



## Socrates, the Spirit, and Self

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**“K**now thyself,” advised the philosopher Socrates. Yet easier said than done. A recent public service ad warning about the dangers of smoking concludes, “The worst lies are the lies you tell yourself, like smoking isn’t that dangerous.” To admit the truth, to come to truth, to live the truth is no small thing.

Have you ever wondered why it takes a lifetime to come to wisdom, why we aren’t born with all the wisdom we need? It would make life so much easier. When Jesus promised us the Spirit, he said, “I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now. But when he comes, the Spirit of Truth, he will guide you to all truth” (John 16:12–13). To know ourselves and the truth of who we are can be a painful process, coming to terms with what we do not want to hear. So the Spirit brings us to that wisdom gradually, over the course of a lifetime, lest we run from it.

Paul warns against “immorality and impurity and lust,” and each of us at some point in our lives must come to terms with the truth that if we do not channel our sexuality healthfully it will mess up our lives. Paul warns against “hatred, rivalry, fury, dissensions,” and each of us eventually realizes how any of those can ruin relationships and our very lives. Some of us learn such wisdom early in life, some late, yet coming to Truth is a lifelong journey guided by the Spirit. ●

### Reflect

***What truth do you know now that you did not know ten or twenty years ago?***

**The fruit of the Spirit is love,  
joy, peace, patience, kindness,  
generosity, faithfulness,  
gentleness, self-control.**

**GALATIANS 5:22–23**



Monday May 20	Tuesday May 21	Wednesday May 22	Thursday May 23	Friday May 24	Saturday May 25	Sunday May 26
NO MASS	NO MASS	MASS Chapel 12:15 P.M.	MASS Chapel 3:00 P.M.	MASS Chapel 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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 Vickie Wright.....606-297-4521  
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 Head Teacher Bernie Carroll .....606-369-8253  
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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 12, 2024 \$ 1018.00  
 Special Collections \$ 288.00  
 Groundskeeping \$ 500.00  
 FYTD deficit \$ (48597.50)

**Ministry Schedule**

Saturday, May 18, 2024	Sunday, May 19, 2024
Sacristan: Kate Gannon	Sacristan Vickie Wright:
Greeter: Shirley Merlo	Greeter: Volunteer
Servers: n/a	Servers: n/a
Lector: Volunteer	Lector: Mary Jackson
EM's: Volunteer	EM's: Volunteers

**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 18-19)**

**Come, Holy Ghost #457**

**Come to the Water #617**

**The Eyes and Hands of Christ #522**

**One Spirit, One Church #425**

## **BAPTISMS – PENTECOST SUNDAY**

Fr. Michael will Baptize 2 boys (Myciah & Malachi Reed) on Pentecost Sunday. May the Holy Spirit fill their hearts with His many gifts. We give thanks this day for the sending of the Holy Spirit by God the Father and Jesus, the Son. It is considered the birthday of the Church and is the last day of the Easter season.

## **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,

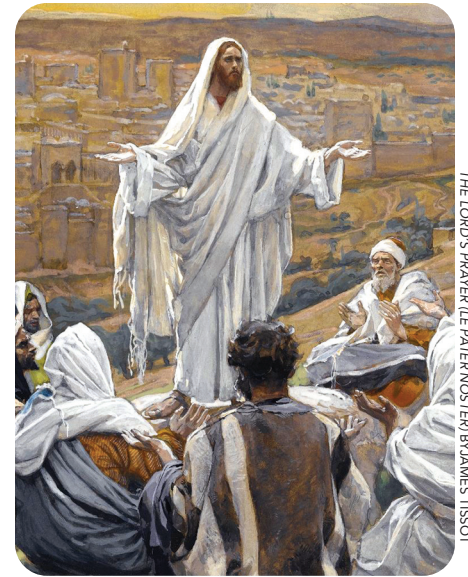
## Is it a sin to use God's name in profanity?

Profanity is obscene, vulgar language that may or may not include God's name. People may thoughtlessly ask God to condemn a person or a thing in their profanity, but if questioned, admit that they did not mean it literally. They say their angry words were not intended to deliberately ask God to harm someone and deliberate intent is one requirement for what constitutes a sin. God who knows our hearts can determine if our misuse of his name is a form of venting, but the Second Commandment warns us that taking the Lord's name in vain does not please him, even if no harm to another is intended. The danger in constantly and carelessly using God's holy name profanely is that over time we can easily become desensitized to the practice, creating an irreverent attitude toward God that is offensive and may lead others into sin.

Recall that when we pray, "Hallowed be thy name" in the Lord's Prayer—the prayer Jesus taught his disciples—we ask God to enable us to give him the reverence that is due; it comes first before we ask anything for ourselves—a sure sign of our respect for God.

Because God's name is holy, we mustn't abuse it. Despite the erosion of inhibitions against poor word choices in our time, consider this prayerful petition from the last verse of Psalm 19: "Let the words of my mouth be acceptable, / the thoughts of my heart before you, / LORD, my rock and my redeemer." ●

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THE LORD'S PRAYER (LE PATER NOSTER) BY JAMES TISSOT

## Do you have a question for the Padre?

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
May 20	May 21	May 22	May 23	May 24	May 25	May 26
<i>Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Most Holy Trinity</i>
Gn 3:9–15, 20 or Acts 1:12–14 Jn 19:25–34	Jas 4:1–10 Mk 9:30–37	Jas 4:13–17 Mk 9:38–40	Jas 5:1–6 Mk 9:41–50	Jas 5:9–12 Mk 10:1–12	Jas 5:13–20 Mk 10:13–16	Dt 4:32–34, 39–40 Rom 8:14–17 Mt 28:16–20



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## A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

*This is how the word of God describes the working of the Spirit: first he rests on each and then brings all of them together in fellowship....In other words, the same Spirit creates diversity and unity, and in this way forms a new, diverse and unified people: the universal Church.*

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