

CHURCH OF SAINT MONICA



FEBRUARY 16, 2025

Our Parish is Served by:

Reverend Alex Enriquez, Pastor
Deacon Christian Knoebel
Deacon John L. White

We invite you to celebrate with us

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Confessions

Saturdays

3:15 pm

to 3:45 pm

1st Thursdays 7pm

or by appointment

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Masses
Mon. to Thurs. 9 am
Saturday 4 pm
Sunday 9 am & 11 am

679 W. Veterans Highway
Jackson, NJ 08527



The Church of St. Monica is a warm, accepting, and caring parish that worships God, teaches and lives the message of Christ, seeks to support and strengthen family life, and serves those in need through parish ministries and organizations.



SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - FEBRUARY 16, 2025

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 15

4:00 pm Parishioners and Families
(St. Monica)

Sunday, February 16

9:00 am Z John Kolowicz
(Bereavement Ministry)
11:00 am Vincenzo Sciancalepore
(Juilia Calo)

Monday, February 17

9:00 am Ann Dolan
(Mary Boyd)

Tuesday, February 18

9:00 am William Carragher, Jr.
(Marie Gould)

Wednesday, February 19

9:00 am Pasquale Fallone
(Gerarda Fallone)

Thursday, February 20

9:00 am Souls In Purgatory
(Natalie Lucas)

Saturday, February 22

4:00 pm Charles Smith
(Laura, Anthony, Chris & Emily
Troisi)



IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Micki Smith, Joyce Picon, Carol Atherton, Beth Kujawski, Toni Hetteroth, Dianne Smith, Andy Sabine, Elaine Giblock, Marie Gould, Doris Garbarino, Melissa Staiger, Bonnie Holton, Arlene Toth, Judy Bocchicchio, Leo Diaz, Glory D'Acunto, Josephine Brennan, Frank Trimboli, Gabrielle D'Acunto, Anthony Pelle, Jr, Phillip Wenz, Mary Miniscalchi, Lane Morell, Frank Falesto, Jean Stein, Ann Rosetto, Elaine Stemmler, Tom Martin, Dorothy Palumbo, Jacob Rivera, Jaxson Rivera, Jennie D'Angelo, Paul Hetteroth, Cheryl Vega, Carol Spezzano, Michael Seiler, Shannon Hubert, Ronald Nuzzola, Ray Kijowski, Nicholas Biddle, Matthew Biddle, Dennis Shwiner, Laura Stoyer, Mike Scott, Andrew G Sabine, A.J. Sabine, Stephen Alexander, Angela Belmont, Danny Merwin, Diane Hromiko, Kathy Reynolds, Margie Smith, Kevin Finnerty

Contact the Parish Office to let us know of anyone to be remembered in prayer, so we may include them or, if they can be removed.

Readings for the Week - February 16, 2025

Monday, February 17, 2025 Gen 4:1-15, 25 Ps 50:1+8, 16bc-17, 20-21 Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday, February 18, 2025 Gen 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10 Ps 29:1a+2, 3ac-4, 3b+9c-10 Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday, February 19, 2025 Gen 8:6-13, 20-22 Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 Mk 8:22-26

Thursday, February 20, 2025 Gen 9:1-13 Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29+22-23 Mk 8:27-33

Friday, February 21, 2025 Gen 11:1-9 Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15 Mk 8:34 - 9:1

Saturday February 22, 2025 1 Pt 5:1-4 Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6 Mt 16:13-19

Sunday, February 23, 2025 1 Sam 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 1 Cor 15:45-49 Lk 6:27-38

PLEASE TAKE NOTE

If you wish to receive a record of your 2024 contributions, please complete a request form available at the entrances to the Church or contact the Parish Office 732-928-0279 email parishoffice@saintmonica.com

SOCIAL CONCERNS MINISTRY

At this time our Food Pantry is running low. Social Concerns is requesting food donations of the following items:

- * assorted canned beans
- * canned vegetables
- * tomato sauce
- * tuna
- * soups
- * pasta
- * boxed potatoes
- * pancake mix
- * syrup
- * cereal
- * coffee
- * tea
- * sugar

Thank You for your donations.
God Bless You,
Social Concerns Ministry

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FRIDAY FEBRUARY 28, 2025
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Donovan Catholic Cafeteria
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RSVP by February 15, 2025
For information and tickets sales call
Zina Approvato at 732-600-3360



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The day will offer breakout sessions in both English and Spanish.

