Dear Padre,

What does the Catholic Church teach about miracles?

Miracles are extraordinary occurrences without natural explanation that manifest the presence and power of God. We believe in miracles "because of the authority of God himself who reveals them, who can neither deceive nor be deceived" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 156).

Christ's multiplication of the loaves is the only miracle

recorded by all four evangelists. He performed many other natural miracles-calming the storm, walking on water-and numerous healings as well-curing the deaf and mute, the woman with a hemorrhage. These signs attest that the Father sent Jesus and "they invite belief in him" (CCC, 548). Moreover, Jesus' miracles "also confirm that the kingdom has already arrived on earth..." ("Dogmatic Constitution on the Church," 5).

Today, God still manifests his presence in the Church through miracles. For example, potential medical healings are rigorously investigated by the Vatican for sainthood causes. Other supernatural occurrences-such as apparitions and eucharistic phenomena-are likewise thoroughly and prudently investigated with caution to maintain the Church's credibility and prevent confusion among the faithful.

To that end, in May 2024, the Vatican updated its guidelines for assessing apparitions, visions, and alleged revelations, and reaffirmed that a bishop cannot rule on the validity of a particular case before the pope formally deems it to be "supernatural" for pastoral value. (Search "Norms for Proceeding in the Discernment of Alleged Supernatural Phenomena" at Vatican.va.) .



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Do we know how to make ourselves intercessors for others, that is, do we know how to pray for them and bless their lives?... Let us learn this: intercessory prayer, interceding for the hopes and sufferings of the world, interceding for peace. And let us bless with our eyes and our words those we meet every day! **REGINA CAELI, ROME, MAY 29, 2022** Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Monday	Friday
June 2	June 6
Easter Weekday	Easter Weekday
Acts 19:1-8	Acts 25:13b-21
Jn 16:29–33	Jn 21:15-19
Tuesday	Saturday
June 3	June 7
St. Charles Lwanga and	Easter Weekday
Companions, Martyrs	Acts 28:16-20, 30-31
Acts 20:17-27	Jn 21:20-25
Jn 17:1–11a	Sunday
Wednesday	June 8
June 4	Pentecost
Easter Weekday	Acts 2:1-11
Acts 20:28-38	1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13
Jn 17:11b–19	or Rom 8:8–17
Thursday	Jn 20:19–23 or
June 5	Jn 14:15–16, 23b–26
St. Boniface, Bishop	
and Martyr	
Acts 22:30; 23:6-11	
Jn 17:20–26	

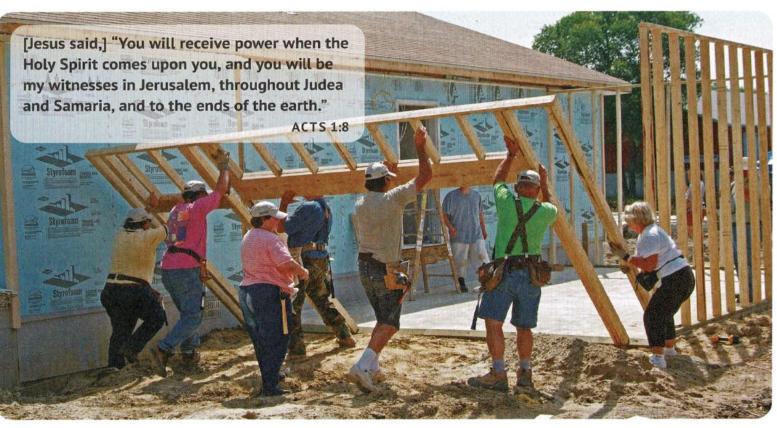
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Our Parish

Why Doesn't God Do Something?

t is said that we never grow up until both parents have died, when we can no longer go home. Yet, for each of us, there may also be a symbolic moment that moves us from childhood into adulthood. It may be achieving financial independence, graduating from school, or moving out on our own. Whatever it may be, we say to ourselves, "I am now grown up." Whenever such moments occur, we feel empowered to shape our lives and our future.

The feast of the Ascension is that sort of marker: God has empowered us to shape the world in the image of Jesus. Just as our parents empower us into an adulthood that contributes to life, it is now God who empowers us with the very same power by which he raised Jesus from the dead. It is a power and a presence by which God makes the world new through us.



June 1, 2025

The Ascension of the Lord (C)

Acts 1:1-11 / Ephesians 1:17-23 or Hebrews 9:24-28; 10:19-23 / Luke 24:46-53

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There are those who say they no longer believe in God, because if there is a good God, then he would not allow violence, the death of children before their time, and all sorts of evil that mars human life. Perhaps the greater question is not "Why doesn't God do something?" but rather "Why do we not do something?" To pass on the responsibility to God is to abdicate our own responsibility and deny the fact that God continues to empower us as adults and expects us to utilize that power and presence to make all things new.

-Reflect-

In what ways do I act like an adult? How is the world a better place because of me?

