

Dear Padre,

Should the pope get involved in American politics?

No, the pope should not get involved in the politics of any country. However, politics often intersects with religious concerns and particularly gospel values. When this occurs, the Holy Father has a responsibility to preach the gospel and defend the values the gospel teaches, even when it might sound political. He pronounces and teaches the values of the gospel, regardless of what nation or politician might feel confronted or challenged by what he teaches.

What often happens is, when politicians find themselves in conflict with the gospel values the pope is teaching, they choose to say, "The pope has no business in our politics," instead of listening. Completely understandable, at least from one perspective, but probably also disingenuous from another perspective. Politicians are fully aware of what is being proclaimed and why it is being proclaimed but choose not to listen. That, too, is completely understandable, if regrettable. One has to think only of the scribes and the Pharisees, and more particularly the high priest, who said, "Consider that it is better for you that one man should die instead of the people, so that the whole nation may not perish" (John 11:50). ●

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



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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
November 10 St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church Wis 1:1-7 Lk 17:1-6	November 11 St. Martin of Tours, Bishop Wis 2:23-3:9 Lk 17:7-10	November 12 St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr Wis 6:1-11 Lk 17:11-19	November 13 St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin Wis 7:22b-8:1 Lk 17:20-25	November 14 Weekday Wis 13:1-9 Lk 17:26-37	November 15 Weekday Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9 Lk 18:1-8	November 16 Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time Mal 3:19-20a 2 Thes 3:7-12 Lk 21:5-19



A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

Because of the Jewish roots of Christianity, all Christians have a special relationship with Judaism.... The theological dialogue between Christians and Jews remains ever important and close to my heart. Even in these difficult times, marked by conflicts and misunderstandings, it is necessary to continue the momentum of this precious dialogue of ours.

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Dedication of the Lateran Basilica November 9, 2025



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Mass Schedule November 2025

Mon: 8:00 AM (St. Joachim)

Tues: 8:15 AM (St. James)

Wed: 8:15 AM (St. Joachim)

Thurs: 8:00 AM (St. James)

Fri: 8:00 AM (St. Joachim)

Sat: 8:00 AM (1st Sat. of the Month @ St. James)

Saturday: 4:00 PM
 (1st & 3rd weekend @ St. James; 2nd & 4th weekend @ St. Joachim)

Sunday: 8:00 AM (St. Joachim)
10:00 AM (St. James)

Confessions:

Saturday: 3:15-3:45pm
 Prior to Sat. evening Mass or by appointment



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, Nov. 10th @ St. Joachim

Tuesday, Nov. 11th
Bess Lalumondier

Wednesday, Nov. 12th @ St. Joachim

Thursday, Nov. 13th:
George Lalumondier

Friday, Nov. 14th @ St. Joachim

Saturday, Nov. 15th:
Bill Moore

Sunday, Nov. 16th:
Lisa Gillam

St. James Parish Family

201 N. Missouri Street
Potosi, MO 63664



November 15th & 16th

Lector:

Saturday 4pm: Mary Susan Campbell
Sunday 10am: Maureen Mills

Eucharistic Ministers:

Saturday 4pm	Sunday 10am
C: Paul Villmer	Danny Mueller
L: Judy East	Diane McGirl
R: Laura Allen	Mary Roy

Servers

Saturday 4pm: Lane Battreal, Madison Battreal
Sunday 10am: Meadow Henson

Music:

Sat: 4:00pm. Chala
Sun: 8:00am Rebecca Richards
Sun: 10:00am Anita Govero or The Little Way Band



Heavenly Dusters

Jeanne DeGonia 11/21-11/28
Faye Jarvis 12/5-12/12
Diane Mull 12/19-12/26

Altar Linens

Glenda Farrow 11/10-11/17
Connie Scott 11/24-12/1
Faye Jarvis 12/8-12/15

Money Counters

Mary Ann & Donna 11/11
Becky & Rhonda 11/18
Jeanne & Rhonda 11/25

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Weekly Collection 11/02/2025

Envelopes:	\$4010.00
Loose:	85.00
Online Giving	15.00
Maintenance:	135.00
St. Vincent de Paul:	1480.00
Votive:	35.00
Stained Glass Windows	280.00
All Souls Day	120.00
All Saints Day	275.00
World Mission	20.00
Retired Religious	948.00
Human Development	25.00
Archdiocese of the Military	25.00

Total Giving: \$7453.00

November 9, 2025

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

"Do you not know that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells within you?" 1 CORINTHIANS 3:16

Simply remembering that we are "temples of the Holy Spirit" should make our daily decision making relatively easy. If we truly want to imitate Jesus, then our words and actions should reflect the love, mercy, and forgiveness that flow from His Sacred Heart. Try it for one week. Try to remember that we temples of the Holy Spirit and see how it affects the way that you live.

