



A Church on the Way

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

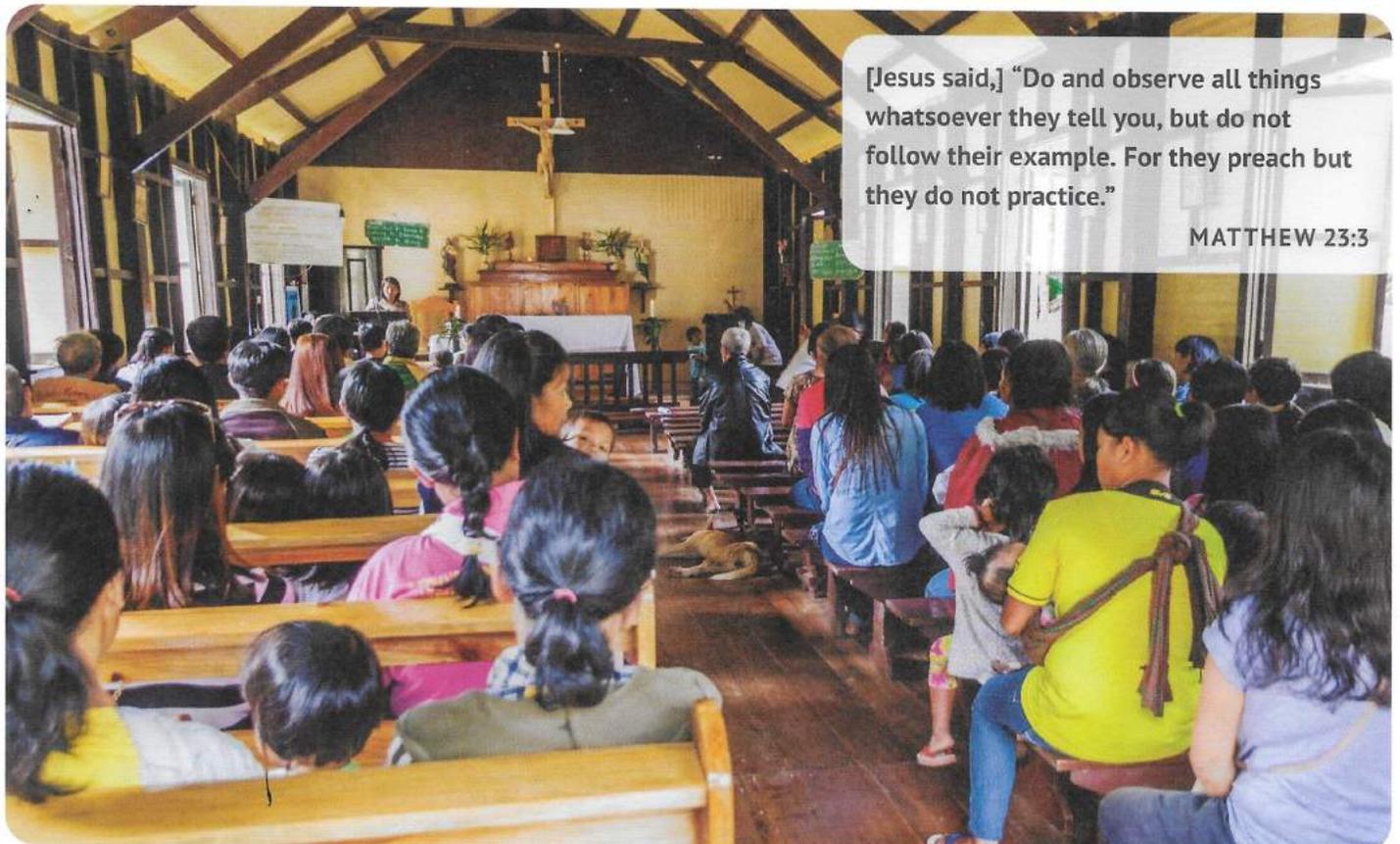
In July 2013, as part of a visit to Brazil, Pope Francis met with the Latin American conference of bishops. Speaking informally, bishop to bishops, he said, “At times we lose people because they don’t understand what we are saying, because we have forgotten the language of simplicity and import an intellectualism foreign to our people.”

