



Do nothing out of
selfishness or out of
vainglory; rather, humbly
regard others as more
important than yourselves.

PHILIPPIANS 2:3



SHUTTERSTOCK

He Emptied Himself

In the Gospels, Jesus seldom teaches doctrine.

Rather, the stories themselves provide examples of how we are to model our lives after him. He was a man for others, a compassionate healer, an understanding friend. As clear as such stories might be, because we can be selfish people, the example they offer us is difficult to follow. If it is hard to follow a man who lived a human life with others, how are we to follow the example sketched by Paul in today's second reading?

Paul declares in Philippians: "Have among yourselves the same attitude that is also yours in Christ Jesus" (2:5). What attitude is he talking about? Jesus emptied himself of the preeminence that was rightly his as possessing "equality with God" (2:6). He did not demand that they treat him with the reverence and veneration that was due him. Rather, "he emptied himself...he humbled himself" (2:7, 8).

Why does Paul insist on this? It seems the Philippians were having internal problems that were threatening their unity. Various forms of arrogance were tearing them apart: *Don't you know who I am? I am a celebrity. I have more money. I know the right people. And who are you? Who do you know? What can you do?* These attitudes of arrogance infect our communities even today. To this Paul proclaims: If Jesus, who "though he was in the form of God" (2:6) could empty himself of such dignity for the sake of others, you certainly should be able to put aside your trivial vainglory and be "united in heart" (2:2).

Can we?

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR *Reflection*

- ★ In what circumstances does your arrogance raise its ugly head? What do you do about that?
- ★ What might you do to strengthen the bonds of unity in your family? Your workplace? Your parish?

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MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil Mass	4 pm
Sunday (English)	8 am and 10 am
Sunday (Spanish)	12:00 pm
Daily Mass (Tue -Fri) and 1 st Saturday	9 am

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Mass at 9 am and 7 pm (Bilingual)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday 9:30 am – 1 pm
Bulletin items due Tuesday before 12:30 pm
Call office to schedule facilities.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptismal preparation is required for parents who desire their baby / child to be baptized. Parents must be registered with the church. Forms and information are available in the office.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE DUE TO COVID PLS CALL

Saturday 3pm Sunday 9:15 – 9:45 am or upon request
Domingo 12:00 pm Spanish

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

If one is seriously ill or having surgery, please call the parish office or the rectory for Anointing of the Sick. A Priest or extraordinary minister of Holy Communion will administer Holy Communion on a weekly basis to shut-ins.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples should contact the Pastor a minimum of six (6) months in advance. Dates may not be set prior to the second meeting with the priest. The Diocese requires that couples attend an Engaged Encounter or Picture of Love Weekend.

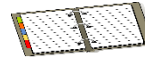
First gathering: Sept. 16, 1992 Blessing of Building: May 25, 2001

Consecration of Altar & Church January 12, 2003

Canonically erected Parish May 1, 2006 Feast of St. Joseph the Worker



St Joseph the Worker, as a happy faith community, welcomes you and your family with joyful hearts to our church. If you are not registered and want to belong to this happy family of worshippers, please stop one of the ushers or myself, Fr. Julius, and request a registration form. Or you may always call the office at (423) 442-7273.



A Week Ahead in our Parish

Mon Sept 28 - No Mass

Tues Sept 29- 9 am Mass

Michael Garcia

By: Trudy P-P

Weds Sept 30 - 9 am Mass

Jorge Perez-Poveda

By: Trudy P-P

9:30am Rosary

church

Thu Oct 1 - 9 am Mass

Jeff Terry

By: Trudy P-P

7 pm Rosary

(grotto)

Fri Oct 2 - 9 am Mass

Michael Garcia

By: Trudy P-P

Sat Oct 3 - 4 pm Mass

Jeff Terry

By: Trudy P-P

Sunday Oct 4 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8am Mass

Jeff Terry

By: Trudy P-P

10am Mass

People of the Parish

By:

CCD 11:15 – 12:15 Marian Hall

12:30pm Mass (Spanish)

