



Why Is There Evil?

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

At some point in one's faith journey, every believer asks: If God is good and loving, why is there evil in the world? Why is there war? Why do children die prematurely? Why do pandemics rage? The biblical story of Job seeks to speak to that question, though it never really answers it.

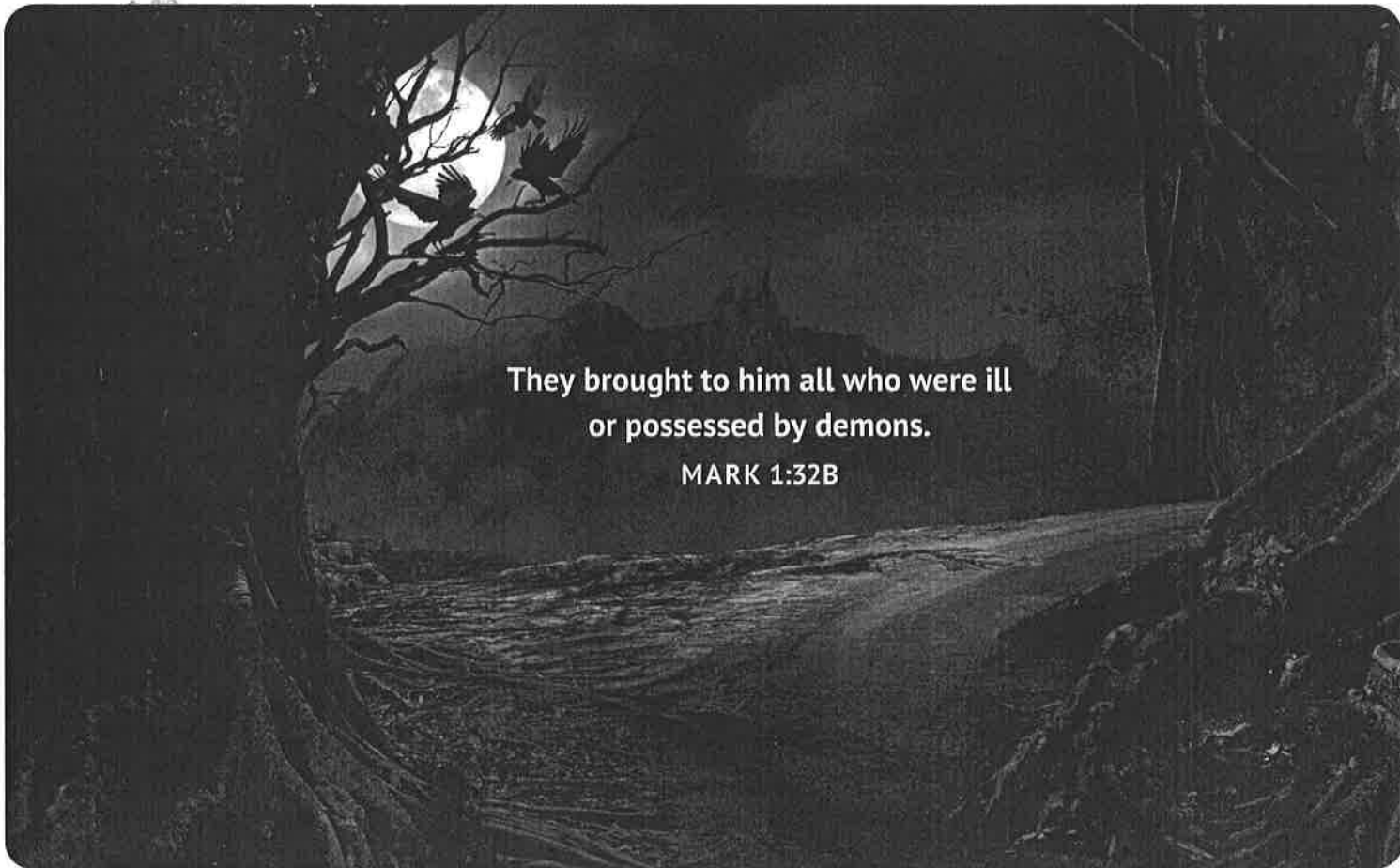
God and the satan (the name he is called in the Book of Job) are discussing Job and what a fine man he is. The satan suggests Job is a good man only because everything is going well for him. God then tells the satan that he may do whatever he wishes to test Job but may not harm him. By a series of catastrophes, then, Job loses his flocks, his camels, and even his sons and daughters. It is at this point that we hear today's first Scripture reading—Job's lament of misery and hopelessness.

