



“Where Are You At?”

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Paul Gauguin, a Post-Impressionist painter from France (1848–1903), lived part of his life in Tahiti, which inspired his artistic work. His last piece is titled *Where Do We Come From? What Are We? Where Are We Going?* It depicts Tahitian women in various daily activities of life—a child, a young adult, and an old woman approaching death. (See detail in the art below.) Gauguin’s middle question, “What Are We?” is similar to God’s question of Adam in the Garden, “Where are you?” In contemporary jargon, both questions may echo our asking someone, “Where are you at?” It’s not about where our body may be, but rather where our spirit is, where our heart is.

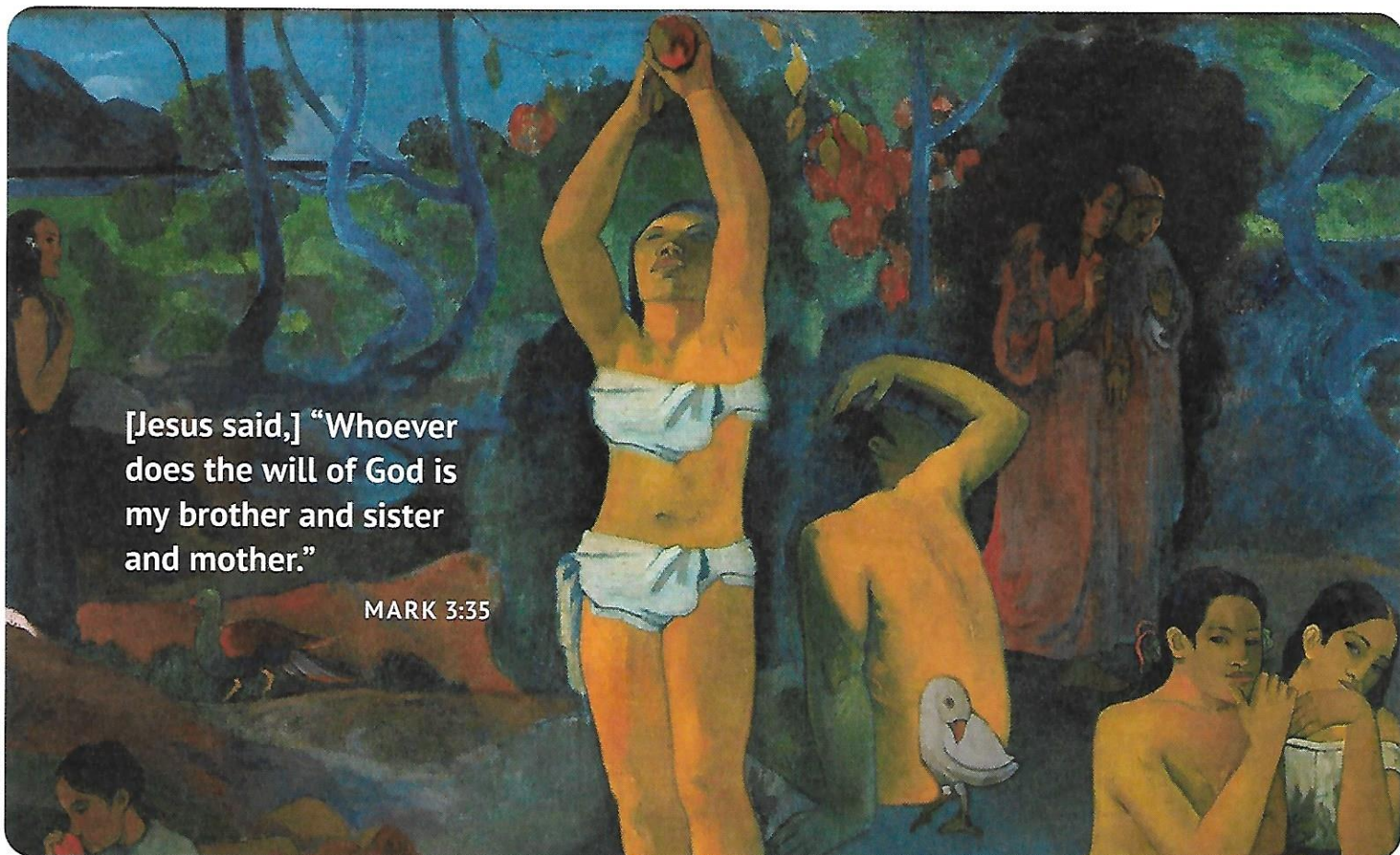
Like Adam, some can find themselves hiding from

God. That may be where they are “at.” All too often, the reason we hide from God is because we forget or choose not to remember where we come from—birthed by God into life. When we hide, whether from God, from our better selves, or from the demands and expectations of life, then we find ourselves frozen, going nowhere, failing to become the person God created us to be. Sin does that to us. It turns us in upon ourselves in a way that prevents us from growing into a full life. With sin in charge, our spirits become petrified, like dead wood, an image of what once was but will be no more.

