



Be doers of the word and not hearers only,
deceiving yourselves.

JAMES 1:22

One for All and All for One

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

One day, I asked the eighth-graders I was teaching to imagine themselves on a fantasy journey. They had to pretend they were flying across the ocean in a small airplane when suddenly the plane has engine trouble. The pilot manages to land on a sandy island beach. Everyone survives, but a few passengers are injured.

The captain divides the passengers into groups, each with a specific task. One group is responsible for finding food; another for water; another to explore and map the island; another to care for the injured. After explaining the scenario, I divided the eighth-graders into groups of four or five to complete the same “pretend” tasks—to create a set of rules by which to live until they were all rescued. The rules each group created were much the same: share everything, no hoarding, no fighting, obey the captain, no stealing,

those who do not work do not eat. In effect, these eighth-graders created their own “commandments,” enabling the community to survive in its own kind of desert, likely in the same way the Ten Commandments helped the Israelites.

The teachings of Jesus do not abrogate the original Ten Commandments. They continue to hold a great deal of wisdom for surviving as a community. Jesus taught us to focus on how our behavior shapes the sort of individuals we become and, ultimately, what sort of community we form. What flows from one’s heart, Jesus taught, reveals who we are both alone and in community. ●

Reflect

***What would you include in a set of rules
for yourself and your family?***



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Weddings: By Appointment –A year in advance

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Wednesdays & Saturdays 8:00 PM in the Cottage

Mass Schedule at St. Anthony's

Sat	Aug 31	6:15 pm	Manuel Moura+
Sun	Sep 1	11:30 am	Parishioners of St. Anthony
Tues	Sep 3	8:15 am	
Wed	Sep 4	8:15 am	
Thurs	Sep 5	8:15 am	Manuel Rodrigues+
Fri	Sep 6	8:15 am	
Sat	Sep 7	6:15 pm	Parishioners of St. Anthony
Sun	Sep 8	11:30 am	Parishioners of St. Anthony

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to serve as lectors, Eucharistic ministers, ushers, collection counters, etc. if you can assist, kindly let Father Joe know.

Mass Schedule for St. Anthony's

Until the end of summer, the weekend masses will continue to be at 6:15 pm on Saturdays and 11:30 am on Sundays. The weekday mass will be at 8:15 am. **Please be aware that St. Anthony's Church will be open prior and closed after each Mass.**

Bulletin for August 31-September 1, 2024

Weekly Collections at St. Anthony's

Aug 17/Aug 18 \$ 2,201.00

Aug 25/Aug 26 \$ 3,309.00

Online payments can be made directly into the Bank account of St. Anthony's – Butterfield Bank – BD \$ Current A/c – 20006060061567100 and US \$ Current A/c - 20006840061567100.

Please make sure to indicate what the donation is for in the memo field when making the payment i.e., Gen collection; Maintenance; Mission Sunday, etc. Multiple payments can be made for those times that you are away or on vacation. Please note that we are charged \$20 for US checks drawn on a US Bank. Kindly do not place Canadian or British currency in the collection baskets.

Maintenance Collection – this weekend

Counters this week: Annette and Pat

Next week: Annette and Gabby

Pastor's Point

Dear Parishioners,

All of today's readings illuminate God's call to wholehearted obedience. Deuteronomy 4 names two purposes of God's holy law: one purpose faces inward, intended for the flourishing of Israel and one purpose faces outward, intended for witness to the world. For Israel, God gave the law "that you may live." As the psalmist writes, whoever follows the law will live well: in peace, without disturbance. The law is not to restrict followers but to set them free for a life of true abundance. As for the world, the law was given to Israel so that they could bear witness that their God's wisdom and kindness surpass all other nations' gods. The law illuminated the Israelites so that they might shine brightly, drawing other nations to Israel's God.

James picks up on the theme of fruitful obedience and applies it to Christians. He uses three metaphors to show how intertwined our lives are with God's "word of truth" (that is, the Scripture, or God's law): we are the infant children of the Word; we are like the first figs blossoming the Word's tree; and we are the soil in which the Word is planted. Our lives are bound up with God's Word, in such a way that to hear the Word without living it out would be to turn away from our parent, to wither on the tree, or to dry up and crack as desert soil.

Finally, Mark's Gospel warns that obedience to the law

must be deeper than mere observance. Our obedience should be inward, coming from hearts turned toward God. Mark warns, rather literally, against paying "lip service" to the law without loving God with the heart. The purpose of God's holy law is inner transformation leading to abundant life.

I believe that there are some ways to monitor the effectiveness of the above within, namely if this interiorization is taking place would others notice a change (or changes) within me and maybe they will say such, but also do I notice such a change (or changes) within me and experience how others relate to me? When you pray the Our Father, you say "...thy (God's) will be done," not "my will be done." Try God's way for a change and see or better yet EXPERIENCE what happens.

