



Bloom Where You Are Planted

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

If you could change one aspect of your life, what would that be? Financial instability? Arthritis? Addiction? A disruptive family member? Work's daily grind? Finding love? No doubt the answers are as varied as the people who answer the question.

Though the old poster advises us to “bloom where you are planted,” sometimes we can feel as if we’ve been planted among weeds—the people we’ve been given, the problems that continually pop up, the conflicts that all too often shut out the peace we seek. Just as Jesus sends disciples into every place he intends to visit, the reality for us may very well be that he sends us into the very lives we live even though we wish we could change them. Where we are is where we’ve been sent. It is in the lives we have that we

work out our salvation, for Jesus said, “The kingdom of God is at hand for you” (Luke 10:9).

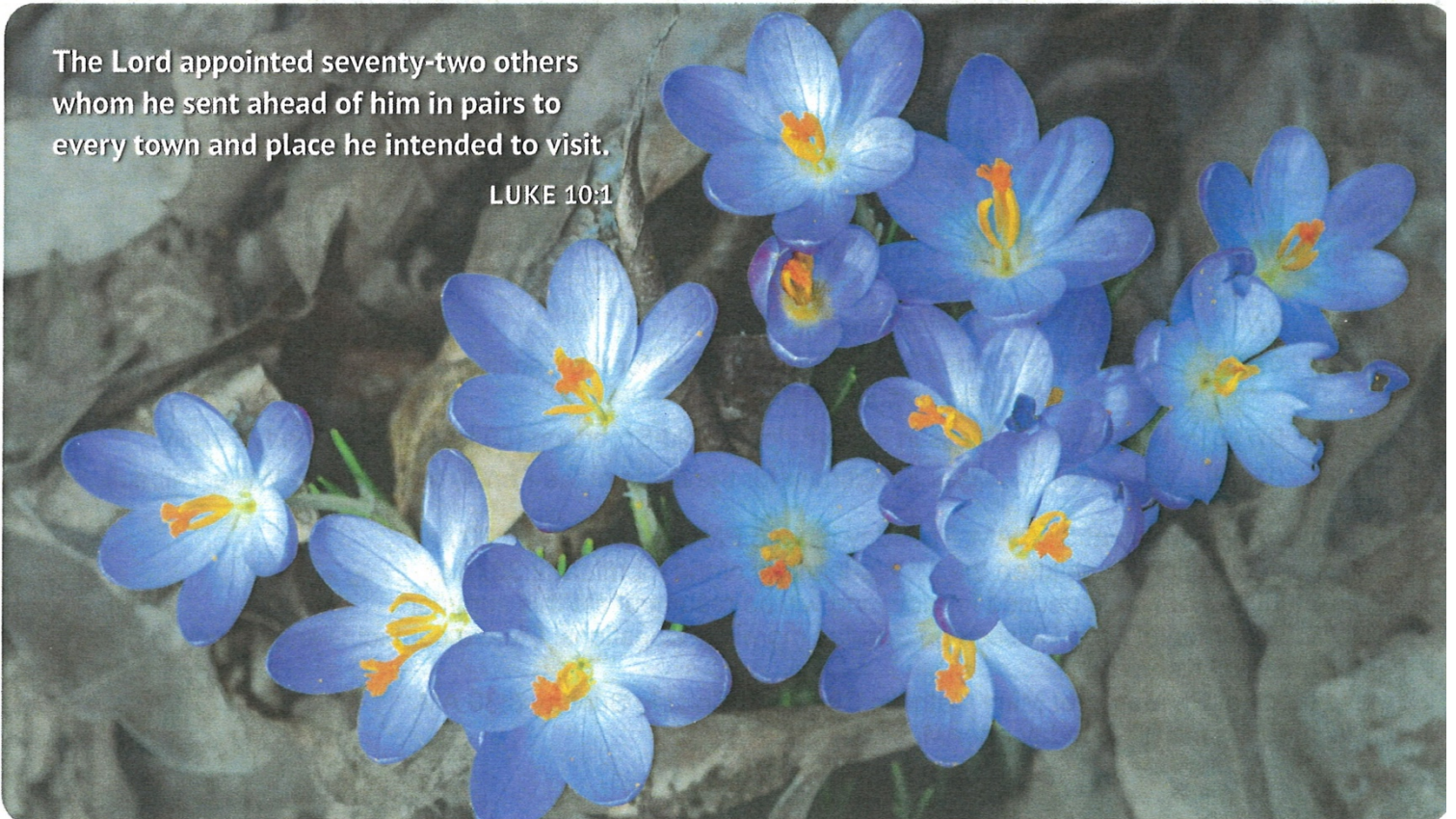
St. Paul emphasized how important it is for disciples of Jesus to live out their identity as a new creation. British artist and sculptor Henry Moore made the observation that, in life, it is most important that we give ourselves over to a goal or dream, something so all-consuming that we live it morning, noon, and night. And the most important aspect of it, he said, is that it must be something we cannot possibly accomplish. For the followers of Jesus, it is the lifelong task to bloom where we’ve been planted. ●