Michael Garcia

By: Trudy

	4pm	8am	10am
Usher	Donna T Pat K Steve L	Gary C	Randy S Dan B Ken H Doug L
Server	David A	Katie E	
Reader			
EMHC	Please check with Fr Julius before Mass		
Church Cleaning	Oct 5 – Maria L	Maria F	
Counters:	Chuck T	Dottie E	

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WEEKLY FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP:

September 19-20, 2020 Week 12

Attendance: 240 Needed: \$ 4423
Offering Online week +/- YTD \$
2908 \$ 430 - \$ 1515 -\$ 8841 Capital
Fund \$ 90 Home Mission. \$ 126
Good Shep. \$ 194 Feed My Sheep \$ 28
Deacon Form. \$ 156 Thank you all
who give so generously. God Bless you!



PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

	Dale Bauer	
	Mary Cornejo	Charles Downs
Ron Eydt	Maria Figueroa	Jeanne Huffor
Alvaro Pina	Karen Ruggiero	Susie Ryan
Hugo Schielke	Patty Swatzell	Dennis Wilson

Any parishioner who is sick or having surgery, notify Fr. Julius or the office (privacy is extended to those who request it).

Event of Death: notify the office if you would like the Parish to share your grief if a family member dies. Mass can be offered immediately or at a date convenient to the family.

Happy Birthday – Salvador Berry, David Coronilla, Lorenzo Garcia, Debbie Hearl, Linda Herrick, Antonio Jaimes-Mondone, Victoria Molinaio, Brian Riley, Mario Santoyo-Ceja, Alondra Vargas, Marvin Velasquez

Happy Anniversary – Brian & Linda Riley, Jack & Marion Croker, William & Sue Ryan

To add or remove a name from the list, please contact the office.

NOTE TO ALL PARENTS: No children under 18 are allowed to attend the restroom without an adult! Period!! This is for their protection and security.

KOC Yard Sale – On behalf of the Knights of Columbus we extend our sincere "Thank You" to all who donated goods and helped to make this year's annual yard sale a great success. The Knights achieved approximately \$12,000 in sales. These funds will go towards the many charities in Monroe County that the Knights support.

Thought for the Week:

"I think we all need to do some deep soul searching about what's important in our lives and renew our spirit and our spiritual thinking in any way we can help our fellow pilgrims." ..**Louis Schwartzberg**

ONLINE GIVING:

Visit our website at

www.saintjosephtheworker.net

or www.sitwrcc.org



Flowers for the Altar: Do you have a special occasion coming up. Consider letting us celebrate with you by purchasing flowers for the altar on that special week. We can announce the intention in the bulletin. No special event? You can still contribute to the flower fund. We will list your name or intention if you like. The cost is \$45 for the flowers. Contact the office for scheduling.

Seminarian Education: A collection for the support of Seminarian Education will be taken up on the weekends of October 4 and October 11. Though we are one of the smallest dioceses in the US, we are blessed with a rich harvest of vocations to the priesthood. Presently, there are 13 seminarians enrolled in studies. With this blessing comes a financial challenge. The cost of educating just one seminarian is over \$50,000. Your investment in the future of the priesthood is one that will help guarantee the growth of the Catholic faith in East Tennessee. Please be generous in supporting our Diocesan Seminarians in their formation as they endeavor through the grace of God, to become your future priests.

Dear Padre,

Where does the tradition of praying with your hands together originate? I pray with my fingers intertwined. Is that acceptable?

According to the *Caeremoniale Episcoporum* (The Ceremonial of Bishops, 1985), “palms extended and joined together in the front of the breast, with the right thumb over the left in the form of a cross” (CE 107, n. 80) is the correct Catholic hand posture at Mass and prayer.

