

Dear Padre,

Is there a right to health care? As a Catholic, what kind of obligation do I have to use my resources to help with the purchase of medicine for my brother? His insurance won't cover the costs, and he's on a fixed income.

Saint John XXIII's 1963 encyclical *Pacem In Terris* (Peace on Earth) said people have a right to live and a right to the "means necessary for the proper development of life" (11). This text serves as a foundation for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' speaking of a right to "basic" or "adequate health care" in their Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholics. What is not clear in Church teaching is who has the duty to ensure that right. In some cases, the state has taken this responsibility, but this need not be the case. The condition of millions of our brothers and sisters in Christ, however, urges us to action on their behalf.

Regarding the case of one's brother, the question is difficult because of the need for more information. What is the brother's prognosis? Is he taking care of himself responsibly? What do you feel capable of doing morally without placing yourself and others in your care at risk?

Whatever one's ability to respond in this case, one's relationship with one's brother should be marked by compassion and a sincere desire and will to help in whatever way is morally reasonable.

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
June 19	June 20	June 21	June 22	June 23	June 24	June 25
Weekday	Weekday	St. Aloysius	Weekday	Weekday	Nativity of St. John the Baptist	Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
2 Cor 6:1–10	2 Cor 8:1–9	Gonzaga, Religious	2 Cor 11:1–11	2 Cor 11:18, 21–30	Is 49:1–6	Jer 20:10–13
Mt 5:38–42	Mt 5:43–48	2 Cor 9:6–11	Mt 6:7–15	Mt 6:19–23	Acts 13:22–26	Rom 5:12–15
		Mt 6:1–6, 16–18			Lk 1:57–66, 80	Mt 10:26–33

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

A good father knows how to wait and knows how to forgive from the depths of his heart. Certainly, he also knows how to correct with firmness: he is not a weak father, submissive and sentimental. The father who knows how to correct without humiliating is the one who knows how to protect without sparing himself.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, ROME, FEBRUARY 4, 2015



Our Parish COMMUNITY

June 18, 2023
Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)
Exodus 19:2–6a / Romans 5:6–11 / Matthew 9:36–10:8



Bucket List Questions

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

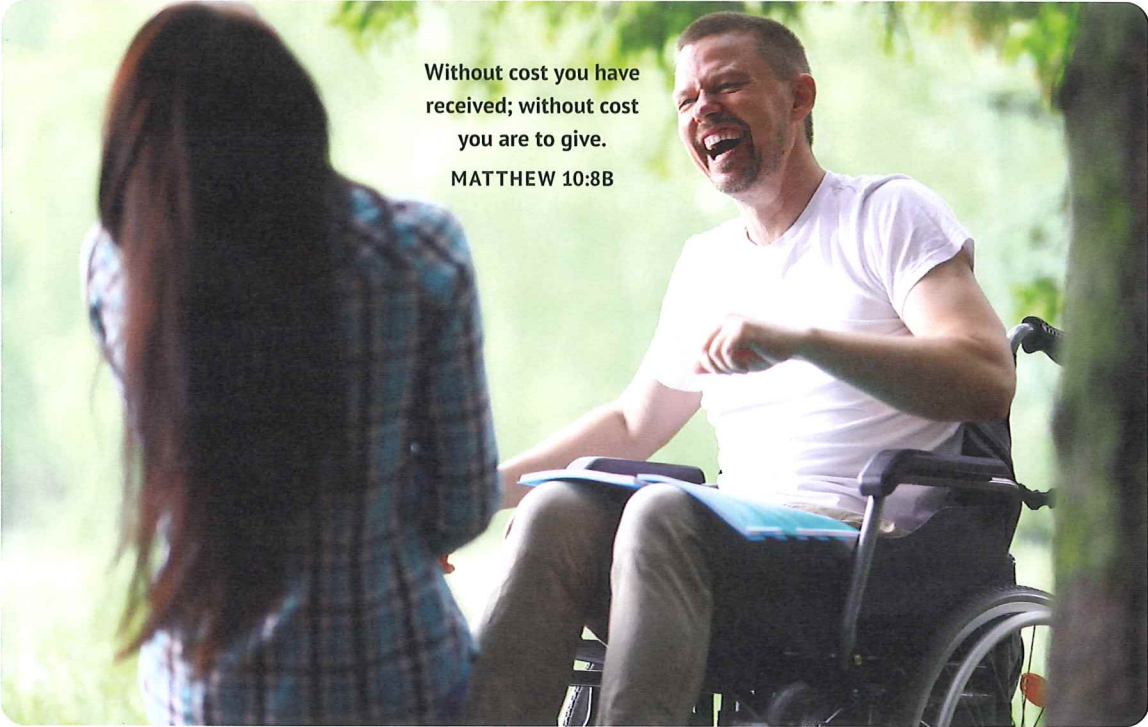
The *Bucket List* is a movie about two men, played by Jack Nicholson and Morgan Freeman, who find themselves sharing a hospital room, each diagnosed with terminal cancer. As they talk about the days that remain for each of them, they begin to discuss what they would yet hope to experience before they die. Hence, the title of the film.

