



## Where I Stand

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**O**ne day, as I was walking in a local nature preserve, I came across what someone had written in the sand: “It’s time to take a stand.”

Though the person never suggested what we should take a stand on, all of us take stands in life. In many ways, those stands define our lives: Republican or Democrat, pro-life or pro-choice, NRA and guns, save the whales, vax or anti-vax, ecology. As we all know so well, where we stand on any given issue can become divisive among friends and even family.

The Scriptures this weekend tell of the prophet Jeremiah, who took a stand of faith against the king who trusted in military arms rather than in God. The Letter to

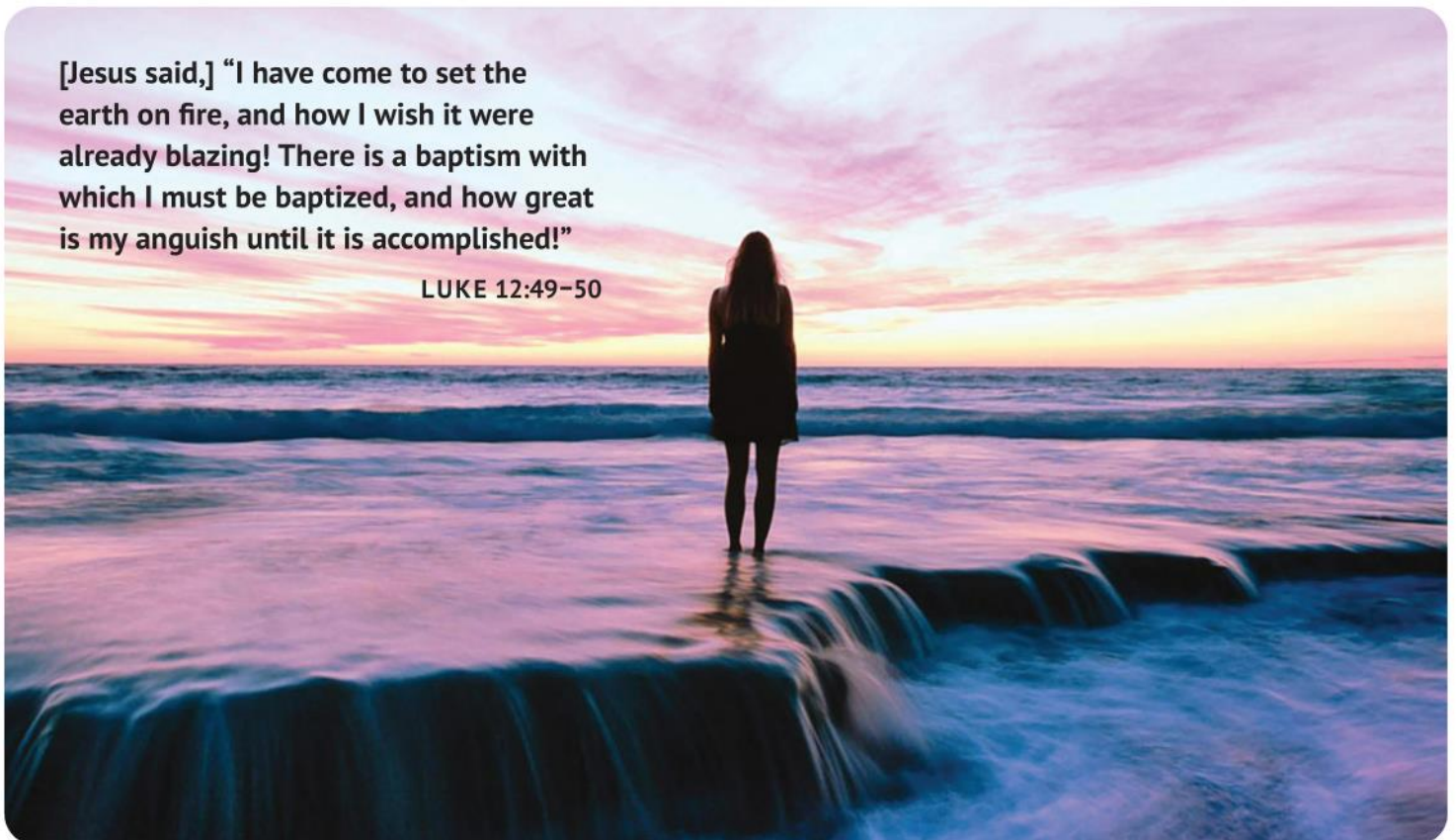
the Hebrews mentions an Old Testament “cloud of witnesses” who placed faith in God without knowing where that would take them. And, Jesus himself recognizes that those who place their faith in him and the vision of life he proclaimed would find themselves in conflict with others. For every person who professes faith in Jesus Christ, the question becomes how this faith affects all the other stands we take. To “keep our eyes fixed on Jesus” influences the lifestyle we choose, how we spend our time and our money, who our friends are, and even who we vote for. At some point, faith insists we take a stand. ●