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St. James Parish Family 201 N. Missouri Street Potosi, MO 63664Image: Construction of the state Description of the state Description of the state St. James Tues: 8:15 AM St. James Thurs: 8:00 AM St. James Thurs: 8:00 AM St. James Thurs: 8:00 AM	June 7th & 8thLectorsSaturday 4:00 pm Sunday 08:00 amPaul Villmer Jamie ThompsonExtraordinary Ministers of Holy CommunionC:Laura AllenDon ThompsonL:Judy EastDonna KennonR: Anette PortellJim PolitteSat: 4:00 pm Madison and Lane BattrealSun: 8:00 am Ava West & Bryce Griffin	What's on the Calendar??? 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
St. JamesFirst Sat: 8:00 AM St. James 1st & 3rd Sat:4:00 PM St. Janes 1st & 3rd Sat:4:00 PM St. Joachim 2nd/4th Sat:4:00 PM 	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 Image: Stress of the stre	June 1: Ascension of Our Lord – Evangeliza- tionMissionary Discipleship - Evangeliza- tionJune 1: Ascension of our Lord – Evangeliza- tionEvery Christian, through their Baptism, are called by God to spread the Gospel mes- sage. Jesus didn't just give the mission of evangelization to the Apostles or to a select few. Today we celebrate Christ's Ascension to the right hand of the Father. Jesus re- minds His disciples, "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that the repent- ance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in His name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem." Jesus reminded them that they would begin this mission, but each generation that follows is called to do the same. Not everyone is called to mission trips to far-away places. It begins within our own hearts and minds. We can strive to have a deeper relationship with Jesus, so we can share our experience with everyone we meet. During this week before Pentecost, we can spend some time in prayer to the Holy Spirit asking for guid- ance to know the individual mission God has given us and the strength and courage to accomplish it.
Phone: 573-366-5235prior to Sat evening Mass Or by appointmentMASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF June 02, 2025 8AM Mass @ St. Joachim Jun 03 TUE 8:15AM Theresa Smith Jun 04 WED 8:15AM Mass @ St. Joachim Jun 05 THU 8:00AM Bob Short Jun 06 FRI 8:00AM Mass @ St. Joachim Jun 07 SAT 4:00 PM Joseph David Snead Jun 08 SUN 8:00 AM Dan DeclueMay 25, 2025Envelopes\$ 2920.00 Loose\$ 842.00 Votive\$ 23.00 St. V\$ 100.00 Maintenance\$ 50.00 Online giving\$ 35.60 Cardinal glennon\$ 60.00 Peters pence.\$ 10.00 Cath Communication.\$ 10.00 Cemetery\$ 150.00	 Saint Philip Neri: I Prefer Heaven PARENTAL GUIDANCE SUGGESTED This movie is not rated, but has mature themes and was created with an adult audience in mind. It contains scenes, including violence, indicative of the life and times of the saint portrayed. We would recommend Parental Guidance and that parents preview it before watching with children. An epic feature film on the famous "Apostle of Rome" and great friend of youth in the 16th century. One of the most popular saints of all time, St. Philip Neri was widely known for his great charity, deep prayer life, and tremendous humor. Hoping to join St. Ignatius of Loyola's new order of Jesuits and be a missionary to India, Providence instead guided Philip to seek out the poor and abandoned youth of Rome to catechize them in the faith and help them find a better life. He became the founder of the religious congregation, the Oratory, that worked with the youth and also labored to re-evangelize a decadent Rome. This captivating film highlights Neri's great love for youth, his warm sense of humor, contagious joy, deep mystical spirituality, and his amazing gift for miracles. Actor Gigi Proietti gives a moving performance as St. Philip in this beautifully produced film that is directed by Giacomo Campiotti, director of the acclaimed films Bakhita: From Slave to Saint and St. Giuseppe Moscatti. 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! 	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 representa- tives 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 Par- ish 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.



Join us for our ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC Sunday JUNE 1st 2025 12 Lets have some fun at our annual picnic... o much to do.... Shop our Country Store, Bid on our Silent Auction, throw some bags in our Cornhole Tournament. Lots of food and Kid Games. Let not forget our BINGO! INVITE YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY EVERONE IS WELCOME Nancy Davis is still ACCEPTING craft donations & Baked Goods (up until that day) for the Country Store. Please consider donating. Parishioners please don't forget the deserts for the picnic, they can be delivered Saturday or Sunday morning. Thanks for all you do!!! THANKS FOR BRINGING IN BOTTLES FOR THE BOTTLE GAME, WE ARE STILL NEEDING SOME IF POSSIBLE. EVERYTHING DONATED IS VERY MUCH APPRECIATED. Kim Coleman would like to thank everyone who purchased a place in the Placemats. The whole Placemat is SOLD OUT. II:ANK YOU St. James PSR NEWS Contact Laura at 573-366-5235 with any questions.



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