At one point amid their many escapades together, Freeman suggests that God is going to ask two questions when they stand before the pearly gates. Nicholson hears this and grows edgy, suspecting his eternal future may be at risk. Freeman then tells him that the first question will be, "Have you ever experienced joy in life?" At that, Nicholson beams with a silly grin that suggests he is thinking more of pleasure than he is of joy. Nonetheless, he decides his lock on eternal bliss is halfway there. Then Freeman reveals the second question: "Have you ever brought joy to the lives of others?" With that, Nicholson's face drops, realizing his life has been more about himself than about others.

Religion is not just about "going to church" but also about "going from church into the world." That, in a sense, is what Jesus did when he named the twelve apostles and sent them out to heal, bring life, and overcome evil. It is also what we find ourselves sent to do amid the scattered events of every week—to bring joy into the lives of others. ●

Reflect

If God asks you about your experiences of joy and bringing joy to others, how will you answer?



Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give.
MATTHEW 10:8B



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11th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6/17/2023 - Saturday, 4: 00 p.m.

Servers: Volunteer, Jason Velasco, Ryann Bamberger

Reader: Gwen Waechter

E.O.HC: Rosemary & Tom Bachman

6/18/2023 – Sunday, 9:00 a.m.

Servers: Cade & Jace Berning, Luke Woodrow

Reader: Kyle Berning

E.O. HC: Del & Julia Kaps

12 th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6/24/2023 - Saturday, 4: 00 p.m.

Servers: Lucy Gannett, Jonathan Gannett, Nathan Gannett

Reader: Karen Burden

E.O.HC: Debbie Frederick, Gwen Waechter

6/25/2023 – Sunday, 9:00 a.m.

Servers: Kirbe & Kipton Koons, Joleigh Lohman-Fuller

Reader: Mike Broeckelman

E.O. HC: Toby & Jessica Lohman-Fuller

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, June 17	4:00 p.m.	Gary Sack
Sunday, June 18	9:00 a.m.	PJ Sullivan Family
Monday, June 19	8:30 a.m.	David Hoang
Tuesday, June 20	8:30 a.m.	Gary Sack
Thursday, June 22	8:30 a.m.	David Hoang
Friday, June 23	8:30 a.m.	Hertha Vittetan
Saturday, June 24	4:00 p.m.	Ritha Linenberger
Sunday, June 25	9:00 a.m.	Thanksgiving for rain

Reconciliation: Confessions will be heard every Saturday at 3:00 p.m. and every Sunday at 8:00 a.m. or by appointment.

Baptism: Parents who have children to be baptized must be registered. Godparents must be 16 years of age or older and have received Confirmation and Eucharist. Please call the parish office for an appointment.

Marriage: Please contact parish priest at least four to six months before the wedding.

Anointing of the Sick: Celebrated anytime by calling a priest.

JUNE 18— 11th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give (Matthew 10:8)

This Sunday’s Gospel (Matthew 9:36-10:8) Jesus tells us, “Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give.”

My Friends, giving in the kind of unconditional way God wants us to give --- recognizing all that God bestows upon us and wanting to freely pass those things on to others --- is not easy. In fact, this gospel sentence comes immediately after Jesus tells the Twelve to, “Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, drive out demons.”

Maybe Jesus is saying that giving is hard enough, but giving in the selfless way God wants us to give without expecting anything in return is maybe even more difficult and maybe even more rare than any of those other things.

Motives are tricky things. Sometimes we’re not even aware of our true motives, not even completely sure why we’re doing what we’re doing in a given situation. Why are we polite and considerate in stores and restaurants, but are crabby and rude when we’re all by ourselves?

Do we believe that everything God gives us is done so freely, that God loves us whether or not that love is returned? You see, if we think that everything in this life is some kind of trade, some kind of this for that, some kind of transaction, then we’ll always make our choices based on what’s in it for us.

But if we truly understand that not a single thing we receive from God is owed to us, and that we haven’t and can’t earn God’s love, then we might just find that we can begin to act in a similar way. Fr. Peter

COLLECTION for June 11, 2023: Envelopes: \$1005; Loose: \$235; Online Giving: \$1412.24; Total \$2652.24; Average Weekly Expense: \$1,761.17. Income over/under + 890

CHURCH PROJECT GOAL \$52000—Building Fund To Date: \$29326.63 *Thank you so much for your love for our parish church and your faithful stewards.*

FATHER’S DAY GREETING Happy Father’s Day to all Fathers. May the Almighty God pour down His many blessings upon all fathers on this Special Day!

