

Dear Padre,

At Mass during the Our Father, should we hold hands, lift our hands up, or keep our hands to ourselves?

Among many ancient religions, it was common to extend one's hands toward heaven while praying. This practice has continued in the Mass, where the rubrics indicate that the priest should extend his hands at certain points, including during the Our Father. The celebrant represents all the people with this gesture. The deacon is expressly forbidden to hold his hands up in prayer. There is no particular gesture assigned to the rest of the congregation. Some may be holding hands, some lifting their hands, some standing with arms crossed.

The variety of postures is not a problem in itself. The problem is when people become distracted or judgmental of others. As a rule of thumb, I suggest doing what the rest of the congregation does. As stated in the "Order of the Mass," written by the Bishops' Committee on the Liturgy in 2003, "The people are called as members of an organic whole, not as disparate individuals. A Christian assembly that worships 'with one heart and mind' (Acts 4:32) naturally moves toward and consciously chooses a common posture as a sign of its unity. Such common posture 'both expresses and fosters the intention and spiritual attitude of the participants'" (28). The gestures at Mass are not as important as the essence of the Mass, and part of that essence is our unity in the body of Christ. ●

Fr. Gary Lauenstein, CSsR / DearPadre.org



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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS
The disciples were sent two by two, not individually.... Let us ask ourselves whether we have the capacity to collaborate; whether we know how to make decisions together, sincerely respecting those who are alongside us and taking into account their point of view; whether we do so in community, not by ourselves.

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Our Parish COMMUNITY

July 6, 2025
Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)
Isaiah 66:10-14c / Galatians 6:14-18 / Luke 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9



Bloom Where You Are Planted

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

If you could change one aspect of your life, what would that be? Financial instability? Arthritis? Addiction? A disruptive family member? Work's daily grind? Finding love? No doubt the answers are as varied as the people who answer the question.

Though the old poster advises us to "bloom where you are planted," sometimes we can feel as if we've been planted among weeds—the people we've been given, the problems that continually pop up, the conflicts that all too often shut out the peace we seek. Just as Jesus sends disciples into every place he intends to visit, the reality for us may very well be that he sends us into the very lives we live even though we wish we could change them. Where we are is where we've been sent. It is in the lives we have that we

work out our salvation, for Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is at hand for you" (Luke 10:9).

St. Paul emphasized how important it is for disciples of Jesus to live out their identity as a new creation. British artist and sculptor Henry Moore made the observation that, in life, it is most important that we give ourselves over to a goal or dream, something so all-consuming that we live it morning, noon, and night. And the most important aspect of it, he said, is that it must be something we cannot possibly accomplish. For the followers of Jesus, it is the lifelong task to bloom where we've been planted. ●

Reflect

*What is the hardest part of my life right now?
What is the most blessed?*

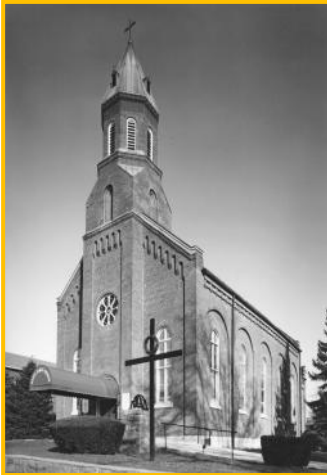


The Lord appointed seventy-two others whom he sent ahead of him in pairs to every town and place he intended to visit.

LUKE 10:1

St. James Parish Family

201 N. Missouri Street
Potosi, MO 63664



July 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:	10:00 AM
St. Joachim	Sun:	8:00 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
JULY 7, 2025 8AM Mass @ St. Joachim
JULY 8 TUE 8:15AM Dan Declue
JULY 9 WED 8:15AM Mass @ St. Joachim
JULY 10 THU 8:00AM Betty Matthews
JULY 11 FRI 8:00AM Mass @ St. Joachim
JULY 12 SAT 4:00 PM Mass @ St. Joachim
JULY 13 SUN 10:00AM Kenneth Gelhot JR
JULY 13 SUN 8:00AM Mass @ St. Joachim

June 29, 2025

Envelopes \$735.00
Loose Collection \$667.00
Maintenance \$0.00
Cemetery \$225.00

Peters Penance \$1000.00
SVD \$138.00



July 13th

Lectors

Sundav 10:00 am

Jamie Warden

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

C: Kim Coleman
L: Diane McGirl
R: Nikki Warden

Servers

Sat: 4:00 pm Mass @ St. Joachim
Sun: 10:00 am Daisy & Vincent Pashia

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

Faith, Hope, and Charity

Heavenly Dusters
Diane Mull 7/4, 7/11

Alter Linens
Faye Jarvis 7/7, 7/14

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Check out these 10 Episodes.....

Lectio: Peter: Cornerstone of Catholicism
The character of St. Peter is both inspiring and confounding to many of us. How could a stubborn and impulsive fisherman become the 'rock' upon which Jesus would build his Church? Bringing together biblical accounts, historical evidence, Church teaching, classical art, and personal insights, Dr. Tim Gray gives a fresh perspective on Simon Peter that is immediately informative and relevant to our lives. After all, if Jesus could bring out the very best in someone like Peter, then there is hope for the rest of us.



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- Enter our parish's zip code 63664
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What's on the Calendar???

July 4: Happy Birthday America
July 10: Bible Study @ St Joachim 6:30pm
July 11: Clarity House
July 12: Mens Faith Sharing 7:30am
July 19: Food Pantry
July 25: St. James Apostle
July 26: SS. Joachim and Anne
(Parents of the blessed Virgin Mary)



The LORD himself goes before you
and will be with you;
he will never leave you nor forsake you.
Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged.
Deuteronomy 31:8



Life can be hard...Here's a little prayer incase you feel stuck!



Bestow upon me Your wisdom.
Oh Lord, give me Your grace,
as I await Your kingdom.

Let Your Face glow upon my eyes
so that I might see You clearly.
Bring me life, Lord,
so that I may serve You.

I do not know how to approach You.
Teach me, Lord,
so that I may know You.
Free me, Oh Lord,
so that I may be with You.

Bible Study July 10th

Join us for Bible Study on Thursday evening July 10 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: July 10 and 24, and August 7. Bring your Bible.

Thank you, Dr. Paul Villmer for the donation of a VCR for the Incarnate Word Center. It will be used for OCIA, Sacramental Preparation, Youth Group and Bible Study.

Join us in the Parish Hall Saturday, July 12th
@ 7:30AM - 8:30AM for Men's Faith Sharing.
Let us walk our faith journey together, and
build each other up.



Daily Reflection

The good we do is never lost, It never ends, and It never dies. In other places, In other times, In other people, The good we do lives on forever.



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.

