



## Why Doesn't God Do Something?

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**I**t is said that we never grow up until both parents have died, when we can no longer go home. Yet, for each of us, there may also be a symbolic moment that moves us from childhood into adulthood. It may be achieving financial independence, graduating from school, or moving out on our own. Whatever it may be, we say to ourselves, “I am now grown up.” Whenever such moments occur, we feel empowered to shape our lives and our future.

The feast of the Ascension is that sort of marker: God has empowered us to shape the world in the image of Jesus. Just as our parents empower us into an adulthood that contributes to life, it is now God who empowers us with the very same power by which he raised Jesus from the dead. It is a power and a presence by which God makes the world new through us.

There are those who say they no longer believe in God, because if there is a good God, then he would not allow violence, the death of children before their time, and all sorts of evil that mars human life. Perhaps the greater question is not “Why doesn't God do something?” but rather “Why do we not do something?” To pass on the responsibility to God is to abdicate our own responsibility and deny the fact that God continues to empower us as adults and expects us to utilize that power and presence to make all things new. ●

### Reflect

*In what ways do I act like an adult?  
How is the world a better place because of me?*

[Jesus said,] “You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

ACTS 1:8





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**St. Mary's Immaculate Conception Catholic Church**  
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**Corpus Christi Catholic Church, 18760 Rogers Road, Atchison KS 66002**  
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#### Sacraments

**Reconciliation** Saturday & Sunday 30 min before  
Mass (Wednesdays 6-7pm St. Joseph)  
**Marriage** Six-month notice required  
18 months if annulments needed  
**Anointing** Please let us know of any hospital  
admissions  
**Baptism** For Baptismal dates call the office;  
one Baptismal Class required

#### Mass Schedule and Intentions

Sat.	May 31	5:00 pm	Corpus Christi
†	Bonnie Schrick		
Sat.	May 31	7:00pm	St. Joseph
	Mass for the People		
Sun.	June 1	8:00 am	St. Joseph
†	Lindell Nolting		
Sun.	June 1	10:00am	St. Mary's
†	Frank Werder		
Mon.	June 2	No Mass	
Tue.	June 3	No Mass	
Wed.	June 4	No Mass	
Thu.	June 5	No Mass	
Fri.	June 6	8:00am	St. Joseph
†	Mildred, Geraldine, and Marcelene Weishaar		
Sat.	June 7	5:00 pm	Corpus Christi
†	Carl and Joan Noll		
Sat.	June 7	7:00 pm	St. Joseph
†	Chris Wilson		
Sun.	June 8	8:00 am	St. Joseph
†	Liv. and Dec. members of J.L. Weishaar Family		
Sun.	June 8	10:00 am	St. Mary's
	Mass for the People		

**Archdiocesan Priests' Retreat- June 2-5.** There will be no daily Mass or Eucharistic Adoration while Fr. William is away. If you are in need of sacramental assistance, contact St. Benedict's Abbey at 913-367-7853 or call the parish office 913-886-2030. Messages will be checked daily.

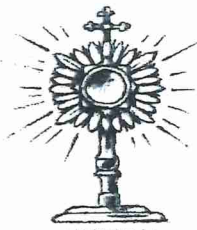
**Archbishop McKnight's Pallium Mass in Rome June 29, St. Peter's Basilica-** Catholics in the Archdiocese are invited to join Archbishop McKnight for the blessing and reception of his pallium, the liturgical vestment worn over the chasuble. Those attending will have the opportunity to gather for a meal with him after the Mass. Those interested will need to make their own travel arrangements, but can reserve seats together as a group at the Mass. If you plan to be part of the group, send an email to Lisa McKelvey, director of stewardship and development, at: [lmckelvey@archkck.org](mailto:lmckelvey@archkck.org)

#### Virtus Training session

**Monday, August 11: 6:00-9:00pm, St. Joseph School**  
We are pleased to offer a local Virtus Training session led by Sr. Maria Heppler, OSB. All religious education families should plan on at least one adult attending, if not already Virtus trained. To register, go to [virtusonline.org](http://virtusonline.org) and follow the prompts to register. If you need help, contact the parish office.

#### Food for the Poor Missionary priest this weekend!

Fr. Roneld Saint Louis, priest of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and the first Haitian born priest of that Archdiocese, will be at all the weekend masses and speaking about Food for the Poor. Please be generous to this worthy cause and give him a warm welcome!



#### Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions

**St. Joseph**  
Wednesdays, 6-7pm  
**Corpus Christi**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of month, 4-4:45pm  
**St. Mary's**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of month, 11am- 12pm

**Bulletin Deadline:** Noon Tuesday

**Parish office hours this week:** Tues, Thurs 8:30am-2:30pm

### **Please Remember in Your Prayers**

Kyle Perkis	Jeremy Heinen
Bob Heinen	Virginia Grollmes
Emma Dockweiler	Rosella Hollis
Janet Schmidt	Chris Heinen
Tim Hosler	Heidi Rutar
Phil Heuertz	Dolores Miller
Roxie Herring	Dorothy Herring

Also pray for those serving in the Military, those with health issues and those who have no one to pray for them.