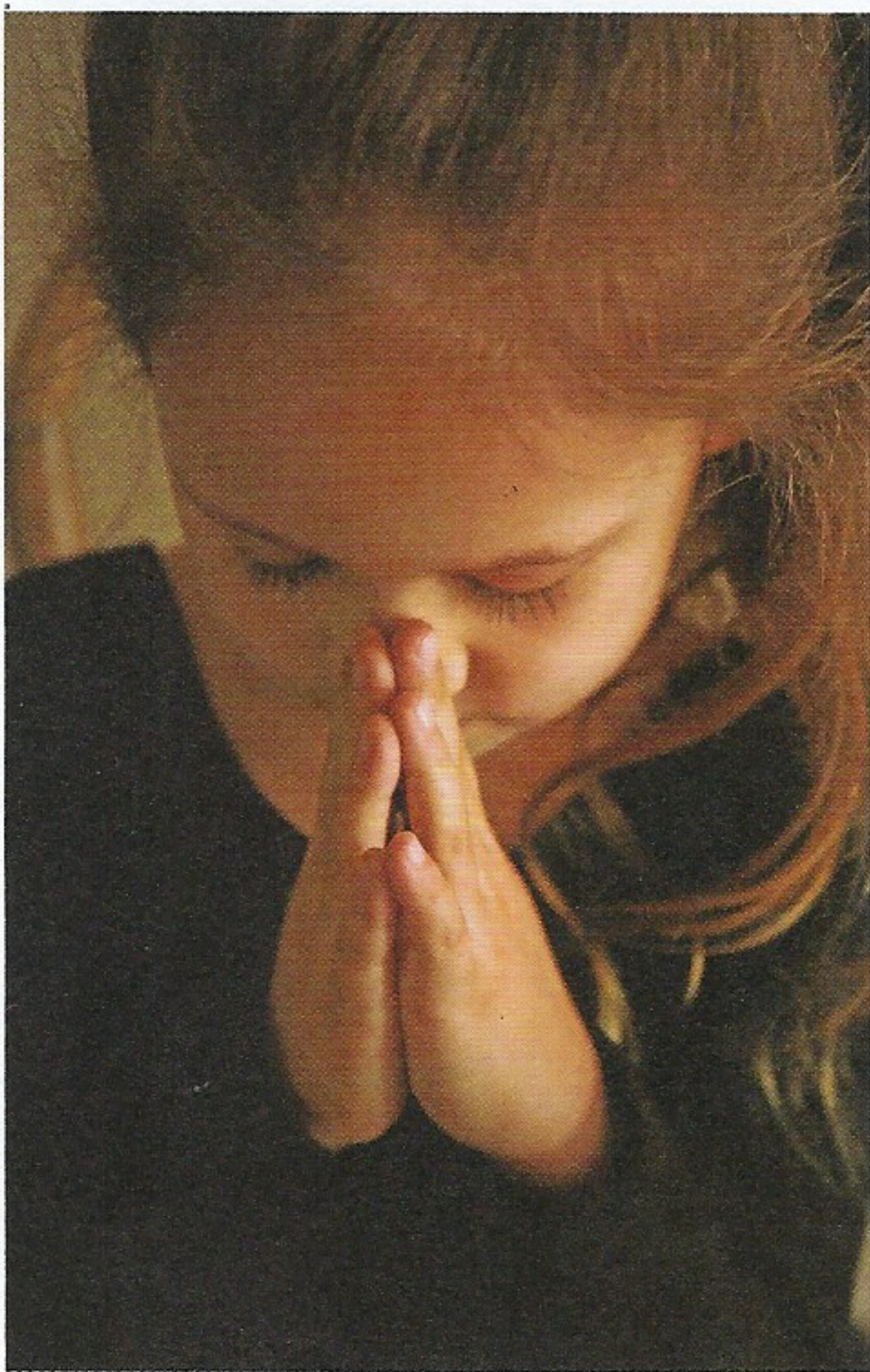
The origin of praying with hands folded is not known, but there’s mention of it in the Jewish Talmud. Historians have also asserted that it’s modeled on the practice of citizens in ancient Rome who joined their hands in the presence of rulers to communicate loyalty and submission to that higher authority.

