



## The Wisdom Meal

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**C**ommon sense and wisdom are two different realities, similar but not the same. Common sense can be taught, and it tends to be black and white, rather obvious. For the most part, parents teach their children common sense. *Don't run with a knife in your hands. Look both ways before you cross the street. Wash your hands before you eat.* Wisdom, on the other hand, tends to be more nuanced. It has a depth to it that cannot be taught. Rather, it is learned by experience and is more obscure than obvious. Sometimes, wisdom may not even seem to make sense. *One finds life by losing it. We find meaning not by focusing on ourselves but rather upon others and their needs. Less is more. Might does not make right.* Wisdom is the home of God.

Throughout Scripture, the virtue of wisdom is often personified as Lady Wisdom. She is thought to have been present with God even before creation and with God at creation (Proverbs 8:22-31). Wisdom has spread her table before us and invites us: "Come, eat of my food, / and drink of the wine I have mixed!.... / advance in the way of understanding" (Proverbs 9:5-6). Jesus is the wisdom of God made flesh. To feast on Jesus' Body and Blood through the Eucharist is to feast on the wisdom of God. There, at his table, we begin to look at life the way God does. ●

### Reflect

**When faced with difficulties, do you stop and pray for wisdom—to see as God sees?**



"Forsake foolishness that you may live; advance in the way of understanding."

PROVERBS 9:6

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**MASS TIMES:**  
SAT. 4:00 PM  
SUN. 9:45 AM  
**Spanish Mass/  
Communion Service:**  
SUN. 11:15 AM

**Our Mission:**  
We, the family of Annunciation Parish, desire to build a community of love and service to our community and those in need as we bear witness to the teaching of Jesus Christ.

**PARISH EMAIL:** [annunciationcaliforniamo@gmail.com](mailto:annunciationcaliforniamo@gmail.com)

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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.

**Our Church Motto is JOY**  
JESUS First  
OTHERS Second  
YOURSELF Third

**Bishop McKnight's August prayer intention for our Local Church**

For a greater respect for the dignity of each and every human life in all public policies.



## LITURGICAL ROLES

### Saturday, August 17, 4:00 pm

Mass Coord: Russell & Lisa Anderson  
Lector: Becky Bloch  
Servers: Russell Anderson  
Song Leader: David Garnett  
Organist: Jo Pummill  
Greeters: Robert & Elaine Anderson  
Rosary: Vickie Schroeder

### Sunday, August 18, 9:45 am

Lector: Rita Henley  
Servers: Bax Family  
Song Leader: Marian Fleischmann  
Organist: Jo Pummill  
Greeters: Carol & Doug Distler  
Rosary: Rita Henley

### Saturday, August 24, 4:00 pm

Mass Coord: Tim & Pauline Forck  
Lector: Dale Glenn  
Servers: Jerry Hoback  
Song Leader: Rosemary Bardwell  
Organist: Ruth Ann Jobe  
Greeters: Tim Forck & Tim Baker  
Rosary: Joyce Ziehmer

### Sunday, August 25, 9:45 am

Lector: Becki Collier  
Servers: Nicki Frank  
Song Leader: Joann Bestgen  
Organist: Ruth Ann Jobe  
Greeters: Alicia & Mike Taube  
Rosary: David Bax

## VOCATIONS

Please pray for the men who are studying and discerning a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life. This week, please pray for:

Mr, Shane Kliethermes (from Jefferson City)  
Mundelein Seminary  
1000 E. Maple Ave.  
Mundelein, IL 60060

## SOULS IN PURGATORY PRAYER

Our Lord promised St. Gertrude the Great that 1000 souls would be released from purgatory each time this prayer is said devoutly.

**Eternal Father,**

**I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal Church, those in my own home and within my family.**

**Amen.**

## PRAYER LIST

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

Helen Heinen; Curt Bittle; Shawn Bax; Suzy Allee; Linda Bardwell; Heather Kopczuk (niece of Janice Frank and Trish Brauch); Andrea Emilia Bernabey; Cáceres family; Robert Garner; Glenda Williams; Paula Volkmer; Tracy Davis; Beckie Dubbert; Beverly Cain; John Michael McCoy; Special Intention; J. Gattermeir; Pat Roll; Sally Schepers; Janice Howard; Elaine Petree; Logan family; Sharon (Imhoff) Dresel; Linda Reichel; Steve Gerlt; Mark Bardwell; Dylann Henley; Lanny Wingate; Marilyn Durk; Cody Schmidt; David Strickfaden; Ruth Ziehmer; Jamie Bax; Jim Imhoff; Barb Glenn; Darrell Bolin; Roger Borgmeyer; Carol Baker; Amanda Imhoff; Connie Sack; Jeff Johnson; Gary Fleischmann; Barbara Reichl (mother of Bill Reichl); Louis Forck (grandson of Tim & Pauline Forck); Terry Carlson; Rachel Frank; Abe Baepler; Andrea Tilbury; Carol Rackers; Keith Connell; Alfred Rhodus.

