



Enough Is Enough

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

The radio program discussed whether Americans thought they were better or worse off today than one year ago. As you might expect, opinions were divided. Some believed we were better off—inflation had dropped 6 percentage points to about 3 percent, and while prices were higher, so were most wages. Others believed the opposite—many costs had risen, especially food, as well as big-ticket items like homes and cars. One of the panelists then suggested what she knew would be an unpopular opinion: while there were many still struggling to make ends meet and did not have enough, there were others who, because of the pandemic supplement, began to overspend and now could not maintain their lifestyle. Her opinion was that, for many, it was not an issue of having enough, but rather wanting too much and a lack of proper budgeting.

When Jesus fed the people gathered by the mountain, he provided not a feast but bread and fish, which was enough for them all. This is how God feeds us each day, with enough. We rise each morning sleepy, yet with enough energy to get us through the day. Our health may not be what it once was, but there is enough to keep us going. Our prayer may seem routine and lacking in heavenly inspiration, but somehow it seems to be enough for us to continue living with faith. God does feed us, not always with the abundance we may desire, but always with enough of what we need. ●

Reflect

***How does God feed you with what you need?
Is it enough?***



[The disciples] filled twelve wicker baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves that had been more than they could eat.

JOHN 6:13

Dear Padre,

Is there really an unforgivable sin?

In the Gospels, Jesus teaches that blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven (Matthew 12:31–32, Mark 3:28–29, Luke 12:10). This seems to imply the existence of a sin that God either cannot or will not forgive. Yet we have the overwhelming testimony of the Scriptures and Church teaching that God’s mercy and forgiveness are more powerful than any sin, no matter how serious or frequent it might be. This apparent contradiction disappears when we carefully consider the context of Jesus’ teaching on the “unforgivable sin.”

Jesus’ statements regarding blasphemy against the Holy Spirit occurred as part of his ongoing dispute with the scribes and Pharisees who witnessed Jesus’ exorcisms but attributed them to the power of Satan, thus denying the evidence of the Spirit’s saving action in Jesus’ work and teaching (Matthew 12:22–32). This denial is not simply a misunderstanding. Rather, it is willful, malicious, deliberate, and unrepentant. For such people, there can truly be no forgiveness, not because God is unwilling or unable to forgive, but because the people will not recognize their need for forgiveness.

The “unforgivable sin” is not an action so horrible that even God’s patience and mercy are exhausted. Rather, it is the attitude of people who reject the Lord’s presence in their lives. God’s offer of forgiveness is still universal. We need only respond to his grace and seek his forgiveness. ●



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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
July 29	July 30	July 31	August 1	August 2	August 3	August 4
<i>Sts. Martha, Mary, and Lazarus</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest</i>	<i>St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
Jer 13:1–11	Jer 14:17–22	Jer 15:10, 16–21	Jer 18:1–6	Jer 26:1–9	Jer 26:11–16, 24	Ex 16:2–4, 12–15
Jn 11:19–27 or Lk 10:38–42	Mt 13:36–43	Mt 13:44–46	Mt 13:47–53	Mt 13:54–58	Mt 14:1–12	Eph 4:17, 20–24
						Jn 6:24–35



RICCARDO DE LUCA - UPDATE / SHUTTERSTOCK

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

*Every day...around seven thousand children under the age of five die due to malnutrition.... Jesus also addresses an invitation to us...
“Be brave, give what little you have, your talents, your possessions, make them available to Jesus and to your brothers and sisters. Do not be afraid, nothing will be lost, because if you share, God will multiply.”*

ANGELUS, ROME, JULY 25, 2021



Immaculate Conception Parish Family



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Parish Council Members: Beth Cobb-President; Dennis Benney-Vice-President; Mary Pottebaum, Vicki Parker, Dennis Cobb, & Jack Wells

JULY 28, 2024 - SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions



Monday, July 29th **NO Mass - Montgomery City**
Tuesday, July 30th **5:30 PM Mass - Mont. City** +Vincent & Delores Schimweg
Wednesday, July 31st **8:30 AM Mass - Jonesburg**
Thursday, August 1st **8:00 AM Mass - Mont. City** - Clint Cunningham (for healing)
Friday, August 2nd **NO Mass - Montgomery City**
Saturday, August 3rd **5:00 PM Mass - Mont. City** - Our Parish Family
Sunday, August 4th **8:00 AM Mass - Jonesburg**
10:00 AM Mass - Mont. City +David Witte

Your Gifts to God!

