

Dear Padre,

I know Catholics with spouses who cheat and abuse them. What should they do?

If someone is in an abusive marriage, the Church wants you to help that person reach safety. The Church doesn't tolerate anyone staying in a place where physical or mental abuse occurs. Separation is often a first and necessary step. However, there is always hope for reconciliation. If a husband is abusive, and his wife leaves, but he then seeks treatment and changes his ways, the Church hopes that the marriage could be saved.

The same is true for an adulterous spouse. If he or she is repentant and takes steps to change and make amends, the Church hopes for and encourages reconciliation. But if a spouse refuses treatment or continues the adulterous behavior, the next step would be a civil divorce. It is only after separation and a civil divorce that the annulment process can begin. However, even after a civil divorce, there is still hope of reconciliation.

It's important to remember that when a couple gets married, they marry for better and for worse. This means there is a call and an expectation to work things out, to forgive, to repair the hurt, and to not rush to divorce. But, to be sure, if you are dealing with addiction, abuse, or infidelity in your relationship, the Church supports your need to be secure. ●

Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
May 26	May 27	May 28	May 29	May 30	May 31	June 1
St. Philip Neri, Priest	Easter Weekday	Easter Weekday	Easter Weekday	Easter Weekday	The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	The Ascension of the Lord
Acts 16:11-15	Acts 16:22-34	Acts 17:15, 22-18:1	Acts 18:1-8	Acts 18:9-18	Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16	Acts 1:1-11
Jn 15:26-16:4a	Jn 16:5-11	Jn 16:12-15	Jn 16:16-20	Jn 16:20-23	Lk 1:39-56	Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23
						Lk 24:46-53

**Do you have a question for the Padre?**  
Go to [DearPadre.org](#) to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