Gestures and postures should allow our whole body to pray, as well as our heart and mind. Moreover, they are expressions of our faith. For example,

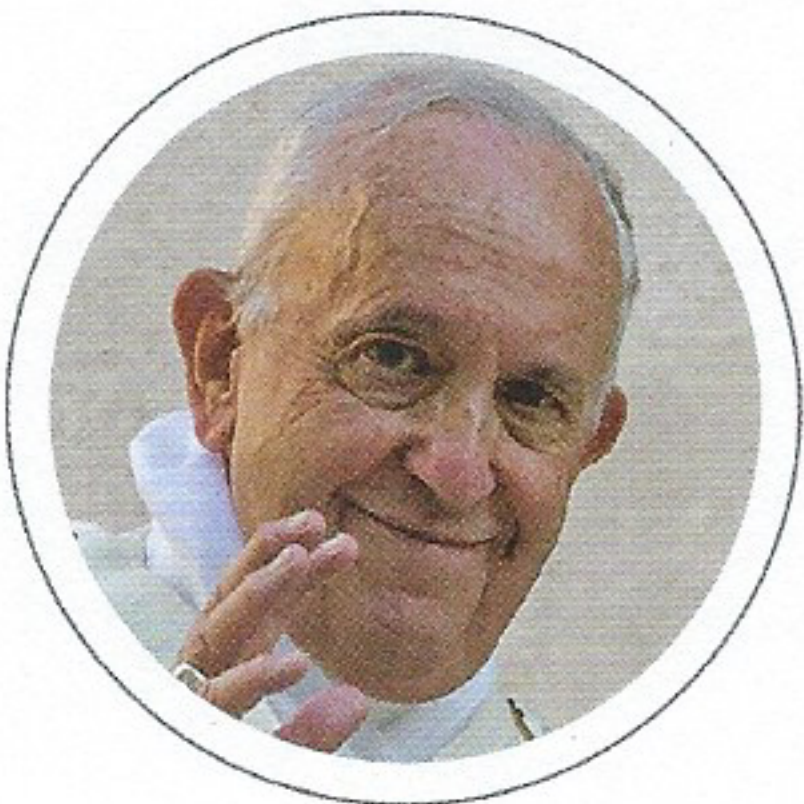
like the early Christians, we stand during prayer and worship to express our readiness for Christ’s return, and as a sign of reverence to hear the gospels. Kneeling and striking the breast are expressions of penitence, humility, and our lowliness before God.

Likewise, at Mass the priest assumes the ancient posture of outstretched arms and hands, slightly elevated, to symbolize surrender in a gesture that reverences Christ’s outstretched arms on the cross. When we join hands together in prayer, it’s a gesture of supplication and a symbol of total submission to God, our supreme authority.

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR
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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

Today let us look at our hands, so often empty of love, and let us try to think of some free gift that we can give without expecting anything in return. That will please the Lord. And let us ask him: “Lord, let me rediscover the joy of giving.”

—EPIPHANY SUNDAY, JANUARY 6, 2018

Calendar

Monday

SEPTEMBER 28

Weekday

Jb 1:6–22

Lk 9:46–50

Tuesday

SEPTEMBER 29

*Sts. Michael, Gabriel,
and Raphael,
Archangels*

Dn 7:9–10, 13–14

or Rv 12:7–12a

Jn 1:47–51

Wednesday

SEPTEMBER 30

*St. Jerome,
Priest and
Doctor of the Church*

Jb 9:1–12, 14–16

Lk 9:57–62

Thursday

OCTOBER 1

*St. Thérèse of the
Child Jesus, Virgin and
Doctor of the Church*

Jb 19:21–27

Lk 10:1–12

Friday

OCTOBER 2

Holy Guardian Angels
Jb 38:1, 12–21; 40:3–5
Mt 18:1–5, 10

Saturday

OCTOBER 3

Weekday

Jb 42:1–3, 5–6, 12–17

Lk 10:17–24

Sunday

OCTOBER 4

*Twenty-seventh Sunday
in Ordinary Time*

Is 5:1–7

Phil 4:6–9

Mt 21:33–43

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