### Reflect

***How does my faith affect all my other beliefs and practices?***

[Jesus said,] “I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing! There is a baptism with which I must be baptized, and how great is my anguish until it is accomplished!”

LUKE 12:49–50



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**St. Brieux Parish Office Hours**

**Fr. Tru Le:** Is available all week with the exception of Monday - his day off.

**Janet:** Office hours will vary. Text or call (306) 921-4147

Bulletin and information is available on the website:  
[stbrieuxparish.ca](http://stbrieuxparish.ca) and our Facebook page: **St. Brieux Catholic Church.**

**St. Brieux Parish Mass Times:**

Tuesday-Friday: 9:00 a.m.

1st Friday of the month: Mass 9:00 am. Adoration to follow

Saturday: 7:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

**Mary, Mother of God Parish Mass Time**

Sunday: 4:00 p.m.

**Reconciliation (St. Brieux):**

Fr. Tru is available to hear Confession:

-Saturdays at 6:30 p.m. before 7:00 p.m. Mass

-The first Friday of the month during Adoration Hour

-Confession is available by appointment.

**Grief Ministry**

Someone is available for you and your family members to talk or just listen.....Call Fr. Tru Le at 306-714-7717

**Pregnancy Crisis Line: 1-800-665-0570**

**Farm Crisis Line: 1-800-667-4442**

**Catholic Family Services: 1-877-922-3202**

for appointment

**EVENTS THIS WEEK**

**Aug 19 to Aug 22:** Mass 9:00 am

**Aug 23:** Mass 7:00 pm - St. Brieux

**Aug 24:** Mass 9:00 am - St. Brieux

**Aug 24:** Mass 4:00 pm - Kinistino

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Aug 26 to Aug 29:** Mass 9:00 am

**Aug 30:** Mass 7:00 pm - St. Brieux

**Aug 31:** Mass 9:00 am - St. Brieux

**Aug 31:** Mass 4:00 pm - Kinistino

***“A person who governs their passions is master of their world. We must either command them or be enslaved by them. It is better to be a hammer than an anvil.”***

**- St. Dominic**

<b>Sunday, August 24th:</b>	
Altar	Darlyn Hunt
Greeters & Gifts	Dan & Darlyn Hunt
Lay Leader/Prayers of Faithful	Hassel Agnote
Lectors	Ryan Kwiatkowski & Antoni Llorca
Communion - Bread & Cup	Philip Mansiere, Marc Mansiere, Andre Assie
	Ramona Assie
Children's Liturgy	Rochelle Mansiere
Counters	Marc Mansiere, Philip Mansiere, Marthe Rohel-Coquet
Altar Servers	Avery, Kaylie, Riley
Vocation Cross	Janet Creurer

