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Communion Service:
Sun. 11:15 AM

Once Upon a Mountaintop

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Many people, perhaps most people, have had a religious experience of some sort, something akin to that of Peter, James, and John atop the mountain with Jesus. It may or may not have included hearing a voice. Most often it is a deep sense of God's presence beyond anything they have ever known, like a profound realization of what life is about or how it is lived through and through with God. It usually occurs as we are idle, not doing anything in particular, and often when we are younger, yet it is also something that changes our understanding of what life and God are about.

Most people do not talk about such experiences for any number of reasons, partly because there do not seem to be words to describe such a moment in a way anyone would understand, like trying to describe falling in love. Partly because if we tried, we fear others would think us strange. And partly because we can find ourselves wondering whether it was real or simply our imagination. Yet always we remember the moment and know it to be true.

One additional characteristic of such moments is that they tend to take us to a new place in life, as with Abram in the first reading. For him it was to pack up his life and move. More likely for us it is to a life of service, caring, and treasuring all of life now in a new way. ●

Reflect

*If you've had a religious experience,
is there someone you can talk to about
how it changed your faith?*

Then from the cloud came a voice that said,
"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am
well pleased; listen to him."

MATTHEW 17:5B



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RECONCILIATION: Saturday 3:15 - 3:45 PM and by appointment.

BAPTISMS: By appointment. Contact Father Viviano

WEDDINGS: Please contact at least 6 months in advance.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call any time or by appointment.

Bishop McKnight's March prayer intention for our Local Church

For a greater respect for the dignity of all human life; may our Catholic Faith inspire us to recognize all human beings — no matter their age, race, or condition — as our brothers and sisters in the Lord.



MASS INTENTIONS

Mar. 4	4:00 PM	Annunciation/St. Andrew
Mar. 5	9:45 AM	Donato Garcia
	11:15 AM	Souls in Purgatory
Mar. 7	8:00 AM	Tammy Korte
Mar. 9	8:00 AM	Jerome Day, Jr
Mar. 11	4:00 PM	Glenda/Wes Distler
Mar. 12	9:45 AM	Annunciation/St. Andrew
	11:15 AM	Souls in Purgatory

LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday, March 4th 4:00 pm

Lector:	Russ Anderson
Servers:	Need Volunteer
Greeter:	Tim Baker/Tim Forck
Song Leader:	Larry Dahler
Organist:	Betty Pringer
Rosary:	Joyce Ziehmer

Sunday - March 5th 9:45 am

Lector:	Youth Mass
Servers:	
Greeter:	
Song Leader:	Bev Kleffner
Organist:	Betty Pringer
Rosary:	Margaret Bieri

Saturday, March 11th 4:00 pm

Lector:	Pauline Forck
Servers:	Need Volunteer
Greeter:	Jim/Irene Hoback
Song Leader:	Rosemary Bardwell
Organist:	Jo Pummill
Rosary:	Margaret Reynolds

Sunday - March 12th 9:45 am

Lector:	J. Gattermeir
Servers:	Nicki Frank/Preslee Marriott
Greeter:	Bernie/JoAnn Bestgen
Song Leader:	Marian Fleischmann
Organist:	Jo Pummill
Rosary:	Marian Fleischmann

PRAYER LIST

Please Pray for these and all who are in need of prayer. Call the office to add someone or take someone off.

Larry Peck; Terry McCann; Linda Rodick; Patrick Fischer; Donna Arauz; Jennifer Bax; Linda Reichel; Mary Jo Garnett; Liz Schlup; Tucker Clough (great-grandson Linda Bardwell); Baby Harrison Luebbert; Steve Gerlt; Abe Rohrbach; Dylann Henley; Lanny Wingate; Johnny Ferrell; Racheal Rachau; Baby Lillian (granddaughter of Lori Heather) Vickie Schroeder; Marylin Durk; Cody Schmidt; Betty Pringer; David Strickfaden; Ruth Ziehmer, Brenda Irely; Joann Ponder; Jamie Bax; Stephanie Marshall; Jim Imhoff; Barb Glenn; Darrell Bolin; Chris Schoenthal; Larry Hoback; Sister Leona Bax; Roger Borgmeyer; Carol Baker; Amanda Imhoff; Connie Sack; Jeff Johnson; Gary Fleischmann; John & Barbara Reichl (parents of Bill Reichl); Louis Forck (grandson of Tim & Pauline Forck); Terry Carlson; Bob Winkler; Special Intention; Rachel Frank; Abe Baepler; Andrea Tilbury; Carol Rackers; Keith Connell; Alfred Rhodus

