



Enough?

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When I was a child, my parents taught me to pray with my hands pressed together, fingers pointed upward toward God. But somewhere along the way, I learned a different posture for prayer: seated, with my palms facing upward on my lap. It's a gesture of openness—an acknowledgment that I come before God in humble need, ready to receive whatever he wants to give.

In today's gospel, Philip approaches Jesus in a similar stance of openness. "Show us the Father," he says, "and that will be enough for us" (John 14:8). Jesus responds that Philip has already seen the Father because Jesus' words and actions are the Father's words and actions. Philip needs no more—he has already received "enough."

Sometimes, I need this reminder myself. I long for a new insight into God that perhaps one more book or one more lecture will give me. Don't get me wrong: lifelong learning is a wonderful thing, and there is always more of God to discover! But it is important to acknowledge that, like Philip, I have already come to know the Father through Jesus, and everything I need to live the Christian life is already in place. Rather than more knowledge, it is a question of putting into action what I've been taught.

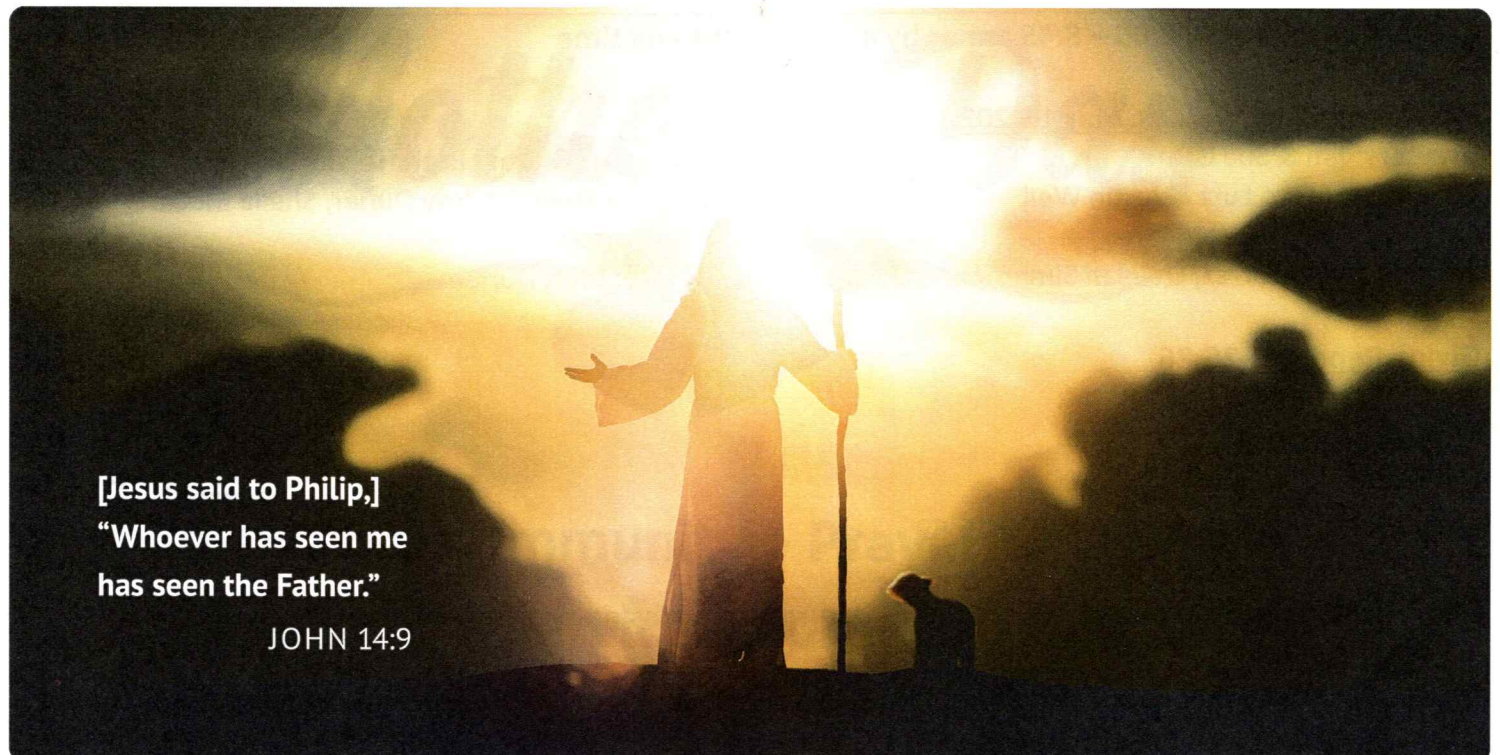
Of late, when I pray, I have embraced a new prayer posture: turning my hands downward, resting my palms on my knees. It helps me remember that with Jesus as my shepherd, I "shall not want." I already have all I need. ●



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Reflect

What does "enough" mean to me?



[Jesus said to Philip,]
"Whoever has seen me
has seen the Father."