**St. Brioux Parish Mass Intentions**

Tues. Aug 19	9:00 a.m.	+Raymond Dube by Edwin & Christine Bedard
Wed. Aug 20	9:00 a.m.	+Therese Dube by Betty Mahussier & Family
Thurs. Aug 21	9:00 a.m.	+John Perrot by Philip & Jeannette Mansiere
Fri. Aug 22	9:00 a.m.	+Mathieu Assie by Terry Valmont & Family
Sat. Aug 23	7:00 p.m.	+George Assie by Dennis & Marie Fagnou
Sun. Aug 24	9:00 a.m.	For all Parishioners

**Mary, Mother of God Parish Mass Intentions**

Sun. Aug 24	4:00 p.m.	+Walt Jansen by Mike & Elizabeth Rybinski
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**Collections**

**St. Brioux:** (Includes Sunday Collection and Pre-Authorized Payments)

August 10th, 2025 - \$1,175.00

**Mary, Mother of God:**

August 10th, 2025 - \$660.00

***Thank you!***

**Leaving a Legacy**

REMEMBER YOUR CHURCH - By leaving a gift in your will or estate to St. Brioux Parish. The impact will be felt and remembered for generations. For more information, please contact the parish office at 306-275-2043

**The Ill & Elderly ministry :** Percy King. Marthe Rohel-Coquet accepted to continue this card ministry and would appreciate being informed of anyone who would be touched by receiving a card in the name of our St. Brioux Parish.

**Pray It Forward Prayer Group:**

To join this ministry, or have an Intercessory Prayer Request contact Terry Valmont by text or call at 306-920-8771. Prayer requests can be submitted either anonymously or with information.

**Prayer for Priests**

LORD, life up your holy priests, deacons and religious. Grant them the graces they need to minister to your people. Keep them pure and strong in your love. Give them courage when things are difficult, and accompany them when they are lonely. Strengthen them in times of weakness. AMEN

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# Dear Padre,

## Is “co-redemptrix” a title for the Blessed Virgin Mary?

The Church does not officially regard Mary as a co-redemptrix with Christ. Her “unique holiness...‘from the first instant of her conception’ comes wholly from Christ: she is ‘redeemed, in a more exalted fashion, by reason of the merits of her Son’” (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 492).

According to Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, the title “co-redemptrix” would “obscure” the origin that “everything comes through Christ,” as written in Ephesians and Colossians. “Mary, too, is everything she is through Him,” stated the future Pope Benedict XVI, adding that “co-redemptrix” is a departure “from the language of Scripture and of the Fathers, and therefore gives rise to misunderstandings.”

Likewise, in 2019, Pope Francis quoted St. Bernard, who said that no praise is sufficient to talk about Mary, but, ultimately, her title as a humble “disciple” best represents Mary’s faithfulness to “her Son, the only Redeemer.” “She never wanted for herself something that was of her Son,” explained the pontiff. “She never introduced herself as co-redemptrix. No. Disciple.”

Pope Francis reiterated the Church’s position on this matter in 2021, saying that Jesus entrusted the universal Church and all the faithful to Mary, “Not as a goddess. Not as a co-redemptrix. As a mother.” Incidentally, “Mother of God” (Greek: *Theotokos*, “God-bearer”) is Mary’s oldest title, established in 431 by the Council of Ephesus. ●

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## Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to [DearPadre.org](http://DearPadre.org) to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

### Monday

August 18

Weekday

Jgs 2:11-19

Mt 19:16-22

### Tuesday

August 19

Weekday

Jgs 6:11-24a

Mt 19:23-30

### Wednesday

August 20

St. Bernard,  
Abbot and  
Doctor of the  
Church

Jgs 9:6-15

Mt 20:1-16

### Thursday

August 21

St. Pius X, Pope

Jgs 11:29-39a

Mt 22:1-14

### Friday

August 22

The Queenship  
of the Blessed  
Virgin Mary

Ru 1:1, 3-6,

14b-16, 22

Mt 22:34-40

### Saturday

August 23

Weekday

Ru 2:1-3, 8-11;