I thought about how his words could be applied in my parish, so one Sunday I asked the people in the pews what they looked for from the Church. I was impressed and touched by their answers: wisdom to make their way through life; where and how to find God; a desire to be treated like adults; compassion for themselves and for others; guidance to reach out to the needy in society; a link between faith and life; a place to find some peace and quiet; wisdom for the political process. It was a list by which we who lead need to examine our consciences.

The charge from Pope Francis is to be a Church that speaks to people where they are with the words of everyday life. We look for wisdom that enables us to become our best selves. And that is what healthy religion is about: to guide rather than to control; to inspire rather than to shame; to participate fully rather than to simply “pray, pay, and obey.” ●

Reflect

What have you found in the Church and what more do you long for?



[Jesus said,] “Do and observe all things whatsoever they tell you, but do not follow their example. For they preach but they do not practice.”

MATTHEW 23:3

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

1003 WYOMING ST, BLUEFIELD, WV 24701

NOVEMBER 4 & 5, 2023

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 4- 6:00 PM

† Linda Pochick Sunderman by Dan Pochick

Sunday, November 5- 9:00 AM

† Mary Lou, Ken, and Roger Mash by The Albert's

Tuesday, November 7- Noon

NO MASS -Fr. Out of Town

Wednesday, November 8- 9:00 AM

NO MASS -Fr. Out of Town

Saturday, November 11 - 6:00 PM

† Pete Bellini

Sunday, November 12 - 9:00 AM

† Deceased Members of Sacred Heart



Office Hours: 304-327-5623

Monday- Thursday 9:00am-4:00pm

Friday 9:00am-12:00pm

Food Pantry Hours:

Wednesday 10:00am -2:00 pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 6-8: Fr. attending Presbyteral Council, NO MASS

November 8: RCIA Meeting 5 PM

November 8: Handbell practice 6 PM in the Church

November 9: Dayton Class in Lounge 4-6 PM

November 11-12: St. Anne's Bake Sale

November 13: Knights of Columbus Meeting 7 PM

November 14: St. Anne's Altar Society Meeting 11 AM

November 16: Dayton Class in Lounge 4-6 PM

November 16: PPC Meeting 6:15 PM

November 17: Confirmation Rehearsal 4:30-5:30 pm

November 18: Mass at 6pm by Bishop Brennan

November 19: Confirmation Sunday

November 22: Vigil Thanksgiving Mass 6 PM

November 23: Thanksgiving Day

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION SCHEDULE

Friday's from 6:00 to 7:00 PM

November 10 - Princeton November 17 -Bluefield

CHURCH STAFF

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**St. Anne's Altar Society
Bake Sale
November 11 & 12**



Good News! Good News! Come One and All!
Thanksgiving will be here soon! So it is time to
get those delicious goodies for your
thanksgiving dinner and St. Anne's wants to
help, that is why we are having a bake sale at
the end of each mass the weekend of
November 11 & 12. So please come and join
us. Please remember we do accept donations
of baked goods or in monetary form.
Thank you and God Bless.



Happy Veterans Day

ARMY

NAVY

Alex Ercoline

Tom Behrmann

Josh Husband

Fred Butler

John Monaco

Patrick Moran

Monty Ramella

Tullio Ramella

Jay Valeyko

ARMY RESERVES

Lou Ercoline

AIR FORCE

Richard Canterbury

George McGonagle

Johnny Rasi

Raymond Shumate

Wayne Shumate

MARINE CORPS

David Whitley

Army Special Forces

Gary Rumberg



Turkey Drive

Collecting Turkey's November 4-5, 11-12

Please help support the Food Pantry Turkey Drive by
donating Turkeys to give away this Thanksgiving. The
Food Pantry will be collecting turkey's the first two
weekends of November: November 4-5 & 11-12. **There will
be a grocery cart in the back of the church for you to
drop off your turkey's when arriving for Mass. Thank you
so much for your support and generosity this holiday
season!**

2ND COLLECTION: NOVEMBER 12TH

ARCHDIOCESE FOR THE MILITARY SERVICES



This unique Archdiocese is faced with many challenges, including a severe shortage of Catholic priest
-chaplains, a flock spread out among military installations across the world, and constant transition.
The AMS receives no funding from the military or the government and must rely solely on private
donors. Catholic service members and their families, and veterans care for in a Department of
Veterans Affairs Medical Center, deserve the same faith opportunities as Catholics here at home;
their faith should not be part of the sacrifices they make.

