to be vigilant about closure in the Church.... Because the devil, who is the divider—this is what the word "devil" means, the one who divides—always insinuates suspicions to divide and exclude people.... The Holy Spirit does not want closure; he wants openness, welcoming communities where there is a place for everyone. ANGELUS, ROME, SEPTEMBER 26, 2021

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Our Parish COMMUNITY



t's not always easy to figure out where God's spirit of truth is revealed or by whom the truth is spoken. After "the Lord came down in the

cloud and spoke to Moses," some of that same spirit given to Moses was also bestowed upon the seventy elders. Two other men also received the spirit, although they were not specially designated, much to the consternation of the elders (see Numbers 11:25-26). These two outsiders were somehow included among those who saw themselves as insiders. How is one to know who speaks with the authority of the spirit?

Perhaps we all need to pay attention to the possibility that "outsiders" may be speaking the truth to us. Faith communities are often considered outsiders in the larger society, not worthy of a platform to be heard from; yet, many faith communities raise their voices in

September 29, 2024

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)



Numbers 11:25-29 / James 5:1-6 / Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Spirited Truth

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

defense of the unborn, the immigrants at our doors, and the lost souls adrift among us. Throughout life, we've been surprised by children who speak truth that is unrecognized by adults. We've been surprised by the voice of women to a patriarchal society, the sexually abused to the larger Church, those who defend victims of violence. But not all outsiders speak with the authority of the spirit. How is one to know? Perhaps the Gospel gives us a clue-those who give others a cup of water to drink, which is to say, those who speak with compassion on behalf of others who are thirsty for justice and life.

Reflect-

How have you been surprised by someone unexpectedly speaking God's truth and wisdom?

St. James Parish Family 201 N. Missouri Street Potosi, MO 63664		October 5th & 6th, 2024 <u>Lectors</u> <u>Saturday 04:00 pm Sunday 08:00 am</u> Mary Campbell Jamie Thompson <u>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</u>	What's on the Calendar???Sept 28-Oct 03: Parish Mission Fun BeginsOct 01: Ladies Sodality mtgOct 02: Feast of the guardian angelsOct 03: First Thursday AdorationOct 05: First Saturday		
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E-MAIL: stjameschurch@centurylink .net WEBSITE: ***** www.stjames-potosi.org FACEBOOK: St. James Catholic Church Office Hours: Tuesday and Thursday af- ter Mass-until 2:00 Wednesday 8:00-2:00 Phone: 573-438-4686 Closed Holy Days	STAFF Rev. Anthony Dattilo—Pastor <u>AnthonyDattilo@archstl.org</u> 573-436-0580(St. Joachim recto- ry) Rev. Vince Nyman - Part-time Senior Associate Pastor 314-614-0718 Katie Williamson: Office Mgr. <u>stjameschurch@centurylink.net</u> 573-438-4686 Judy East—Custodian Tommy Roy: On Call Mainte- nance <u>stjamespsr@gmail.com</u> Laura Allen–Coordinator of Religious Ed. 573-366-5235	Heavenly Duster: 10/04: Faye Jarvis Altar Linens: 10/07: Glenda Farrow Help provide scholarships to Catholic Schools! 100% tax credits available to individuals and Businesses. Participate in the MOScholars Program today. For more information call the Today and Tomorrow Educational Foundation at 314-792-7032, visit our website at https://ttef-stl.org/moscholars/ Caring Hearts PRC * Walk For Life * 9:45 AM Oct 5 th	St. James Parish offers catechism classes. In corporation with St. Joachim stating sept 5th. The first several months is devoted to learning about the catholic faith and deciding whether one is interested in continuing the journey towards becoming Catholic and receiving Holy Sacraments It is up to us as parishioners to reach out to our family and friends to encourage them in this process and to sponsor them in achieving their goals. If interested contact Judy Wright or Joyce Portell 573-631-9721		
Parish Hall or Parish School of Religion Phone: 573-366-5235	Confessions: Saturday: 3:15 - 3:45 PM; prior to Sat evening Mass Or by appointment	CANCELLED !GOĎ!	Archbishop Mitchell Rozanski will preside at the Hope and Healing Prayer Service for survivors of physical, sex- ual, verbal and/or emotional abuse on Thursday, October 3, 2024 at 7pm, at St. Joseph Parish in Clayton. (106 N.		
MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF: September 30, 2024 MON 8:00 AM Mass at St. Joachim Oct 01 TUE 8:15 AM Violet Prater Oct 02 WED 8:15 AM Mass at St. Joachim Oct 03 THU 8:00 AM Fr. Fleming (Birthday) Oct 04 FRI 8:00 AM Mass at St. Joachim Oct 05 SAT 8:00 AM Lisa Gilliam Oct 05 SAT 4:00 AM Christopher Oct 06 SUN 8:00 AM Parish Family September 22, 2024 Envelope\$ 3125.00 September 22, 2024 Envelope\$ 3125.00 September 22, 2024 September 22, 2024 Envelope\$ 3125.00 September 22, 2024 Vision Glass Repair.\$ 50.00 Fall Picnic\$ 51.00 Source collections\$ 430.00 Stain Glass Repair.\$ 50.00 Fall Picnic\$ 75.00 Stain Glass Scodality\$.00 SVDP\$ 14.00 Addies Sodality.		<i>This week on formed:</i> <i>Padre Pio : Between Heaven and Earth</i> Based on the historical records and the personal testi- mony of his fellow friars, this is the amazing true story of the life of the famous stigmatic monk, St Padre Pio, a contemporary saint who died in 1968. Blessed with the incredible spiritual gifts, including healing, bi-	Meramec Ave. Clayton, MO 63105) Survivors, family members, and friends are encouraged to attend, as well as those who help those who have been abused, work to prevent abuse, and want to pray for heal- ing and reconciliation.		
		 location, reading of souls, and the stigmatic wounds. OTHER GEMS IN THE APP: St. Vincent de Paul The Catholic Parent Children Jesus Stories Forrmed is free to the parishioners, paid for by St. Janes parish. It is simple to put on your phone. Go to : http://signup.formed.org/ Enter our parish's zip code 63664 	Permanent Diaconate Information Night Do you feel called to do something special for you Church? If so a vocation to the Permanent Diaconate might be something that you are being called to. The Office of the Permanent Diac- onate is asking that interested men attend one of the Infor- mation Nights to begin exploring a vocation the Permanent Diaconate. Upcoming Information Nights will be held on Wednesday, October 23, 2024 and Monday, October 28, 2024 at Cardinal Rigali Center. All meetings will begin at 6:30 PM. Wives of men considering this vocation are strongly encour-		

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aged to attend. For more information or to reserve a spot at the meeting, please contact the Office of the Permanent Diaconate at 314.792.7433.