4:13-17

Mt 23:1-12

### Sunday

August 24

Twenty-first  
Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

Is 66:18-21

Heb 12:5-7,

11-13

Lk 13:22-30



CATHOLIC NEWS SERVICE

## A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

**The Gospel does not leave things as they are; when the Gospel... is listened to and received, things do not stay as they are. The Gospel provokes change and invites to conversion. It does not dispense a false intimist peace, but sparks a restlessness that sets us in motion and drives us to open ourselves up to God and to our brothers and sisters.**

ANGELUS, ROME, AUGUST 14, 2022

### **Stewardship: August 17th - 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*“Do you think I have come to give you peace on Earth? No, I tell you, but rather division.” LUKE 12:51*

Many of us like to play it safe, not cause waves with our family and friends, especially when it comes to politics and religion. We don't want to cause any turmoil. However, many times this is at the expense of the truth. The truth being Jesus Christ. Too many people are misguided because they rely on their own limited human ability to reason and are not allowing faith in God to guide them. Form your conscience; take a stance for life, marriage, and religious liberty.

[www.https://resources.archstl.org/article/359120/stewardship-bulletin-inserts](https://resources.archstl.org/article/359120/stewardship-bulletin-inserts)

### **Vocation Corner: August 17th - 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**A Vocation View:** Jesus wants his followers to light a fire on the earth. His followers, as His fire, are bright, blazing, consuming, enlightening and warm.

**Prayer:** For all those who experience opposition in the discernment of their vocations, that they will be blessed with the grace of perseverance and encouragement, we pray to the Lord.

**Action:** There has never been a time in Christian history when someone, somewhere, has not died rather than compromise with the powers of oppression, tyranny, and unbelief. *Rev. Dr. Anthony Harvey, sub-dean of Westminster Abbey in London, at the 1998 dedication of statues of 20th-century Christian martyrs*

A wealth of vocation information is available at [usccb.org](http://usccb.org), the website of the US Bishops

## **THE JUBILEE PRAYER**

Father in heaven,  
may the faith you have given us  
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,  
and the flame of charity enkindled  
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,  
reawaken in us the blessed hope  
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us  
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.  
May those seeds transform from within  
both humanity and the whole cosmos  
in the sure expectation  
of a new heaven and a new earth,  
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,  
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee  
reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,  
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread  
the joy and peace of our Redeemer  
throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed,  
be glory and praise for ever.

Amen

## **PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

Heavenly Father,  
Bless your Church with an abundance of holy  
and zealous priests, deacons, brothers and sisters.  
Give to those You have called to the married state,  
and those you have chosen to live as single persons  
in the world, the special graces that their lives require.  
Form us all in the likeness of your Son,  
so that in Him, with Him and through Him  
we may love you more deeply  
and serve you more faithfully, always and everywhere.

With Mary, we ask you this  
through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

(With permission from the Knights of Columbus)



*Prayer  
Works*

**Please make room  
each day to pray.**



**Lincoln Bahan &  
Blakely Bahan**

**Children of  
Reilly & Toni-Jaye Bahan**

**Celebrated the sacrament of Baptism**

**August 16th, 2025**

**Congratulations on your baptism and welcome  
to our faith community.**

**Where can I serve my Faith Community?**

**Please consider the following:**

**Sunday Ministries** - Altar Society, Greeters, Lay Leader, Lectors, Communion, Collection, Taking up of Gifts, Children's Liturgy, Vocation Cross and Counters. Sign up sheets are on the back table of the Church.

Contact: Janet Creurer

**Serving on the Décor Committee** - Helping to prepare our church for mass and special celebrations.

Contact: Florette Rheaume **Serving with the Choir** - Additional voices are always welcome. Help us to share the word of God through song.

Contact: Dolores Rheaume or just join us on Sunday.

*Thank  
You*

We are so very grateful for all those who serve in our many ministries. It is also greatly appreciated when you are unable to serve when scheduled, that you make sure you have a replacement.