July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025

Church & School Financial Report:	Income	Expenses	Difference
June 2024	\$86,819.19	\$51,349.94	\$35,469.25
Fiscal Year July-June, 2023-24	\$864,043.20	\$768,197.58	\$95,845.62
Needed Weekly - \$13,397.08			
July 7th -	\$5,983.00-Church;	\$4,699.00-ICS/Daycare;	\$10,682.00 -Total
July 14th -	\$3,575.72-Church;	\$4,532.00-ICS/Daycare;	\$ 8,107.72 -Total
July 21st -	\$3,628.08-Church;	\$7,264.00-ICS/Daycare;	\$10,892.08 -Total
July 28th -			

A friendly reminder: That if there is a funeral at any of the two parishes or a school cancellation due to weather, there will be no scheduled Mass.

Thank you for your support!

Parish Membership: Call the parish office to register.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 4:15 PM - 4:45 PM, or by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism/Confirmation: Call the parish office to set up an appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage: Call the office at least six months prior to the date you would like to get married to make arrangements and set a date.

If you are hospitalized or if you have a family member who is homebound, please call the office/rectory at 573-564-2375.

Immaculate Conception Parish Mission

To proclaim the good news of the Gospel; to build community among the parishioners that we may journey in our faith together, giving witness to love and unity; to serve the needs of others in whatever form they may exist in our midst and to celebrate the realities of our faith together.

Who is an Active Parishioner?

- Registered in the parish
- Regularly participates in Mass and the sacraments
- Supports the parish financially
- Annually completes a stewardship of Time, Talent, and Treasure form and fulfills that commitment

Liturgical Ministers for August 3rd & 4th

Ministries	Saturday, 5:00 PM	Sunday, 10:00 AM
Lector	Dennis Benney	Michael Smith
Children's Liturgy	Not During Saturday Evening Mass	Geri Park
Communion Minister	Gary Hoette	Eileen Lotton
Ministers of Hospitality	Don & Lila Broz Bob Dryden Bonnie Walker	Ron & Dianne Talley Jerry Neale Tony Wessel
Servers	Beth Roesner Jacob Roesner	Natalie Beabout Elizabeth Schierhoff
Gift Bearers	Hospitality Ministers	Hospitality Ministers
Money Counters	Bill & Liz Huston Dennis Cobb	Mark Brower Steve Williams

**Bishop McKnight's
July
prayer
intention for
our Local
Church is:**

For the promotion of Eucharistic life among the faithful; that our participation in Mass and Eucharistic adoration may inflame our hearts to live out more effectively the Sacrament of Charity.

Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday, July 29th	NO Mass - Montgomery City
Tuesday, July 30th	5:30 PM Mass - Montgomery City
Wednesday, July 31st	8:30 AM Mass - Jonesburg
Thursday, August 1st	8:00 AM Mass - Montgomery City
Friday, August 2nd	NO Mass - Montgomery City
Saturday, August 3rd	5:00 PM Mass - Montgomery City (Rosary at 4:30 PM)
Sunday, August 4th	8:00 AM Mass - Jonesburg 10:00 AM Mass - Montgomery City (Rosary at 9:30 AM)

Upcoming Events & Announcements

Monday, July 29th	4:00 PM - Harvest Picnic Meeting @ ICS
Tuesday, July 30th	6:00 AM-5:00 PM - Adoration 5:00 PM - Benediction & Devotion to Divine Mercy 5:30-8:00 PM - Vacation Bible School
Wednesday, July 31st	5:30-8:00 PM - Vacation Bible School 5:30 PM - Parish Council/Finance Mtg.
Thursday, August 1st	5:30-8:00 PM - Vacation Bible School
Friday, August 2nd	5:30-8:00 PM - Vacation Bible School
Saturday, August 3rd	
Sunday, August 4th	



Wedding Anniversary

Congratulations to the following couple(s) as they celebrate their special day!