THIS WEEK AT ANNUNCIATION

Saturday, Mar. 4	St. Casimir
̄Mass 4:00 PM	Annunciation/St. Andrew
Sunday, Mar. 5	Second Sunday of Lent
̄Mass 9:45 AM	Donato Garcia
11:15	Souls in Purgatory
8:30 - 9:30 AM	Religious Education
	Confirmation
Monday, Mar. 6	
5:45 PM	No Rosary
8:00 PM	AA-Alon
Tuesday, Mar. 7	
̄Mass 8:00 AM	Tammy Korte
Wednesday, Mar. 8	
6:00 PM	Parish Council
Thursday, Mar. 9	
̄Mass 8:00 AM	Jerome Day, Jr
7:00 PM	Holy Hour - Spanish
Friday, March 10	
	Stations of Cross 6:30 pm
Saturday, Mar. 11	BVM
̄Mass 4:00 PM	Glenda/Wes Distler
Sunday, Mar. 12	3 rd Sunday of Lent
̄Mass 9:45 AM	Annunciation/St. Andrew
11:15 AM	Souls in Purgatory
8:30 - 9:30 AM	Religious Education
2:30 - 7:00 PM	Confirmation Retreat

PARISH NEWS

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS - FEBRUARY

Happenings in the Parish

Friday, March 3rd – March 17th Fish Fries –

Annunciation - dine in or drive thru 4:00 – 6:30 pm
5-10 \$7, 11& up \$13 --Fried fish, spiral fries, baked beans, cole slaw, cornbread and dessert

Stations of the Cross – Friday evenings 6:30 PM thru Lent

Adult Faith Formation Classes will be meeting on Wednesday evenings throughout Lent at Annunciation with Deacon Bob.

Decree of dispensation for St. Patrick's Day February 24, 2023 | Decree Dispensing the Faithful from the Obligation of Abstinence on the Memorial of St. Patrick

Whereas, Catholics in the United States are required to observe abstinence from meat on each Friday of Lent (NCCB, Pastoral Statement on Penance and Abstinence, n. 13); Whereas, the Memorial of St. Patrick falls on a Friday in Lent this year; Whereas, “during the Lenten season, certain feasts occur which ..local custom traditionally exempts from the Lenten spirit of penance ...” which may be regulated at the diocesan level (ibid., n. 16); Whereas, the Diocesan Bishop is competent to dispense or commute from universal and particular disciplinary laws (cc. 87 §1, 1245; Regulae Juris, 35); Therefore, I hereby

DISPENSE

those who wish to celebrate St. Patrick Day from the observance of abstinence from meat on Friday, March 17, 2023 . Those who reside or are present within the Diocese of Jefferson City and who wish to make use of this provision are encouraged to observe at least one of these three alternative penances on that day: participate at Mass; participate in the devotion of the Stations of the Cross; or pray the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Holy Rosary.

Given at the Chancery on the 24th day of February in the year of our Lord 2023.

1st week: \$4,106.50 3rd week: \$ 5,720.00
2nd week: \$ 9,395.30 4th week: \$ 2,798.00

Candles \$62.37 Hispanic \$360.00
Stipends \$20.00

Confirmation Information

Date: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 at 6:30 PM at St. Andrew Church, Tipton, MO. Turn all forms in now! **The space is going to be limited to the confirmand, sponsor, and 4 guests.**

Pro-Life Join pro-lifers in Jefferson City on Wednesday, March 8th at the State Capitol to encourage your legislators to pass pro-life legislation.

