# Dear Padre,

What does the Church teach about respect for the body after death? Is burial the most respectful? It's certainly the most expensive. What about donating your body to science? Or cremation? If someone is cremated, can the ashes be kept respectfully by a family member, or do they have to be buried?

Your question serves as a summation of current practice and exposes the real-life dilemma and choices facing loved ones: "How can I be respectful and at the same time practical?"



Catholics believe that the body of the deceased must be respected and not simply disposed of without care or concern. Current practice allows for burial, cremation, and the donation of the body to science, and choices depend in large part on tradition, culture, and economic circumstances. If someone chooses to donate to medical science, it is with the understanding that the body will be cremated or properly buried. If cremation is the chosen option, proper burial of the cremains in a sacred place is required.

All of this assumes an uneventful passing of the deceased person. It does not account for war, disease, or disaster. When faced with ordinary, rather than extraordinary, circumstances, loved ones have a real opportunity to be grateful and thankful for the chance to mourn, grieve, and show respect for the person. Unfortunately, that is not always the case in today's world.

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



#### A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Celebrating the Most Holy Trinity is not so much a theological exercise, but a revolution in our way of life. God, in whom each Person lives for the other in a continual relationship...provokes us to live with others and for others. Open. Today, we can ask ourselves if our life reflects the God we believe in.

ANGELUS, ROME, JUNE 12, 2022

## Monday

June 16 Weekday 2 Cor 6:1-10 Mt 5:38-42

#### Tuesday

June 17 Weekday 2 Cor 8:1-9 Mt 5:43-48

#### Wednesday

June 18 Weekday 2 Cor 9:6-11 Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

## Thursday

June 19 Weekday 2 Cor 11:1-11 Mt 6:7-15

### Friday

June 20 Weekday 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30 Mt 6:19-23

#### Saturday

June 21 St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious 2 Cor 12:1-10 Mt 6:24-34

#### Sunday

June 22 The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) Gn 14:18-20 1 Cor 11:23-26 Lk 9:11b-17

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June 15, 2025

The Most Holy Trinity (C)

Proverbs 8:22-31 / Romans 5:1-5 / John 16:12-15



# Wisdom à la Water Balloons

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

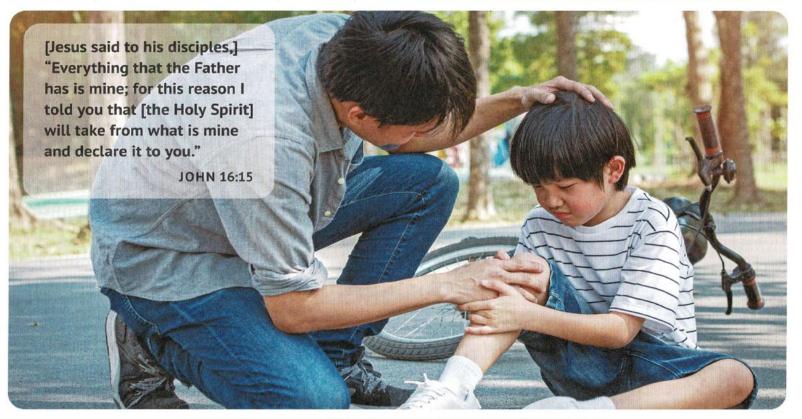
Calvin and Hobbes comic strip finds Calvin filling water balloons. Immediately, we know there's trouble ahead. Calvin's plan is to drench Susie Derkins unless, as he says, the universe can give him some sign that there is a moral law against it. Calvin gives the universe thirty seconds. When there is no sign, Calvin concludes he is allowed to soak Susie. He finds her and pummels her with water balloons. Susie takes off after Calvin as he runs, screaming, "Help! Help!" The final frame shows Calvin, dazed and beaten, wondering why the universe always gives the sign *after* you do something.

It does seem that we learn more about the ways of life from our mistakes and upheavals than we do from the times when life unfolds smoothly. It is how we come to wisdom—the wisdom that is the very aura of God present in our lives. In fact, John's Gospel

points out that God is always the one who brings us to that wisdom; a God woven into the very ups and downs of what we are about. "When he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth" (John 16:13). It is St. Paul who notices how the troubles of life are always the source of new wisdom. He writes of how our afflictions lead us to endurance, and how endurance brings about character, and how it is our character (our inner values) that brings us to hope and trust in God's wisdom rather than in our own. In so many ways, it is the power and presence of the Holy Trinity making us new.

## -Reflect-

Think of a time when life was difficult. What blessings or important lessons did you receive as a result?



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## St. James Parish Family

201 N. Missouri Street Potosi, MO 63664



#### JUNE 2025

## Mass Schedule

8:00 AM St. Joachim Mon: St. James 8:15 AM Tues: Wed: 8:15 AM St. Joachim 8:00 AM St. James Thurs: St. Joachim Fri: 8:00 AM First Sat: 8:00 AM St. James 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 \*HOLY DAY SCHEDULE:

Please check the Bulletin for Mass Times.

