



Wisdom à la Water Balloons

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

A *Calvin and Hobbes* comic strip finds Calvin filling water balloons. Immediately, we know there's trouble ahead. Calvin's plan is to drench Susie Derkins unless, as he says, the universe can give him some sign that there is a moral law against it. Calvin gives the universe thirty seconds. When there is no sign, Calvin concludes he is allowed to soak Susie. He finds her and pummels her with water balloons. Susie takes off after Calvin as he runs, screaming, "Help! Help!" The final frame shows Calvin, dazed and beaten, wondering why the universe always gives the sign *after* you do something.

It does seem that we learn more about the ways of life from our mistakes and upheavals than we do from the times when life unfolds smoothly. It is how we come to wisdom—the wisdom that is the very aura of God present in our lives. In fact, John's Gospel

points out that God is always the one who brings us to that wisdom; a God woven into the very ups and downs of what we are about. "When he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth" (John 16:13). It is St. Paul who notices how the troubles of life are always the source of new wisdom. He writes of how our afflictions lead us to endurance, and how endurance brings about character, and how it is our character (our inner values) that brings us to hope and trust in God's wisdom rather than in our own. In so many ways, it is the power and presence of the Holy Trinity making us new. ●

Reflect

**Think of a time when life was difficult.
What blessings or important lessons
did you receive as a result?**

[Jesus said to his disciples,]
"Everything that the Father
has is mine; for this reason I
told you that [the Holy Spirit]
will take from what is mine
and declare it to you."

JOHN 16:15



Mass Intentions

Saturday/ June 14th –

**4 p.m. Vigil Mass : SI Brandenburg Family
by Rhonda Bystry**

2nd Collection: Church in Latin America

Sunday/ June 15th – Most Holy Trinity

9 a.m. Mass: Thomas O. Stockwell †

by Rhonda Bystry

2nd Collection: Church in Latin America

~ Happy Father's Day ~

Monday/ June 16th – Eleventh Week of Ordinary Time

**9 a.m. Mass: SI Lori Templet and Family
by Rhonda Bystry**

Tuesday /June 17th –

No Mass :

Wednesday /June 18th –

6 p.m. Mass : SI Lynne Colles

by Roger and Betsy Edmondson

****Altar Society Card Party at noon**

Thursday /June 19th – St. Romuald, Abbott

9 a.m. Mass: SI Mary Kocz

by Kocz Family

Friday /June 20th –

No Mass :

Saturday/ June 21st – St. Aloysius Gonzaga

4 p.m. Vigil Mass : SI All Staff at St. Michael's

by People of the Parish

*** Magnificat Luncheon 11 am to 2 pm**

**Sunday/ June 22nd – The Most Holy Body and Blood of
Christ (Corpus Christi)**

9 a.m. Mass: Vina Wells †

by Rhonda Bystry

****BINGO is every Thursday doors open 5:30 pm starts at 6 pm**

Thought for the week

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Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity Sunday

The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit

"Wherever there is Love, there is a Trinity :

A Lover, A Beloved and A Fountain of Love"

St. Augustine

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and
to the Holy Spirit**

Amen

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Wishing you a Blessed Week



Collection Report

June 7th and June 8th , 2025

Main Collection - \$3047

Maintenance Fund - \$643

Many thanks to you for your sacrificial giving!

Could you Not watch one hour with me ?

ADORATION CHAPEL SIGN-UP

Available Adoration

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Altar Flowers are generously provided

**by: Bernie and Rose Brandenburg in honor of
their 55th Wedding Anniversary**

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**by: Joyce Speir in memory of all deceased
Irvin family members.**

Sunday Coffee Groups

Please, consider volunteering to do on a coffee group or when you can on Sundays. Please, contact Joyce Speir if you are interested. This is a way to help at church if you work thru the week and it doesn't take up a lot of your time. Someone will show you what you will need to do.

Magnificat Luncheon

Don't forget to purchase your ticket.

Amy Moriarty will be the quest speaker on **June 21, 2025** at the luncheon here at St. Michael's. Amy has a deep love of Jesus and his Holy Face. Amy is an lector and sings at both St. Michael's and St. Mary's. **Tickets will be available here at the church on weekends before and after Mass or you may contact Lori Templet by phone (225)217-0238 to purchase the tickets are \$15 per person.** Lets all support Amy at this luncheon.

New Beginnings Pregnancy Center

Baby Bottle Boomerang fundraiser

Father's Day June 15th is the deadline to return your baby bottle with funds to contribute. Please, return the bottle even if empty. The cost for each bottle is \$3.00.

Our New Church Website

We have a new website for St. Michael's **stmichaelscvcatholicchurch.org** You can view the church bulletins online and other information from the website.

THANK YOU

The Food Pantry received 172 food items from last weekend's collection. This helps many souls in need.