FAITH FORMATION



Faith Formation 2023 - 2024

Theme for 2023

Come to Me, all you who labor and are burdened and I will refresh you."

Matthew 11:28

The schedule through January 2024:

November 5, 12, ~ Regular Sessions

November 19 ~ **NO** faith formation for Confirmation Sunday

November 26 ~ **NO** Faith Formation for Thanksgiving Holiday

December 3 ~ Regular Session

December 10 ~ Faith Formation in the parish lounge – lesson on St. Nicholas

December 17 ~ Practice for Christmas Eve Children's Mass in the Church

December 24 ~ Children to participate at 4pm Christmas Eve Mass

December 31 ~ **NO** Faith Formation for Holiday

January 7 ~ **NO** Faith Formation for Holiday

January 14, 21, 28 ~ Faith Formation Regular Sessions

Confirmation will be celebrated on November 19 at the 9am Mass. Please pray for our Confirmandi:

Rhys Aiello, Madison Rebuck, Sophia Tran, and Keagan Wills.

Confirmation rehearsal will be Friday, November 17 from 4:30 - 5:30pm. Sponsors need to be present.

Fr. Sebastian would like the group to stay for Adoration at 6pm for 15 minutes.

Sacred Heart will have a special guest of Saint Nicholas for our youth and their parents on December 10 in the Church lounge during Faith Formation time. More information will follow next week,

RCIA



RCIA's next meeting will be November 8 at 5pm in the school. To learn more, please contact Barbara Musolin at 304-922-1934 or Julia at the parish office.

CRUSADERS YOUTH

Upcoming Events:

November 19th 9am Mass: Confirmation Sunday

November 23rd: Youth ministry service activity. We will be helping the Knights of Columbus serve Thanksgiving dinner to the residents of the WV manor. Time to be announced

Week of November 27-30th: Youth ministry service activity. We will be packing for Blessings in a Backpack. Time to be announced.

New Youth Ministry Team!

We are happy to announce that Kim Matzel Brown will be joining our youth ministry team along with Wendi Aiello and Katie Kidd. Many thanks to Wendi, Katie, and Kim for their ministry to our youth. God Bless You!

Parents

Please check your email for information regarding the MOUNT 2000 retreat. Please contact Wendi ASAP if your child is interested in attending



There will be hand bell practice Sunday, November 5 at 4pm in the school and Wednesday, November 8 at 6pm in the church.

The Hand Bell ringers are seeking new members. If you interested in this wonderful music ministry, please contact Carol Asbury at 304-887-4707. No prior knowledge of ringing is required.



It is time for Angel Tree! This year we will be returning to the more traditional program for Angel Tree. There will be a tree in the church, parishioners can pick a child and purchase a present, and groups of volunteers will make sure the presents get delivered.

If you would like to volunteer to help with Angel Tree this year, Please call Barbara Musolin at 304-922-1934.

EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL REFLECTION

TOPIC THIS WEEKEND IS:

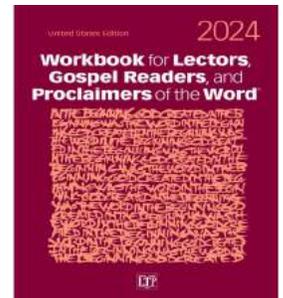
The Sanctus and the Epiiclesis



LECTORS!

The 2024 Lector Books are in! Please pick up yours when you come to mass. They are located in the back of the church.

Thank you!



SACRED HEART ORNAMENTS

Perfect for Christmas to hang on the tree! Buy one for yourself or as a gift to family members and friends! These beautiful ornaments are an exact replica of our Sanctuary Altar at Sacred Heart!

The ornaments will be selling for \$20.00 each.

