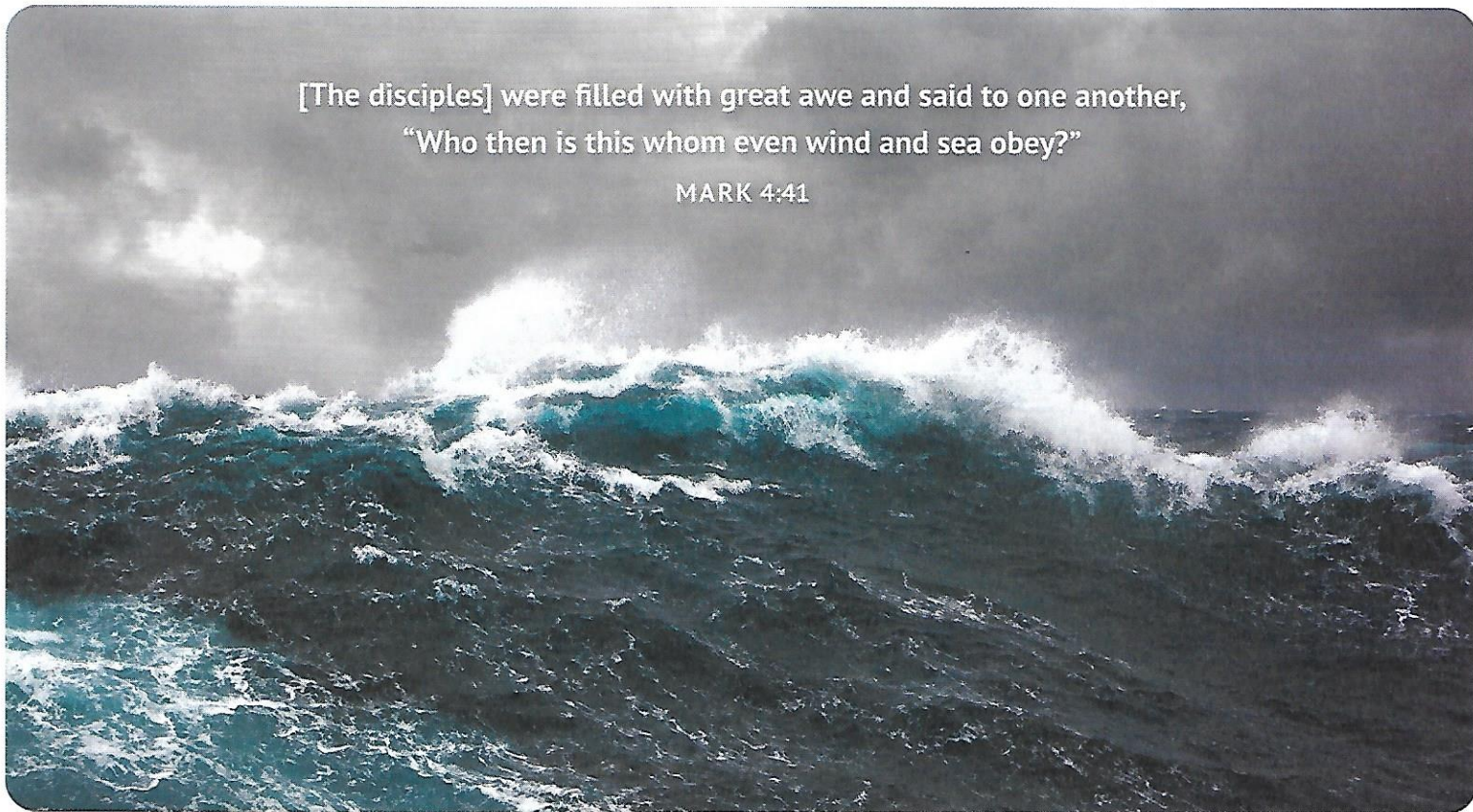




[The disciples] were filled with great awe and said to one another,
“Who then is this whom even wind and sea obey?”