DATE:
Saturday
March 29, 2025

TIME:
8 AM-3 PM

LOCATION:
St. John Vianney High School
540-A Line Rd
Holmdel, NJ 07733

LEARN MORE



Questions? Contact Michelle Angelo Santoro
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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - FEBRUARY 16, 2025

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MARDI GRAS

USHERING IN THE LENTEN SEASON

Tuesday, March 4 1:00 – 2:30 PM

Sometimes we hear ourselves say, “I really want/need a ‘good Lent’ this year.” This afternoon retreat will help you receive that grace in very practical ways as we explore and creatively prepare our hearts for this holy season. What does God want for you this Lent? What will you name this Lent? Are you ready? Led by S. Marcy. Donation: \$30, includes a Lenten book, *A Way Other Than Our Own* by Walter Brueggemann to assist you on your Lenten journey.

ASH WEDNESDAY RETREAT

Wednesday, March 5 9:30 AM – 1:30 PM

LITURGY AT NOON

We love beginning Lent together with this retreat at Francis House because it provides a gentle structure for the six-week journey ahead. This year I think you will enjoy *A Way Other Than Our Own* by Walter Brueggemann to guide your Lenten journey. Liturgy is included with the reception of ashes within it. Led by S. Marcy. Donation: \$40, includes lunch and book for your Lenten journey. Zoom \$25

THE IMITATION OF CHRIST THE BEATITUDES EDITION

Friday, March 7 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Let’s enjoy the wisdom of this timeless classic by Thomas A Kempis translated for us in this special version, *The Imitation of Christ – The Beatitudes Edition*. Listen as Jesus speaks right to you as a friend with loving advice. Time will also be given to contemplative prayer. Led by Jill Snyder. Donation: \$25, includes lunch; Zoom \$20.

A LENTEN HOBO HONEYMOON

Tuesday, March 11 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Based on the book by Edward Hays, this retreat will explore Lent as an important part of a **H**omeward **B**ound journey to our ultimate destination – our heavenly home. Using the “secret signs” of the hobo, we will find our way through this holy season and enjoy a fruitful Lent and joyous Easter. Hays writes, “These 40 holy days of renewal should be about romancing and enkindling our love for God with fresh passion and the enthusiasm of young lovers on a honeymoon.” Curious about this strange approach to the austerities of Lent? Come pray, laugh, and learn. Led by JoLynn Krempecki. Donation: \$25, includes lunch; Zoom \$20.

DISCERNMENT MAKES ALL THE DIFFERENCE

Friday, March 14 9:30 AM – Noon

This retreat will include the full teaching of Ignatian Discernment of Spirits. If you find yourself sliding down “the greasy pole” of desolation or negative thinking, this program will help you immensely. The Ignatian teaching on discernment is life changing as we practice awareness, understanding and right action regarding the various spirits that present themselves to us day by day and moment by moment. The practice of discernment assures an increase in peace and joy. Led by S. Marcy. Donation: \$25

EVENING ZOOM ONLY

LENTEN SERIES

POPE FRANCIS’ NEW ENCYCLICAL *DILEXIT NOS* “HE LOVED US”

3 Tuesdays: March 11, 18, 25 7:00 – 8:00 PM

What better way to participate in Lent? Pope Francis invites us to experience deeply the love of the Sacred Heart of Jesus for the world and for each of us. His writing is simple and understandable, and inspiring to say the least. The Encyclical available online and on Amazon. I would love to read it with you as a way to enhance our Lenten Journey. Led by S. Marcy. Donation: \$50

LENTEN SERIES

FORGIVENESS

A GIFT OF LOVING AS GOD LOVES

3 Fridays 9:30 – 11:00 AM

March 14 & 28 and April 11

To be loved by God and to love as God loves IS our path to union with our Creator. We will pray with several Scripture passages, reflect on the words of Henri Nouwen in *The Return of the Prodigal Son* as we absorb the beauty and the promise portrayed in Rembrandt’s painting of the same name. Please come and experience the freedom found in healing and forgiveness. Led by Jill Snyder. Donation: \$60

