



# St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

**12th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**June 21, 2020**

## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:

St. John the Evangelist Parish is a welcoming and responsive faith community, nourished by the Word of God and the Eucharistic Table. We are open and trusting in the love of Jesus Christ to advance the power of the Holy Spirit, within the parish and beyond, by living the Gospel.

## PARISH INFORMATION

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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 9 am to 4 pm  
[Contact Us by Phone or Email](#)

## SCHEDULE OF MASSES

### SUNDAY MASS:

**SATURDAY VIGIL: 5 PM** (Trad. Mass)

**SUNDAY: 8 AM** (Trad. Mass);

**11 AM** (Family Mass);

**5 PM** (Teen/Contemporary Mass)

### DAILY MASS:

**6:30 AM & 8:30 AM (MON-FRI)**

**8:30 AM (SATURDAY)**

### HOLY DAYS:

**6:30 AM & 8:30 AM; 7:00 PM**

**SUNDAY MASS LIVE-STREAMED THROUGH FACEBOOK @ 11 AM**

## PARISH CLERGY AND STAFF

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## PASTOR'S PAGE

**DO NOT BE AFRAID:** Dear Parishioners, the message in today's Gospel of the Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time "A", we hear Jesus talking that we should not be afraid. Remember this message comes 265 times in the Bible. Somehow, every day of the year, God is telling you not to be afraid. But how can we not be afraid when one has lost his or her job that they rely on to feed the family, pay the housing, keep the child in school, run their car, pay their phone bill...

How can we not be afraid when this pandemic disease called COVID-19 or Corona Virus has pushed people in their corners, forbidding us to pray as we should, separating families and friends, keeping a distance of 6 feet, wearing masks, washing over and over again as raccoons cleaning their meals, unable to visit a loved one in the hospital or nursing home; all these for fear of contamination and death that may result.

How can we not be afraid when there is racism as it happened for George Floyd and so many others before him? How can we not be afraid when there is ethnicism in many countries around the world especially in Africa, tribalism, regionalism, religionism, rioting, looting and disturbances that have been part of our world history and seem to increase rather than to diminish?

How can we not be afraid when wars are raging and who knows if we may be starting the 3<sup>rd</sup> world war when man may use nuclear arms and have millions, if not billions, of people dying in a short time? Sadly man invests so much in wars rather than in peace and development.

**Jesus is always right.** Fear can paralyze us and kill us even faster than the calamity itself. For example, one may be too afraid of Coronavirus; they stay inside the house, unable to relax, feel the sun and in the long run, get depressed and die. Yes, we need to be careful not exposing ourselves but we shouldn't be too afraid. God knows you and God loves you; if He doesn't protect you, in vain is our only protection. In God we have true peace, that even death cannot take away from us. We die only to gain eternal life, where true happiness reigns without end.

Jesus added, rather, "be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in Gehenna". Like it or not we all do have a soul and our souls will never die. God doesn't destroy what He created. That is why our lives will go on either in Heaven or in Gehenna; in Purgatory for only a temporal time. Gehenna (Hinnom) was a valley southwest of Jerusalem which developed an evil reputation among the Jews because of idolatrous and barbaric events that took place there during the reigns of Ahaz and Manasseh. Later, it became the place of punishment after death, hell or sheol. According to so many trustworthy sources, hell is located in the middle of the earth. Father *Michel RODRIGUE*, an exorcist in Canada, said that always when he chases the devil from his victim, he vanishes into the ground. The Blessed Virgin Mary in Fatima opened her hands and the earth opened and the three children saw in hell in the middle of the earth. They described it as an ocean of fire where the doomed souls are tossed into the flames and demons looking like burning charcoals with ugly forms torturing infinitely the doomed souls. They would have died of fear if the Blessed Virgin Mary was not present to comfort them.

Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska in her diary 741 describes what hell looks like: "today, I was led by an Angel to the chasms of hell. It is a place of great torture; how awesomely large and extensive it is! The kinds of tortures I saw: the first torture that constitutes hell is the loss of God; the second is perpetual remorse of conscience; the third is that one's condition will never change; the fourth is the fire that will penetrate the soul without destroying it – a terrible suffering, since it is a purely spiritual fire, lit by God's anger; the fifth torture is continual darkness and a terrible suffocating smell, and, despite the darkness, the devils and the souls of the damned see each other and all the evil, both of others and their own; the sixth torture is the constant company of Satan; the seventh torture is horrible despair, hatred of God, vile words, curses and blasphemies. These are the tortures suffered by all the damned together, but that is not the end of the sufferings. There are special tortures destined for particular souls. These are the torments of the senses. Each soul undergoes terrible and indescribable suffering, related to the manner in which it has sinned. Agony differs from one another. I would have died at the very sight of these tortures if the omnipotence of God had not supported me. Let the sinner know that he will be tortured throughout all eternity, in those senses which he made use of to sin. I am writing this at the command of God, so that no soul may find an excuse by saying there is no hell, or that nobody has ever been there, and so no one can say what it is like". Dear parishioners, we all should avoid the fires of hell at any cost as Jesus' goal is to save us all no matter who we are and what we may have done. The time is now and the clock is ticking. God bless Father Bernardin MUGABO