ALTAR SOCIETY ANNOUNCEMENT The Altar Society will be serving Father’s Day breakfast this Sunday June 18 after the 9:00 am Mass. Ladies are asked to bring one breakfast item for the breakfast. Fruit, muffins, breads, burritos, breakfast casseroles, etc.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK How am I called to be a laborer for the harvest? What concrete thing can I do this week to carry out Jesus’ mission?

PRAYER OF THE WEEK (adapted from “Blessing before Leaving on a Journey” in Catholic Household Blessing and Prayers) All-powerful and ever-living God, when your Son Jesus sent his disciples to further your kingdom, you kept them safe all through their journeys. Protect us, your servants, who also strive to follow your Son. Walk by our side to help us. Be our companion and our strength on the way. Be our refuge in every adversity. Lead us, O Lord, as we share your kingdom with others, and bring us at last to the eternal haven of salvation. Amen.

UNDERSTANDING THE GOSPEL OF THE WEEK - (Matthew 9:36-10:8)

Shepherds (v.36) In the Old Testament God’s relationship to his people was readily compared to a shepherd tending his sheep (Psalm 100, Isaiah 40:11). Sometimes God must take action to ensure that his human flock has good leadership (Numbers 27:15f, Ezekiel 34:11f). Matthew’s Gospel was probably written after the Romans sacked Jerusalem in 70 AD. In the resulting chaos, members of the emerging Christian community were separated and would have needed strong, compassionate leadership.

The harvest (v.37) The harvest is a metaphor for the end of the age, when God comes to either bring people into the fullness of his kingdom or to exclude them from it. Jesus urges his followers not only to draw others to God’s kingdom but to pray for more workers.

The Twelve (vv.1-4) From among the people who surrounded him Jesus chose twelve men as his inner circle. In biblical history Abraham’s twelve great-grandsons had families or tribes of their own that together constituted the people of Israel. Jesus’ twelve disciples represent these twelve tribes, and thus symbolize the new Israel that he was forming. Only here does Matthew refer to the Twelve as apostles (v.2). Apostle comes from the Greek word for sent. The term initially referred to anyone who was sent to do something.

The mission (vv.5-8) Jesus concentrates his ministry among his fellow Jews and commands the Twelve to do the same. Only his own people could begin to understand his mission and identity. Given that laborers were few, Jesus also had to manage his resources. Jesus shares his life-giving power with his disciples and tells them to do all that he has been doing — except teach. Jesus has much more to teach the Twelve. Only after his resurrection will Jesus send his disciples to teach all people (28:18f). The disciples haven’t payed Jesus for anything, so they must not ask payment from others (v.8). (oursundayreadings.wordpress.com)

UNDERSTANDING THE FIRST READING OF THE WEEK - (Exodus 19: 2-6a)

The mountain After freeing the Israelites from slavery in Egypt, God led them through the Sinai desert to Canaan. In this passage the Israelites are gathered at the base of Mount Sinai. Mountains were traditional places of revelation because they were close to the heavens, God’s dwelling place. The phrase house of Jacob refers to the descendants of Jacob, the grandson of Abraham.

Covenants A covenant is a treaty or formal agreement. Like most ancient treaties, the Sinai Covenant included a description of what God had done for the people, laws they were to obey (these laws included the Ten Commandments), and the promise of material blessings.

Kingdom of priests, holy nation God entered into the Sinai Covenant in order to reveal himself to all the nations. Ideally, people would look to the holiness of Israel and see in them the holiness of God. Only certain men in Israel acted as priests. The role included butchering animals for sacrifices and burning select portions on the altar. Everyone, however, participated in these rituals by bringing their gifts of animals or produce to the priests. Thus, the entire nation carried out a priestly or sacred role. During the rite of baptism priests anoint new Catholics while praying that they “may remain... a member of Christ who is Priest, Prophet, and King.” By participating in the liturgical life of the Church Catholics fulfill this priestly role.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION JUNE 18

“As you go, make this proclamation: ‘The kingdom of heaven is at hand.’” Matthew 10:7 Many of us take our lives for granted. We think we have plenty of time to “repent.” Maybe we should live with a little more urgency in making things right with God. This is the difference in living our discipleship out of obligation versus out of love. Obligation implies we do the minimum required. Love implies we want a relationship. God wants us to be with Him in Heaven forever, but He also wants to be in relationship with us right now, while we are on earth. Start this second – invite the Lord into your heart.