THE LOVING-KINDNESS PRAYER THE ASCETICISM OF COMPASSION

Tuesday, March 18 9:30 AM – Noon

All the asceticism we need lies in the true love of neighbor. The Loving-Kindness Prayer fills us with compassion for ourselves first and with all others. Sprinkle this Lenten Season with the all-inclusive love of Jesus. Let the Jesus in you reach out with love and compassion to all others. Like all prayer, this prayer is life-changing. Led by S. Marcy. Donation: \$20

“THIN PLACES” IN LIFE

Thursday, March 20 9:30 AM – Noon

Are there moments when you have strongly felt God’s Presence in the quiet within, in places or in relationships? We will use exercises in *Braving the Thin Places* by Julianne Stanz as a guide to discovering “thin places” in which we meet God “opening us to rawness and beauty.” Led by Jill Snyder. Donation: \$20

A JOURNEY THROUGH THE 12 STEPS

Friday, March 21 9:30 AM – 3:30 PM

We will compare the graced movement through the 12 Steps with the four parts of the Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius. They are remarkably similar in their movement toward interior freedom which leads to a full life of love and service to others. Led by Mary De Joseph and S. Marcy. Donation: \$40. Please bring your own lunch.

CALENDAR

Saturday, February 15

3:15 pm Confessions
4:00 pm Mass

Sunday, February 16

9:00 am Mass
10:00 am Prep Class (Parish Foyer)
11:00 am Mass

Monday, February 17

9:00 am No Mass Today
No Rel Ed Class Today
Parish Offices Closed

Tuesday, February 18

9:00 am Mass
No Rel Ed Class Today
7:00 pm Adult Choir
7:30 pm Legion of Mary (Parish Foyer)

Wednesday, February 19

9:00 am Mass
4:00 pm OCIA (LC)
5:00 pm Religious Ed Class
5:30 pm Marriage Prep (Mason & Adams)

Thursday, February 20

9:00 am Mass
10:00 am Grief Support (LC)
6:00 pm First Reconciliation
7:00 pm Men's COR Prayer Group

Saturday, February 22

3:15 pm Confessions (OCIA Reconciliation)
4:00 pm Mass

Sunday, February 23

9:00 am Mass
10:00 am Prep Class (Parish Foyer)
11:00 am Mass

Monday, February 24

9:00 am Mass
4:30 pm Religious Ed Class
6:15 pm Religious Ed Class

Tuesday, February 25

9:00 am Mass
4:30 pm Religious Ed Class
5:30 pm Religious Ed Class
7:00 pm Adult Choir
7:30 pm K of C Officer Mtg (LC)
7:30 pm Legion of Mary (Parish Foyer)

Wednesday, February 26

9:00 am Mass
4:00 pm OCIA (LC)

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THE COSMIC CHRIST
TEILHARD'S EXPERIENCE OF THE SACRED HEART

Tuesday, April 1 9:30 AM – 11:30 PM

In his latest encyclical, Pope Francis tells us that relationship to the Sacred Heart has power to change the world. From early childhood, Teilhard de Chardin was deeply devoted to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, albeit not particularly Christ's physical heart. Yet as he matured, so did that early devotion. During our time together, we will consider how, as Teilhard's devotion to Christ deepened, his understanding of the Sacred Heart evolved into the Cosmic Christ. Until he died, he continued to pray to his God of Fire. Our gathering will include time for input, reflection, prayer, and sharing. Led by S. Kathy Duffy, SSJ. Donation: \$25

POPE FRANCIS' ENCYCLICAL ON THE
SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Friday, April 4 1:00 – 3:30 PM

In addition to the three-part night zoom Lenten series in March, we offer this opportunity to spend time with and unpack heartfully Pope Francis' new encyclical on the Sacred Heart of Jesus, *Dilexit Nos* ("He Loved Us"). We need so very much to remember the deep and compassionate love of Jesus' Sacred Heart for all of us in this Lenten season. I hope you will come to experience anew the immense love of Jesus' Sacred Heart for you. By the way, Pope Francis writes simply and is very understandable. Led by S. Marcy. Donation: \$20

IN-PERSON ONLY
EMBRACING THE WAY OF THE CROSS
THROUGH ART

Monday, April 7 9:30 AM – 2:00 PM

All are welcome: non-artists, artists, poets and other writers—anyone who desires to draw more deeply into the Passion of Jesus as we approach Holy Week. Using *Vizio Divina*, we will contemplate the meaning of each Station of the Cross created by Maria De Fayrod (Stations of the Cross, Lourdes, France). Through prayer and reflection, we will consider how we can unite our own life experiences with those of Christ's Way of the Cross. Our hope is to deepen our faith, strengthen our resilience in the face of struggle, and expand our compassion and forgiveness towards others. Since each station often carries a specific theme, such as betrayal, denial, the weight of the cross, or the love of a mother (Mary), we will create our own original station in the medium of choice (poetry, drawing, music or painting). Some art materials will be available, but you are welcome to bring your own. Led by S. Celeste Mokrzycki, SSJ. Donation: \$40, includes lunch.