****FORMED****

St. Leo the Great

Catholic Saints Join Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Carl Vennerstrom as they discuss St. Leo the Great, who served as pope during the tumultuous time of the Council of Chalcedon.

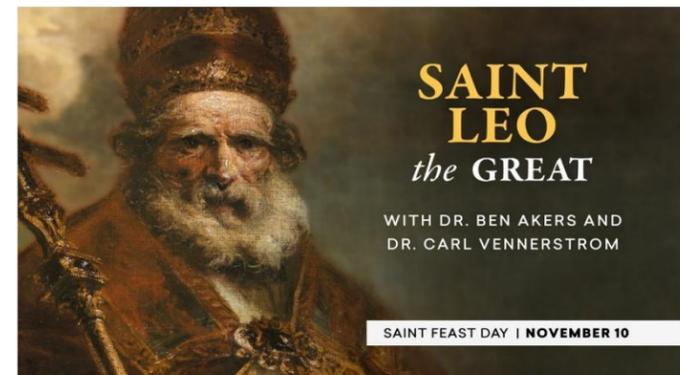
Foretold

From the beginning, God had a plan to save man from sin. With Jesus, that plan was fulfilled. But he also has a specific plan for you. Watch Foretold to rediscover God's providential love for you.

St. Frances Cabrini

No one would have assumed that a sickly girl from Italy would be accepted into a convent nor travel far from home. Yet, St. Frances went on to prove both assumptions incorrect, becoming a nun and missionary who would establish schools, orphanages and hospitals all across America.

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Good News!

November 9, 2025

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12 / 1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17 / John 2:13-22

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Singing together during the distribution of holy Communion is one way of expressing the reality that we are one in the Eucharist, the Body of Christ. I once was taught to pray quietly during this time. If I'm honest, however, what I find myself doing after I return to my pew is watching others process past as they return from receiving Communion. They are a parade of holiness on the way. They are the longtime parishioners who have been making their way back to their pews in this way for decades—some now using walkers or canes, others with a bit of a slow hobble. There are teenagers, too. Some, from the expressions on their faces, look like their parents made them come, while others look impressively prayerful. Young parents, too, caring for a new baby in their arms, and another couple holding a two-year-old's hand as he tugs to escape and be free. And middle-aged single people, now halfway through this life's journey. Young couples, as well, those just married or engaged and so obviously in love, but also widows and widowers longing for the love they once knew. All of these are the body of Christ, the very temple of God built upon the foundation that is Christ Jesus, as Paul notes so well. This is why I watch them processing back to their pews. This, too, is prayer. ●

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An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE

Thank you to everyone who has stepped forward to volunteer as a group to help with these tasks. We are still accepting help! If you haven't signed up with the office, please call during business hours or email the office. The most urgent task will be our Advent wreath. We will need to set that up sometime before the 4pm Mass on Nov. 29.

We are in need of volunteers for the following areas:

1. Advent Wreath (set up, maintain, dismantle) (MOST URGENT)
 2. Decorating for Christmas (coordinate, set up, maintain & dismantle)
- **Please contact the parish office with any questions.

Pope Leo XIV, General Audience 11/05/2025

Dear brothers and sisters,
 In our continuing catechesis on the Jubilee theme of "Christ our Hope," we reflect today on the presence of the risen Christ as an unfailing source of hope in our daily lives. Whether we are experiencing moments of joy and serenity, or struggling to overcome the suffering caused by difficulty and pain, the human heart unceasingly longs for fullness and contentment. The proclamation of the Easter message stands as a sure anchor: love has conquered sin forever, and life triumphs over death. Jesus, who is now "alive forever and ever," promises to be with us always. His presence fills our lives with meaning and we discover that our yearning for eternity is not only justified, but is now within our reach. Let us ask the risen Lord to help us to recognize his presence in every circumstance, and so experience the victory of Easter in our daily lives.

Men's Faith Sharing Group

Men, we are changing our days/times for meeting. We would love to have you join us! We will be meeting on the 2nd & 4th Monday of every month at 6:30pm. Please join us in prayer and fellowship! Hope to see you there.

ATTENTION TO OUR USHERS

Starting with last weekend, we will need you to put the collection money in the security bag in the back of church before bringing it to the box in front of church. There will be separate bags for each mass & each mass's special collection. The bags will be labeled & in the closet for you. Thank you!
 **Per Father Tony & the Finance Council

"The secret of happiness is to live moment by moment and to thank God for all that He, in His goodness, sends to us day after day." *St. Gianna Molla*

The Giving Tree is once again full of present tags for Christmas for Kids children. We will need your gifts back to church by Sunday, November 30th.