JOHN 14:9

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Fifth Sunday of Easter – May 3, 2026

<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Feast</u>	<u>Intention</u>
Monday			
Tuesday	8:00 am	Easter Weekday	Leon & Pat Vogel
Wednesday	8:00 am	Easter Weekday	Vernon & Helen Lix
Thursday	8:00 am	Easter Weekday	Joan Mages
Friday	9:00 am	Easter Weekday (at Fort Dodge)	Rawlin Smith
Saturday	8:00 am	No mass	
Sunday	9:00 am	Sixth Sunday of Easter	Saint Andrew Parishioners

Confessions: Sunday 8:00 – 8:45 am or by appointment any time

Ministers for next Sunday, May 10, 2026

Greeters: Jim & Sue Groth

Collection: Steve Lutz & Justin Weil

Cantor: Choir

Servers: Jaden Torrez, Quinlan Simon, Lane Downey

Lectors: Logan Lix & Mary Beth Helfrich

E.M.C.'s: Hattie Stein, Lindsay Durler, Sheila McCarty

Gifts: Allen Morton

Rosary: Matt Durler

Giving Report: 4-26-26

Envelopes: \$3,744.50

Loose: \$156.00

Electronic: \$376.64

Alms for Renovation Project: \$67,345.69



Parish School of Religion, (PSR) is this week. Liturgy Commission provides the meal.

The Spring Social this year is scheduled for TODAY, May 3, directly after Mass. We will be having hot dogs and pulled pork, Mac n cheese, veggies, and pie! Raffles and games for all! Please come and join us.

The Knights will lead the Rosary before daily Masses during May beginning at 7:35. Please join us honoring our Mother Mary.

All are invited to the Priesthood Ordination Mass!

Bishop John B. Brungardt will ordain Deacon Carson Haupt, Deacon Eric Frieb, and Deacon Esteban Hernández-Mejía to the Order of Presbyter.

10:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 30, 2026

Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Dodge City

Lunch and Learn via Zoom

Date: June 18

Time: 12:15 pm

Duration: 40 minutes

Are you living stewardship without even realizing it?

Join us for a 40-minute Zoom session as we explore how daily choices reflect the five pillars of Catholic stewardship: **hospitality, prayer, formation, service, and evangelization**. Through a simple exercise, you'll gain practical insight into how you're already answering God's call—and where you might grow next.

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Dear Padre,

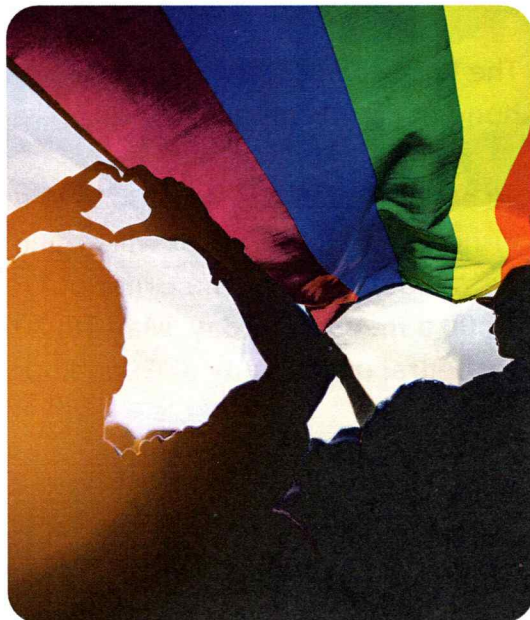
I have one daughter and a grandchild who say they are bisexual and very much into the LGBTQ lifestyle, where they feel like they belong. I do not know how to handle all of this. They left the Catholic faith years ago. I do not believe they are atheists. Please help.

You are not alone in your struggle to know how to “handle all of this.” It’s hard for parents when their children choose a different lifestyle.

Try not to confuse gender expression with faith. Try not to confuse sexual orientation with faith. Just because a person is attracted to someone of the same sex does not mean they are not a person of faith. They may believe in God and even worship God in their own way. It sounds like your daughter and grandchild are honest with you. If they are willing, perhaps talking with them about how they experience God in their lives would be a fruitful conversation.

Whatever you do, the best practice is to love. Love your daughter and grandchild. When they express to you what they believe to be true about themselves, they are not asking for your permission. They are entrusting you with what they believe they have learned about themselves. Perhaps that very openness with you is a lesson that you taught them and a sign that they want to share with you what is important to them. ●

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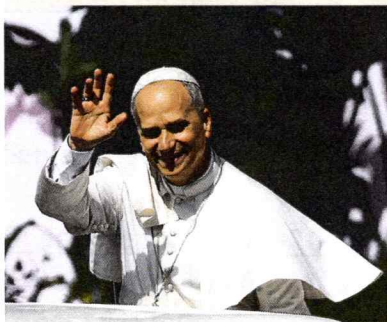
A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

We live in a time that rewards self-sufficiency, efficiency, performance. And yet, the gospel shows us that the measure of our humanity is

not given by what we can achieve, but by our ability to let ourselves be loved and, when necessary, even helped. Jesus saves us by showing us that

asking is not unworthy, but liberating.

**GENERAL AUDIENCE, ROME,
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Monday

May 4

Easter Weekday

Acts 14:5-18

Jn 14:21-26

Thursday

May 7

Easter Weekday

Acts 15:7-21

Jn 15:9-11

Saturday

May 9

Easter Weekday

Acts 16:1-10

Jn 15:18-21

Tuesday

May 5

Easter Weekday

Acts 14:19-28

Jn 14:27-31a

Friday

May 8

Easter Weekday

Acts 15:22-31

Jn 15:12-17

Sunday

May 10

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

1 Pt 3:15-18

Jn 14:15-21

Wednesday

May 6

Easter Weekday

Acts 15:1-6

Jn 15:1-8