### **June Appointments**

**Ushers:** Chad Mooradian, Kevin Glassel, Thomas Welsh

**Lay Ministers:** Joyce Heinen, Larry Heinen, Marietta Heinen

#### **June 8**

**Lector:** Paisleigh Heinen

**Musicians:** Marley Hamon

**Servers:** Tommy Welsh, Waylon Allen

**Gifts:** Taylor Allen Family

**Finances:** Jarett Wildeman, Kristy Burns

**Sacristan:** Lesa Brose

### **Contributions**

#### **May 25, 2025**

Plate.....	200.00
Cemetery.....	50.00
Support.....	585.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$840.00</b>

### **St Mary's Immaculate Conception Parish Mission Statement**

- Study our **FAITH**
- Practice our **FAITH**
- Support our parish and community in **FAITH**
- Evangelize our **FAITH**

**Bulletin additions or corrections:** Contact Crystal Clark 785-806-0262 (text or call)  
email [calebcystal@hotmail.com](mailto:calebcystal@hotmail.com)

We are starting a **new tradition!** There will be a basket placed in front of the altar during Offertory for the children to come forward and place their offerings. All attending children are invited to participate. Big Thanks to RaeAnn Allen for bringing the idea to Father William and implementing it.

### **CCD updates**

Please consider sharing your talents! If anyone is interested in helping with the K-12 CCD religious education program, please contact JoLina at 785-224-3726.

Please don't feel that you aren't qualified to teach the youth...teacher guides and moral support are provided! Thank you!

### **Pope Facts**

Pope Leo XIV is 69 years old

Pope Francis was 76 years old when elected

Pope Benedict was 78 years old when elected

St Pope John Paul II was 58 years old when elected

Pope Leo XIV chose his name to follow Pope Leo XIII who led the church from 1878-1903. Pope Leo XIII is known as the modern father of Catholic social doctrine. He composed the St. Michael the Archangel prayer we use at the end of Mass.

### **Archbishop's Call to Share**

Currently, our parish has received \$6,705 in donations or pledges towards the *Archbishop's Call to Share* campaign. Our parish goal this year is \$11,000. We are currently at 61% of our goal. If you have not yet made your donation, please use the envelopes in the pews to return your donation or you may go online and make your donation

at: <https://archkck.org/donate>. The ministries supported by the *Archbishop's Call to Share* fall into the Archdiocesan's five pastoral priorities: Conversion, Evangelization, Education, Outreach, and Stewardship. Thank you for supporting these ministries and for helping us meet our parish goal.



# Dear Padre,

## What does the Catholic Church teach about miracles?

Miracles are extraordinary occurrences without natural explanation that manifest the presence and power of God. We believe in miracles “because of the authority of God himself who reveals them, who can neither deceive nor be deceived” (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 156).

Christ’s multiplication of the loaves is the only miracle recorded by all four evangelists. He performed many other natural miracles—calming the storm, walking on water—and numerous healings as well—curing the deaf and mute, the woman with a hemorrhage. These signs attest that the Father sent Jesus and “they invite belief in him” (CCC, 548). Moreover, Jesus’ miracles “also confirm that the kingdom has already arrived on earth...” (“Dogmatic Constitution on the Church,” 5).

Today, God still manifests his presence in the Church through miracles. For example, potential medical healings are rigorously investigated by the Vatican for sainthood causes. Other supernatural occurrences—such as apparitions and eucharistic phenomena—are likewise thoroughly and prudently investigated with caution to maintain the Church’s credibility and prevent confusion among the faithful.

To that end, in May 2024, the Vatican updated its guidelines for assessing apparitions, visions, and alleged revelations, and reaffirmed that a bishop cannot rule on the validity of a particular case before the pope formally deems it to be “supernatural” for pastoral value. (Search “Norms for Proceeding in the Discernment of Alleged Supernatural Phenomena” at [Vatican.va](http://Vatican.va).) ●



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### A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

*Do we know how to make ourselves intercessors for others, that is, do we know how to pray for them and bless their lives?... Let us learn this: intercessory prayer, interceding for the hopes and sufferings of the world, interceding for peace. And let us bless with our eyes and our words those we meet every day!*

REGINA CAELI, ROME, MAY 29, 2022

#### Monday

June 2  
Easter Weekday  
Acts 19:1–8  
Jn 16:29–33

#### Tuesday

June 3  
St. Charles Lwanga and  
Companions, Martyrs  
Acts 20:17–27  
Jn 17:1–11a

#### Wednesday

June 4  
Easter Weekday  
Acts 20:28–38  
Jn 17:11b–19

#### Thursday

June 5  
St. Boniface, Bishop  
and Martyr  
Acts 22:30; 23:6–11  
Jn 17:20–26

#### Friday

June 6  
Easter Weekday  
Acts 25:13b–21  
Jn 21:15–19

#### Saturday

June 7  
Easter Weekday  
Acts 28:16–20, 30–31  
Jn 21:20–25

#### Sunday

June 8  
Pentecost  
Acts 2:1–11  
1 Cor 12:3b–7, 12–13  
or Rom 8:8–17  
Jn 20:19–23 or  
Jn 14:15–16, 23b–26