*If we miss your Anniversary or Birthday please contact the office- so we can correct our computer records.
Thank you~*



Fr. Daniel Brandenburg, Robert Butner, Bernie Brandenburg, Nell Kihm, Gail Demarest, Jackie LeBeau, Isabelle Wiest, Michael & Martha DeCoster, Larry Allen, Steve Allen, Mary Welch, Chuck Wolff, Michael Gagne, JoAnn Colwell, Dennis Welte, Georgia Harris, Mary Lee, Sister Joy Wege, Tim and Betty Eash, Joan Schulz, Nico Woode, Crystal Hawkins, Lucas Kubick, Marcella Birckhead, Michael Reddick, Andy Ryan, Gerald & Carol Metty, Dan Such, Darren Bates, Maryann Barber, Martin Moriarty, Colleen Royal, Cecilia Cefalu, Darrell & Elizabeth Beason and Doug Wortham, Mary Winston, Patrick Plunkett and Pat Kimball.
Nursing Home: Ariela Wege, Ruth Klinge, and Vernon Mcttmiller.
Expectant Mother: Samantha Eichhorn, Olivia Moore, Jamisen Laire

- 🎂 June 14th –Jeffrey Pope
- 🎂 June 15th – Tim Wortman
- 🎂 June 16th – Stacey Burton
- 🎂 June 17th – Allison Munroe
- 🎂 June 19th – Shawn Kirsch
- 🎂 June 20th – Rhonda Greenway
- 🎂 June 20th – Mary Kocz
- 🎂 June 22nd – Blaise Michael Ishmael

We wish you many blessings on your Birthday!



- ♥ June 16th – Richard and Norma Frisk
63 years
- ♥ June 20th – Eddie and Greta Ishmael
16 years

****Consider attending Mass or making a visit to the Chapel on your Birthday or Wedding Anniversary to thank God for your family & the gift of Life.****

Holy Family Catholic Cemetery
Burial Plots
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Contact: Jim Wege



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2nd Monday of the month
Rosary 5:30 p.m. Meeting 6 p.m.

Officers Meeting
Last Monday of the month
Rosary 5:30 p.m. Meeting 6 p.m.



Fourth Degree
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Quarterly Business Meeting
2nd Saturday of the month

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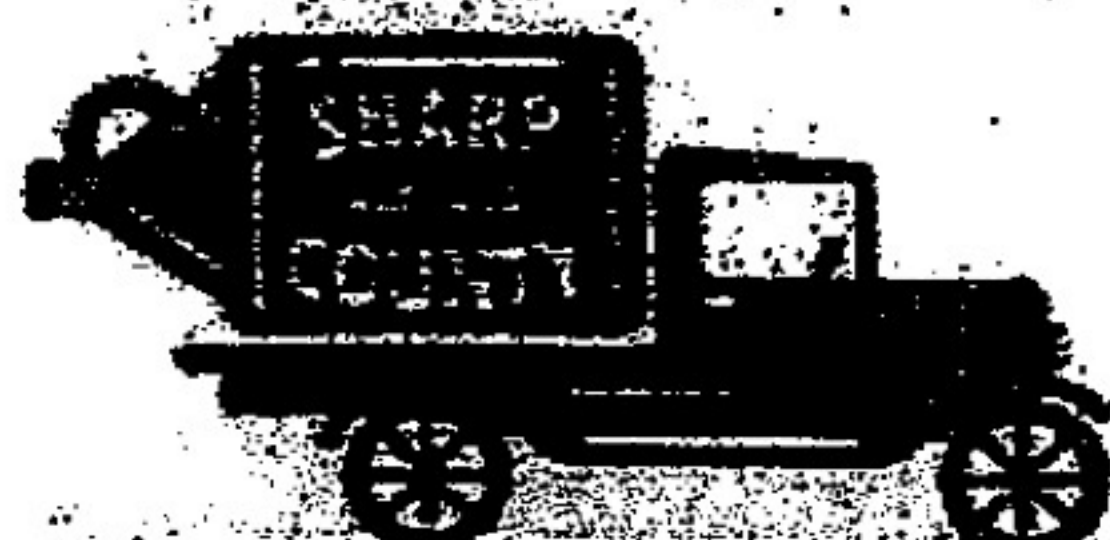
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Dear Padre,

What does the Church teach about respect for the body after death? Is burial the most respectful? It's certainly the most expensive. What about donating your body to science? Or cremation? If someone is cremated, can the ashes be kept respectfully by a family member, or do they have to be buried?

Your question serves as a summation of current practice and exposes the real-life dilemma and choices facing loved ones: "How can I be respectful and at the same time practical?"

Catholics believe that the body of the deceased must be respected and not simply disposed of without care or concern. Current practice allows for burial, cremation, and the donation of the body to science, and choices depend in large part on tradition, culture, and economic circumstances. If someone chooses to donate to medical science, it is with the understanding that the body will be cremated or properly buried. If cremation is the chosen option, proper burial of the cremains in a sacred place is required.

All of this assumes an uneventful passing of the deceased person. It does not account for war, disease, or disaster. When faced with ordinary, rather than extraordinary, circumstances, loved ones have a real opportunity to be grateful and thankful for the chance to mourn, grieve, and show respect for the person. Unfortunately, that is not always the case in today's world. ●



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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Celebrating the Most Holy Trinity is not so much a theological exercise, but a revolution in our way of life. God, in whom each Person lives for the other in a continual relationship...provokes us to live with others and for others. Open. Today, we can ask ourselves if our life reflects the God we believe in.

ANGELUS, ROME, JUNE 12, 2022

Monday

June 16
Weekday
2 Cor 6:1-10
Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday

June 17
Weekday
2 Cor 8:1-9
Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday

June 18
Weekday
2 Cor 9:6-11
Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday

June 19
Weekday
2 Cor 11:1-11
Mt 6:7-15

Friday

June 20
Weekday
2 Cor 11:18, 21-30
Mt 6:19-23

Saturday

June 21
St. Aloysius Gonzaga,
Religious
2 Cor 12:1-10
Mt 6:24-34

Sunday

June 22
The Most Holy Body
and Blood of Christ
(Corpus Christi)
Gn 14:18-20
1 Cor 11:23-26
Lk 9:11b-17