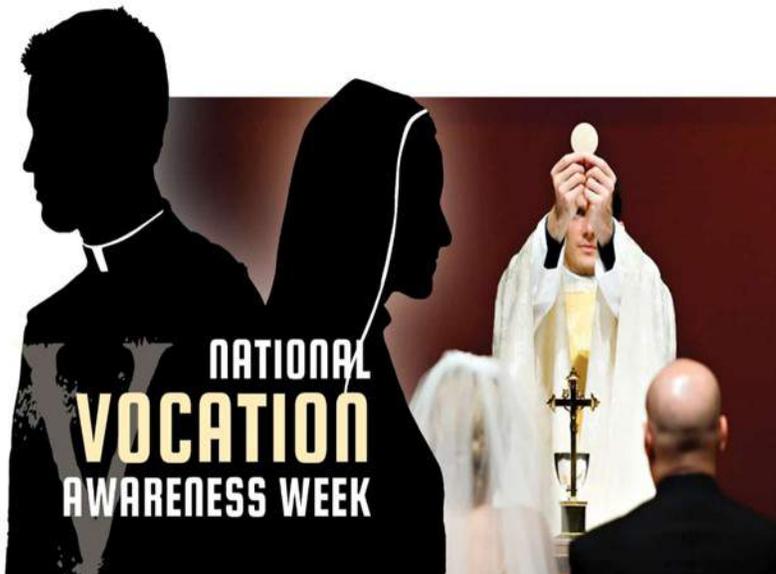


There will be a sign-up sheet for orders in the back of the church. We will be selling them at Mass or you may call Ann Robinson at (304) 887-2421, Theresa Bales at (304) 920-8104, or the parish office to place your order.



Our 2024 Church Calendars are here!

Please pick one up in the back of the Church.



Today begins Vocation Awareness Week

As Catholics, we firmly believe that God has a plan for our lives! He calls some to marriage, some to the priesthood, and others to religious life or to live as generous single people. Fully living our own vocations—and teaching young people how to discern God's call—is a serious duty, but also a joyful one.

During this week, please encourage the young people in your life—children, grandchildren, students, and friends—to be open if God calls them to priesthood or religious life.

Everyone Has a Divine Vocation

"Jesus has a specific task in life for each and every one of us. Each one of us is hand-picked, called by name by Jesus! There is no one among us who does not have a divine vocation! Some are called audibly by God, but the usual kind of call is internal, through the inner working of the Spirit." ~Homily by Pope Saint John Paul II

Your Unique Mission

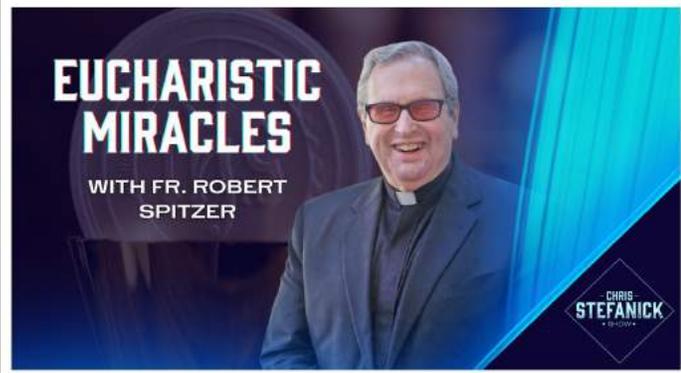
Why does it matter that people discover their God-given vocations? Because the Church relies on the unique contribution of every soul. As St. John Henry Newman famously reflected: "God has created me to do some special service; God has committed some work to

Here are ten tried-and-true ways to discern God's calling for you:

1. **Pray and Listen** asking the Lord daily to show you his will.
2. **Pray the Rosary** asking for the intercession of Mary, Mother of priests.
3. **Pray a Holy Hour** before the Blessed Sacrament regularly.
4. **Attend Mass frequently** (daily if possible) and receive Communion.
5. **Go to Confession** on a consistent basis.
6. **Read Scripture** and meditate on God's Word.
7. **Talk to a priest** you find approachable and ask for spiritual advice.

"National Vocation Awareness Week will be celebrated in our country November 5-11, 2023. Please ask Our Lord for more dedicated, holy priests, deacons, and consecrated men and women. May they be inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our faith community, and respond generously to God's gift of vocation."

THIS WEEK ON FORMED.....