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

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF

June 16, 2025 8AM Mass @ St. Joachim Jun 17 TUE 8:15AM Betty Matthews Jun 18 WED 8:15AM Mass @ St. Joachim

Jun 19 THU 8:00AM Theresa West

Jun 20 FRI 8:00AM Mass @ St. Joachim

Jun 21 SAT 4:00 PM Dan Declue Jun 22 SUN 8:00 AM Bob Mallov

Jun 22 SUN 10:00 AM Mass @ St. Joachim

#### June 8, 2025

**Envelopes** \$3053.00 Loose Collection \$657.00 Votive \$20.00 SVD\$845.00

Maintenance Cemetery \$225.00 Cardinal Glennon \$20,00 Catholic Communication \$100.00

#### **June 21st & 22nd**

#### Lectors

Laura Allen Jamie Thompson Saturday 04:000 pm Sunday 08:00 am **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** 

C:Anette Portell Glenda Farrow Donna Kennon L:Judy East R:Paul Villmer Don Thomson

Sat: 4:00 pm Aubrianne McGoveran & Madison Battreal Sun: 8:00 am Ava West & Bryce Griffin

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 JUNE collection: Canned Meats: Potted meat, canned chicken, canned tuna, beefaroni ect.

Faith, Hope, and Charity



**June Heavenly Dusters** Jeannie Degonia 6/6,6/13 Fave Jarvis 6/20, 6/27



**June Alter Linens** Glenda Farrow 6/9,6/16

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## **HOMELESS BUT HUMAN**

This powerful documentary captures the transformation of individuals living on the streets that the Christ in the City missionaries encounter and showcases a new approach to the rising crisis of homelessness. The film's videographer spent a year with the missionaries, providing a rare opportunity to see the incredible impact they have on the lives of those

they serve. Through their unique relational approach, Christ in the City is changing lives and offering hope to those who have lost everything. This film is a must-see for anyone who wants to understand the root causes of homelessness and witness the power of human connection in addressing this

critical issue. Learn more at www.christinthecitv.org/

- 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???

June 14: FLAG DAY

**June 15: Fathers Day** June 19: Juneteenth

**June 20: SUMMER BEGINS** 

June 21: Food Pantry

June 22: The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ June 24: The Nativity of St. John the Baptist June 27: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus June 28-29 St. Joseph's Parish Picnic

July 4: Happy Birthday America

St. Joseph's Parish Picnic June 28-29 Saturday

Free Concert by Fame 'n' Fortune @ 6:30 Lots of different food booths.

## Sunday

Live Entertainment 12-5 Kids & Adult Games Food and Drinks all Day



Online Giving is an option if you are tired of remembering to write a check or fill your envelope.

## Feast of Corpus Christi

Why a Corpus Christi Procession? It is a public display and act of faith emphasizing the real presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist.

The Feast of Corpus Christi (Body and Blood of Christ) will be celebrated on Sunday, June 22 at the 10 Mass at St. Joachim with a procession to follow. All Ministries and Groups are encouraged to have representatives present to participate in the procession. This includes representatives from St. Joseph Chapel, St. Stephen's Chapel, and St. James and St. Joachim Parishes, St. Ann's Sodality, Men and Ladies of the Knights of Columbus, St. Pope John Paul II Men, OCIA, Youth Group, School and PSR First Communion, Funeral Dinner Committee, Finance Committee, Parish Council, St. Vincent de Paul, Rural Parish Workers, Maintenance and Grass Cutters, Musicians, Bible Study Group, All Other Servants of God (Assistants, Money Counters, Quilters) and any other group that may not have been mentioned. Bring a Banner that represents your ministry or group to carry in procession.

**Bible Study Begins June 12** 

Join us for Bible Study on Thursday evening June 12 from 6:30 p.m-7:30 p.m. in the Incarnate Word Center, St. Joachim. We will be embarking on a Quick Journey Through the Bible, an eight-part series taught by Jeff Cavins who provides an excellent introduction and overview of the bible from a Catholic perspective. The half hour talks are complemented by group discussion questions. This is a great way to "get your feet wet" and learn how to begin authentic Bible Study. Mark your calendars: June 12 and 26, July 10 and 24, and August 7. Bring vour Bible.

## **Calvary Cemetery:**

Reminder to all: Mowing season is upon us.

St. James Calvary cemetery is sacred ground. Be respectful of our loved ones.

Cemetery rules only allow for 2 decorations per grave

- -No luminaries
- -No shepherds hooks or hummingbird feeders
- -No eternal flames; no votive lights or solar lights
- -No benches
- -No balloons
- -or any other unsightly grave decorations
- -And ABSOLUTELY NO Alcohol is Allowed on cemetery grounds.

Please be considerate to those who care for our cemetery as weed eating and mowing are very difficult with all the decorations. Be advised that decorations will be removed periodically. God Bless.

> **Grand Raffle Winners** \$500- Macklen Davis (Donated Back) **Quilt- Margie Miner Propane- Dorothy Henry Cardinal Tickets- Suzanne Short Grill- Catherine Dicky** Adirondack Chair- Anette Portell

\*Money for the TV donated, will be split between St. Joachim School and St. James Windows\*



When: July 23rd Who: PSR Family Pool Party Where: Elks Club Time: 6-8 PM Food Will Be Provided



St. James PSR NEWS Contact Laura at 573-366-5235 with any questions.