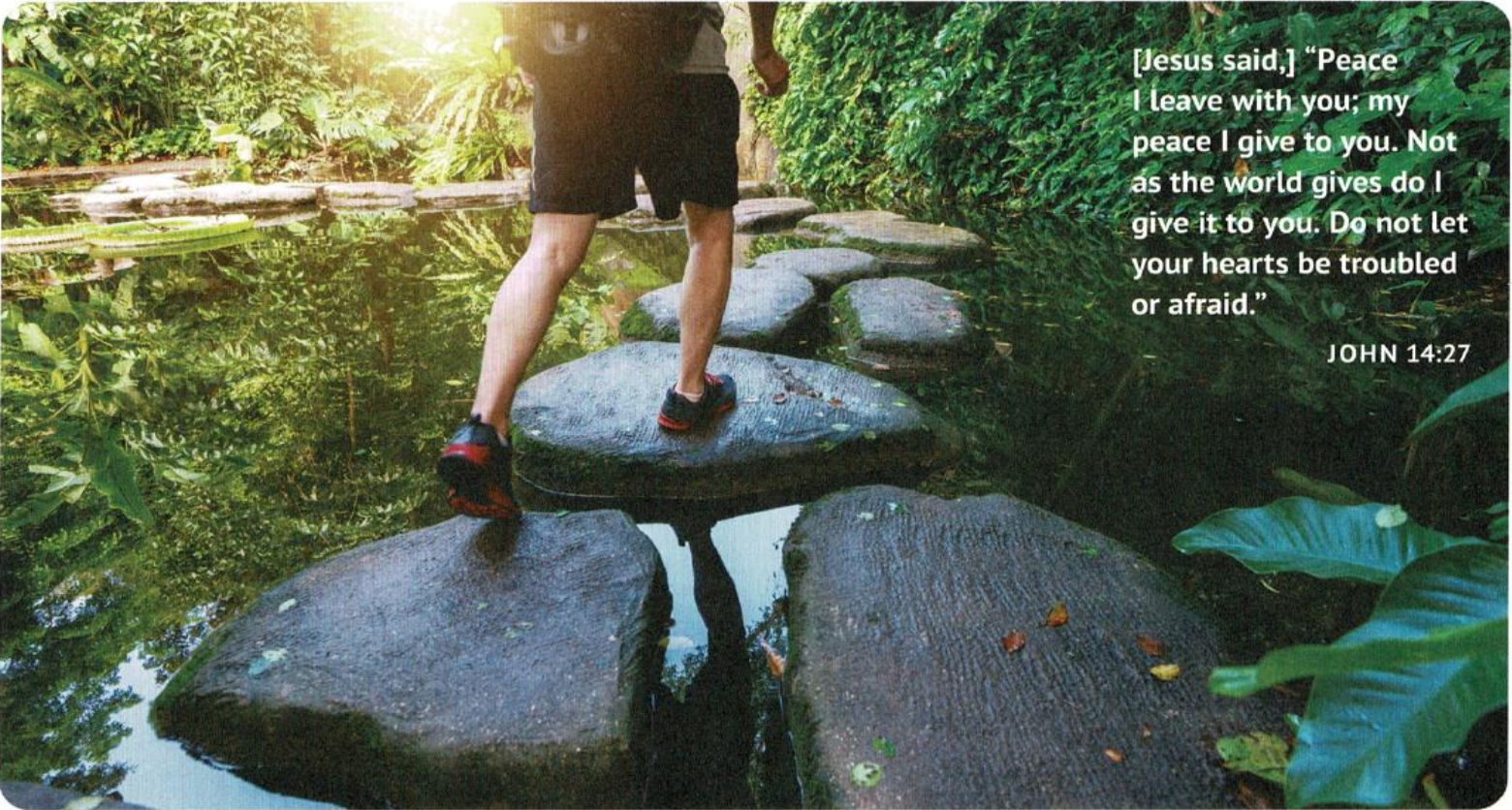


**A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS**  
*The more we feel our hearts are agitated, the more we sense we are nervous, impatient, angry inside, the more we need to ask the Lord for the Spirit of peace. Let us learn to say every day: "Lord, give me your peace, give me your Holy Spirit."... And let us also ask this...for those we meet each day.*  
REGINA CAELI, ROME, MAY 22, 2022

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Our Parish COMMUNITY

May 25, 2025  
Sixth Sunday of Easter (C)  
Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 / Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23  
John 14:23-29



[Jesus said,] "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid."

JOHN 14:27

The Wisdom Channel

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**T**here is a difference between common sense and wisdom. The former can be taught and is usually passed on by our culture. It includes such practical tips as *wash your hands before you eat, don't drink and drive, and save some money for a rainy day*. Wisdom, on the other hand, tends to be the fruit of reflection upon one's life experiences. It tends to be insightful, containing greater depth and richness.

While we presume everyone will eventually arrive at some level of common sense, not everyone becomes wise with time. Wisdom tends to see what others may not. Jesus taught his followers, "The Advocate, the Holy Spirit that the Father will send in my name—he will teach you everything and remind you of all that [I] told you" (John 14: 26). It is God's Spirit that brings us to wisdom.

I invite you to list five pieces of wisdom you have drawn from your life experiences—five truths for life by which you try to live. You may not live them out as perfectly as you might hope, but they are the five foundation stones upon which you have chosen to build your life. For example, from my own life, I've concluded that patience works. Everything has its own rhythm, and things generally work out, given enough time. Another foundation for me is to live by what I need, rather than by what I want. I readily admit that I don't live that out perfectly, but, when I do, life is much less stressful. ●