MARK 4:41



Calming Our Storms

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

The Gospels use images to help us understand the inner journey of our hearts and spirits. This Gospel story of being swamped by a storm is also about the storms of daily living and how they can bring us to faith. “As evening drew on” suggests those times in life when we move into darkness and confusion. These moments may occur when “we cross to the other side” of life—from childhood through adolescence and into adulthood, through sickness until we find healing, from raising a family to being empty-nesters, the stress we seek to manage through the upheavals of life—all times when we can feel overwhelmed by what we cannot control.

The Gospel today suggests: 1) Confronted by the question, “Why are you terrified? Do you not have faith?” it submits that it is God who calms our storms and not we ourselves. 2) The Gospel story is more about bringing calm and peace into our stormy inner turmoil than about fixing the outer turmoil with which we may be struggling. 3) The inner calm usually comes at the point of surrender, when we fear the worst because life is beyond our control: “Do you not care that we are perishing?” 4) Though our inner storm grows calm by surrendering to God through faith, the events of our outer storm may continue to be present, yet those events lose their power to overcome us when we accept that God is in control, not us. ●

Reflect

Have you ever found peace by surrendering your attempt to control your life?

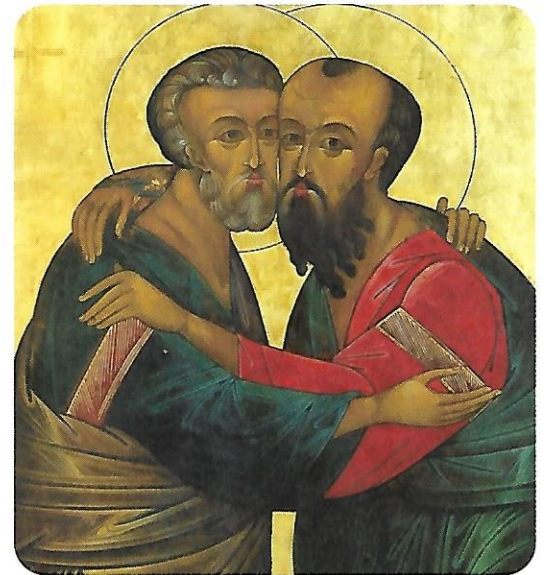
Dear Padre,

Do those who have died really remember us?

There are many clear indications in the Bible that the saints in heaven are aware of us and that there is interaction between those in heaven and people on earth. The most obvious passage is found in Hebrews 12:1: "Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses (those in heaven), let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us." By their prayers, those in the "cloud of witnesses" help us finish the race.

Saint Paul wrote, "I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us" (Romans 8:18). We will "forget" the troubles we endured on earth, but we will be aware of the sufferings of those who are still on earth, and we will want to help them. Why? Because the greatest happiness, as Jesus said, is in giving (Acts 20:35).

The saints in heaven pray for us on earth; union with them brings us closer to Christ. We pray for those who are being purified after death, and they pray for us. We are one family. The closer our union with God, the closer our union with one another. We have a wonderful goal in life: the promise of union with God and with all those joined to God. ●



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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
June 24 <i>Nativity of St. John the Baptist</i> Is 49:1-6 Acts 13:22-26 Lk 1:57-66, 80	June 25 Weekday 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36 Mt 7:6, 12-14	June 26 Weekday 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3 Mt 7:15-20	June 27 Weekday 2 Kgs 24:8-17 Mt 7:21-29	June 28 <i>St. Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr</i> 2 Kgs 25:1-12 Mt 8:1-4	June 29 <i>Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles</i> Acts 12:1-11 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18 Mt 16:13-19	June 30 <i>Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15 Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43

Know Someone Overly Anxious About Sin?

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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

What are the winds that beat against my life? What are the waves that hinder my navigation, and put my spiritual life, my family life, even my psychological life in danger? Let us say all this to Jesus.... He wants this; he wants us to grab hold of him to find shelter from the unexpected waves in life.