Though Job's friends suspect that the cause of all

that has befallen him must be due to some grave sin on his part, Job denies this accusation and continues believing in the goodness of God, never wavering in his faith. Though frustrated by what life has brought, Job never blames God or asks God to fix his life. God is God, concludes Job, whether we understand the ways of life or not. To seek any more is to seek to be God. He continues to trust in God and admits that the ways of God are incapable of being understood. This becomes Job's only answer to the question about the "why" of evil. ●

Reflect

How do you answer the question of why evil exists?

A dark, moody landscape photograph. In the foreground, there's a large, gnarled tree trunk on the left. The background shows a full moon in a dark sky, with silhouettes of trees and a body of water reflecting the moonlight.

**They brought to him all who were ill
or possessed by demons.**

MARK 1:32B



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Parish Giving

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| General Fund | \$4820.00 |
| Loose | \$20.00 |
| Votive Stand | \$10.00 |
| St Louis Review | \$105.00 |

TOTAL \$4,955.00

44 General Offering envelopes collected,
including children.

Rice Bowls are in the back of Church—help
yourself!!

St Ig Club Dinner Winners

\$50 Attendance Prize- DJ Neeley

\$100 Drake and Lizzie Gleeson

\$250 Dale and Sue Schwoeppe

\$500 Paul and Sue Hecktor

104 Memberships

January 2024 St Ig Club Winner—Dan & Connie
Burkhardt \$100

Mass Schedule

St Ignatius ~ St Vincent

Immaculate Conception

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| <u>Saturday</u> | 5:00pm SI |
| <u>Sunday</u> | 8:00am IC |
| | 10:30am SV |
| <u>Monday</u> | 8:00am IC |
| <u>Tuesday</u> | 8:00am SI |
| <u>Wednesday</u> | 8:00am SV |
| <u>Thursday</u> | 8:00am SI |
| <u>Friday</u> | 8:00am SV |
| <u>First Saturday</u> | 8:00am IC |

Holy Days—Please check the
bulletin and/or website for
Holy Day schedule.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00-4:45pm SI

Sunday 10:00am SV, before
Sunday Mass

First Saturday of the Month
8:30am IC (following 8am
Mass) Any other time by
appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

Thursdays 8:30am-7pm

Mother of Perpetual Help

Devotions Tuesdays after

Morning Mass at SI

Marriages arranged at least 6
months in advance with Fr.
Doyle

Baptisms arranged with Fr.
Doyle in the Parish Office

*Thank you for the
generous donation of
\$2000 to the Hot Lunch
Program from the Holy
Name Society!!*

Upcoming Events at St. Ignatius

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| 02/05 | Church Cleaning Team 2-Alice Kluesner |
| 02/06 | Finance Council Mtg. 6 pm |
| 02/06 | Rosary & Litany after Mass |
| 02/08 | Rectory Cleaning |
| 02/09 | Scrapbooking 6-12 midnight |
| 02/10 | Scrapbooking 9am-9pm |
| 02/13 | Rosary & Litany after Mass |
| 02/15 | Home Economics 8am-3pm |
| 02/17 | Backstoppers Event 5pm-1am (Community Center) |
| 02/18 | Baptism—Fortado 11 am Deacon Paul Hecktor |
| 02/18 | Parent Faith Support 1-3pm (Gym) |
| 02/19 | NO School & Parish Office Closed- President's Day |

East Central Area Missouri Right to Life
is sponsoring a fundraiser, a 50/50
drawing to be held February 8th at our
monthly meeting.

Proceeds benefit pro-life efforts. Ticket
donations are \$5 each or 5 for \$20.
Tickets available from Diane
Glosemeyer. Need not be present to win.
Thank you!

Regional Mass

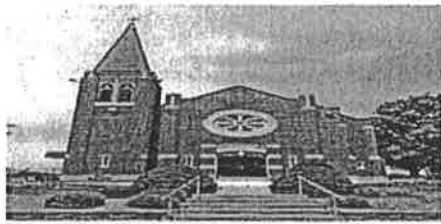
There is a Regional Mass at St Francis Borgia
Parish each week on Sunday evenings at 6 pm.

All are Welcome.

High School aged students are invited to meet
after Mass at 7 pm at Our Lady of Lourdes for
Youth Group with their peers and Father Donald
Morris, SFB High School Chaplin.

