



Dear Padre,

My prayer-group leader is encouraging us to write our own prayers for our meetings. Don't you need some formal religious training to write prayers? Will our prayers count?

It's given to every human being to be able to pray. On the level of the spiritual life, prayer is as basic as breathing is to physical life. Everyone at every moment has the grace to say a prayer.

Sometimes I ask people, "Do you pray?" At times they tell me they don't. Then I ask them, "Well, do you talk with God?" And most answer, "Of course." That's praying.

When writing your prayers, I suggest you use this ancient definition as inspiration: Prayer is the raising of the mind and heart to God. I'm sure your prayers will be that in word and feeling, and they will count.

When writing more formal prayers, it's nice to include the prayer elements the Church considers important: adoration of God, contrition and sorrow for sin, thanksgiving for life and for God's care of us in good times and bad, and petition for what we desperately need in our poverty. And for you, a final word. Remember that no matter how bad things may get, no matter how out of control things feel, you always have the gift and power of saying a prayer. Especially in time of temptation—when things really go bad—ask Mary your Mother to pray with you. ●

The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to [DearPadre.org](http://DearPadre.org) to send your question and to learn more about Dear Padre.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
October 16	October 17	October 18	October 19	October 20	October 21	October 22
Weekday	St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr	St. Luke, Evangelist	Sts. John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs	Weekday	Weekday	Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Rom 1:1-7	Rom 1:16-25	2 Tm 4:10-17b	Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs	Rom 4:1-8	Rom 4:13, 16-18	Is 45:1, 4-6
Lk 11:29-32	Lk 11:37-41	Lk 10:1-9	Rom 3:21-30	Lk 12:1-7	Lk 12:8-12	1 Thes 1:1-5b
			Lk 11:47-54			Mt 22:15-21

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

The banquet hall is filled with the "excluded," those who are "outside," those who never seemed worthy to partake in a feast, in a wedding banquet. In fact, the master, the king, tells the messengers: "Call everyone, both good and bad. Everyone!"....He prepares his banquet for everyone: the just and sinners.

ANGELUS, ROME, OCTOBER 11, 2020



Yes or No?

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Confronted by a social obligation I would prefer to avoid, I frequently find myself musing that the timing is right for me to break a leg or get the flu. Yet more often than not, once I go, I find myself enjoying the gathering. Not all invitations are exciting or even desirable, but many become the building blocks of our lives.

When the parable of Jesus tells of an invitation to come to a wedding feast, it's really a story of our invitation to the kingdom of heaven, where, if we accept, we will dwell in the divine presence and enjoy the peace, joy, and love of God. Heaven is not only *where* we are but also *how* we are. It's an invitation to deeper and richer life—a taste of heaven, even in this life.

So it's good to consider going where we'd rather not

go. It's not simply about social gatherings, though a social gathering may be the event where you meet the person you fall in love with. It also may mean going for counseling when that may be a bit scary, or confronting one's addiction, or moving to a new city, or accepting serious and lifelong illness, or saying yes to having a child with special needs, or not getting the job you hoped for. Saying yes to what life brings may be the wedding garment that enriches our lives. It may be saying yes to God. ●

Reflect

When has going where you'd rather not go enriched your life?



"The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son."

MATTHEW 22:2



# St. James Parish Family

201 N. Missouri Street  
Potosi, MO 63664



## OCTOBER 2023

### 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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### WEBSITE:

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

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### MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF: October 16, 2023

	MON	8:00 AM	*(Mass at St. Joachim)
Oct 17	TUE	8:15 AM	Warren & Connie Kincaid
Oct 18	WED	8:15 AM	*(Mass at St. Joachim)
Oct 19	THU	8:00 AM	Special Intention
Oct 20	FRI	8:00 AM	*(Mass at St. Joachim)
Oct 21	SAT	4:00 PM	Lisa Gillam
Oct 22	SUN	8:00 AM	Parish Family
Oct 22	SUN	10:00 AM	*(Mass at St. Joachim)



### Week of: October 8th, 2023

Envelope.....\$	3531.00	All Saints day.....\$	
Loose .....\$	655.00	All Souls day.....\$	
SVPD.....\$	2073.00	World Mission.....\$	10.00
Votive Lights.....\$		Permanent Deaconate\$	25.00
Light House.....\$			
Main & Repairs.....\$	145.00	**Complete picnic income will be posted	
On-Line donations.....\$	75.90	in a future bulletin**	