ANGELUS, ROME, JUNE 20, 2021

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JUNE 23, 2024 - TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions

Monday, June 24th **NO Mass - Montgomery City**
 Tuesday, June 25th **NO Mass - Mont. City**
 Wednesday, June 26th **NO Mass - Jonesburg**
 Thursday, June 27th **NO Mass - Mont. City**
 Friday, June 28th **NO Mass - Mont. City**
 Saturday, June 29th **5:00 PM Mass - Mont. City** +Judy Cunningham
 Sunday, June 30th **8:00 AM Mass - Jonesburg**
10:00 AM Mass - Mont. City - Our Parish Family



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 - \$3,361.00-Church; \$6,423.54-ICS/Daycare; \$ 9,784.54 -Total
 June 16th - \$8,361.56-Church; \$3,245.00-ICS/Daycare; \$11,606.56 -Total
 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 29th & 30th

Ministries	Saturday, 5:00 PM	Sunday, 10:00 AM
Lector	Dennis Benney	Elizabeth Schierhoff
Children's Liturgy	Not During Saturday Evening Mass	Lisa Gotsch
Communion Minister	Ruth Ann O'Keefe	Eileen Lotton
Ministers of Hospitality	Don & Lila Broz Daryl & Nancy Cobb	Brady & Dana Schneider Justin & Melissa Beabout
Servers	Malorie Schulte Mercer Cothren	Alena Beabout Leyla Beabout
Gift Bearers	Hospitality Ministers	Hospitality Ministers
Money Counters	Dottie Brueggen Debbie Heidelberger	Vicki Parker Megan Hans

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 24th	NO Mass - Montgomery City
Tuesday, June 25th	NO Mass - Montgomery City
Wednesday, June 26th	NO Mass - Jonesburg
Thursday, June 27th	NO Mass - Montgomery City
Friday, June 28th	NO Mass - Montgomery City
Saturday, June 29th	5:00 PM Mass - Montgomery City (Rosary at 4:30 PM)
Sunday, June 30th	8:00 AM Mass - Jonesburg 10:00 AM Mass - Montgomery City (Rosary at 9:30 AM)

Upcoming Events & Announcements

Monday, June 24th	6:30 PM - St. Vincent DePaul
Tuesday, June 25th	6:00 AM-5:00 PM - Adoration NO Benediction or Devotion to Divine Mercy
Wednesday, June 26th	5:30 PM - ICS Recruitment Mtg.
Thursday, June 27th	
Friday, June 28th	
Saturday, June 29th	
Sunday, June 30th	



Wedding Anniversary

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

*Chris & Carla Parker - 24 yrs of marriage on June 24th
Todd & Carol Oden - 35 yrs of marriage on June 30th*

Additional Financial Information

Capital Improvements/Maintenance	\$ 70.00
Holy Days (Ascension & Assumption)	\$ 45.00
Diocesan Missions	\$ 35.00
Harvest Picnic Donations	\$ 500.00

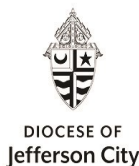
Save the Date!

The Annual Harvest Picnic will be September 15, 2024. Details to follow in future bulletins!

He woke up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Quiet! Be still!" The wind ceased and there was great calm. Then he asked them, "Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?" They were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this whom even wind and sea obey?"

Mark 4:39-41

Even in the storms of life, Jesus is with us, riding out the storm and leading us with his grace and mercy. All we have to do is trust and believe in his presence always.



Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Summer has arrived and with it, unfortunately, the ever-present chance of summer storms. High winds, tornadoes, thunderstorms, and flash floods make these storms frightening and dangerous. The disciples were terrified when a violent squall came up while they were sailing on the Sea of Galilee. But not Jesus. He rebuked the storm and calmed the waves. Even the forces of nature obeyed him. May we turn to the Lord during the stormy periods of our own lives. May our faith give us comfort and courage, trusting his strength and his concern for us all.

