Our Parish

June 8, 2025

Pentecost (C)



Acts 2:1–11 / 1 Corinthians 12:3b–7, 12–13 or Romans 8:8–17 / John 20:19–23 or John 14:15–16, 23b–26



Spirited Life

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

e are in a time when many seem to live with deep anger, much of which may come from fear generated by a sense of loss of control over our lives. We struggle to control the economy, our borders, the spread of disease, the violence in our cities and on our roads. Places once deemed safe—our schools, stores, and churches—have been invaded by violence. Ironically, those who feel most threatened by violence tend to turn to violence as a solution.

Do the scripture readings on this feast of Pentecost offer any hint of light as to how we might move forward? Saint Paul's Letter to the Romans contrasts living in the flesh with living in the spirit that has been given to us. To "live in the flesh" is Paul's code word for living by our baser instincts—lust for power, revenge, and pleasure; anger; greed—all of which focus on ourselves. By contrast, to live in the spirit is to respond not from our baser instincts but rather to choose a more noble path, to take the high road, to care for the common good. For Paul, living in the flesh is a dead end, unable to bring us to life now or in the hereafter. To live in the spirit is to live in God, already in this life. Thus, Paul cautions that we not "fall back into fear," something that arises from our preoccupation with the flesh. •

Reflect-

What situations or "triggers" cause me to act out of my baser instincts?



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Mass Schedule at St. Anthony's

June	7	6:15 pm	Parishioners of St. Anthony
June	8	11:30 am	Guy Brisson+
June	10	8:30 am	Deolinda Carvalho+
June	11	8:30 am	
June	12	8:30 am	Tony Bari+
June	13	8:30 am	
June	14	6:15 pm	Jose Francisco Linhares & Maria

Connie Cabral++

June 15 11:30 am Bernardino Moura Moreira+

Volunteers Needed

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

WORDS OF LIFE - June 8th

"Dearest St. Joseph... Help us to faithfully commit ourselves to the service and defense of human life —especially where it is vulnerable or threatened. Obtain for us the grace to do the will of God in all things. Amen." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Prayer to St. Joseph, Defender of Life"

Confirmation Candidates at St. Anthony's Church

EMILY CORREIA	KAMORA SALTUS			
JACOB FURTADO	AVA VALADAO			
MATEUS ROCHA	HANA WILKINSON			

Bulletin for June 7/June 8, 2025

Weekly Collections at St. Anthony's

May 24/ May 25 \$ 3,054.00 May 31/ June 1 \$ 1,611.00

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

Counting Schedule:

This week: Annette and Steve Next week: Annette and Denis

Pastoral Point

DEAR PARISHIONERS, :

SECTION V -- THE TEACHING OF THE MAGISTERIUM

For this reason, it is gravely unjust to enact laws that legalize euthanasia or justify or support suicide. The existence of such laws deeply wound human relations and justice, threatening the mutual trust among human beings. They also strike at the foundation of the legal order, as the right to life sustains all other rights.

Pope Francis recalls that our awareness of what makes human life precious is gradually eroding as human life "is increasingly valued on the basis of its efficiency and utility, to the point of considering as 'discarded lives' or 'unworthy lives' those who do not meet this criterion."14

In some countries, tens of thousands have already died by euthanasia. Physicians themselves report that abuses frequently occur when the lives of persons who would never have desired euthanasia are terminated. Likewise, the request for death is in many cases a *symptom* of disease, aggravated by isolation and discomfort.

Rather than condemning those looking to hasten death, the Christian must offer to the sick the help they need to shake off their despair. Earthly life is not the supreme value; ultimate happiness is in heaven. The Christian must help the dying to place their hope in God.

From a clinical perspective, the factors that largely determine requests for euthanasia are unmanaged pain and loss of hope, often provoked by inadequate

psychological and spiritual human assistance. Requests for death should not be understood as "a true desire for euthanasia; in fact, it is almost always a case of an anguished plea for help and love."15

The "end of life," inevitably accompanied by pain and suffering, can be faced with dignity only by seeing in the event of death the horizon of eternal life and affirming the transcendent destiny of each person. Those who assist persons with chronic illnesses or in the terminal stages of life must know how to keep vigil with those suffering, to console them and instil hope.

"Weep with those who weep" (*Rm* 12:15). Love is made possible and suffering given meaning in relationships where persons share in solidarity the human condition and the journey to God. When physicians and patients are united in the recognition of the value of life and the mystical meaning of suffering, good medical care can be valued, while today's utilitarian and individualistic outlook is dispelled.

SOURCE: Letter of the Congregation for the Doctrine of he Faith, *Samaritanus bonus* on the care of persons in the critical and terminal phases of life: Compendium by the USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities on Pages 8 & 9, 2020.

God bless,

Fr .Joe Morley, Pastor/Vicar General/Acting Pastor

Bishop"s Corner

Dear Fellow-Catholics,

In popular Catholic piety, each month of the year has become associated with a corresponding spiritual theme that focuses on various aspects of the Christian faith. June has become known in the last century as the Month of the Sacred Heart, due to the fact that the feast of the Sacred Heart is celebrated each year during it. This year this feast falls on Friday, 27th of June.