God bless,
Fr. Joe (acting) Pastor

Bishop's Corner

Dear Fellow-Catholics,
Pope Francis has established the 1st of September as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, encouraging the Catholic community around the world to pray for our common home. The day is inspired by Pope Francis' landmark encyclical *Laudato Si'*, which calls on "every person living on this planet" to care for our shared Earth.

On this occasion, the Holy Father writes a message addressed to the Catholic Church and to all people of good will. The theme for 2024 is "Hope and Act with Creation" which draws its inspiration from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans.

In his message, Pope Francis encourages us "to live an incarnational faith, one that can enter into the suffering and hope-filled "flesh" of others; to join forces to help to rethink, among other things, the question of human power, its meaning, and its limits; to extend harmony among humanity and to creation in the sense of responsibility for a humane and integral ecology, the path of salvation of our common home. With the assistance of the Holy Spirit seek to live a life that becomes a song of love for God, for humanity, with and for creation, and that finds its fullness in holiness."

For the official text of the Pope's message see:

<https://tinyurl.com/3dzfkjsn>

May your weekend be serene and your week blessed!

Bishop Wes

Important Notices

Please be advised that there will be NO Wednesday evening Portuguese Mass at St. Patrick's during the Summer. This Mass will resume on the 2nd of October, 2024.

Please be advised that the 9:00am Mass at St. Theresa's on Saturdays will be suspended for the summer, due to very low attendance. The Mass will resume on Saturday, September 14, 2024

Mass at St. Theresa's Cathedral

Please be advised that on Wednesday, 4th of September, the 12:10pm Mass will resume at St. Theresa's Cathedral, and will be celebrated on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

Bible Study Resumes

EMMAUS BIBLE STUDY - looks at the 3 Scriptural readings for the upcoming weekend with questions for discussion after each reading with those present. It is a very good way to prepare for the Scriptures with other parishioners. This is a free Bible Study and all of the information will be provided. It will be taking place at St. Michael's starting on Tuesday September 3rd from 3:00 - 4:30 pm. All are welcome. For further information please phone Fr. Joe at 705-0236.

ST. CHARLES "GOING DEEPER" BIBLE STUDY - which goes into greater detail virtually line by line for the upcoming Scriptural readings at Mass. This is a NEW free Bible Study and all of the information will be provided. It will be taking place at St. Michael's starting on Thursday September 5th from 3:00 - 4:30 pm. All are welcome. For further information please phone Fr. Joe at 705-0236.

St. Anthony's Club

As the summer is ending and getting ready to go back to school, I just wanted to inform you that our Friday Club (CCD) will start sometime in October. This is for all children ages 5 - 14. Classes K - Confirmation. If you have or know of any children wishing to attend, please email me and I will get them registered. Please note, if you've been to our Friday programme, you are already registered. I will send another email in early October with the start date. Looking forward to seeing you soon.

Dear Padre,

Do Christians need to follow the Ten Commandments, or are they the “Old Law”?

There is nothing arbitrary or old-fashioned about the commandments of God. The Ten Commandments, given to us by the Author of the World, are found in Exodus 20:2–17. They are: (1) I, the Lord, am your God. You shall not have other gods besides me. (2) You shall not take the name of the Lord, your God, in vain. (3) Remember to keep holy the Lord’s day. (4) Honor your father and your mother. (5) You shall not kill. (6) You shall not commit adultery. (7) You shall not steal. (8) You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. (9) You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife. (10) You shall not covet your neighbor’s goods.

The first three Commandments were meant to guide us in our relationship with God; the remaining seven Commandments pertain to our relationships with others. Jesus gives us a new motivation for keeping the Commandments—the motivation of love. He gives a double commandment: love of God and love of neighbor (Mark 12:28–34). Saint Paul tells us these new commands fulfill those of the Old Law (Romans 13:8–10); and John writes that keeping the Commandments simply out of fear of punishment is not enough: love must be the driving force (1 John 4:18). ●

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
September 2	September 3	September 4	September 5	September 6	September 7	September 8
<i>Weekday</i>	<i>St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
1 Cor 2:1–5 Lk 4:16–30	1 Cor 2:10b–16 Lk 4:31–37	1 Cor 3:1–9 Lk 4:38–44	1 Cor 3:18–23 Lk 5:1–11	1 Cor 4:1–5 Lk 5:33–39	1 Cor 4:6b–15 Lk 6:1–5	Is 35:4–7a Jas 2:1–5 Mk 7:31–37



GIULIO NAPOLITANO / SHUTTERSTOCK

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

We spend time assigning blame; but spending time blaming others is wasting time. We become angry, bitter, and keep God away from our heart.... One cannot be truly religious while complaining: complaining poisons, it leads you to anger, to resentment and to sadness...which closes the door to God. Let us ask the Lord today to free us from blaming others....

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