Where are you at? ●

Reflect

How would you answer Gauguin’s three questions?



[Jesus said,] “Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

MARK 3:35

Dear Padre,

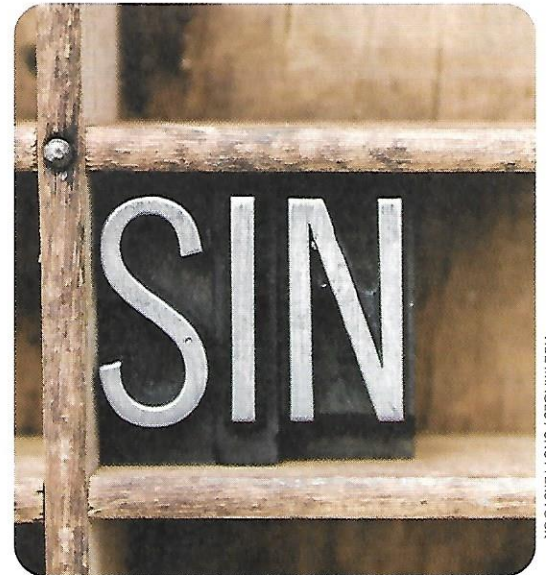
What is original sin?

Original sin is the sin that occurred at the origins of the human race. “Although he was made by God in a state of holiness, from the very onset of his history man abused his liberty, at the urging of the Evil One. Man set himself against God and sought to attain his goal apart from God” (Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World, [*Gaudium et Spes*], 13).

According to Genesis, a world of beauty was deformed by sin. The first two chapters tell how God created all things, including people, and saw that they were “very good.” However, in chapter three, Adam rejects God and separates himself from God. Adam tries to hide from God, blames Eve for his sin, and experiences the pangs of guilt.

From this original sin, a host of evils followed, resulting in division, pain, bloodshed, loneliness, and death. The reality that this tragic, familiar narrative points to is a basic part of our experience. It is the teaching of the Church that every mortal born into this world, except the Virgin Mary, is affected by original sin. This means that each “descendant of Adam” (including us) is created without sanctifying grace and is subject to the inclination to sin and to death. Each of us needs redemption through the saving death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. ●

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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Jesus formed a new family....All those who welcome Jesus' word are children of God and brothers and sisters among themselves.

Welcoming the word of Jesus makes us brothers and sisters, makes us Jesus' family. Speaking ill of others, destroying others' reputations, makes us the devil's family.

ANGELUS, JUNE 10, 2018



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MONDAY

June 10

Weekday

1 Kgs 17:1-6

Mt 5:1-12

TUESDAY

June 11

St. Barnabas,
Apostle

Acts 11:21b-26;

13:1-3

Mt 5:13-16

WEDNESDAY

June 12

Weekday

1 Kgs 18:20-39

Mt 5:17-19

THURSDAY

June 13

St. Anthony of
Padua, Priest and
Doctor of the
Church

1 Kgs 18:41-46

Mt 5:20-26

FRIDAY

June 14

Weekday

1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16

Mt 5:27-32

SATURDAY

June 15

Weekday

1 Kgs 19:19-21

Mt 5:33-37

SUNDAY

June 16

Eleventh Sunday in
Ordinary Time

Ez 17:22-24

2 Cor 5:6-10

Mk 4:26-34

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JUNE 9, 2024 - TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY)

Mass Intentions



Monday, June 10th **NO Mass - Montgomery City**

Tuesday, June 11th **5:30 PM Mass - Mont. City** +Judy Topel

Wednesday, June 12th **8:30 AM Mass - Jonesburg**

Thursday, June 13th **8:00 AM Mass - Mont. City**+Eugene/Violet Schaefer

Friday, May June 14th **8:00 AM Mass - Mont. City** +Mark Stumbaugh

Saturday, June 15th **5:00 PM Mass - Mont. City** +Vincent/Delores Schimweg

Sunday, June 16th **8:00 AM Mass - Jonesburg**
10:00 AM Mass - Mont. City -All Fathers Living & Deceased

Your Gifts to God!