The Today and Tomorrow Educational
Foundation, TTEF, opens the scholarship
applications for the 2024-2025 school year on
Monday, January 22, 2024, at 8:00am. We
encourage all families to apply for
scholarships. For NEW and RETURNING
families, an online application is required.
Please visit: ttef-stl.org. A complete
application requires proof of income. For
questions, please call, Laura George at (314)-
792- 7623, or email ttef@archstl.org.

If you would like to attend Blacklight Bingo but
do not want to purchase online, please let Sarah
Neeley 314-223-5522 or Jacob Lierman 636-
432-4600 know and they can assist.



Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, February 3, 5:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Minister: Paul Hecktor

Christopher I Norb Engemann, Stacy Kloeppel, Dianne Meyer

Lector: Stacy Kloeppel

Ushers: Kelly I Roger Liermann

Servers: Christine Marquart, Josie Liermann, George Stanfill

Saturday, February 10, 5:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Minister: Paul Hecktor

Beth Hellebusch, Jenna Huddleston, Jacob Lierman, Jeanette Marquart

Lector: Ellen Fees

Ushers: Tina I Kurt Meyer

Servers: Jared Meyer, Jack Glosemeyer, Drew Schwoeppe

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 3 Denny Glosemeyer
5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, February 6 Denny Glosemeyer
8:00 a.m.

Thursday, February 8 Denny Glosemeyer
8:00 a.m.

Saturday, February 10 Denny Glosemeyer
5:00 p.m.

Employment Opportunities

Part-Time Cook

St Ignatius School is looking for a Part-Time Cook 2 Days a Week. Hours 7:30am-1:30pm. The position would involve preparing and serving food and daily cleanup of the kitchen and cafeteria. All applicants must complete the Prevent & Protect Program offered through the Archdiocese. Please send resume to Arlesa Leopold at:

lleopold@saintig.com. Questions call 636-932-4444.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

On Sunday, February 11, 2024, at the 12pm Mass, Auxiliary Bishop Mark S. Rivotuso will celebrate a Mass for World Marriage Day at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis. A reception will follow in Boland Hall. All married couples are invited to attend and celebrate the gift of marriage. World Marriage Day emphasizes the faithfulness, sacrifice, and joy of daily married life. World Marriage Day started in Baton Rouge, LA in 1981 and was later adopted by Worldwide Marriage Encounter, who now is sponsoring this event on February 11th.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter presents weekend experiences for married couples to rekindle romance, enhance meaningful communication, and deepen and renew commitment. For more information or to apply, go to wwme.org, or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.

2/2/2024 - 2/4/2024, St. Peters, MO 3/15/2024 - 3/17/2024, Cape Girardeau, MO 4/5/2024 - 4/7/2024, St. Peters, MO

Please Pray for the Sick Ailing Recovering

Connie Buenemann

Jerome Heggemann

Andrew Hellebusch

Betty Hellebusch

Carl Jacquin

Carol Jacquin

Judith Liermann

Jeffrey Lierman

Connie Struckhoff

Joan Meyer

Theodore Meyer

Tom Meyer

Richard Preis

Jim Smith

Matt Struckhoff

Natalie Ulett

Audrey Wagener

Marc Wagener

Leanne Davis

Jacqueline Heggemann

Jean Jaeger

Marilyn Heady

Fr. Finbarr Dowling

Rick Thiel

Amy Brakemeyer

Eric Wiemert

Anniversaries of Our Dearly Departed

02/04/96 Rosaly Meyer

02/04/01 Fr. Morse

02/05/85 Louis Frick

02/06/78 Mathilda Borges

02/08/80 John Kottwitz

02/14/01 Alphonse Wies

02/14/06 Paul Mebruer

02/15/06 Sylvester Engemann

02/18/87 Rose Glosemeyer

02/22/94 Andrew Hallemann

02/25/77 Stacy Lierman

02/27/09 Jim Paul Thomas

02/16/22 Dennis Glosemeyer

02/18/21 Lawrence Meyer

02/19/21 Christopher Maasen

02/21/23 Eugene Roettger

UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb. 9—Drive-Thru Chicken Dinner at St. Ann's in Clover Bottom, \$15/plate, Serving 4-7pm.

Feb. 16—Fish Fry at St Vincent (Dutzow). Serving 4-7 pm. Adults \$15, Children (ages 6-11) \$6, Children under 6: FREE.