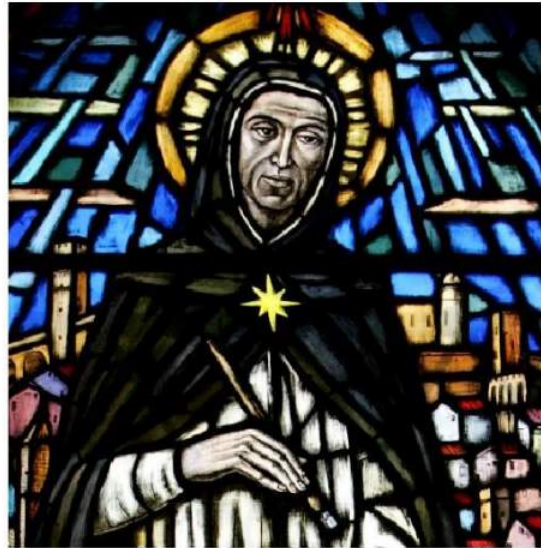


Blessed Fra Angelico

DATES: 1400-1445

FEAST DAY: FEBRUARY 18

Fra Giovanni da Fiesole, known as Blessed Fra Angelico, was an early Renaissance painter. After joining the Dominicans in 1420, he began illustrating manuscripts and choir books, beginning each new work with a prayer. His religious altarpieces, paintings and frescoes exploited color for spatial and emotional effect. Fra Angelico, meaning “angelic brother,” decorated an entire Florentine monastery and two Roman chapels. Notable works include his “Annunciation” and “Descent from the Cross.” He declined an appointment as archbishop of Florence and was officially beatified by Pope John Paul II in 1982. Art students often leave written prayers near his tomb in the Church of Santa Maria Sopra Minerva in Rome. He is patron of artists.



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Encountering the Word

with Jeff Cavins

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Jeremiah 17:5-8 • 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20 • Luke 6:17, 20-26



Still Hungry?



A stark warning from Jeremiah 17 opens today's first reading. "Cursed is the one who trusts in human beings, who seeks his strength in flesh, whose heart turns away from the LORD." Sound harsh? The prophet warns that it is a great mistake to give created things the kind of trust that is due only to the Creator.

God created Adam and Eve in his own image to care for the world and make it flourish. In fulfilling their purpose, people glorify God. Our innate impulse to care may well account for humanity's ability to solve problems and create. But we can become too self-reliant if we fail to remember who gave us those capabilities.

It's easy to forget God when we think about great human achievements. People have cured disease, harnessed electricity, devised great economies. The list is endless. Regardless, people have been unable to satisfy that great inner hunger, which is only satisfied by connecting with the infinite God.

St. Augustine recognized that man was made for the infinite and that finite things only briefly satisfy. If we try to satiate our spiritual hunger with man's creations, we're like someone who eats junk food all day. He may be full, but he's not nourished.

In the Gospel, Jesus states that those who hunger are blessed. Those who seek the spiritual food that nourishes their soul know that God will feed them. Those who feel satisfied with the "junk food" of people take a great spiritual risk.

Are you hungry for the Lord? For purpose and deep satisfaction? Feast on Jesus, not junk food. Read his Word, do what it says, and receive his Body and Blood in the Eucharist, God's true food, God's true drink.

Live the Gospel

Jeff Cavins says, "Do you want to be spiritually nourished by the Word of God? If so, please read Scripture and follow its advice. The Gospels are especially important to ponder and savor. I want to challenge you this week to find a verse of the Gospel that speaks about the hunger you might be experiencing. Do what it says, and then reflect on how you feel."

Dive Deeper

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Attention Men!