### Special Ministers October 21 & 23, 2023

#### Lectors:

**Saturday 4:00 pm**  
Bob Mills

**Sunday 8:00 am**  
Paul Villmer

#### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

**Saturday 4:00 pm**

**C: Laura Allen**

**L: Vikkie Neier**

**R: Judy East**

**Sunday 8:00 am**

**Don Thompson**

**Susan Broombaugh**

**Glenda Farrow**

#### Servers:

Sat: 4:00 p.m. Lane & Madison Battreal

Sun: 8:00 a.m. Ava & Garryn West

Sun: 10:00 am (celebrated at St. Joachim)

#### Music:

Sat: 4:00 p.m. Chala Short

Sun: 8:00 a.m. Rebecca Richards

Sun: 10:00 am Anita Govero or The Little Way Band



**Food of the Month of October:** Canned meats and canned pasta meals: spam, canned chicken, canned ham, canned beefaroni, spaghetti O's, ravioli, etc.....

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

~We couldn't do it without you~

Heavenly Duster: **10/20:** Jean Roberson

Altar Linens: **10/30:** Sharon Forrester



We here at St. James Church are wanting to resume Funeral Lunches for our Parish Family. We can not thank our Ladies Sodality enough for all the luncheons they have prepared for our Parishioners. Thank you ladies for everything!

We have a new leader for our Funeral luncheon committee. Mrs. Kim Coleman has graciously taken this task over, but she NEEDS volunteers to help with the meals and fund raisers. We are hoping for enough volunteers so that we can take turns.

So please, all who are willing to step up and help take care of our parishioners, please call Kim Coleman @ 314-808-2207 or the office @ 438-4686.

We can NOT do this without the help of volunteers! WE NEED YOU!

“REMEMBER HOW PRECIOUS AND SHORT LIFE CAN BE. ENJOY TIME WITH THOSE YOU LOVE

AND

WITH THOSE WHO LOVE YOU,  
MAKING GOD THE CENTER OF YOUR LIFE.”  
RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS FOUNDATION

### Word of Life

“O Blessed Mother, at the angel's word you went in haste to the aid of your cousin Elizabeth. Although pregnant yourself, you placed her needs before your own. By your example of radical solidarity, teach us to reverence and protect those in need, without conditions or expectations.” USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities “Prayer for Radical Solidarity" ([respectlife.org/prayer-for-radical-solidarity](http://respectlife.org/prayer-for-radical-solidarity))

That the life of every person, from conception to natural death, will be protected in our laws and cherished in our hearts; We pray to the Lord:

### What's on the Calendar???

Oct 18: PSR in person class. 5:15 Chili, **class begins @ 6:00 pm**  
Oct 22: World Mission Sunday: Special Collection  
St. James QUILT BINGO!!! Doors open at 11:00 am  
Oct 31: Trunk-or-Treat...more details coming

Nov 01: Holy Day: All Saints Day, Mass @ 12:00 noon, St. James  
Nov 23: Thanksgiving Day: Mass @ 8:00 am, St. James

### World Mission Sunday (October 22, 2023)

#### Hearts on Fire

Embrace the missionary work of the Church with “Hearts on Fire, Feet on the Move” this World Mission Sunday, October 22nd!

ON World Mission Sunday, we are reminded of the universal call of our Baptism to be Christ's witnesses to the world. As we gather at Mass, our prayers, sacrifices and offerings to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith support the Church's missions, enabling:

- \*Over 844,000 catechists to share the faith
- \* 258,540 Religious Sisters to tend to families and children
- \* 38,140 seminarians to journey towards the priesthood
- \* Education for 26 million children
- \* Medical assistance in 12,000 clinics
- \* Comfort in 8,750 homes for the orphaned and elderly

As we pray & respond on World Mission Sunday here at home, we share in those celebrations taking place in every parish throughout the world. Together, through our prayers, sacrifices and financial support, we support the life-giving presence of the Church in more than 1,100 mission dioceses. Learn more at [www.archstl.org/WMS](http://www.archstl.org/WMS).