Registration begins at 10:00 am in the 1st floor rotunda and the rally starts at noon.

Kindergarten Information Night on March 22 at 6:00pm in the St. Andrew School cafeteria.

Picnic Chair

Need a volunteer to chair the 2023 Picnic. Please consider this or pray about this. If interested contact Evelyn Jobe. (573) 301-4945.

28th Annual Big Bucks Bonanza – March 18th,
Tipton Knights of Columbus Hall – Tipton
Dinner and Drawing – Donation \$150 per couple
Prime Rib, Parmesan Chicken and the works
\$2,500 Grand Prize – Carry-outs 5:30 – 6:30
To get tickets contact Don Vanderfeltz 690-2641



Congratulations to Henley Grace Trachsel, daughter of Jonathan and Morgan (Henley) Trachsel, who was baptized here on Sunday, February 26th. May God continue to bless them.

Fish Fries:

California – Annunciation – March 17 – 4:00 – 6:30

Russellville – St. Michael – Mar. 17th & 31st 4:30 – 7:00

Tipton – St. Andrew CYO – March 24 – 4:30 – 7:00

Tipton Farmers & Sportsman – March 31 - 4:30 – 7:00

St. Martin's - March 10 & 24th – 4:30 – 7:30

FORMED - the Catholic Faith. on Demand.

To be a part of FORMED, please follow the instructions below.

- 1) formed.org
- 2) Sign Up
- 3) Sign up as a Parishioner
- 4) Zip code (65081) for St. Andrew & Annunciation

Dear Padre,

What is the value of lighting a candle in church?

Lighting candles is one of many customs that can be found in most of the world's religions. Lit candles, in church or at home, in front of a picture or statue of a favorite saint, serve a symbolic function. The light of the candle represents our desire that our prayer may be constant, as St. Paul urged (1 Thessalonians 5:17). The candle burns while we go about our daily tasks, symbolizing our desire to be at prayer with God. Similarly, Tibetan Buddhists spin prayer wheels and believe that as long as the wheels spin, a prayer is offered. Candles give light and banish the darkness. For Catholics they symbolize the light of Christ, by whose death and resurrection we are saved.

Lighting a candle isn't a required act. You can pray without lighting candles, without statues, without anything but your faith in God. However, we Catholics love our symbols. We like to engage all of our senses in our prayer experience: beautiful churches, colored light, incense, great music and, yes, candles.

One extreme position to avoid is lighting a candle hoping it will cause something else to happen, like the sudden cure of a loved one or relief from financial ruin. We are to avoid all appearance of using candles as if they have an untapped, magical power. Nevertheless, lighting a candle as a part of our prayer is a comforting custom and most things (and people?) look lovelier by candlelight. ●



Fr. Rick Potts, 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
March 6	March 7	March 8	March 9	March 10	March 11	March 12
<i>Lenten Weekday</i>	<i>Lenten Weekday</i>	<i>Lenten Weekday</i>	<i>Lenten Weekday</i>	<i>Lenten Weekday</i>	<i>Lenten Weekday</i>	<i>Third Sunday of Lent</i>
Dn 9:4b-10	Is 1:10, 16-20	Jer 18:18-20	Jer 17:5-10	Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17-28	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20	Ex 17:3-7
Lk 6:36-38	Mt 23:1-12	Mt 20:17-28	Lk 16:19-31	Mt 21:33-43, 45-46	Lk 15:1-3, 11-32	Rom 5:1-2, 5-8 Jn 4:5-42



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Do not be afraid to let yourself be guided by the Holy Spirit. Holiness does not make you less human, since it is an encounter between your weakness and the power of God's grace. For in the words of León Bloy,... "The only great tragedy in life is not to become a saint."

GAUDETE ET EXSULTATE (ON THE CALL TO HOLINESS IN TODAY'S WORLD), MARCH 19, 2018