Save the Date

November 20- St. Joachim School Community Thanksgiving Dinner at 11 a.m. All are welcome to attend! Please RSVP by calling the school office at 573-438-3973 or email the office at danaboyd@stjoachimschools.com



Parish Calendar

- Nov 4:** Ladies Sodality 5:30pm in Parish Hall
- Nov 10:** Men's Faith Sharing Group 6:30pm
- Nov 11:** Eucharistic Adoration 9-4:45pm
 Parish Council @ 5:30pm
 Knights of Columbus meeting @ 6:30pm
- Nov 14:** Clarity House @ 6pm
- Nov 17:** Rural Parish Clinic here
- Nov 24:** Men's Faith Sharing Group 6:30pm
- Nov 27:** Thanksgiving Day Mass at 8am
- Nov 30:** Sunday Brunch after 10am Mass

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

St. James Food Pantry provided food to 178 families (475 individuals) on Oct. 18. Thanks to all volunteers who helped make this happen. Thanks also to all who donate to our pantry!

Thanksgiving is quickly approaching! We will most likely serve 200 families in November. Would you like to help us provide a turkey to a family for Thanksgiving? To donate financially, use your St. Vincent de Paul envelope & drop it in the Sunday collection, or to donate a turkey, call Rhonda (573-576-5164) to arrange a drop off time.

"We should strive to keep our hearts open to the sufferings & wretchedness of other people & pray continuously that God may grant us that spirit of compassion which is truly the Spirit of God." St. Vincent de Paul

**St. Vincent de Paul collection:
 Powdered milk**

THE COUNCIL'S CORNER

Parish Council will meet on Nov 11 @ 5:30PM. Any parishioners with questions or concerns feel free to contact Eric Aubuchon so they can be addressed.

Listening, in communication, is an openness of heart which makes possible that closeness without which genuine spiritual encounter cannot occur. Listening helps us to find the right gesture and word which shows that we are more than simply bystanders. (Pope Francis, Evangelii Gaudium, 171)

Parish formation begins with **our own conversion**. Before we speak, we listen. Before we plan, we pray. Before we act, we seek Christ's will- not our own. Each discussion is an opportunity to build up the Kingdom of God right here in our parish community.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ERIC AUBUCHON @ 314-605-6268.

Interested in Becoming Catholic? (OCIA: Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

There are currently 12 candidates participating in the Period of Inquiry, 5 candidates from St. James and 6 candidates and 1 catechumen from St. Joachim. Please pray for them as they continue their journey.

If you or anyone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, in being fully received, or in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation, contact the parish office, or call coordinator, Joyce Politte 636-328-1343. All are welcome.

Ladies Sodality

We would like to welcome new members to join our Ladies Sodality. Our next meeting is on Dec. 9th from 5:30pm-6:30pm in the Parish Hall. Please consider joining us!

Bulletin Advertising

We are now accepting advertisers for the back of our bulletin. The cost is \$180 per year. This will help offset the cost of paper & ink for the bulletin. Please call or email the office for more details. If you are interested, all we need is a business card to get you added onto the back. Thanks!

St. James PSR NEWS

We had a fabulously fun time at our Halloween party last Wednesday. It is a blessing to be a part of the group. We also had a great turn out for the painting party this past Saturday. We don't have a total yet, but we raised some much needed money to keep us providing for our kiddos. Special thanks to Kim for organizing the paint party and everyone that attended and worked to put it together! Our next event is the food drive this Saturday(Nov. 8) and of course, our diaper drive. In December, our 2nd graders will be making their First Reconciliation. Please keep them in your prayers as they continue through their sacramental journey.

~ From Mrs. Melissa Cordia~



Throughout the month of November
St. James Catholic Church Parish
School of Religion will be having a

Diaper Drive

All diapers collected will be donated to the Pregnancy
Resource Center in Potosi, Missouri.

Drop Off Dates	Drop Off Times	Drop Off Location
November 5	5:30-6:30 or	St. James Parish School
November 12	can be scheduled by	Hall or can be sent with
November 19	texting 573-631-5437	PSR student.

Diapers of any size and any kind are appreciated!



5TH SUNDAY BRUNCH

NOVEMBER 30TH

Join us after Mass for a joyful morning of food, fellowship, & faith! Bring your family & friends as we gather to give thanks & share in community.

Please RSVP by contacting the Parish Office at 573.438.4686 or by dropping a note in the Sunday Collections. Please include a head count.