



[Jesus said,] “There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me. For whoever is not against us is for us.”

MARK 9:39–40



Spirited Truth

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

It's not always easy to figure out where God's spirit of truth is revealed or by whom the truth is spoken. After “the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to Moses,” some of that same spirit given to Moses was also bestowed upon the seventy elders. Two other men also received the spirit, although they were not specially designated, much to the consternation of the elders (see Numbers 11:25–26). These two outsiders were somehow included among those who saw themselves as insiders. How is one to know who speaks with the authority of the spirit?

Perhaps we all need to pay attention to the possibility that “outsiders” may be speaking the truth to us. Faith communities are often considered outsiders in the larger society, not worthy of a platform to be heard from; yet, many faith communities raise their voices in

defense of the unborn, the immigrants at our doors, and the lost souls adrift among us. Throughout life, we've been surprised by children who speak truth that is unrecognized by adults. We've been surprised by the voice of women to a patriarchal society, the sexually abused to the larger Church, those who defend victims of violence. But not all outsiders speak with the authority of the spirit. How is one to know? Perhaps the Gospel gives us a clue—those who give others a cup of water to drink, which is to say, those who speak with compassion on behalf of others who are thirsty for justice and life. ●

Reflect

How have you been surprised by someone unexpectedly speaking God's truth and wisdom?

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Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

From Fr. Pampara:

Jesus calls us to be a good person for ourselves. We are called to reach out, to love, to be just to others, to be fully free with and for others, to be truly brother or sister. This leads us to the fact that our Christian faith is essentially apostolic. It is of its essence that the Good News about Jesus be widely proclaimed in the most public places. And this is a responsibility not just of a few leaders in the church but of every single baptized person. So, Jesus told his disciples that if anyone gives them a cup of water to drink just because they belong to Christ, then they will most certainly not lose their reward. He emphasized on the word **anyone** indicating that it is the responsibility of all to serve and do his work. Such an act, simple though it is, done by "anyone" in a spirit of love and compassion is a truly Christ-like act and Jesus says he will recognize it. It would be possible for a person who is strong in the faith to behave in such a way that a weaker member would be seriously harmed in his following of Christ. Our world is a challenging world and in this world we are all called to be prophets of God. We are invited to announce the good news of God's deep love for each one of us. It is indeed important that we manifest this call in our behavior and daily activities and more importantly through our words. A prophet is one who stands for the values of God against the values of the world. Today the population in the world has crossed seven billion and nearly half the population does not have sufficient food for its sustenance. Some people live in misery, being sick and homeless, with no one to take care of them. While the scientists look for solutions such as population control, the church sees the solution in proper personal development. As followers of Jesus we have to play an important role to reduce the hardship and pain in the world of today. Our liturgy of today invites us to understand the meaning of discipleship and the need of our fidelity to the Lord as his chosen persons. The scripture today reminds us of our noble heritage and of our duty to embrace our traditions and pass them forward to others.

Mass Schedule & Intentions For the week of September 30, 2024

Mon.	Sept	30	7:00	AM	SJ	No Mass
Tues.	Oct	01	7:00	AM	SJ	Wally Allison †
Wed.	Oct	02	5:30	PM	SA	Maurice Andre †
Thurs.	Oct	03	5:30	PM	SB	Julie Ross †
Fri.	Oct	04	8:30	AM	SJ	Joyce Bemiss †
Sun.	Oct	05	8:00	AM	SJ	People of the Parish
Sun.	Oct	06	9:30	AM	SA	Harold Kramer †
Sun.	Oct	07	11:00	AM	SB	Mark Pandorf †



Wallace Opela Oct 2nd
Don Pandorf Oct 4th
James Amos Oct 7th

Happy Anniversary

Mr. & Mrs. James Amos Sept 30th
Mr. & Mrs. Rod Brestel Oct 1st

Ministry Schedule

Date: Oct 6	<i>St. Agnes</i>	<i>St. Boniface</i>	<i>St. John's</i>
<i>Time</i>	<u>Sunday 9:30 AM</u>	<u>Sunday 11:00 AM</u>	<u>Sunday 8:00 AM</u>
<i>Hospitality</i>	Julie B.	Bartley B. Family	Cole K. Family
<i>Lector</i>	Mary A.	Rod B.	Jon W.
<i>Server</i>		Ellie P. & Olivia D.	Leo W. & Wyatt D.
<i>EMHC</i>	Charles F. & Con P.	Mike P. & John R.	Steve & Cindy F.
<i>Communion to shut ins or Music</i>		Mike P.	Music: Kristy O.