## DEACON JACK'S HOMILY (JUNE 21, 2020)

For the past couple of months, I have taken a high-level look at the gospel reading in my homilies but today, I am going to zoom in on the last two lines of the Gospel, where our Lord says: Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my Heavenly Father. This gospel reading is really a pep talk to us. Do not fear those who can kill the body – Jesus will acknowledge you before His Father – Father, here is my faithful follower who needs a room in your heavenly house.

Ah but there is also a warning that is serious - but whoever denies me before others I will deny before my Father. I would be greatly concerned if Jesus denies me before His Father because of what I failed to do, failed to acknowledge Jesus in my life. Failure to acknowledge Jesus probably means your room will be somewhere else, somewhere much hotter.

If you remember what I said last month (it's OK if you don't). I don't remember what I said yesterday, especially if it is something I said when I was in a hurry- yes dear I'll get to that. Oh, I am so grateful for public Mass, I can see wives looking over at their husbands thinking: Oh yah, same here. I can't see that when there is just a camera.

Last month, I spoke about Jesus saying if you love me, you will keep my commandments and I finished up with Jesus revealing himself to us at the end of our life here to lead us to His father's house. Well the Father's house is still and will always be the ultimate destination.

This message in the Gospel about acknowledgement touches me personally. You know me as Deacon Jack Wilson but not many of you know that my birth name was not Wilson. I have never met or spoken to my biological father. The only memory is a name on my hospital birth certificate. Charles Schneider. My mother loved me dearly but she never spoke of my father. The stories, memories, photos and letters are forever lost. I was just told that he had died. When I was young, I just accepted that.

As I looked back later in life, I saw that the silence about my biological father was in fact denial of who he was. I am not assigning blame because I really do not know what happened and the good news in this story is that when I was twelve, my mother married James Marshall Wilson. I still remember the night when I was asked if I wanted to be adopted, to have my last name changed to Wilson. Jim is my dad. I am what I am today because of dad who loved me and made me his son. He acknowledged me before others and I proudly let everyone know that he was my dad. To this day, I still repeat some of the silly things he said in my mind. To be silent about someone who gave me so much is unthinkable.

How is this connected to everyone here - well at our baptism, we were adopted. We became adopted sons and daughters of the Trinity. The names of the members of the Holy Trinity are called out proudly as the water was poured on us. Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Do we acknowledge this great event in our life to others? Yes, most do as we enter the Church by signing ourselves with Holy Water and saying Father Son and Holy Spirit. This time of pandemic has resulted in removal of the vessels that contain the holy water in the church as we have no way of sterilizing them after each person but everyone can still imagine placing their finger in the water and make the sign of the Cross as they enter the Church. The gifts that are poured out over us in our baptism, erasure of Original Sin, cleansing of our souls, receiving the light of Christ continue as we change our lives to emulate Christ. These are the some of the gifts that Paul mentions in the second reading, eternal life being the most precious gift.

Our Lord however tells us today that we cannot just receive the gifts and then walk away. If we remain silent, keeping them in secret to ourselves, we are denying those who gave them to us. The gifts from the Holy family we receive are meant to be shared, to let everyone around us in and especially outside the church, learn of the salvation Christ offers. Oh, but it is so hard now with the need to reduce our exposure to the Coronavirus, Mass attendance is limited, we can't have breakfast or dinner events to invite our friends and family. Yes, the current events offer a challenge yet go back and read the challenges Jeremiah faced in the first reading - Terror, being under a microscope to see if there is any misstep. Jeremiah in the first reading faced challenges as difficult as we face today, read about Jeremiah again later today.

How can we adapt in this time to let others know who we are? We are Christians! I've been through adoption. You don't hide your new name, you celebrate it. You tell everyone what it is. We can fail to acknowledge Jesus by just being silent. By being afraid or embarrassed to let our friends, our neighbors, our co-workers or our boss know who we are. Afraid of what people would say knowing we are against abortion, against the death penalty and support marriage between a man and a woman. If contacting in person is a challenge now, find other ways to let your identity show. Explain the ways we are keeping our faith in these challenging times to people who call you on the telephone. Use visual aids. I have a small statue of the Holy family right by the front door. It is a way of letting anyone coming to my door that we are Catholic. You can get a "Keep Christ in Christmas" magnet from our Knights of Columbus. Let the Spirit guide you to acknowledge Christ to others in new ways.