July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

Church & School Financial Report:	Income	Expenses	Difference
May 2024	\$71,729.33	\$60,011.74	\$11,717.59
Fiscal Year July-May, 2023-24	\$777,224.01	\$716,847.64	\$60,376.37
Needed Weekly - \$13,397.08			
June 2nd - \$6,711.75-Church; \$4,559.00-ICS/Daycare; \$11,270.75 -Total			
June 9th -			
June 16th -			
June 23rd -			
June 30th -			

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 June 15th & 16th

Ministries	Saturday, 5:00 PM	Sunday, 10:00 AM
Lector	Dennis Cobb	Richard Schierhoff
Children's Liturgy	Not During Saturday Evening Mass	Anna Harrell
Communion Minister	Beth Cobb	Megan Hans
Ministers of Hospitality	Steve & Beth Cobb Bob Dryden	David & Janet Cobb Charlie & Pat Korman
Servers	Malorie Schulte Reed Pottebaum	Kendra Rakers Keagan Rakers
Gift Bearers	Hospitality Ministers	Hospitality Ministers
Money Counters	Dennis Cobb John & Aggie Baldetti	Pam Schwartz Carla & Chris Parker

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

For our seminarians and deacon candidates preparing for the sacrament of Holy Orders: May they follow the example of the Good Shepherd, who gave his life for his sheep.

Weekly Mass Schedule

Monday, June 10th	NO Mass - Montgomery City
Tuesday, June 11th	5:30 PM Mass - Montgomery City
Wednesday, June 12th	8:30 AM Mass - Jonesburg
Thursday, June 13th	8:00 AM Mass - Montgomery City
Friday, June 14th	8:00 AM Mass - Montgomery City
Saturday, June 15th	5:00 PM Mass - Montgomery City (Rosary at 4:30 PM)
Sunday, June 16th	8:00 AM Mass - Jonesburg 10:00 AM Mass - Montgomery City (Rosary at 9:30 AM)

Upcoming Events & Announcements

Monday, June 10th	6:30 PM - St. Vincent DePaul
Tuesday, June 11th	6:00 AM-5:00 PM - Adoration 1:00 PM - KofC Auxiliary Mtg. 5:00 PM - Benediction & Devotion to Divine Mercy 6:30 PM - Stewardship Mtg.
Wednesday, June 12th	
Thursday, June 13th	
Friday, June 14th	
Saturday, June 15th	
Sunday, June 16th	HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

Wedding Anniversary



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

*Ed & Cathy McCormack - 46 yrs of marriage on June 10th
Don & Lila Broz - 53 yrs of marriage on June 12th
Bryan & Karen Schmidt - 38 yrs of marriage on June 14th
Denis & Mary Dickherber - 55 yrs of marriage on June 14th
Gary & Beth Roesner - 23 yrs of marriage on June 16th*

Additional Financial Information

Capital Improvements/Maintenance \$ 105.00

Montgomery County Crisis Food Closet



Thank you for your continued support by donating non-perishable food and hygiene items to our cause of helping others. Without your generosity our endeavor to help those who are in need would not be as successful as it is now. God Bless all of you!

Crisis Food Closet of Montgomery County

When his parents saw him, they were astonished, and his mother said to him, "Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety." And he said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he said to them. He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart.

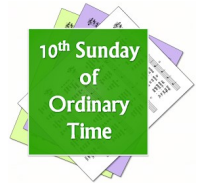
Luke 2:48-51

Today we celebrate the Immaculate Heart of Mary, our diocesan patroness. As Mother of God, Mary was, by nature, immaculate – free from sin. Mary and her divine Son modeled the perfect exchange of human love. May we each learn to love like Mary and Jesus.



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Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Moved by the Holy Spirit, we gather today as a family— a parish family as well as children of God—to celebrate the Eucharist. It is appropriate to think of our family of faith, for in the Gospel today we hear Jesus tell the crowds that whoever does the will of God is a part of his family. We may not always be conscious of our closeness to the Lord, so let us pray that we may come to recognize the gift that allows us to be sisters and brothers of Jesus as we do our best to do God's will.