This was not always the case, as the feast was not recognized until the 19th century. It all started when St. Margaret Mary Alacoque received private revelations from Jesus Christ. Jesus spoke to her and asked her specifically to promote a feast that honored his Sacred Heart. "I ask of you that the Friday after the Octave of Corpus Christi be set apart for a special Feast to honour my heart, by communicating on that day, and making reparation to it by a solemn act, in order to make amends for the indignities which it has received during the time it has been exposed on the altars. I promise you that my heart shall expand itself to shed in abundance the influence of its Divine Love upon those who shall thus honour it, and cause it to be honoured."

The entire purpose of this devotion is to draw a person closer to the heart of Christ. If a person spreads devotion to

the Sacred Heart, it is natural for him or her to be closer to God.

Perhaps it would not harm us to add to our prayers in June a little invocation: *Most Sacred Heart of Jesus have mercy on me and hold me close in your heart*.

Pope Leo makes a reference to this Catholic tradition in his first "The Pope Video" for June 2025:

https://tinyurl.com/2p9zjyte

May your weekend be restful and your week blessed! Bishop Wes

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Bingo for Seniors

Bingo for Seniors: On Saturday June 28th bingo for seniors (50+) will resume from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm in the church hall. Bingo cards will sell for \$3 each or 2 for \$5. A list of possible prize donations for the bingo is located at the back of the church. Please sign up for a donation prize. Kindly place your donations in the box on the floor in the back of the church. All those who attend are asked to bring a tray of sandwiches or a dessert. If you have any questions, contact Annette Boyle at 236-7759. Kindly let her know if you will attend as this will help with the setting up of tables.

Apartment Needed

A member of our parish is in need of a one bedroom furnished apartment after the month of July for a reasonable monthly rent. References can be provided if needed. Kindly call Chris at 501-2254 if you can assist him.

Classical Music Concert

St. Joseph's Church in Somerset will present (in the church) a **Classical Music Concert** on **Sunday, 15th & 22nd June at 5:00 p.m**. The performance presented will be the same on both evenings and will feature Steve Crawford (Guitar); Jane Farge (Classical Contralto Opera Singer); Johanna Pino Gonzales (Viola & Violin) and Andrea Hodson Patton (Piano).

Tickets: Adults: \$25: Seniors & Children/students (5-18) \$10. Proceeds will be shared by PALS and St. Joseph's Church.

St. Joseph's Church in Somerset will host an Informal Afternoon of Music on Sunday, 29th June at 2:30 p.m.

This is meant to be a "fun" programme featuring children and adults. Admission by donation. All are invited to enjoy refreshments in the Parish Centre afterwards.

For further information contact Liz Card (234-0872 or lizatstjosephs@gmail.com) or Jane Farge (747-40

Dear Padre,

My Catholic friend says she speaks in tongues and does not feel she needs an interpretation as she does so. She writes down the exchange as she listens to others. What does the Catholic Church say about speaking in tongues? How should I respond if she asks to pray for me in this way?

Good for your friend. A robust spiritual practice is a real grace from God. At the same time, it seems that a gentle reminder,



albeit a respectful one, to your friend might include the wisdom of St. Paul. In 1 Corinthians, Paul cautions that the person who speaks in tongues must ask for interpretation of what is spoken so that it may be confirmed. There is real wisdom offered here. It is also helpful to remember that in the Christian understanding of supernatural gifts, such gifts are not intended solely for the individual person but always for the well-being of the community and the common good (1 Cor 12:7). Keeping this integrated and balanced understanding as an essential component of the manifestation of the charismatic gifts of the Holy Spirit will only lead to good and to a more powerful experience of God's grace and life. In the Christian life, it is never about just the individual, but always inclusive of the experience of our brothers and sisters in Christ. •

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to *DearPadre.org* to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
June 9	June 10	June 11	June 12	June 13	June 14	June 15
The Blessed	Weekday	St. Barnabas,	Weekday	St. Anthony of	Weekday	The Most Holy
Virgin Mary,	2 Cor 1:18–22	Apostle	2 Cor 3:15-	Padua, Priest	2 Cor 5:14-21	Trinity
Mother of the	Mt 5:13-16	Acts 11:21b-26;	4:1, 3-6	and Doctor of	Mt 5:33-37	Prv 8:22-31
Church		13:1-3	Mt 5:20-26	the Church		Rom 5:1-5
Gn 3:9-15, 20		Mt 5:17-19		2 Cor 4:7-15		Jn 16:12-15
or Acts 1:12-14				Mt 5:27-32		
Jn 19:25-34						



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

The Holy Spirit...makes believers attentive to the problems and events of their time.... We run the risk of making a museum piece out of faith...! [The Holy Spirit]...brings...the faith up to date: this is his job. [He] does not bind himself to passing epochs or trends, but brings into today the relevance of Jesus, risen and living.

REGINA CAELI, ROME, JUNE 5, 2022

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