Reflect

**What items are on my wisdom list?  
How or from whom did I learn them?**



St. James Parish Family

201 N. Missouri Street  
Potosi, MO 63664



May 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

\*HOLY DAY 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

May 26, 2025 8AM Mass @ St. Joachim

May 27 TUE 8:15AM George Lalumondier

May 28 WED 8:15AM Mass @ St. Joachim

May 29 THU 8:00AM Bess Lalumondier

May 30 FRI 8:00AM Mass @ St. Joachim

May 31 SAT 4:00 PM Charles & Mary Gibson

Jun 01 SUN 8:00 AM Parish Family

May 18, 2025

Envelopes.....\$	1850.00
Loose.....\$	451.00
Votive.....\$	20.00
St. V.....\$	118.00
Maintenance.....\$	75.00
Online giving..... \$	35.60
Stainglass.....\$	0.00



May 31 & June 1st

Lectors

Saturday 4:00 pm Sunday 08:00 am

Laura Allen Jeanne Degonia

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

C: Paul Villmer

Donna Kennon

L: Judy East

Glenda Farrow

R: Vikkie Neier

Jim Politte

Servers

Sat: 4:00 pm Lane Battreal & Aubrianne McGoveran

Sun: 10:00 am Ava West & Bryce Griffin

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

Faith, Hope, and Charity

April Heavenly Dusters

Diane Mull 5/23 5/30

April Alter Linens

Barb Coco 5/26 6/2

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SUNDAY JUNE 1st

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What's on the Calendar???

May 21: LAST PICNIC MGT @ 6pm

May 26: Memorial Day

May 31: The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Jun 01: The Ascension of the Lord (Holy Day of Obligation)

JUNE 1: ANNUAL PICNIC

June 14: FLAG DAY

June 15: Fathers Day

June 19: Juneteenth

June 20: SUMMER BEGINS

June 21: Food Pantry



DEAR GOD,  
I WANT TO TAKE A MINUTE.  
NOT TO ASK FOR ANYTHING  
FROM YOU. BUT TO SIMPLY SAY  
THANK YOU. FOR ALL I HAVE.

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Missionary Discipleship – “Keep my word”

In the Gospel, Jesus said to His disciples, “Whoever loves me will keep My word.” Sometimes it is easy for us to forget that “keeping” or living the word of God doesn’t just mean that we live it on Sunday. Jesus is calling us to live God’s word each day of our lives. Jesus didn’t say that we get to pick and choose which of His words we live and which we set aside. We can see through Jesus’ example and the example of His disciples that living His word is radical. Living His word is counter cultural. It takes commitment, perseverance, and fortitude, but that is why Jesus gave us the powerful gifts of the Sacraments, grace, and most of all the Holy Spirit. When we accept these gifts there is no reason we can’t answer Jesus’ call to fuse our will to His. The good news is that living God’s word leads to authentic and lasting love, joy, and peace. This week we can meditate on how we are answering Jesus’ call to live His word every day of our lives. We can ask ourselves when we have failed to do this. Then we can pray for Jesus’ guidance and assistance to fully answer His call.

May 25: Sixth Sunday of Easter– Keep my word

Nancy Davis is ACCEPTING craft donations & Baked Goods( that day) for the Country Store. Please consider donating.



BAKERS NEEDED!!!!

WE ARE IN NEED OF HOMEMADE PIES AND CAKES FOR OUR PARISH PICNIC DINNER.

GO GATHER THOSE DELICIOUS FAMILY FAVORITES AND BRING THEM SATURDAY MORNING , MAY 31ST OR THE MORNING OF THE PICNIC ON JUNE 1ST. THANK YOU



PARISH PICNIC JUNE 1ST, 2025



With our picnic approaching quickly we are going to start taking donations for bingo prizes!! Please contact Laura Allen ,Geraldine Heifner or the Church office if you would like to donate.

We are still accepting BOTTLES for the Picnic also. ( PLEASE CHECK DATES )



The Placemats for the dining room are going to be a little different this year...instead of just asking businesses to purchase spots we are going to add a memorial ( In Memory Of) . Anyone can purchase a spot (prices differ) . You can even add pictures. For more information contact Kim Coleman 314-808-2207.

St. James PSR NEWS

PSR 2025/2026 will be starting every Wednesday , more Information coming.

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