Question of the Week

What kind of spiritual workout can I plan for myself? What will I do daily to renew my spiritual self?

Thank You

We would like to thank all those who contributed in any way by donating your time, talent, or treasure to our Dinner Dance that was held on April 27. We are pleased to report that your generosity helped us raise \$9,799.95.

With heartfelt appreciation,
Immaculate Conception School

*"God took the **strength** of a mountain, the **majesty** of a tree, the **warmth** of a summer sun, the **calm** of a quiet sea, the **generous** soul of nature, the **comforting** arm of night, the **wisdom** of the ages, the **power** of the eagle's flight, the **joy** of a morning in spring, the **faith** of a mustard seed, the **patience** of eternity, the **depth** of a family need, then God combined these qualities, when there was nothing more to add, He knew His masterpiece was complete, and so, He called it ... **Dad.**"*

~Author Unknown



Immaculate Conception School New

Thank you to Bob & Kim Dryden, Jerry & Diane Witthaus, Michael Auchly, and the Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary for providing the sweet treats for our last day of school celebration. We really enjoyed them!

Head Count for June

June 1st - 71	June 2nd - 71 (not a typo!)
June 8th -	June 9th -
June 15th -	June 16th -
June 22nd -	June 23rd -
June 29th -	June 30th -

Grand Total for June -

Vacation Bible School



Come join us this summer July 30th—August 2nd from **4:00 PM to 7:30 PM** (this is a time change) at Immaculate Conception School! Information and registration forms are inserted in this week's bulletin. Due to the generosity of our local

Knights of Columbus and a grant received from the State Knights of Columbus, there is **NO CHARGE** to attend and every child who registers by June 30th will receive a free shirt. Geri Park will also have information/registration forms after Mass the next couple of weekends! We are in need of parent volunteers. If you can help, please call Geri at 573-590-2478 or the parish office at 573-564-2375.

Parish Council/Administration & Finance Committee Meeting Summary

Following is a summary of the Parish Council/Administration and Finance Committee Meeting on May 16, 2024;

- Update on combined bulletin (Immaculate Conception & St. Patrick) - still working on obtaining a colored printer which is being donated by anonymous donors.
- Recruitment Committee - committee has met several times. ICS flyer updated, and distributed. The main objective is to make the community aware of ICS.
- Candle Wax - need to discuss ways to keep the wax from the Easter Candles spilling onto the floor and pew cushions.
- Father expressed his sincere appreciation for everyone's support during the time of the loss of his mother.
- Father will be meeting with the Stewardship & Social Concerns Committees about a parish retreat and to talk about showing the TV series, "Chosen".
- Father reported the "Feast of the Immaculate Heart" is in June.
- Father requested Diane Witthaus and Lila Broz to be on the School Advisory Board which they accepted.
- 2024-25 Budget needs to be approved by July 1st. The Finance Committee is working on it.
- The next meeting is schedule for Wednesday, June 19, 5:30 PM at ICS.

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

June 11th - Second Tuesday Mass at Our Lady of Sorrows Shrine in Starkenburg. 11:00 AM-Reconciliation, 11:40-Rosary, 12:00 Noon - Mass followed by lunch (\$10.00)

Eucharistic Pilgrimage

In just over one month, the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage will arrive in the Diocese of Jefferson City! One of their stops will be at Our Lady of Sorrows Shrine in Starkenburg, just out our "back door"!

There are many opportunities to worship and walk with other Pilgrims during this time — and everyone is encouraged to find a time when they can join this event.

There is so much information along with an interactive map showing the routes and detailed information at each stop at <https://www.eucharisticpilgrimage.org/>.



Pick-A-Prize Winners

...and the winner of the June 2nd drawing was **Joe Oden!** He chose the Texas Roadhouse, Olive Garden, Culvers, and Syberg's gift cards.

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

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, Bill & Lucille Muenz, and Larry Jahner.

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: Clint Cunningham, Avery Penn, Jim Wortmann, Lindsey O'Bryan, Michael & Grace Hanneken, Evelyn Strauss, Larry Brueggemann, Rosemary Brower, Beau Boschenreither, Sheryl Gibbs, Ed Grillo, Tony Wessel, Sr., Ed Torbeck, Donald Oakes, Bill Dryden, 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 Beek, 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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Isaiah 49:15

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 everyone, anytime
 on Tuesdays
 starting at
 6:00 AM we have
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 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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