Feb. 25—Whole Hog Pork Sausage & Sauerkraut Dinner at St Paul's UCC Sunday 11am-6pm. Cafeteria Style Dining & Carry-Outs Adults \$15, Children Ages 6-12 \$7, Ages 5 and under FREE.

Mar 2—5th Annual Cornhole Tournament at St Gertrude's Parish Center. \$40/team. Double elimination style. 3game/2match guarantee. Doors open at 10am. Call Nick Jacquin 314-606-4822 or visit <https://bit.ly/4b0oKke> to register.



*The St. Ignatius 6th & 7th Graders
are Hosting a*

WINTER Weekend Crop

***FRIDAY, February 9th ~ 6-midnight AND
SATURDAY, February 10th ~ 9am-9pm***

St. Ignatius Parish Center

Lots of space available for social distances
(Limited to first 40 RSVP's)

Attendance prizes – raffles

Lunch and Dinner provided

Early Bird Special

Friday \$10 and \$40 Saturday if RSVP before February 4th
\$12 Friday and \$45 Saturday after February 4th, Half day reservations \$30

For reservations or more information contact

Lisa Glosemyer – 636-359-0073

or RSVP at

jeffandlisag@gmail.com

Make checks payable to CHTF

Mail to: Lisa Glosemeyer ~ 16298 Concord Hill Rd., Marthasville, MO 63357

**Proceeds go toward the Pro-Life trip
Hope you can join us!!!**

**ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA
HOME & SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

SCHOOL SOCIAL

CASH & QUILT RAFFLE

1 FOR \$5 OR 5 FOR \$20

**CONTACT A
STUDENT TO
PURCHASE
TICKETS!**

EMAIL
HOMEANDSCHOOL
@SAINTIG.COM
OR CALL
(314)-223-5522
WITH QUESTIONS

**SCHOOL
GOAL:
\$3,840**

**RAFFLE TO
BE DRAWN
02.25.24**

PRIZES

**\$200, \$150, \$100, \$50, &
HANDMADE QUILT + PILLOWS**

**NEED NOT BE PRESENT
TO WIN!**

Dear Padre,

***In the Our Father, we pray, “thy kingdom come.”
Will God’s kingdom come only at the end of the world?***

God’s kingdom will come in its fullness only at Jesus’ Second Coming, but the kingdom came into the world with Jesus’ first coming as a man. That means we are in God’s kingdom right now, but not in its fullness.

In the Scriptures, we read that John sends his disciples to ask Jesus if he is the messiah or if they need to wait for another. Jesus responds, “The blind regain their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, the poor have the good news proclaimed to them” (Luke 7:22). These are all signs of the kingdom of God.

In the meantime, we don’t have to just wait for God’s kingdom to come in its fullness. We can make God’s kingdom more of a reality on earth by visiting the sick, caring for the poor, and being kind to others. Loving your spouse is a sign of the kingdom of God. God’s kingdom is among us, not completely but partially, and we can make it more of a reality in the good that we do for each other.

Jesus’ Second Coming will be at the end of time, an event Jesus himself did not know the time of: “But of that day or hour, no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father” (Mark 13:32). ●

Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSsR

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Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to **DearPadre.org** to send your question and to learn more about **Dear Padre**.

| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY | SUNDAY |
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| February 5 <i>St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr</i> 1 Kgs 8:1–7, 9–13 Mk 6:53–56 | February 6 <i>St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs</i> 1 Kgs 8:22–23, 27–30 Mk 7:1–23 | February 7 <i>Weekday</i> 1 Kgs 10:1–10 Mk 7:14–23 | February 8 <i>Weekday</i> 1 Kgs 11:4–13 Mk 7:24–30 | February 9 <i>Weekday</i> 1 Kgs 11:29–32; 12:19 Mk 7:31–37 | February 10 <i>St. Scholastica, Virgin</i> 1 Kgs 12:26–32; 13:33–34 Mk 8:1–10 | February 11 <i>Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Lv 13:1–2, 44–46 1 Cor 10:31– 11:1 Mk 1:40–45 |



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Jesus shows a particular predilection for those who are wounded in body and in spirit: the poor, the sinners, the possessed, the sick, the marginalized. Thus, He reveals Himself as a doctor both of souls and of bodies, the Good Samaritan of man. He is the true Savior: Jesus saves, Jesus cures, Jesus heals.

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