

Dear Padre,
Jesus gave his disciples both bread and wine and said, “Do this in memory of me.” But our priest decided that we cannot receive from the cup at Communion. Does he have the right to deny his parishioners the Precious Blood?



“The diocesan bishop may lay down norms for the distribution of Communion under both kinds for his own diocese, which must be observed” (*Norms for the Distribution and Reception of Holy Communion Under Both Kinds in the Dioceses of the United States of America*, 24). (Also see *General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 283.) After the COVID-19 pandemic, many parishes did not resume Communion under both kinds. Some opted instead to make the Precious Blood available only on major solemnities. However, “Holy Communion has a fuller form as a sign when it takes place under both kinds” (*GIRM* 281). “It is most desirable that the faithful, just as the priest himself is bound to do...partake of the chalice (cf. no. 283), so that even by means of the signs Communion may stand out more clearly as a participation in the sacrifice actually being celebrated” (*GIRM* 85). Still, pastors “should instruct the Christian faithful...that Christ, whole and entire, and the true Sacrament, is received even under only one species, and hence...those who receive under only one species are not deprived of any grace that is necessary for salvation” (*GIRM* 282). ●

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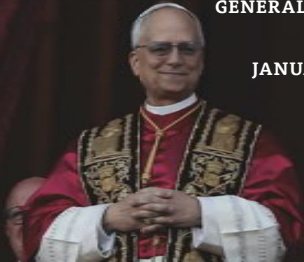
Do you have a question for the Padre?

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

Monday August 3 Weekday Jer 28:1–17 Mt 14:22–36	Wednesday August 5 Weekday Jer 31:1–7 Mt 15:21–28	Saturday August 8 St. Dominic, Priest Hb 1:12–2:4 Mt 17:14–20
Tuesday August 4 St. John Vianney, Priest Jer 30:1–2, 12–15, 18–22 Mt 14:22–36 or Mt 15:1–2, 10–14	Thursday August 6 The Transfiguration of the Lord Dn 7:9–10, 13–14 2 Pt 1:16–19 Mt 17:1–9	Sunday August 9 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11–13a Rom 9:1–5 Mt 14:22–33
	Friday August 7 Weekday Na 2:1, 3; 3:1–3, 6–7 Mt 16:24–28	

A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV
[Friendship with the Lord] is achieved first of all in liturgical and community prayer, in which we do not decide what to hear from the Word of God, but it is he himself who speaks to us through the Church; it is then achieved in personal prayer.... Only when we speak with God can we also speak about him.

GENERAL AUDIENCE,
ROME,
JANUARY 14, 2026



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Our Parish
COMMUNITY

August 2, 2026
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)
Isaiah 55:1–3 / Romans 8:35, 37–39 / Matthew 14:13–21



They all ate and were satisfied, and they picked up the fragments left over—twelve wicker baskets full.

MATTHEW 14:20

Seeing as God Sees

FR. THOMAS M. SANTA, CSSR

Even when the apostles think they have anticipated what is needed, they often come up short. Not a lack of preparation or a lack of talent, but something is missing, nonetheless. In the gospel, they announce to Jesus that there is not enough food to eat. The crowds are too massive. They are too far away from the resources they need. But Jesus is not concerned. He sees what they are incapable of seeing. He believes in ways they cannot even begin to comprehend.

In blessing the limited amount of food they scrounge up for him, Jesus reveals to them an abundance they were unable to see. Not only is there enough for all who have assembled, there is more than enough, beyond their wildest imaginings.

How did the apostles understand what they experienced this day? How did they react to the miraculous, overflowing abundance where there was once scarcity? How could there be something where there was nothing?

The real lesson of the gospel is not necessarily the miraculous. Rather, the real lesson of the gospel is found in the invitation to see, to hope, to anticipate that with God all is possible. Even when it seems like a dead end. Even when nothing adds up. Even when you come up short. ●



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THE AUTHORS
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Reflect

Do you wish you could see a certain person or situation more like the way God sees?

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Holy Mass & Confession Schedule:

Saturday: 5:30 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM

Tuesday - 7:00 PM; Wednesday – Friday: 8:00 AM

Holy Day of Obligation - Vigil - 5:30 PM and 8:00 AM

Confessions: 30min. prior to each Holy Mass (or by appointment)

Holy Mass at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, Nucla.