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Did you know there are miracles that back up the true presence of the Eucharist? It's true! And I brought Fr. Robert Spitzer back to tell us about the incredible science behind them.

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THANK YOU'S



Thank you to the Family Life Committee for preparing the gym for a beautiful celebration for our Fall Festival. Special thanks go out to Sherry Ciccolini, Emma Gates, Brett McGraw, and Courtney Longworth. Congratulations to Madison and Molly Rebeck for winning the pumpkin carving contest. The kids looked wonderful in their costumes and a good time was had by all!

A big Thank You to Courtney Longworth for creating and posting the Rosary intentions for the month of October. Also, we appreciate her social media ministry of posting our daily readings and saints of the day.



FOOD PANTRY

Food Pantry Report for October 2023

Date	Adults over 18	Children under 18	Total Clients	New Families	Clothing	Hygiene Products	Total # of Distributions
4-Oct	97	26	123	1	189	94	55
11-Oct	128	62	190	6	346	113	78
18-Oct	174	65	239	4	293	299	104
10/225/2023	211	89	299	9	69	45	119
Monthly	610	242	851	20	897	551	356
Y-T-D	5944	2357	8284	225	11593	9402	3398

November Ministry Schedule

Mass Date & Time	Sacristan	Rosary Leader	Altar Servers	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Hospitality	Collection Counters (Sundays)
11/4 Sat. 6 pm	Purita Buenfe	Purita Buenafe	David Kelley	Tom Behrmann	1.F. Moran 2.D. Garton 3.A. Peretti	The Pascasio's	Randy & Cindy Albert
11/5 Sun 9 am	Greg & Callie Winfree	Barbara Musolin	Kylie Oaks Ryleigh West	Carey Ott Theresa Bales	1.C. Havens 2.K. Kirk 3.C. Stacy	Randy Albert	
11/11 Sat 6 pm	Patty Peretti	Theresa Lowery	Purita Buenafe	Valerie Hager	1.T. Hager 2.P. Peretti 3.L. Mariotti	John Monaco	David Duritza Rocky Malamisura
11/12 Sun 9 am	Terry Lampert	Cherie Mulkey	Hadley Wills Keagan Wills	Randy Albert Bob Buzzo	1.M. Romeo 2.S. Romeo 3.K. Kidd	Rocky Malamisura	
11/18 Sat 6 pm	Jean McCloud	Purita Buenafe	A. Peretti E. Peretti	Deborah Garton Maria Zalduondo	1.T. Berhmann 2.J. McCloud 3.P. Peretti	The Pascasio's	Delores Shumate Marilyn McCoy
11/19 Sun 9 am Confirm. Sunday	Mary Malamisura	Terry Lampert	Tristan Brown Cristine Tran Aiden Zinsmeister TBA	Wendi Aiello Ashely Rebuck	1.C. Saunders 2.TBA 3.TBA	Steve Copolo	
11/22 6 pm Thanks giving Mass	Mary Malamisura	No Rosary	Mary Malamisura	Terry Lampert	1.F. Moran 2.TBA 3.TBA	Bob Buzzo	No Collection Taken
11/25 Sat 6 pm	Theresa Lowery	Valerie Hager	Stephanie Copolo Melissa Copolo	Feleesha Moran	1.V. Hager 2.T. Hager 3.L. Mariotti	John Monaco	Wendi and George Aiello
11/26 Sun 9 am	Terry Lampert	Cherie Mulkey	Mary Malamisura	Ron Ciccolini Bob Buzzo	1.M. Romeo 2.S. Romeo 3.T. Lampert	Rocky Malamisura	



Thank You For
Your Generous Donations

Weekly Donations	weekend Oct 28-29	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Envelopes	3,890.00	186,748.90	201,000.00
Loose Offertory	356.00	18,088.60	16,000.00
Holy Day Collections	10.00	2,340.00	1,000.00
Total Collection	\$4,256.00	\$207,177.50	\$218,000.00
Food Pantry	340.00	31,760.35	0.00
Dioc: Universal World Missions	55.00	720.11	0.00
attendance:	6pm: 50	9am: 83	

Please Pray For:

Parishioners: George Aiello Sr, Jeanne Ameli, Peggy Austin, John Babbitt, Mary Jo Babbitt, Stephanie Blevins, Richard Canterbury, Loretta Carrigan, Sherry Ciccolini, Ron Ciccolini, Tony Colobro, Victoria Crofcheck, Teresa Derenge, Fran Derenge, Alex and Joanne Ercoline, Debbie Ameli Froy, Angie Genovesi, Katie & Ron Goodwin, James (Tom) Hager, Mary Claire Keenan, Susan Kerr, Daniel Kirk, Claire Lampert, Tracy Lyon, Harold Mabardy, Sue Mazol, Mary McGonagle, Aalannah McPeak, Feleesha & Patrick Moran, Shane Neal, Jacob Nester, Patricia Nester, Ernesto Pascasio, Barbara Pickett, Nancy Pochick, Nancy & Dr. Anthony Rasi, Jerry Rasi, Kathy Richards, Rosalie Rocchetti, Sharon Rothausen, Rodney & Jami Rust, Mariam Salaita, Virginia Shumate, Wayne Shumate, Ann Switch, Laura Zande Taylor, Stella Mae Taylor, Joe Thomas, Jason and Clay Thomason, Theresa Thomason, Larry Zande Jr., Patricia & Larry Zande Sr., Kara Zande and Analeigh Dawn, Joan Zingale

Homebound Parishioners: Linda Angelelli, Joy Formica, Patsy Malamisura, Dolores Pritchett, Mitzi Romeo, Theresa Soulis

Friends & Family: Betty Akers, Andrew Arczynski, Sandy Arczynski, Jim Archer, Jeffery Arkland, Tim Arnold, Jack Asbury, Jonathon Bays, Robert Below, Maggie Blankenship, Cara Blankenship, Amanda Bolton, Vanessa Boyer, Teddy Bradshaw, Melissa Carnett, Zac Carter, Sandy Cassidy, Michelle Coker, Chuck Comer, Jimmy Coplo, Harold Cutlip, Lisa Dalton, Barry Dinger, Kim Duesing, Christina Easton, Mike Farmer, Cathy Feather, Tina Fitzgerald, Phil Gesotti, Larry Gilliam, Mary and Colin Gillespie, Vincent Godfrey, Dr. James Godwin, DDS, Skip Harless, Becky Harris, Gary Haynes, Owen Hime, Claire Holt, Alpha Jean Holly, Shannon Honaker, Madilyn Humphreys, Josh Husband, Trish Johnson, Cyndi Jones, Joseph Justin, Sherry Khatib, Sandy Kegley, Melonie Koch, Charlotte Kohlmeyer, Zoe Kotsko, Michael Kovach, Eddie Lanter, Dawn Lawless, Stan Lawson, James & Pam Linkous, John Paul Lovell, Jaysen Marshall, Jacob and Tara Matney, Andy McKoy, Brandon McKoy, Linda Meadows, Chase Miller, Kim & Doug Miller, Scott Morris, Jacob Morton, Helen Mullins, Jane Murphy, Ane Montarroyos, Bobby Neal, Shane Neal, Steven Nelcher, Jonny Phillips, Annette Pike, Barbara Polatz, Thomas Presley Sr., William Ray, Brian Richard, Roy Rogers, Mayra Rolon, Charles Rose, Barbara Sadler, Rick Saunders, Brittany Scott, Courtney Shade, Devin Shamro, Raymond Shumate, Leanna Smith, Bryan Statn, Adam Stuart, Laurie Stuart, Robert Shade, Ellie Spencer, Teresa Taylor, Jim Thompson, Evelyn Turnbough, Sarah Turner, Cathleen Underwood, Debby VanBlaricom, Jane Walthall, Charlotte Woolwine



CATHOLIC SHARING
APPEAL

Church Goal: \$25,340

Amount Raised: \$66,809

264% of our Goal!

IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY

AND A PRIEST IS NEEDED,

PLEASE CALL:

Parish Office (304) 327-5623

Princeton Office (304) 425-3664

In case of serious or life-threatening sickness or the actively dying: {Please consider, with Fr. Sebastian out of town, it will take longer to contact a priest. Please call the church office as soon as you can} The church should be contacted as soon as possible. People deserve the opportunity to confess their sins, profess their faith, be anointed, and receive Holy Communion – the foretaste and pledge of eternal life. PLEASE don't wait until after the person is unconscious or so sedated that he or she cannot communicate. It is imperative with current situations, that there be enough time for Fr. to go through the appropriate protocol to visit the actively dying.