*Tony & LaVerne Wessel - 64 yrs of marriage on July 30th
Dennis & Peggy Kleine - 48 yrs of marriage on July 31st
Mitchell & Rae Jean Rhoads - 44 yrs of marriage on August 1st
Robert & Jolene Davis - 44 yrs of marriage on August 2nd
George & Priscilla Banfield - 51 yrs of marriage on Aug. 3rd*

Additional Financial Information

Diocesan Missions	\$	384.00
Mass Intentions	\$	330.00
Bulletin Ads	\$	450.00
Holy Day (Assumption)	\$	10.00

HARVEST PICNIC SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

We are starting to send out some letters for **Picnic Sponsors**. If you know an individual or business that would like to be a sponsor, please let Megan Hans or Pat Korman know. We are also looking for vendors for the **Vendor Fair**. At the Harvest Picnic, besides having delicious food, there will also be fun games and activities for kids and adults, a bake sale, a country store, raffles, and **Live and Paddle Auctions**. We will need many hands to work at the picnic. Please be thinking about what kinds of items you will donate as well as where your talents will best serve the parish for this event. Packets will be handed out in August with more information and quilt raffle tickets. We need everyone's help to make this 8th Annual Harvest Picnic a success!



Committee members:

Julie Worsham - 573-489-2778 - Paddle Auction
Pat Korman - 636-359-0001- Live Auction
Dianne Talley - 573-590-3158 - Vendors
Megan Hans - 573-253-9476 - Cup Sponsorships
Judy Cobb, Gina Smith, Dottie Brueggen, Anna Harrell, Tony & Betty Wessel, Don & Lila Broz, Kim Schroeder

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

From five barley loaves and two fish, Jesus was able to provide a wonderful feast for thousands of people. All of them had plenty to eat and what was left over filled twelve wicker baskets. The people realized they had just witnessed a miracle, a sign to bring them to faith. We gather today for the Eucharistic feast, where we are invited to have our fill of the bread of eternal life. May the miracle we witness today bring us to a deeper belief in the Lord and his saving gift to us.



Question of the Week

What can I offer this week, without expecting anything in return, that could provide more than it would if I kept it for myself?

Stewardship Small Groups

Listed below are the small group sessions which will be offered this fall:

Tuesday-2:00pm: Tony Wessel, 128 Baker Road, 573-253-0682
August 20th

Tuesday-6:30pm: Vicki Oden, 1884 Hwy 161, 573-220-4753
(3rd Tuesday of the month) **August 20th**

Wednesday 9AM: Orlana Gardner/Kathy Holtz, Kathy-573-220-7285
Orlana-573-823-5756 **Start in September**

Wednesday 6 PM: Beth Roesner, IC Library, 314-974-1087
(3rd Wednesday of the month) **August 21st**

Thursday 6:30PM: Dianne Talley, 434 Long Road, 573-590-3158
August 22nd

If you would like to join any of the groups above, please call the leader of that group. If none of these times work for you, please call Janet Stumbaugh at (314) 220-2005.

Save The Date!

Please save the dates of **September 11th & 25th**. We will be showing season one of the movie, "The Chosen" at 6:30 PM at the KC Hall here in Montgomery City. Bring a comfortable chair!

Immaculate Conception School News

School's out for the summer! See you in August!



Head Count for July

July 6th - 76	July 7th - 124
July 13th - 67	July 14th - 106
July 20th - 60	July 21st - 120
July 27th -	July 28th -

Grand Total for July -

This is the last weekend we will be taking the diocesan head count. Thank you to our hospitality ministers who did a great job counting!

Celebration of Life for Bill Dryden

A Celebration of Life for Bill Dryden will be held on Saturday, August 24th from 1:00 - 4:00 PM at the Knights of Columbus Hall. Internment will be at a later date.