Sunday: 12:00 Noon

Holy Days of Obligation - 6:00 PM

August 2nd, 2026 - Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Holy Mass Intentions:

Saturday, August 1st

5:30 PM - Missa Pro Populo

Sunday, August 2nd

9:00 AM - Kim Lynch

Tuesday, August 4th

7:00 PM - John Yetmar

Wednesday, August 5th

8:00 AM - Lew & Bobbi French

Thursday, August 6th

8:00 AM - James & Susan Renner (60th Wedding Anniversary)

Friday, August 7th

8:00 AM - Grace Aumiller

Saturday, August 8th

5:30 PM - +Margaret & Joe Sulentic

Sunday, August 9th

9:00 AM - Missa Pro Populo

*If you would like to have a Holy Mass intention for your loved ones, living or deceased, please contact the Parish Office by calling: 970-728-3387 or place your request in the collection basket near the entrance of the church.
- Suggested donation for each mass is \$10.*

Healing Prayers - Rezos Por Tus Curaciones

Let us pray for those who have asked for our prayers...

Kevin Kiernan, Bob Kammer, Cody Couture, Dakota Couture, Eric Block, Judy Donnelly, Mike Napolitano, Mary E. Lynch, Liz Bradley, Care Bear, Carl Carson, Joshua Nault, Phil Couture, Jose Cuaron, Kim Lynch, Allison Myer, Marianne Edward, CarolAnn O'Dea, Juan Esparza, Martha Gagliano, Stanislaw Kowalczyk, Susan Martin Smith

Upcoming Events: *All Are Welcome!*

First Fridays of the month - *Devotion to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus* - Holy Mass and Adoration - 8:00 AM.

Tuesdays: 6:00 PM- Holy Adoration. 7:00 PM – Holy Mass

Second Tuesdays of month: 7:30 PM – Men's Group

Wednesdays: 7:30 AM

Women's Group Faith Fun Fellowship – Church

Thursdays: 7:00 AM - 9:00 AM

Eucharistic Adoration & Holy Mass - Church

First Sunday of the month - Holy Adoration 30 minutes before each Holy Mass.

Each Sunday during Summer- Coffee and donuts after 9:00 AM Holy Mass.

Last Saturday of the month - Bilingual Holy Mass

“So also we, being many, are one body in Christ, and each one is a part, the one of the other.”
Romans 12:5

Parish Announcements:

We would like to welcome all Visitors who are with us celebrating the Holy Mass this weekend.

Please check our **Parish Website /Calendar** for updated schedule of events.

Please join us for **praying the Holy Rosary** on Sundays before 9:00 AM Holy Mass. It starts at 8:30 AM.

Coffee and donuts every Sunday during summer after 9:00 AM Holy Mass. We need more volunteers to help.

This Sunday - **Second Collection** for Catholic Foundation of the Diocese of Pueblo.

A big thank you to everyone who helped with our Annual Parish Picnic last week.

First Friday of the month - August 7th - Devotion the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus - 8:00 AM.

Last Week's Collection: \$ 2,266.00

Please visit: stpatrickstelluride.com/donate to offer your financial support.

“For where your treasure is, there also is your heart.”
Mathew 6:21

Pastor's Corner

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

From the Office of the Bishop

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ:

Today's second collection is for our Catholic Foundation. The Catholic Foundation is known as “*The Giving Arm of the Diocese*,” because for over 30 years its core mission has been to provide financial and other support to parishes, missions and other Catholic organizations throughout the diocese, especially in rural areas and other places where resources might be scarce. Sometimes a grant from the Catholic Foundation is the only way a church can afford to provide desperately needed faith formation activities and new materials. Please remember that the Catholic Foundation is separate from the diocese, and the generosity of the faithful is critical to its mission. Your generous gift will help build upon the remarkable success of last year's second collection. And remember, 100% of the funds received from the second collection will stay in the diocese. Thank you for your prayerful consideration. Sincerely yours in Christ,
Most Rev. Stephen J. Berg
Bishop of the Diocese of Pueblo
Viva Cristo Rey!