Reflect

***What is the hardest part of my life right now?
What is the most blessed?***

The Lord appointed seventy-two others whom he sent ahead of him in pairs to every town and place he intended to visit.

LUKE 10:1





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Mass Schedule – Forsyth

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule – Hysham

Sunday at 10:30 AM

Sunday at 12:30 PM

Office hours: By appointment – call 406.853.5252 or come to the rectory.

Religious Education: Contact Diane Wyrick for Forsyth at 406.351.2845 and Amber for Hysham at 406.342.5448.

Confession: Saturdays @ 2 PM.

Baptism: Adults and children under 7 (please contact Father Rob.)

Anointing of the Sick: If you are having surgery or are sick, please contact Father Rob to receive the Sacrament of Anointing.

Funerals: When anticipating or planning a funeral, please contact Father Rob or Heather Pester at 406.346.7297 before finalizing the arrangements.

Mass Intentions: If you would like to have a Mass offered and be listed in the bulletin, please contact Father Rob, or Heather Pester.

Homebound & Sick: If you or someone you know can no longer attend Mass due to physical inability, please contact Father Rob or Diane Wyrick at 406.351.2845 or Rosemary in Hysham at 406.740.1457 to receive Holy Communion and Anointing.

Immaculate Conception Prayer Chain: For requests, call Cherie Hesser at 406.351.9048 or any member of the Prayer Chain listed on the bulletin board in Parish Hall.

Mass & Liturgy Schedule:

Sunday	07/06	10:30 AM	Mass in Forsyth for Joe & Dianne Hopfauf from Blaine, Tammy & Fayden Hopfauf.
Sunday	07/06	12:30 PM	Mass in Hysham for Maureen O'Reilly from Joan & Willie Thibault.
Tuesday	07/08	5:15 PM	Mass in Forsyth for the Family of Ken & Rose Silvernagel from Jon & Carol Wigen.
Friday	07/11	9:00 AM	No Mass in Forsyth.
Saturday	07/12	4:00 PM	Mass at the Nursing Home for the Family of Robert & Ella Wigen from Jon & Carol Wigen.
Sunday	07/13	10:30 AM	Mass in Forsyth for Harold Sorenson (D) from the Kennedy Family.
Sunday	07/13	12:30 PM	Mass in Hysham for the Dads of the Family from Joan & Willie Thibault.

† Rosary every Monday at 8:15 AM, Tuesday at 4:45 PM and Friday at 8:30 AM.

† Religious education for children the 1st Wednesday of the month at 2:30 PM.

† Bible Study in Forsyth is paused for now and will be resumed late this summer.

† CCD & Sacramental Prep Classes on Sunday morning. Questions: Please contact Diane Wyrick in Forsyth and Amber in Hysham.

† Mass times at St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church in Colstrip Sunday 8:30 AM.

† CCW meeting the 2nd Sunday after Mass.

Announcements:

There will be no morning Mass this Friday (July 4th) because Father Rob will be out of town.