Join other Catholic men from across the Diocese of Trenton at the 28th Annual Men's Conference on Saturday, February 22, at St. Mary Mother of God Church in Middletown. The theme of this year's conference is "[Solidarity: A Time to Unite](#)." The day runs from 8:00 am to 2:30 p.m. and will feature Holy Mass celebrated by Bishop David O'Connell.

Speakers include **Elvis Grbac**, a 2001 Pro Bowl quarterback with the Chiefs and Super Bowl XXIX champion with the 49ers. Elvis played 9 seasons in the NFL with San Francisco (1994-96), Kansas City (1997-2000) and Baltimore. He is the author of nine books, a Catholic apologist and speaker for Catholic Answers, and an adjunct professor at Holy Apostles College, Cromwell, CT.

Trent Horn specializes in teaching Catholics to graciously and persuasively engage those who disagree with them. **Matthew Arnold**, an international speaker, author, and former New Age participant who converted to Catholicism in 1996. Arnold speaks internationally on a variety of topics, including devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, and has hosted radio programs for EWTN and the Radio Maria Network, including *Reasons for Faith LIVE* and *Scripture Matters LIVE* with Dr. Scott Hahn.

Cost is \$60 per person; \$20 for students. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. For more information or to register online go to: www.catholicmenforjesuschrist.org.

To register by mail, send the name(s) of each person registering, your check, and a self-addressed stamped envelope to:

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 Saturday 4:00 pm
 Sunday 9:00 & 11:00 am
 Holy Days As Noted
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 1st Thursday of the month 7:00 pm
 or by appt.

Exposition of the Holy Sacrament & Benediction

1st Wednesday of each month 9:30 am
 1st Thursday of each month 7:00 pm with
 Confessions

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 3:30 pm

Baptisms

Celebrated outside of Mass. Parents and godparents are required to attend our Baptism preparation program. Please call the Parish Office to register.

Visits to the Sick and Homebound

May be arranged by calling our parish office.

Knights of Columbus Council #11529

The Knights of Columbus were founded in 1882 by Blessed Father Michael McGivney. It is an international order of more than 2 million Catholic men who are called to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others, and defend Catholic values in a busy changing world. St Monica Council #11529 has a long history of support for the parish and any local charities. If you would like to join, simply scan the QR Code or go to KofC.org/join & enter council #11529.

**St Vincent de Paul Society**

Emergency Assistance Helpline: 732-370-0098

Bereavement Ministry

Please contact the parish office for more information.

Grief Support

For those grieving the loss of a loved one or close friend. This is a Catholic centered Support Group offering a caring, compassionate, and confidential environment to support your journey from grieving to healing. For registration and details contact Deacon John White 848-992-1652 or dcjohnw@gmail.com

Youth Group

Open to all children of St Monica registered families and we would love to have you join us. For more information, call Theresa Calsetta 732-299-0261.

RCIA/OCIA

Rite/Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

For those who are seeking full membership in the Catholic Faith, please contact the parish office.

New Parishioners

Welcome to our parish family! Registration forms may be downloaded at www.saintmonica.com
 Please contact the parish office for further info.

Adult Faith Formation Core Team

Our mission is to encourage and support parishioners in their lifelong learning in the faith in order to grow closer to God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit through discipleship and evangelization.

Marriages

The Catholic Dioceses of New Jersey request a one year period of preparation for marriage in The Church. Contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Religious Education

Children are expected to receive a Catholic-Christian upbringing in their family life, to worship regularly at Sunday Mass, and to participate in on-going Religious Education classes. Our program includes grades 1-8. Please contact Karen Badach, Coordinator of Religious Education 732-928-4038 or stmonicaccd@yahoo.com

Legion of Mary

Members participate in the life of the parish through a program of prayers and service. The Legion of Mary is open to all Catholic men and women over 18 years of age who have the good will to want to serve God through Mother Mary. Meetings are at St. Monica every Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. The Legion is always looking to recruit new members. If you discern a divine connection to the Blessed Mother, and feel she is calling you to join, please contact the Parish Office.

Women of St Monica

A Ministry of Catholic women of the parish striving to fulfill their spiritual needs, sharing their faith, promoting community, and conducting fundraisers throughout the year and enhance parish life in a variety of ways. Please contact the parish office for more info.