Pick-A-Prize Winners

...and the winner of the July 21st drawing was **Sydney (Queathem) Peak!** She chose the \$500.00 gift certificate to Yardbirds, LLC. Congratulations Sydney! Winners are drawn on the 1st and 3rd

Sundays of the month.

Past winners and prizes include:

- George Boes - \$500.00 gift card to Sams/Walmart
- Angela Keller - \$500.00 gift card to Amazon
- Daryl & Nancy Cobb - \$250.00 Cash/\$250.00 in lottery tickets
- Eileen Lotton - \$500.00 Visa gift card
- Joe Oden - Texas Roadhouse/Olive Garden/Culvers/Sybergs gift cards
- Wesley Cobb - Mystery Prize (\$500.00 in cash!)
- Richard Bainbridge - \$500 Gift Certificate to Montgomery Home & Hardware

Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted.

John 6:11

The Eucharistic miracle of the feeding of the 5,000 prefigures Jesus' gift of the Eucharist at the Last Supper. It is through the Eucharist that we recognize God's unending love for us, giving thanks for the gift of his Son to free us from our slavery to sin.



Events Around the Community (See Flyers if available in the church vestibule)

There are no events this week.

2024 Women's Ministry Fall Events
featuring Fr. Leo Patalinghug of Plating Grace
& special musical guest, The Vigil Project

Ladies' Night Out
November 1
6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Doors open at 6 p.m.
\$25

Fall Retreat
November 2
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Doors open at 9 a.m.
\$15

Both events will be held at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Jefferson City
RSVP at diojeffcity.org/wm-fall-events-2024



Cup Sponsors Needed!

We have added an additional way to support the Harvest Picnic this year – by becoming a cup sponsor! For just \$50 you can have your name, company's name, farm's name, etc. on the side of our 8th Annual Harvest Picnic cup for all to see!

To become a sponsor, please contact Megan Hans at 573-253-9476. The deadline to be a sponsor is August 15!

Please keep in your prayers the following people:

Residents of St. Andrews New Florence Nursing & Care Center, Hwy 19 & Picnic Road, New Florence, MO 63363 - Susie Ryan, Mary Pettig, and Bill & Lucille Muenz.

Residents of Stonebridge in Hermann, 1800 Wein St, Hermann, MO 65041 - Tony & LaVerne Wessel, Sr.

Resident in Victorian Manor, 2120 Village Lane, Hermann, MO 65041 - Peggy Gardner

Contact the parish office to have someone added!



Please pray for: John Rybacki (Sue Beck's dad) Tom Eggering, Clint Cunningham, Avery Penn, Jim Wortmann, Lindsey O'Bryan, Michael & Grace Hanneken, Evelyn Strauss, Larry Brueggemann, Beau Boschenreither, Sheryl Gibbs, Ed Grillo, Tony Wessel, Sr., Ed Torbeck, Donald Oakes, Pat Klein, Nick Schneider, Rae Jean Rhoads, Lucille & Marvin Griesbauer, Pat Merz, Parker Calbreath, Al & Christine Barger, Don Zerr, Marla Daniels, Matt Brumagin, Ingrid Keller, Margaret Van Beck, and Terry Parker.

Contact the parish office to have someone added!



Please pray for all our men and women serving in the armed forces. Brandon Wells, Noah Richard, Dylan Willis, Daniel Lohmann, and Donnie Wisdom.

Contact the parish office to have someone added!



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See!
I will not forget
you, I have carved
you on the palm of
my hand.
Isaiah 49:15

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Welcome
everyone, anytime
on Tuesdays
starting at
6:00 AM we have
Eucharistic
Adoration: A
special time to
worship and praise
our Lord and
Savior, Jesus
Christ and to
deepen your
intimate friendship
and be nourished
and strengthened
by his Presence
and Love. At
5:00 PM
Adoration will
close with
Devotion to the
Divine Mercy and
Benediction.
Mass will start at
5:30 PM.



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