“Y cuando vayan, prediquen diciendo: ‘El reino de los cielos se ha acercado’”. MATEO 10:7 Muchos de nosotros damos nuestras vidas por sentado. Pensamos que tenemos tiempo suficiente para “arrepentirnos”. Tal vez deberíamos vivir con un poco más de urgencia en hacer las cosas bien con Dios. Esa es la diferencia entre vivir nuestro discipulado por obligación y vivirlo por amor. La obligación implica hacer el mínimo requerido. El amor implica que queremos una relación. Dios quiere que estemos con Él en el Cielo por siempre, pero también quiere tener una relación con nosotros justo ahora, mientras que estamos en la tierra. Comience en este instante, invite al Señor a entrar en su corazón.

Q: Where do our souls go after we die? Do all go to heaven? – Audrey A: The first destination is the judgment seat of Christ: It is appointed unto men once to die, and after this the judgment (Heb 9:27). And again, For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive what is due him for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad. (2 Cor 5:10) From here are three possible destinations. Many do go to Heaven, the ultimate destination of all who believe in the Lord and, by his grace, die in love, and friendship with him, and are perfected. But most of the heaven-bound likely first experience Purgatory where those who die in friendship with God, but are not yet fully perfected in His love, are purified and then drawn to heaven (cf 1 Cor 3:12-15). Finally, some go from judgment to Hell, for by their own choice they rejected God and the values of the Kingdom. It is wrong, as some do, to dismiss Hell as an unlikely possibility since the Lord Jesus taught frequently of it, and warned that many were on the wide road that led there. (Monsignor Pope)

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Your name here

At county fairs there always seems to be a stand where someone offers to write your name on a grain of rice. As novel a proposition as that is, perhaps there are better places to have our names inscribed. Scripture mentions a "Book of Life" eight times. It's described as the registry of the just—a desirable place to be listed. Martyrdom is one sure way to make the registry and promoting the gospel is another. Simply put, bring Jesus to others. Witness with your values, decisions, and resources. Add your name to the book. (Preparetheword)

DÉCIMO PRIMER DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Tu nombre aquí

En las ferias del condado siempre parece haber un puesto en el que alguien se ofrece a escribir tu nombre en un grano de arroz. Por muy novedosa que sea la propuesta, quizá haya mejores lugares para inscribir nuestros nombres. Las Escrituras mencionan un "Libro de la Vida" ocho veces. Se lo describe como el registro de los justos, un lugar deseable donde figurar. El martirio es una manera segura de entrar en el registro y difundir el evangelio es otra. En pocas palabras, lleva a Jesús a los demás. Da testimonio con tus valores, decisiones y recursos. Agrega tu nombre al libro.

Totus Tuus: If any youth would like to attend please contact to Miss Hannah Schauf. The parish will pay for the registration fees.

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF DODGE CITY

FROM JUNE 25TH – 30TH, 2023

Totus Tuus is a Catholic youth program dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic faith through catechesis, evangelization, Christian witness, and Eucharistic worship.

GRADE SCHOOL PROGRAM

Students who have completed grades 1 – 6
Monday thru Friday, June 26–30, 2023
From 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM

Students who have completed grades 7 – 12
Sunday thru Thursday, June 25–29, 2023
From 6:30 pm to 8:45 pm

Registration:
Are being taken during office hours

Cost is \$10 per child or \$25 for a family with 3 or more children registered. The schedule can work around summer activities, appointments, etc.

11:30 am Daily Mass
(All are welcome)

Come join us!

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF DODGE CITY

Totus Tuus (ESCUELA BIBLICA DE VERANO)

Del 25 – 30 de junio de 2023

Totus Tuus es un programa juvenil católico dedicado a compartir el Evangelio y promover la fe católica a través de la catequesis, la evangelización, el testimonio cristiano y el culto eucarístico.

Matriculaciones:
Se están tomando durante los horarios de oficina

PROGRAMA DE ESCUELA PRIMARIA

Estudiantes que completaron los grados 1–6
De lunes a viernes, 26–30 de junio de 2023
De 9:00 am a 3:00 pm

PROGRAMA DE ESCUELA SECUNDARIA Y PREPARATORIA

Estudiantes que completaron los grados 7 – 12
De domingo a jueves, 25–29 de junio de 2023
De 6:30 a 8:45 pm

El costo es de \$10 por niño o \$25 por familia con 3 o más niños registrados. El horario puede adaptarse a actividades de verano, citas, etc.

11:30 am Misa diaria
(Todos son bienvenidos)

¡Únase a nosotros!