



## Apples and Pears

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**A**s a child, I remember our back yard had a fruit tree planted by my grandfather. Each year the tree bore apples and pears, both on the same tree. My grandfather explained that he had planted an apple sapling and then had grafted a pear branch onto its trunk. What continues to intrigue me about that tree is how the very same nourishment, the same sap out of the earth and traveling up the trunk, would produce such different fruits.

It is much like the power of the Holy Spirit given to human beings at the time of the ascension. Various gifts make themselves known, at times in the same person, over the course of a lifetime. A friend loved being a mom and raising a family. After the children had grown and went on their way, she went back to school and became a nurse. A local pastor was a pediatrician. After his wife died, he decided to become

a priest. John Grisham, educated as an attorney, began writing novels. All apples and pears, the fruit of God's Spirit.

We tend to ask young people what they would like to be when they grow up. A better question might be to ask what they think God would like them to be. However someone might answer such a question, what is important is to do it with "humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another through love, striving to preserve unity of the spirit through the bond of peace" (Ephesians 4:2-3)—all prompted by God's Spirit. ●

### Reflect

***Is there a difference between what we want to do and what God wants us to do?  
How do we know?***

[Jesus] said to them, "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature."

MARK 16:15



Monday May 13	Tuesday May 14	Wednesday May 15	Thursday May 16	Friday May 17	Saturday May 18	Sunday May 19
NO MASS	NO MASS	NO MASS	NO MASS	MASS OLM 12:15 P.M.	MASS Church 5:30 P.M.	MASS Church 9:30 A.M.

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Pastor - Father Michael Flanagan.....606-792-7114  
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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE/RECONCILIATION: 4:45 - 5:15 p.m. Saturday; 8:45 – 9:15 a.m. Sunday, or by appointment.**

**WEDDINGS: Wedding date & arrangements must be made six (6) months ahead of proposed wedding date with the Pastor.**

**BAPTISM: Please contact the Pastor to schedule an appointment.**

**NEW PARISHIONERS: Please register with the pastor.**

**STEWARDSHIP**

Amount needed each weekend \$ 2612.60  
 Collection – May 5, 2024 \$ 1427.00  
 Special Collections \$ 120.00  
 FYTD deficit \$ (47502.90)

**Ministry Schedule**

Saturday, May 11, 2024	Sunday, May 12, 2024
Sacristan: John Gannon	Sacristan Volunteer:
Greeter: Bernie Merlo	Greeter: Volunteer
Servers: n/a	Servers: n/a
Lector: Tina Starkey	Lector: Margo Riggs
EM's: Volunteer	EM's: Angelia Doderer & Volunteer

**Prayer List**

Fr. Hoppenjans  
 Ricky Mullett  
 Ray Tosti  
 Patty Vanhoose  
 Phyllis Edwards  
 Mary Zielinski  
 Tamara McKenzie  
 Peyton Mercer  
 Bernie Merlo  
 Mike Kulp  
 David Hillman  
 Irwin McHugh  
 Tiera Newsome  
 Kimberly Gottfried  
 Fr. Brandon Bigam  
 Vincent Grino

Sr. Nancy Edwards  
 Michael Carroll  
 Phillis Edwards  
 Fr. Bill Fedders  
 Harold Bayes  
 Regina Collins  
 Jacob Collins  
 Lorraine Doderer  
 Bob Felty  
 Dr. Mark Caruso  
 Garland Arnett  
 Steve Faust  
 June Lane  
 John & Charles Ratliff  
 Betty Fraley

**P.S. If anyone has passed on from our prayer list, please let us know.**

## **HYMNS FOR MASSES (MAY 11-12)**

**Alleluia! Sing to Jesus #732**  
**Keep in Mind #689**  
**We Walk by Faith #515**  
**Crown Him with Many Crowns #733**

## **MOTHERS DAY – MAY 12**

We are grateful and love all our mothers and thank them for they do for us. As a small token of our appreciation, we invite all to join us in the Parish Hall after the Sunday Mass.

## **BAPTISMS – PENTECOST SUNDAY**

Fr. Michael will Baptize 4 boys on Pentecost Sunday. May the Holy Spirit fill their hearts with His many gifts. The celebration in the Parish Hall after Mass is sponsored by the Ladies Guild.

## **OLM GOLF PROCEEDS**

The School made \$7,888.46 from the recent OLM Golf Tournament. Thanks to all who contributed!

## **FR MICHAEL AT CONVOCATION**

Fr. Michael will be attending the annual Diocesan Convocation at St. Meinrad's along with the priests of the diocese and Bishop John from Monday through Thursday of this week.

## **BIBLE STUDY**

Our next Bible Study will be in the Parish Hall on Wednesday, May 22 after the 12:15 Mass.

## **ROSARY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

The Rosary will be prayed every Sunday at 9 a.m. before the 9:30 Mass. Please join us!

## **DAY OF PRAYER – EVERY THURSDAY**

Fr. Michael invites all parishioners to pray every Thursday that God would send us more people to join our parish, celebrate Mass with us, and evangelize others.

## **PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL**

*Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into Hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.*

# Dear Padre,

## What were the main changes brought about by the Second Vatican Council?

It has been sixty years since the Second Vatican Council and we are still learning from what Pope John Paul II called the “fundamental event in the contemporary Church” and “the constant reference point of every pastoral action.” Vatican II’s sixteen documents focus on a wide variety of topics, touching almost every conceivable aspect of Church and Christian life. Four of the documents bear the title of “Constitution” and contain the core formulations of the council’s teachings.

The most visible change might be in how we worship. But even more fundamental is the emphasis on the Church as the “people of God.” Baptism admits all to the same journey of faith, initiating each person with differing talents and abilities into the mission of the Church. Thus, the faithful must be “led to that fully conscious, and active participation in liturgical celebrations which is demanded by the very nature of the liturgy. Such participation by the Christian people as ‘a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a redeemed people’ (1 Peter 2:9; see 2:4–5), is their right and duty by reason of their baptism” (Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy [*Sacrosanctum Concilium*], 14). The hierarchy continues, but it is to hear and serve God’s people; “servant leadership” is the way to exercise authority in the Church of Vatican II. ●



WIKICOMMONS

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
May 13 <i>Easter Weekday</i> Acts 19:1–8 Jn 16:29–33	May 14 <i>St. Matthias, Apostle</i> Acts 1:15–17, 20–26 Jn 15:9–17	May 15 <i>Easter Weekday</i> Acts 20:28–38 Jn 17:11b–19	May 16 <i>Easter Weekday</i> Acts 22:30; 23:6–11 Jn 17:20–26	May 17 <i>Easter Weekday</i> Acts 25:13b–21 Jn 21:15–19	May 18 <i>Easter Weekday</i> Acts 28:16–20, 30–31 Jn 21:20–25	May 19 <i>Pentecost</i> Acts 2:1–11 1 Cor 12:3b–7, 12–13 or Gal 5:16–25 Jn 20:19–23 or Jn 15:26–27; 16:12–15

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## A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

**Jesus’ ascension into heaven...constitutes the end of the mission that the Son received from the Father and the beginning of the continuation of this mission on the part of the Church. From this moment...Christ’s presence in the world is mediated...by those who believe in him and proclaim him. This mission will last until the end of history.**

REGINA CAELI, ROME, MAY 28, 2017



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