Plans are being put together for a parish Marian Shrines Pilgrimage to Fatima and Lourdes from Billings with other stops in Portugal, Spain, and France from May 4 through the 13th next year. There will be more details to follow.

There seems to be sufficient interest in the Marian pilgrimage next May. There will be more information, details, and registration in the coming weeks. Thank you!

Congratulations to the Circle of Catholic Women (CCW) for another successful year at the Quigley with sales of about 40 pies for nearly \$900. Thanks to everyone who donated a pie!

Finance Update: Last Sunday Collection: 06/29/2025

Immaculate Conception – Forsyth		St. Joseph – Hysham	
Loose Cash	323.00	Loose Cash	0.00
Loose Checks	645.00	Loose Checks	130.00
Envelope Cash	60.00	Envelope Cash	10.00
Envelope Checks	770.00	Envelope Checks	250.00
Other (Bathroom)	10.00	Other (Stipend)	0.00
Diocese Assessment	0.00	Building Fund	0.00
Special Collection (Pete's Pence)	80.00	Special Collection	10.00
Capital Campaign	0.00	Capital Campaign	0.00
Current Operating Fund	0.00	Current Operating Fund	0.00
TOTAL:	\$ 1888.00	TOTAL:	\$ 400.00

Forsyth & Hysham Ministry Schedule for next Sunday: 07/13/2025

Forsyth:			
	Time	Service	Names
	Mass at 10:30 AM	Eucharistic Ministers	Ryan Silvas & Brian Sullivan
		Cross Bearer	Ryan Silvas
		Lector	Albert Martens
		Ushers	Mike Blakesley & Jerry Killen
		Gifts	Teresa Montgomery &
		Col. Counters	Wayne Pester & Ryan Silvas
		Sacristan	Margo Anderson
Hysham:			
	Mass at 12:30 PM	Eucharistic Ministers	Mary Mithchell & Brent Icopini
		Lector	Renee Zent

Dear Padre,

At Mass during the Our Father, should we hold hands, lift our hands up, or keep our hands to ourselves?

Among many ancient religions, it was common to extend one's hands toward heaven while praying. This practice has continued in the Mass, where the rubrics indicate that the priest should extend his hands at certain points, including during the Our Father. The celebrant represents all the people with this gesture. The deacon is expressly forbidden to hold his hands up in prayer. There is no particular gesture assigned to the rest of the congregation. Some may be holding hands, some lifting their hands, some standing with arms crossed.

The variety of postures is not a problem in itself. The problem is when people become distracted or judgmental of others. As a rule of thumb, I suggest doing what the rest of the congregation does. As stated in the "Order of the Mass," written by the Bishops' Committee on the Liturgy in 2003, "The people are called as members of an organic whole, not as disparate individuals. A Christian assembly that worships 'with one heart and mind' (Acts 4:32) naturally moves toward and consciously chooses a common posture as a sign of its unity. Such common posture 'both expresses and fosters the intention and spiritual attitude of the participants'" (28). The gestures at Mass are not as important as the essence of the Mass, and part of that essence is our unity in the body of Christ. ●

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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

The disciples were sent two by two, not individually....

Let us ask ourselves whether we have the capacity to collaborate; whether we know how to make decisions together, sincerely respecting those who are alongside us and taking into account their point of view; whether we do so in community, not by ourselves.

ANGELUS, ROME, JULY 3, 2022

Monday

July 7

Weekday

Gn 28:10-22a

Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday

July 8

Weekday

Gn 32:23-33

Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday

July 9

Weekday

Gn 41:55-57;

42:5-7a, 17-24a

Mt 10:1-7

Thursday

July 10

Weekday

Gn 44:18-21,

23b-29; 45:1-5

Mt 10:7-15

Friday

July 11

St. Benedict, Abbot

Gn 46:1-7, 28-30

Mt 10:16-23

Saturday

July 12

Weekday

Gn 49:29-32;

50:15-26a

Mt 10:24-33

Sunday

July 13

Fifteenth Sunday

in Ordinary Time

Dt 30:10-14

Col 1:15-20

Lk 10:25-37