St. Boniface

Our Gifts to God & Church
Sept 22, 2024
Total Collection:
 \$1128.25

CCD Class Oct 2nd

Please join us for The Search.
 Mondays from 6:30-7:30,
 at the church.

The Search is a video-based program designed to enkindle wonder as it takes people on a journey through life's enduring questions.

St. John's

Our Gifts to God & Church
Sept 22, 2024
Total Collection:
 \$655.25

CCD Class Oct 2nd
Supper Amos's

St. Agnes

Our Gifts to God & Church
Sept 22, 2024
Total Collection:
 \$245.00

Thrift Store
 Open Oct 4th from 9AM to 4PM

-CCD Class Oct 2nd

As we begin Respect Life Month on October 1, will you join us in prayer to defend human life?

No matter what time of day you decide to pray, our united prayers and intercessions are powerful as they go before God, begging Him for His favor and mercy on our state.

Please join in the Litany Of the Sacred Heart

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YOUR VOTE MATTERS.

Initiative Measure 434

Except when a woman seeks an abortion necessitated by a medical emergency or when the pregnancy results from sexual assault or incest, unborn children shall be protected from abortion in the second and third trimester.

For
 Against

Initiative Measure 439

All persons shall have a fundamental right to abortion until fetal viability, or when needed to protect the life or health of the pregnant patient, without interference from the state or its political subdivisions. Fetal viability means the point in pregnancy when, in the professional judgment of the patient's treating health care practitioner, there is a significant likelihood of the fetus' sustained survival outside the uterus without the application of extraordinary medical measures.

For
 Against

Dear Padre,

After we die and go to heaven, will our guardian angel still be with us? Will we know the angel in a closer way?

"The existence of the spiritual, non-corporeal beings that Sacred Scripture usually calls 'angels' is a truth of faith" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 328). The notion that each person has his or her own guardian angel may be based on Jesus' warning not to despise "little ones" because "their angels in heaven always look upon the face of my heavenly Father" (Matthew 18:10). Saint Basil wrote, "Beside each believer stands an angel as protector and shepherd leading him to life." How might we interact with these constant companions in heaven? In heaven, we'll be consumed with the presence of the beatific vision—the immediate knowledge of God, which the angelic spirits and the souls of the just enjoy. In beholding God face to face, we find perfect happiness. "This perfect life with the Most Holy Trinity—this communion of life and love with the Trinity, with the Virgin Mary, the angels and all the blessed—is called 'heaven.' Heaven is the ultimate end and fulfillment of the deepest human longings, the state of supreme, definitive happiness" (CCC 1024). Even though "this mystery of blessed communion with God and all who are in Christ is beyond all understanding and description" (CCC 1027), to imagine the pure joy of being close to our guardian angel is just a foretaste of what heaven will be! ●



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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
September 30	October 1	October 2	October 3	October 4	October 5	October 6
<i>St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church</i>	<i>St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church</i>	<i>The Holy Guardian Angels</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>St. Francis of Assisi</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
Jb 1:6–22 Lk 9:46–50	Jb 3:1–5, 11–17, 20–23 Lk 9:51–56	Jb 9:1–12, 14–16 Mt 18:1–5, 10	Jb 19:21–27 Lk 10:1–12	Jb 38:1, 12–21; 40:3–5 Lk 10:13–16	Jb 42:1–3, 5–6, 12–17 Lk 10:17–24	Gn 2:18–24 Heb 2:9–11 Mk 10:2–16 or 10:2–12



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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

We need to be vigilant about closure in the Church.... Because the devil, who is the divider—this is what the word "devil" means, the one who divides—always insinuates suspicions to divide and exclude people.... The Holy Spirit does not want closure; he wants openness, welcoming communities where there is a place for everyone.

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