



[Jesus said,] "There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me. For whoever is not against us is for us."

MARK 9:39–40



Spirited Truth

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

It's not always easy to figure out where God's spirit of truth is revealed or by whom the truth is spoken. After "the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to Moses," some of that same spirit given to Moses was also bestowed upon the seventy elders. Two other men also received the spirit, although they were not specially designated, much to the consternation of the elders (see Numbers 11:25–26). These two outsiders were somehow included among those who saw themselves as insiders. How is one to know who speaks with the authority of the spirit?

Perhaps we all need to pay attention to the possibility that "outsiders" may be speaking the truth to us. Faith communities are often considered outsiders in the larger society, not worthy of a platform to be heard from; yet, many faith communities raise their voices in

defense of the unborn, the immigrants at our doors, and the lost souls adrift among us. Throughout life, we've been surprised by children who speak truth that is unrecognized by adults. We've been surprised by the voice of women to a patriarchal society, the sexually abused to the larger Church, those who defend victims of violence. But not all outsiders speak with the authority of the spirit. How is one to know? Perhaps the Gospel gives us a clue—those who give others a cup of water to drink, which is to say, those who speak with compassion on behalf of others who are thirsty for justice and life. ●

Reflect

How have you been surprised by someone unexpectedly speaking God's truth and wisdom?



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CCD Reminder for Parents

CCD class will be held at HT Church Hall
Sunday, October 6th - K thru 5th grades (9:45a-10:45am)
Sunday, October 13th - 6th & 7th graders (9:45am-11:15am)

There will be a teacher/helper meeting on Tuesday, October 1st at 6:00pm in the HT hall. Anyone interested in being a volunteer teacher or helper are welcome to attend.

Daily Mass Intentions for the Week of September 30, 2024

Monday	9/30			† No Mass
Tuesday	10/1	9:00 am	STM	† Richard Mariani
Wednesday	10/2	5:30 pm	HT	† Michael Campbell
Thursday	10/3	9:00 am	HT	† Alan Hahn
Friday	10/4	9:00 am	STM	† Purgatory Souls

Mass Intentions for the weekend of October 5 - 6, 2024

Saturday	10/5	4:00 pm	St Thomas More	† Mary Nave & Family
Sunday	10/6	8:30 am	Holy Trinity	† For the Parishioners
		10:30 am	St Patrick	† Skeffington-Cassidy Families

OCTOBER - A MONTH DEDICATED TO THE HOLY ROSARY

October 7th: Feast of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary

By tradition, the Catholic Church dedicates each month of the year to a certain devotion. The month of October is dedicated to the holy Rosary as the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary falls on October 7th. The best way to celebrate the month is, of course, to pray the Rosary.

The Rosary draws its mysteries from the New Testament and is centered on the great events of the Incarnation and Redemption with each decade referring to an event in the life of Jesus and Mary. The Mysteries of the Rosary give us "thumbnails" of the life of Christ and His Mother.

The **Joyful Mysteries** are taken mostly from Saint Luke's Gospel in the New Testament. They involve the joyful events of Jesus' childhood.

The **Luminous Mysteries** bring a deeper understanding to the public life of Jesus. They fill in the blanks between the childhood of Jesus and His suffering and death on the cross.

The **Sorrowful Mysteries** remind us of how much Jesus loves us. They recall how He suffered and died just for us.

The **Glorious Mysteries** tell us what happened after Jesus died-His Resurrection, the descent of the Holy Spirit and the love Jesus had for His Mother.

Pope St. John Paul II called the Rosary his favorite prayer, in which we meditate with Mary upon the mysteries which she as a mother meditated in her heart. (Lk. 2:19) Many other popes have contributed to the increased devotion to the Rosary by their writings. Pope St. Paul VI (papacy: 1963-1978) devoted the last section of his Apostolic Exhortation "Marialis Cultus" to the Angelus prayer and the Rosary. In this document, he wrote that "the Rosary retains an unaltered value and intact freshness."

