Dear Padre,

"Lead us not into temptation..." God does not lead us into temptation, so what is this saying?

You are of the same mind as the pope! In 2019, Pope Francis approved changing the Lord's Prayer, that is, changing the phrase "lead us not into temptation" to "do not let us fall into temptation." Pope Francis said that the original appeared to suggest that God caused the temptation. However, most Scripture scholars agree that "lead us not into temptation" is the best translation from the Greek. It's a subjunctive verb. It's used in the second person, addressed directly to God. And it really does say "do not lead us into temptation."



The Temptation of Christ by Otto Münch, relief on the door of Grossmünster Church in Zurich, Switzerland.

What did the pope hope to accomplish? Those who are most familiar with the pope say that what he was trying to clarify was not anchored in the intricacies of translation but rather anchored in pastoral life. He wanted to focus the attention of God's people on their action, "falling into temptation," and not on a misunderstanding of what Jesus was teaching. It was a point of focus and clarification to help us in our spiritual journey and our understanding of our relationship with God. Understood in this sense, the new translation would accomplish this pastoral purpose. •

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
July 21	July 22	July 23	July 24	July 25	July 26	July 27
Weekday	St. Mary	Weekday	Weekday	St. James,	Sts. Joachim and	Seventeenth
Ex 14:5-18	Magdalene	Ex 16:1-5, 9-15	Ex 19:1-2, 9-11,	Apostle	Anne, Parents	Sunday in
Mt 12:38-42	Sg 3:1-4b or	Mt 13:1-9	16-20b	2 Cor 4:7-15	of the Blessed	Ordinary Time
	2 Cor 5:14-17		Mt 13:10-17	Mt 20:20-28	Virgin Mary	Gn 18:20-32
	Jn 20:1-2, 11-18				Ex 24:3-8	Col 2:12-14
					Mt 13:24-30	Lk 11:1-13



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

When I start my day, do I throw myself headlong into the things to be done, or do I first seek inspiration in the Word of God? At times, we begin the day automatically, we start doing things...like hens. No. We must start the day by first of all looking to the Lord, taking his Word... allowing this to be the inspiration for the day.

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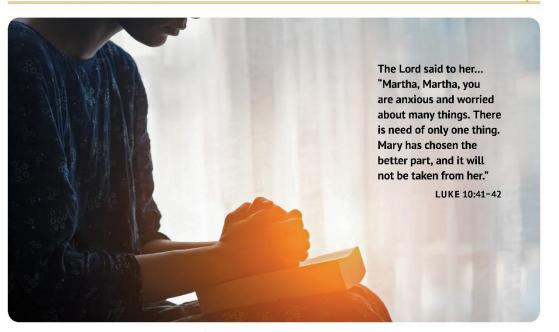
Our Parish

July 20, 2025

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Genesis 18:1–10a / Colossians 1:24–28 / Luke 10:38–42





Keeping Your Balance

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

hese days, when people come to confession, they seldom list their sins by name and number. Quite often, it seems, they simply talk about their lives, about the chaos in which they seem to be living, about the relationships that are less than what they would hope, about the values they've let slide sometimes into the muck, about how they've turned in upon themselves, and about how caring for others has faded from their lives. After they've told their stories, I will usually ask if they take any time in the day to be quiet and if they pray in whatever way they find helpful and with some regularity. Invariably, they will say that they've let such prayer time slip away; that they have not been praying the way they once did. In such cases, I often suggest that as penance, they take some time-even just a

little time—in the next day or two to simply quiet themselves in the presence of God.

Life will always tend to be chaotic. These days, there is too much going on for life not to be. But, quiet and reflective prayer seems to bring a balance, a refocusing upon what is important and what is trivial. Without that, we can become overwhelmed and lose our way. It is what the Martha/Mary story is about. It's not that our own Martha-service is not worthwhile. It's crucially important in order to make life hum along in an orderly fashion. But without Mary's reflective part, our lives can become muddled drudgery.

Reflect-

How would prayer help me keep myself grounded and centered?

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People with ideas about the new parish hall, especially those with building skills, are welcome to Contact the Building Committee.

PARENTS: Please do not allow your children to play on/around the new block retaining wall. Thank you!

Please remember St. Genevieve Parish in your Will

THANK YOU for your donations!

Weekly Budget: \$1,255.00 0706/25: \$2496.00 07/13/25: \$960.00 **Building Fund Donations:**\$100.00

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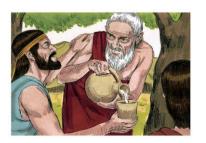


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Mass Schedule:

Sunday, July20 @ 11:00 am, Sixteenth Sunday Ordinary Time, Rosary @ 10:20 am Wednesday, July23@ 9:30 am; Rosary @ 9:00 am: Adoration/Benediction 5:30 am to 8:30 am Sunday, July27@ 11:00 am, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Rosary @ 10:20 am



Liturgy of the Word

Genesis 18:1-10a Sarah and Abraham receive God as a guest.

Psalm 15 "He who does justice will live

in the presence of the Lord."

Colossians 1:24-28 The body of Christ suffers and rejoices

in our sufferings and joys.

Luke 10:38-42 Martha and Mary received Jesus as a quest.

In the first reading, Abraham and Sarah offer hospitality to three travelers, one of whom foresees a momentous event. For Paul, the momentous event is Christ winning us salvation, salvation that is offered to all. In the Gospel, sisters Martha and Mary offer hospitality to Jesus, but take on different roles while he visits. Let us show God's word hospitality, listening attentively and prayerfully.

Ouestion of the Week: How am I hospitable to others in need of food or rest, or just some companionship? How can I see the Lord in such hospitality?



On our parish website(www.methowcatholic.org) you can access a wonderful documentary about our new Pope Leo 14-entitled "Leon de Peru".





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