### \*\*\*\*\*FORMED\*\*\*\*\*

**Jesus & the Eucharist: God Is with Us:** God's presence in the Old Testament foreshadows the gift of the Eucharist, one of the seven sacraments of the Church. Jesus established the Eucharist to give us strength and accompany us at every moment of our earthly journey.

**DIVINE MERCY w/Fr. Michael Gaitley:** 1 Season. Renowned speaker & author Fr. Michael Gaitley tells the dramatic history of God's love and mercy as interwoven through the transformative message of St. Faustina, the miraculous appearance of Mary at Fatima, the witness of Maximillian Kolbe, and the world-changing papacy of Pope St. John Paul II. This fast panorama of God's work of mercy in the world unfolds as a story to be experienced..

For those that like to read: **“Digital Disciple: Carlo Acutis and the Eucharist.”** Meet Carlo, an Italian fifteen-year-old computer geek who loved superheroes and video games, but most of all, the Holy Eucharist. This action-packed comic book highlights the final years of Blessed Carlo Acutis' life and how he became a digital disciple, creating a dynamic website and stunning display that taught others about the many remarkable Eucharistic miracles around the world. Readers will be captivated by Carlo, a likable teenage boy who continues to inspire the world by his simple life and extraordinary example of holiness. [Read on line through “Formed”](#)

#### 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.

### Missionary Discipleship Repentance

The readings today talk much about the Lord's goodness and how He provides for His people in abundance. However, we should turn our attention to the idea of repentance. Why? Because repentance is the qualification for truly relishing what the Lord provides for us. In the Gospel, there is a man who comes to the wedding banquet but is cast out because he is not wearing a wedding garment. In the parable, the wedding garment is a symbol for repentance, a change of heart and mind, which is the condition for entrance into the kingdom. Through repentance, Christ transforms our faith and allows us to continue this transformation process in a life of good deeds (Mt 7:21–23). If we want to feast on the riches of God, it is essential for us to repent and turn away from our sins. How do you need to repent in order to be prepared for the wedding banquet?



St. James **QUILT BINGO** is back!!!

**Next Sunday October 22nd.**

St. James Parish Hall

Doors open at 11:00. Games start at 1:00 pm.

Quilts and comforters, cash and pull tabs. Serving homemade chili, hotdogs & nachos. Spread the word, bring your friends, come on out and have a great time supporting our Parish!!!

### Special Events Scheduled at the National Shrine

Relics of beloved saints including St. Jude and members of the Vincentian Family will be on display at the historic National Shrine of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal in Perryville, Missouri, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on October 28 (Mass at 12:10 p.m.) and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on October 29 (Mass will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m.). Guest Speaker Patty Schneier will present a talk titled “Live Life Like a Saint” at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 28. On Sunday, October 29, a music program will start at 12:30 p.m. Join fellow pilgrims in prayerful reflection and remembrance of all the saints of the Church. Questions? Call the Association of the Miraculous Medal at 1-800-264-6279 or go to [www.amm.org](http://www.amm.org) for more information.

It's Respect Life Month! Join Catholics nationwide in celebrating Respect Life Month. Visit: [respectlife.org/celebrate](http://respectlife.org/celebrate)

Archdiocese of St. Louis to Hold Celebration of Life Mass on Saturday, October 21 at the Cathedral Basilica



On Saturday, October 21, starting at 8 a.m. the Archdiocese of St. Louis invites the faithful to celebrate Respect Life month with a special Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis.

This inspirational Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Mark Madden, spiritual director for the Respect Life Apostolate, with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction, and the Holy Rosary to follow. All are then invited to a reception in Boland Hall for light refreshments and fellowship afterwards

### CADET AREA LIFE CHAIN

**OCTOBER 15, 2023**

2:30 pm to 3:30 pm

Location: Knights of Columbus @ Old Mines on HWY 21 across from intersection 47.

Come join in on the PRO-LIFE Prayer witness to speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves; the Unborn.

### St. James PSR NEWS

#### PSR Program looking for 1st grade teacher:

**Next in-person class:** October 18th, 5:15 Chili will be served class begins @ **6:00 pm**. 6th– 8th grade: Safe Touch Class.

**Trunk or Treat:** Tuesday, October 31st. More details to follow.



Confirmation Class will be assisting with several service projects this year. So please watch the bulletin for updates.

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