## THIS WEEK AT ANNUNCIATION

\*Mass Intentions

### **Saturday, August 17**

TMass 4:00 PM \*Annunciation and  
St. Andrew Parishioners

### **Sunday, August 18**

TMass 9:45 AM \*Vocations  
Spanish Mass 11:15 AM \*Souls in Purgatory

### **Monday, August 19**

5:45 PM Prayer of the Holy Rosary  
8:00 PM AA-ALNON

### **Tuesday, August 20**

TMass 8:00 AM \*Jane McCumber  
6:00 PM Knights of Columbus Meeting

### **Wednesday, August 21**

6:30 PM Bible Study

### **Thursday, August 22**

TMass 8:00 AM \*Special Intentions for  
David and Winnie Bax  
4:30-6:00 PM Mobile Food Pantry  
7:00 PM Holy Hour – Spanish

### **Saturday, August 24**

TMass 4:00 PM \*Adam Berhorst

### **Sunday, August 25**

TMass 9:45 AM \*Sam Bower  
Spanish Mass 11:15 AM \*Souls in Purgatory

### **Breaking Free From Pornography**

Matt Fradd is a national Catholic podcaster and speaker. He has developed a powerful online program to help one break free from pornography. The program is **Strive21**. You can access this program at **Strive21.com**

## PARISH NEWS

**PSR teachers Needed** - We are in need of one teacher assistant in 1st grade; 1 teacher assistant for 3rd and 4th grades and 2 teachers for 5th and 6th grades;. Please give prayerful consideration to helping us with this important ministry. If you would be willing to help, please call Gloria at (217) 257-1155 or email at DREAnnunciation@gmail.com.

**Men of Annunciation Parish** - You are invited to join the Men of Signum Crucis at the next gathering, which begins at 6:30 pm on Wednesday, August 21st, at Helias Catholic High School. Feel free to come early to pray the Rosary at 6:00 pm in the Chapel.

The topic this month is "Catholicism and the Culture," presented by Mark Rehagen. Come to learn how to deal with and lead your families through the shifting culture.

As always, enter the school on the east end of the front Swifts Highway parking lot to sign in. The Hospitality men will greet you right inside the door and direct you to the appropriate location.

The mission of the Men of Signum Crucis is to provide Fraternity through Study, Devotion, and Service to sharpen ourselves to meet the many challenges of our day. For more information, contact Mark Rehagen at 573-680-2520, or visit us at [www.menofsignumcrucis.com](http://www.menofsignumcrucis.com).

**Confirmation - 2025** - Anyone in 7th or 8th grade who would like to be confirmed next spring please go to the Annunciation website ([annunciation.diojeffcity.org](http://annunciation.diojeffcity.org)). Click on the tab for Confirmation Registration. There is a tab for English and one for Spanish. **Please register by August 25th, 2024, so we can make preparations for the class.** If you were not baptized at Annunciation we will need proof of your baptism from the church in which you were baptized. **If you were baptized at Annunciation, but do not know the date, text Gloria at 217-257-1155 and we will text the date to you. When filling out the online registration form, in the space for sponsor, just type "not sure" if you do not know yet.**

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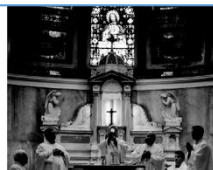
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*Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him. Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me.*

John 6:56-57

It is through the Eucharist that we recognize the gifts we have received from God himself, leading us to a life of joy, gratitude, and faith.



  
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## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS – August

1<sup>st</sup> week: \$9,520.90      3<sup>rd</sup> week: \$  
2<sup>nd</sup> week: \$4,982.62      4<sup>th</sup> week: \$

Candles: \$76.55      Building Fund: \$10.00  
Stipends: \$20.00      Mustard Seed: \$300.00

Altar Flowers:

The flower arrangement this week is from Linda Bardwell in memory of her husband, Gary Bardwell.

