



## Where I Stand

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**O**ne day, as I was walking in a local nature preserve, I came across what someone had written in the sand: "It's time to take a stand."

Though the person never suggested what we should take a stand on, all of us take stands in life. In many ways, those stands define our lives: Republican or Democrat, pro-life or pro-choice, NRA and guns, save the whales, vax or anti-vax, ecology. As we all know so well, where we stand on any given issue can become divisive among friends and even family.

The Scriptures this weekend tell of the prophet Jeremiah, who took a stand of faith against the king who trusted in military arms rather than in God. The Letter to

the Hebrews mentions an Old Testament "cloud of witnesses" who placed faith in God without knowing where that would take them. And, Jesus himself recognizes that those who place their faith in him and the vision of life he proclaimed would find themselves in conflict with others. For every person who professes faith in Jesus Christ, the question becomes how this faith affects all the other stands we take. To "keep our eyes fixed on Jesus" influences the lifestyle we choose, how we spend our time and our money, who our friends are, and even who we vote for. At some point, faith insists we take a stand. ●

### Reflect

*How does my faith affect all my other beliefs and practices?*

[Jesus said,] "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing! There is a baptism with which I must be baptized, and how great is my anguish until it is accomplished!"

LUKE 12:49-50



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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

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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

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## LITURGICAL ROLES

### Saturday, August 16, 4:00 pm

Mass Coord: Regina & Mike Stock  
Lector: Tyler Silvey  
Server: Dale Deraps  
Song Leader: Rosemary Bardwell  
Greeters: Tim Baker & Tim Forck  
Rosary: Rosemary Bardwell  
Gift Bearers: John & Gabby Ross Family

### Sunday, August 17, 9:45 am

Mass Coord: Mickie Bolinger  
Lector: Nicki Frank  
Server: Hezekiah Frank  
Song Leader: Alicia Taube  
Greeters: Josh & Joann Frank  
Rosary: Rita Henley  
Gift Bearers: Johnathan & Morgan Trachsel Family

### Saturday, August 23, 4:00 pm

Mass Coord: Sandy & Dale Deraps  
Lector: Elaine Anderson  
Server: Jerry Hoback  
Song Leader: David Garnett  
Greeters: Irene & Jim Hoback  
Rosary: Russ Anderson  
Gift Bearers: Arturo & Maria Arellano

### Sunday, August 24, 9:45 am

Mass Coord: Eric Schroeter  
Lector: Jacob Hoellering  
Server: Gabe McCumber  
Song Leader: Bev Kleffner  
Greeters: Tammy & Darrell Hoellering  
Rosary: Charlie Roll  
Gift Bearers: Addison & Sierra Jobe Family

## 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. John Paul McGuire

## 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.

Bill Embry, Wyatt Schmidt, Bill Buntin, Alex McGill; Charles Smith (Tim Baker's uncle); Ashley Kaplan (daughter of Tricia Brauch); John Bestgen; Marian Dorn; Wallace Maynard; Jerry Hessefort (Pam Hill's uncle); Derrick Cleveland (Vickie Schroeder's nephew); Barbara & Charles Day (Barbara Brant's stepmom and father); David Wilde; Kaitlyn Schlup; Sharon Belt; Cory Bickel (Jim Hoback's nephew); Bill McConkey; Jacobo Garcia; Pam Block; Helen Heinen; Shawn Bax; Suzy Allee; Robert Garner; Glenda Williams; Lisa Anderson; Paula Volkmer; Tracy Davis; John Michael McCoy; J. Gattermeir; Sally Schepers; Janice Howard; Sharon (Imhoff) Dresel; Linda Reichel; Steve Gerlt; Mark Bardwell; Dylann Henley; Lanny Wingate; Jim Imhoff; Barb Glenn; Roger & Peggy Borgmeyer; Carol Baker; Amanda Imhoff; Gary Fleischmann; Barbara Reichl (mother of Bill Reichl); Louis Forck (grandson of Tim & Pauline Forck); Terry Carlson; Rachel Frank; Andrea Tilbury; Carol Rackers; Keith Connell; Alfred Rhodus,

## THIS WEEK AT ANNUNCIATION

\*Mass Intentions

### **Saturday, August 16**

TMass 4:00 PM \*Annunciation & St. Andrew's Parishioners

### **Sunday, August 17**

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

### **Monday, August 18**

5:45 PM Rosary  
8:00 PM AA-ALNON

### **Tuesday, August 19**

8:00 AM \*Mary Jo Garnett  
6 PM Knights of Columbus Meeting

### **Wednesday, August 20**

6:30 PM Bible Study

### **Thursday, August 21**

8:00 AM \*Musicians & Vocalists of Annunciation

### **Saturday, August 23**

TMass 4:00 PM \*Gene & Zoie Tuttle

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TMass 9:45 AM \*Loretta Brauner  
Spanish 11:15 AM \*Holy 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

**Notice** – If you have any items that you would like published in the bulletin, please send them by email to the Parish Office by 4pm on Wednesday. Thank you.

If you would like to have Mass said for a loved one, we have several openings on Tuesday & Thursday mornings. Cost to have a Mass said is \$10.

**Signum Crucis** – This is a group of Catholic men of all ages. Held in the Chapel at Helias HS on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. The next group is August 20th. Rosary at 6pm; and group from 6:30-8:30pm. Each month there is something different. Come see what you have been missing!

Order forms for the “Commemorative History of St. Andrew Catholic Church are in the vestibule of church if anyone would like to purchase one. Cost is \$50.

## HAPPENINGS IN THE PARISH

**Holy Rosary** – Every Monday evening at 5:45 PM

**Bible Study** - Every Wednesday evening at 6:30 PM.

**Knights of Columbus** – Tuesday, August 19th. The meal is at 6pm and the meeting will begin at 7pm. All men of the parish are invited to join!