The shutdown of public Mass these past weeks led Cara, our music director to promote Livestreaming of Mass. This was a brilliant idea, thank her for that. Anyone with an internet connection can now see Mass from Saint John's. Tell your family and friends in faraway places that if they want to see what you are doing on the weekend, watch our Livestream of Mass, or watch the recording that is available about an hour after mass has ended. The people in ministries at Saint John's that interact with members of the surrounding community are another source of acknowledgement of who we are, of who we follow.

Today is Father's Day. I hope everyone will call their Father just to say hello and thank him for all he did for you. I also hope everyone will call our heavenly Father to acknowledge Him.

Think of what He has given you and give Him a ring.

We all know how, His Son taught us:

***Our Father who art in Heaven – Hi, it is me.***

## LITURGY (INTERCESSORY PRAYERS) FOR JUNE 21, 2020

**Gracious God, who rights all wrongs and delivers us from evil, we come before you in prayer today:**

For the Church universal, that it would heed the prophets and fearlessly proclaim your Word,

**Lord Hear our Prayer**

For those in authority, that they would listen to those in their care and make decisions beneficial for all,

**Lord Hear our Prayer**

For the grace of freedom: that God will free our hearts from fear and anxiety so that we may respond with love and concern in whatever God asks of us,

**Lord Hear our Prayer**

For all who are with an illness of mind, body, or soul that God will touch them with His healing hand,

**Lord Hear our Prayer**

For all fathers and those who have shown us a father's love: that God will grant them good health, guide them in being good examples, and help them to be a source of encouragement to their children,

**Lord Hear our Prayer**

For all who have died, that God will welcome them into the Father's House,

**Lord Hear our Prayer**

For these intentions, the intentions shared by the community throughout the week that we bring to the altar, and all those intentions written in the silence of our hearts,

**Lord Hear our Prayer**

**Trusting in your almighty grace, we dedicate these prayers to your care, confident in your righteousness and truth. In Jesus' name we pray. AMEN**

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18; Ps 60:3-5, 12-13; Mt 7:1-5

**Tuesday:** 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36; Ps 48:2-4, 10-11; Mt 7:6, 12-14

**Wednesday:** Vigil: Jer 1:4-10; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; 1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17

Day: Is 49:1-6; Ps 139:1-3, 13-15; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80

**Thursday:** 2 Kgs 24:8-17; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9; Mt 7:21-29

**Friday:** 2 Kgs 25:1-12; Ps 137:1-6; Mt 8:1-4

**Saturday:** Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Ps 74:1b-7, 20-21; Mt 8:5-17

**Sunday:** 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a; Ps 89:2-3, 16-19; Rom 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt 10:37-42

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### **Masses for the Week of June 22-27, 2020**

**Monday:** *St. Paulinus of Nola; St. John Fisher, Bishop & St. Thomas More, Martyrs*

**6:30 am** Thomas Gibbs +

**8:30 am** Jim Q'Neill +

**Tuesday:**

**6:30 am** Rosie Cooney (I)

**8:30 am** Bruno Giorgi +

**Wednesday:** *The Nativity of St. John the Baptist*

**6:30 am** Peter David Heiman +

**8:30 am** John & Josie Pellegrino +

**Thursday:**

**6:30 am** Carolyn Serafin +

**8:30 am** Guillermo Gonzales +

**Friday:** *The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus*

**6:30 am** Boyd Williams +

**8:30 am** Ed Bispo +

**Saturday:** *St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop & Doctor*

**8:30 am** Bruno Giorgi +



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

June 20/21, 2020

### RELIGIOUS-EDUCATION/CCD/CCF

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12<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

Our Psalm Response today is: "Lord, in your great love, answer me"

What do you desire to ask of the Lord? Go ahead, ask & pray...

#### A Prayer for Racial Healing in Our Land:

"Wake me up Lord, so that the evil of racism finds no home within me.

Keep watch over my heart, Lord, & remove from me any barriers to your grace, that may oppress and offend my sisters and brothers.

Fill my spirit, Lord, so that I may give services of justice and peace.

Clear my mind, Lord, and use it for your glory.

Finally, remind us, Lord, that you said, "Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called the children of God" Amen.

(By the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops: USCCB)

**Pope Francis' June intention:** "We pray that all those who suffer may find their way in life, allowing themselves to be touched by the Heart of Jesus."

**Mass from SJE each Sunday at 11:00 am on Facebook:**

<https://www.facebook.com/sjecarmichael.org>

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#### Opportunities to grow in the spiritual life:

Websites: Parish: [www.sjecarmichael.org](http://www.sjecarmichael.org)

Diocese: [www.scd.org](http://www.scd.org)

U.S. Bishops: [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)

General Catholic: [www.americancatholic.org](http://www.americancatholic.org)

[www.catholic.org](http://www.catholic.org) [www.saintoftheday.org](http://www.saintoftheday.org)

Daily three minute retreat: [www.LoyolaPress.org](http://www.LoyolaPress.org)

We recommend that you also listen to Catholic/Relevant Radio on 1620AM and send inquiries to:

[askfather@relevantradio.com](mailto:askfather@relevantradio.com) Also check out EWTN T.V.