Congratulations to Sabriel Lyn Jobe, daughter of Addison and Sierra Jobe, who was baptized here on Saturday, August 10th. May God continue to bless them.

## HAPPENINGS IN THE PARISH

**Holy Rosary** - every Monday at 5:45pm.

**Knights of Columbus** – Tuesday, August 20th. The meal is at 6pm and the meeting will begin at 7pm. All men of the parish are invited to join!

**Bible Study** – every Wednesday at 6:30pm.

**Mobile Food Pantry** – This Thursday, August 22nd, 4:30-6:00pm. Volunteers arrive around 3:45pm to set up. This service is for anyone in Moniteau County with no income restrictions. Delivery is available if you call the parish office no later than Tuesday morning. Thank you to all our faithful volunteers!

**Artwork for Sale** – The holy land group will be visiting our parish on August 31st and September 1st on behalf of the Christian families in Bethlehem and Jerusalem. Their mission is to support those families in the holy land. When the holy land group visits our parish, they will have hand carved nativity sets, statues, crosses, rosaries, and many other pieces of beautiful olive wood art. We kindly invite you to visit their display and to consider purchasing a piece of art from the holy land. In doing so you will help support the many families who depend on this form of art for their living. Your purchase will make a difference in the lives of many Christian families.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**Church Picnics**

St. Pius X in Moberly - August 18th, 10am-3pm.

Sacret Heart in Eldon - August 25th, 11am-6pm.

Our Lady of the Snows - Mary's Home, Sept. 1st, 11am-7pm.

**Cedron Mass** – August 24<sup>th</sup>, at 4pm.

Friends of Cedron Get-together at the Jamestown Community Building from 11am-3pm. Potluck lunch at noon.

**Confirmation Students/Parents Meeting** – Sunday, September 8th, between Masses.

**PSR Begins** – Sunday, September 15th.

**Women's Fall Event at St. Joseph Cathedral**

Ladies Night Out – November 1st, 6:30pm-9pm, \$25

Fall Retreat – November 2nd, 10am-3pm, \$15

RSVP at [diojeffcity.org/wm-fall-events-2024](http://diojeffcity.org/wm-fall-events-2024).

# Dear Padre,

## Are naked statues, like Michelangelo's David, really appropriate for public viewing?

It is helpful to consider if the artwork depicts the body to heighten transcendence, or to objectify the body to satisfy basic instincts. Art is admittedly subjective, and the interpretation of nudity in true art is in the eye of the beholder. Nudity can evoke feelings of shame for some; for others, the nude body in art can be an aesthetic experience of illuminated grace in humanity, and ultimately in the glory of our Maker for all his gifts—including the gift of Christ's resurrection that restored us to the original image and likeness intended by our Creator.

Since ancient times, the nude human form was a common subject in art. The intention is to draw the viewer to a better appreciation of the human body's natural beauty. However, nudity is often associated with sexuality, and for some, sexuality is equated with sin.

In his series of addresses about the theology of the body, St. John Paul II expounded on original nakedness that was referred to in Scripture: "Man tries to cover the real origin of fear with the shame of his own nakedness" (Genesis 3:10). "In the state of original innocence nakedness did not express a lack. Rather, it represented full acceptance of the body..." (*Real Significance of Original Nakedness*, 1980).

So to answer the question, assuming the purpose of the artist is to inspire, and the atmosphere in which the statue is viewed is conducive to such inspiration, yes, such a public display is appropriate. ●



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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
August 19	August 20	August 21	August 22	August 23	August 24	August 25
Weekday	St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church	St. Pius X, Pope	Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Weekday	St. Bartholomew, Apostle	Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ez 24:15–23 Mt 19:16–22	Ez 28:1–10 Mt 19:23–30	Ez 34:1–11 Mt 20:1–16	Ez 36:23–28 Mt 22:1–14	Ez 37:1–14 Mt 22:34–40	Rv 21:9b–14 Jn 1:45–51	Jos 24:1–2a, 15–17, 18b Eph 5:21–32 or 5:2a, 25–32 Jn 6:60–69



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### A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

*Around the altar we find what spiritually feeds us and quenches our thirst today and for eternity... The Eucharist shapes us so that we live not only for ourselves but for the Lord and for our brothers and sisters. Life's happiness and eternity depend on our ability to render fruitful the evangelical love we receive in the Eucharist.*

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