## PRAYER FOR A NEW BISHOP

O God, eternal shepherd,  
who govern your flock with unfailing care,  
grant in your boundless fatherly love  
a pastor for your Church  
who will please you by his holiness  
and to us show watchful care.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of  
the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.  
Amen.

## JOIN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

OCIA classes will begin in September & will be held on Tuesday evenings at St. Andrew's in Tipton. Anyone interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic faith are encouraged to attend. Classes will include information on beliefs, practices and the sacraments. Those who desire to become Catholic will receive communion, baptism if needed, and become a parishioner of Annunciation Catholic Church on Holy Saturday, April 4, 2026.

## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS – August 2025

|                       |            |                       |         |
|-----------------------|------------|-----------------------|---------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> week: | \$9,373.11 | 3 <sup>rd</sup> week: | \$      |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> week: | \$8,692.60 | 4 <sup>th</sup> week: | \$      |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> week: | \$         |                       |         |
| Candles:              | \$73.00    | Stipends:             | \$10.00 |
| Mustard Seed:         | \$317.00   |                       |         |

### Altar Flowers:

In celebration of the recent feast day of St. Clare of Assisi, the patron saint of quilters and needle art, the altar flowers are in honor and remembrance of the deceased members of Annunciation Quilters.

### Thank You From the Swillum Family

A special thanks to Father Viviano for the inspirational service for our beloved brother, Larry Swillum. Thank you JoAnn Bestgen, Beverly Kleffner and Jo Pummill for providing the music. Thank you Rosemary Bardwell for being the lector. Thanks to everyone in the kitchen crew for all your efforts in providing lunch. Thanks to all the parishioners who were there with us in our time of sorrow.

The Family of Larry Swillum (Janice Williams, Gary Swillum & Donna Swillum).

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Sacred Heart Parish Picnic in Eldon August 24<sup>th</sup>

St. Louis of France Parish Fall Festival in Bonnots Mill

September 14<sup>th</sup>

Presentation by Tim Francis at Annunciation Sept. 24th.

Mass at Assumption Church in Cedron Sept. 27th, 4pm.

## PRAYER FOR THE BEGINNING OF A NEW SCHOOL YEAR

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of our children. Watch over them as they begin a new school year. Bless their teachers, school administrators, and all who support them. Keep them safe, help them make good choices, and fill them with a love for learning. May they be a positive influence in their school community, reflecting your love and light. In Jesus name, we pray. Amen

**Mustard Seed.** Are you familiar with Mustard Seed? This is a ministry our parish has been involved in for many years. This is a radio evangelization program that airs on local radio (KRLL) every Sunday morning at 8 am. We have a dedicated group of parishioners who write reflections on the Sunday gospel reading which becomes part of a longer radio program. All who have been involved with this program have found it very rewarding. We are looking to add more people to this group who are willing to write a short reflection 3 or 4 times a year. Please contact Deacon Bob or any of our current Mustard Seed Sowers if you would like to join us or if you just want some more information.

# Dear Padre,

## Is “co-redemptrix” a title for the Blessed Virgin Mary?

The Church does not officially regard Mary as a co-redemptrix with Christ. Her “unique holiness...from the first instant of her conception” comes wholly from Christ: she is ‘redeemed, in a more exalted fashion, by reason of the merits of her Son’ (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 492).

According to Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, the title “co-redemptrix” would “obscure” the origin that “everything comes through Christ,” as written in Ephesians and Colossians. “Mary, too, is everything she is through Him,” stated the future Pope Benedict XVI, adding that “co-redemptrix” is a departure “from the language of Scripture and of the Fathers, and therefore gives rise to misunderstandings.”

Likewise, in 2019, Pope Francis quoted St. Bernard, who said that no praise is sufficient to talk about Mary, but, ultimately, her title as a humble “disciple” best represents Mary’s faithfulness to “her Son, the only Redeemer.” “She never wanted for herself something that was of her Son,” explained the pontiff. “She never introduced herself as co-redemptrix. No. Disciple.”

Pope Francis reiterated the Church’s position on this matter in 2021, saying that Jesus entrusted the universal Church and all the faithful to Mary, “Not as a goddess. Not as a co-redemptrix. As a mother.” Incidentally, “Mother of God” (Greek: *Theotokos*, “God-bearer”) is Mary’s oldest title, established in 431 by the Council of Ephesus. ●

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / [DearPadre.org](http://DearPadre.org)



## Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to [DearPadre.org](http://DearPadre.org) to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

### Monday

August 18  
Weekday  
Jgs 2:11–19  
Mt 19:16–22

### Tuesday

August 19  
Weekday  
Jgs 6:11–24a  
Mt 19:23–30

### Wednesday

August 20  
St. Bernard,  
Abbot and  
Doctor of the  
Church  
Jgs 9:6–15  
Mt 20:1–16

### Thursday

August 21  
St. Pius X, Pope  
Jgs 11:29–39a  
Mt 22:1–14

### Friday

August 22  
The Queenship  
of the Blessed  
Virgin Mary  
Ru 1:1, 3–6,  
14b–16, 22  
Mt 22:34–40

### Saturday

August 23  
Weekday  
Ru 2:1–3, 8–11;  
4:13–17  
Mt 23:1–12

### Sunday

August 24  
Twenty-first  
Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
Is 66:18–21  
Heb 12:5–7,  
11–13  
Lk 13:22–30



## A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

*The Gospel does not leave things as they are; when the Gospel... is listened to and received, things do not stay as they are. The Gospel provokes change and invites to conversion. It does not dispense a false intimist peace, but sparks a restlessness that sets us in motion and drives us to open ourselves up to God and to our brothers and sisters.*

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