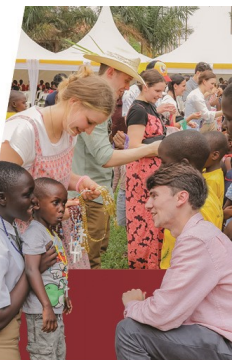
Question of the Week

What storms am I weathering right now? What storms can I see threatening those I know? How can my faith help me handle mine and assist others in theirs?

"It's very important, and with great urgency, to touch the suffering Jesus – the needy Jesus...Your change, just a little change, can make a big difference in one's life."

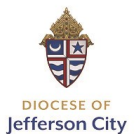
— Fr. Joseph Luzindana

Associate pastor of our Cathedral of St. Joseph;
ordained in the Archdiocese of Kampala, Uganda



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July 20-21

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The Parish Office will be closed Wednesday, June 26th for Diocesan Secretary Workshop.

Immaculate Conception School News



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

Head Count for June

June 1st - 71	June 2nd - 71 (not a typo!)
June 8th - 60	June 9th - 102
June 15th - 76	June 16th - 119
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.

Faculty Positions Available at St. George School Hermann MO

Middle School Math Teacher

We are in search of a certified **Elementary or Secondary Math Teacher** for the 2024-2025 school year. Applicants who have a current teaching certificate, active in their faith-life, and have a strong work ethic are perfect candidates for this position. The candidates should have an understanding of the importance of the developmental milestones in a child's life, as well as how math skills are developed. Other skills needed in this position are being able to effectively communicate with parents and work as part of a team with other teachers and staff members. A skill-set on using different platforms of technology is beneficial. A successful candidate can minister to students regardless of subject area and a teacher who is consistent with the Mission of St. George School, promotes and teaches the Catholic faith as reasonably determined by the principal. Applicants should hold the appropriate Missouri teaching certification, or its equivalent.

Part-Time Elementary and Middle School Music Teacher

We are in search of a certified **Part-Time Elementary and/or Secondary Music Teacher** for the 2024-2025 school year. Applicants who have a current teaching certificate, active in their faith-life, and have a strong work ethic are perfect candidates for this position. The candidates should have an understanding of the importance of the developmental milestones in a child's life, as well as how music techniques are developed. Other skills needed in this position are being able to effectively communicate with parents and work as part of a team with other teachers and staff members. A skill-set on using different platforms of technology is beneficial. A successful candidate can minister to students regardless of subject area and a teacher who is consistent with the Mission of St. George School, promotes and teaches the Catholic faith as reasonably determined by the principal. Applicants should hold the appropriate Missouri teaching certification, or its equivalent.

All interested persons should complete the application on the Jefferson City Diocesan website at: <https://diojeffcity.org/blog/2021/03/26/employment-in-our-catholic-schools/> and contact the Principal, Mrs. Amy Schebaum amyschebaum@sgs-hermann.com.

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

June 20th-23rd - St. George Rummage Sale in Hermann.
Thursday, June 20th - 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM
Friday, June 21st - 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM
Saturday, June 22nd - 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Sunday, June 23rd - 7:00 AM to 11:00 AM

Knights of Columbus Exemplification Service



Council 2044 of the Knights of Columbus will be having an Exemplification service **after mass** on the fifth Sunday June 30 for its five new members. The parish is welcome to witness. This ceremony exemplifies the three degrees of the Knights of Columbus, Charity, Unity and Fraternity. Our new Members are Fr. Ernest Dike, Kasey Pottebaum, Bob Hildebrand, Dale Anderson and Transfer Member Jerry Neale. There will be a carry in Lunch directly after this ceremony for all at the hall. Meat will be provided.



Pick-A-Prize Winners

...and the winner of the June 16th drawing was **Wesley Cobb!** He chose the Mystery Prize which was \$500.00 in cash. Congratulations Wes!

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

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: Tom Eggering, 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, 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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