In case of Illness: Please call the parish office to let us know if you, a family member, or a parishioner is sick. We can place your name on the prayer list. If requested, Fr Sebastian will arrange for distributing Holy Communion in the home.

Nursing homes & Hospitals: are not permitted to contact the church. If someone you know is in the hospital, please call the parish office.

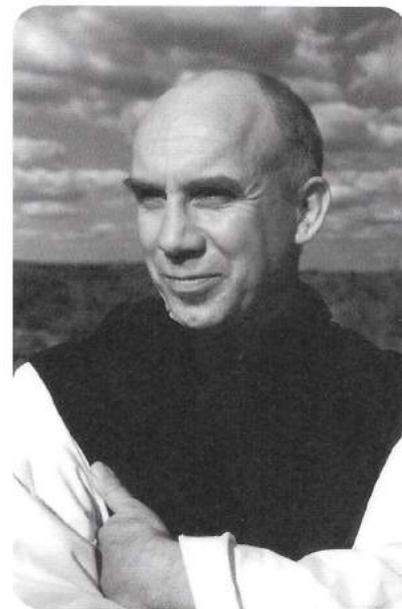
Dear Padre,

I would like to do more spiritual reading, but everything I've tried is either over my head or too sweet and pious for me. Do you have suggestions for any down-to-earth authors?

You might try reading shorter works. More is not necessarily better. Consider several publications available at Liguori.org. *In My Own Words* is a series of books that gathers excerpts from different authors: Dorothy Day, Sr. Thea Bowman, Pope St. John Paul II, and others. Also consider the *Wisdom* series for Advent and Christmas or Lent and Easter. These include the writings of ancients and a few more current authors like Pope Francis, Henri Nouwen, and Thomas Merton. *Daybreaks* for Advent and Lent are booklets of short meditations for each day of each season. *Catholic Update*, a four-page newsletter from Liguori, features in-depth articles on contemporary topics written by expert authors.

C. S. Lewis was a prolific and popular Christian author. His *Mere Christianity* is practical and informative. *A Grief Observed* is a beautiful meditation for those who have lost someone dear to them, as is Henri Nouwen's *In Memoriam*. Merton's *New Seeds of Contemplation* has inspired readers since it was first published in 1949.

Finally, the best place to start might be the Gospel of Mark—not to study or analyze. Rather, read it just to get to know Jesus a little better. ●



Thomas Merton, a Trappist monk and one of the most influential Catholic authors of the 1900s

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DAYbreaks

Leading Catholic voices inspire the faithful with daily reflections and prayers for Advent and Lent. Including: Fr. Ron Rolheiser, Dr. Mary Katharine Deeley, Sr. Dianne Bergant, Fr. Paul Turner, and more at Liguori.org.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
November 6 <i>Weekday</i> Rom 11:29–36 Lk 14:12–14	November 7 <i>Weekday</i> Rom 12:5–16ab Lk 14:15–24	November 8 <i>Weekday</i> Rom 13:8–10 Lk 14:25–33	November 9 <i>Dedication of Lateran Basilica</i> Ez 47:1–2, 8–9, 12; 1 Cor 3:9c– 11, 16–17 Jn 2:13–22	November 10 <i>St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church</i> Rom 15:14–21 Lk 16:1–8	November 11 <i>St. Martin of Tours, Bishop</i> Rom 16:3–9, 16, 22–27 Lk 16:9–15	November 12 <i>Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Wis 6:12–16 1 Thes 4:13–18 or 4:13–14 Mt 25:1–13



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

People today are attracted by things that are faster and faster: rapid Internet connections, speedy cars and planes, instant relationships. But at the same time we see a desperate need for calmness, I would even say slowness. Is the Church still able to move slowly: to take the time to listen, to have the patience to mend and reassemble?

MEETING WITH BISHOPS OF BRAZIL IN RIO DE JANEIRO, JULY 27, 2013