The Rosary is primarily a scriptural prayer. This was summarized by Pope Pius XII (papacy: 1939- 1958) who said that the Rosary is " a compendium of the entire Gospel". The Rosary draws its mysteries from the New Testament and is centered on the great events of the Incarnation and Redemption.

In this month of October, let us consider the beautiful prayer of the Rosary as a means that we too can use to draw closer to God by meditating on the great mysteries of our salvation. (Compiled from "st-patrickstafford.com" & "stjohnvianney.org")

Church Announcements

Be A Part of Our Flock

Good communication is always needed for people to maintain a good relationship with one another, whether in the family, school or church. For this reason, we would like to encourage all church members to sign up for the new Flocknote, which replaces the former texting service "BCR Alerts". The setup is very simple; anybody can do it. We have instruction cards for you to take home. One side has information for you to install yourself or the other side you can write your name and cell number and the office can sign you up. Also, if you can help others to set it up, please do so. It is of utmost importance that all members and volunteers use the Flocknote service.

Our Churches Monthly Operational Cost

We should all know by now that the monthly operating cost for each of our specific church keeps getting more costly these days, especially as a nasty winter may be on its way. Hence, to help keep our churches in good financial condition please consider increasing your weekly contribution. Except for the SP Church, our goal for HT and STM Church's weekly collection should be at least \$1,000.00.

LATEST OFFERING'S

SEPT 22ND WEEKEND

HT -- \$907.00

SP -- \$261.00

STM -- \$686.00

Respect Life Month

Each October the Church in the United States celebrates Respect Life Month, and the first Sunday of October is observed as Respect Life Sunday. As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning of life to its end, and at every point in between.

CONFESSIONS

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SAT. OCT 5TH

10:30 AM - 11:15 AM AT

ST. PATRICK

IN THE CHAPEL

Dear Padre,

After we die and go to heaven, will our guardian angel still be with us? Will we know the angel in a closer way?

"The existence of the spiritual, non-corporeal beings that Sacred Scripture usually calls 'angels' is a truth of faith" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 328). The notion that each person has his or her own guardian angel may be based on Jesus' warning not to despise "little ones" because "their angels in heaven always look upon the face of my heavenly Father" (Matthew 18:10). Saint Basil wrote, "Beside each believer stands an angel as protector and shepherd leading him to life." How might we interact with these constant companions in heaven? In heaven, we'll be consumed with the presence of the beatific vision—the immediate knowledge of God, which the angelic spirits and the souls of the just enjoy. In beholding God face to face, we find perfect happiness. "This perfect life with the Most Holy Trinity—this communion of life and love with the Trinity, with the Virgin Mary, the angels and all the blessed—is called 'heaven.' Heaven is the ultimate end and fulfillment of the deepest human longings, the state of supreme, definitive happiness" (CCC 1024). Even though "this mystery of blessed communion with God and all who are in Christ is beyond all understanding and description" (CCC 1027), to imagine the pure joy of being close to our guardian angel is just a foretaste of what heaven will be! ●



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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
September 30	October 1	October 2	October 3	October 4	October 5	October 6
<i>St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church</i>	<i>St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church</i>	<i>The Holy Guardian Angels</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>St. Francis of Assisi</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
Jb 1:6–22 Lk 9:46–50	Jb 3:1–3, 11–17, 20–23 Lk 9:51–56	Jb 9:1–12, 14–16 Mt 18:1–5, 10	Jb 19:21–27 Lk 10:1–12	Jb 38:1, 12–21; 40:3–5 Lk 10:13–16	Jb 42:1–3, 5–6, 12–17 Lk 10:17–24	Gn 2:18–24 Heb 2:9–11 Mk 10:2–16 or 10:2–12



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

We need to be vigilant about closure in the Church... Because the devil, who is the divider—this is what the word "devil" means, the one who divides—always insinuates suspicions to divide and exclude people.... The Holy Spirit does not want closure; he wants openness, welcoming communities where there is a place for everyone.

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