If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know someone who was, you can report that abuse through the diocesan ABUSE HOTLINE: 1-888-296-2965 or via email at: abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org

Reflections on the Readings for the 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 16, 2025

THE SEARCH FOR TRUE HAPPINESS

Who wouldn't want to take the direct path to happiness? Well, today's Gospel reading gives us a roadmap to follow if we want to be happy, not just in the future but today as well. What is the wonderful guide, you may be asking? It's the Beatitudes.

What makes the Beatitudes so different is that their message runs contrary to what the world teaches about happiness. The world tells us that we can find true happiness in having successful careers, in being esteemed by our peers, by having a lot of money, getting the latest fashion, or having a lot of fun. The Beatitudes tell us that true happiness comes from self-sacrifice, from following the way of the Lord even when it is difficult, and from putting others first.

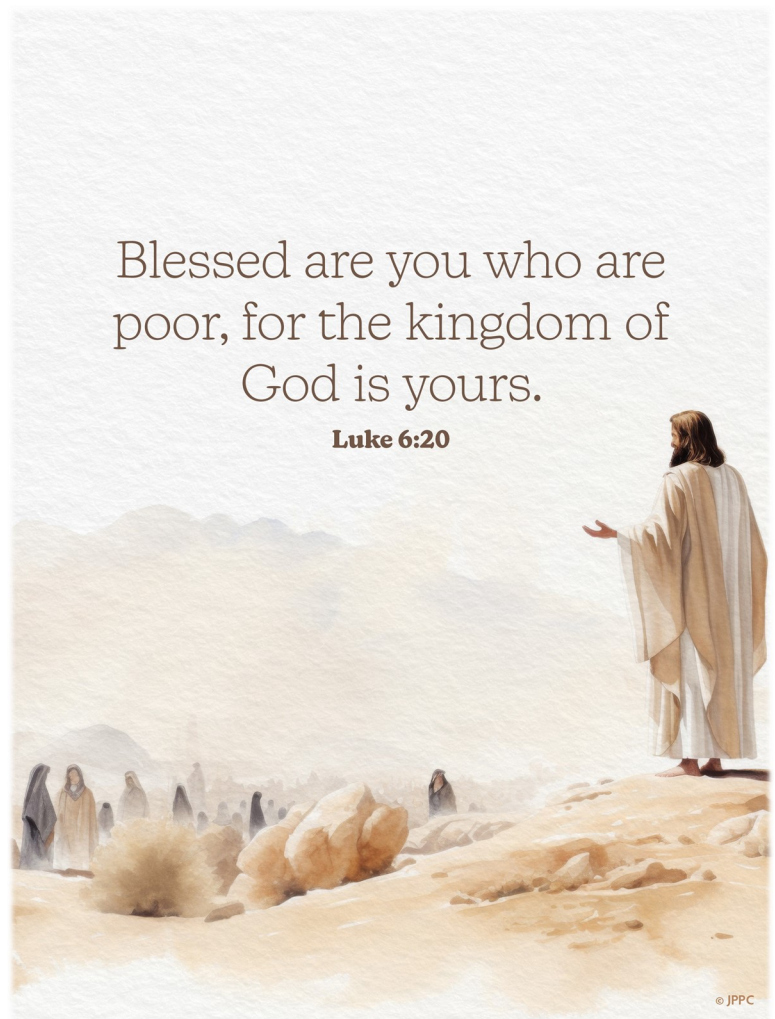
This message wasn't any easier to accept in Jesus' time than it is today. However, we must all come to the point where we acknowledge our spiritual poverty and our complete dependence on God if we want to be truly happy. Then we can begin to understand why Jesus would say, "Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours."

PRAYER

Imagine yourself sitting at the feet of Jesus when he gave the Beatitudes. Hear him say that the rich and satisfied will be unhappy. Hear him offer a path of true happiness through humble obedience and faith. Do you accept this humble path? Do you choose his roadmap of happiness over the need for wealth, worldly success, and human praise and acceptance? Now if Jesus were to approach you and ask you where you are putting your emphasis, what do you say to him?

RESOLUTION

Now in prayer, ask Jesus to show you an area of your life where you are too focused on or too attached to the fortunes, pleasures, and comforts offered by this world. Also ask him to show you ways you can change the desires of your heart to bring them more in line with the Beatitudes. Think of one small change you can make to your life this week that will help you place more of your heart's focus on the kingdom of God. |formed.org



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