Contact [www.christthekingretreatcenter.org](http://www.christthekingretreatcenter.org) or call 916-725-4720 for daily reflections. (Give them your email address)

#### CALENDAR:

We will soon be in touch with you regarding plans for the reception of sacraments:

First Reconciliation, First Holy-Communion & Confirmation.

We will also hope to have some plans for the return to classes for all...

**Personal Note:** As of June 30, 2020 - I will be retiring as Director/Coordinator of Religious-Education. Pastors & Bishops retire at 75. I was 76 on my last birthday! (Some of you will say "no way!" I'm sure!) But it is the truth! Who will take my place? Talk with Fr. Bernardin about that. I will be around to help with the sacramental liturgies & I plan to return to SJE Parish & volunteer. Thank you for the many blessings that have been part of my ministry at SJE.

God bless & guide your/our week.

## PARISH INFORMATION

### COMING BACK TOGETHER!!

**ST. JOHN'S HAS RESUMED PUBLIC MASS!**  
ATTENDANCE IS LIMITED AND NEW GUIDELINES IN PLACE.

PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE -  
[SJECARMICHAEL.ORG](http://SJECARMICHAEL.ORG) OR FLOCKNOTES  
FOR NEXT WEEKEND MASS TIME REGISTRATION

**PER DIOCESE REQUIREMENTS,  
FACE MASKS ARE REQUIRED TO  
BE WORN AT ALL MASSES.**

### ADORATION at BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL

Fr. Bernardin invites you to spend  
an hour/some time with Jesus on  
Wednesdays & Fridays from 9 am  
to 5 pm



6 ft SOCIAL DISTANCING REQUIRED & Less than 18 Persons in the Chapel at one

St. John's Blessed Sacrament Chapel is  
**OPEN** from **9am to 5pm** Monday  
through Friday for private prayer--6 ft.  
Social Distancing (separation) required.

#### CONFESSIONS:

**SATURDAYS FROM 3:45 TO 4:45 PM IN THE  
SACRISTY**

**(6 FEET SOCIAL DISTANCING) WITH NO MORE THAN  
10 PERSONS TOTAL IN THE NARTHEX AT ONE TIME.**

## IN MEMORIAM

Please pray for the soul of Jack Bland, Fr. Tom Bland's brother, who passed away this week in New Jersey. May God grant him eternal rest and strengthen and comfort his family

## FAITH ENRICHMENT

### APPARITIONS AT GARABANDAL MOVIE SEQUEL

On Sunday, June 21st at 8 am, St. Joseph in Marysville Parishioner Ed Kelly will speak on the reported Apparitions at Garabandal on Relevant Radio's ***The Miracle Hunter***. Kelly is also featured in "***Unstoppable Waterfall***", the sequel to the movie, "***Garabandal Only God Knows***".

Watch in English or Spanish at: [garabandalthe-movie.com](http://garabandalthe-movie.com). This full sequel will open on June 18th in Spanish and July 2nd in English.

**Relevant Radio 1620 AM**

## SJE SCHOOL NEWS

### ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

(Preschool through 8th Grade) is **NOW ENROLLING** for the 2020-2021 school year.

Excellent academics, art, music, drama, and athletics are offered in a Catholic atmosphere.

Please email our Principal, Mrs. Christie Horton at [chor-ton@stjohnnev.com](mailto:chor-ton@stjohnnev.com) for more information



## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

*Our St. Vincent de Paul Society thanks you for your continued support, which allows us to help the poor and needy in our neighborhood.*



**Welcome!** St. John's is reopened and ready for Mass!

BUT no hugging, we have to hold off on that for a while. Virtual hugs are permitted though.

SVdeP's food closet is open on Wednesdays from **8 am to 10 am** if you find yourself in need of food. Everyone is welcome! Also if you can, SVdeP could use some egg cartons, top ramen and dried beans (i.e. pinto).

The Giving Wing is accessible again and items can be left there.

**YOU make a difference! God bless you! Stay safe!**

### SVdP Hawaii Raffle ~ July 25<sup>th</sup>.

Sheraton Maui Resort for 6 days and 5 nights, Airfare, Car Rental and a \$500 gift card. Tickets are \$10.00 each or a book of 10 for \$100.00.

To purchase tickets, please mail your check payable to St. Vincent de Paul to **4216 Tyrone Way, Carmichael 95608** & your tickets will be mailed to you! Aloha.



## SJE PRAYER LIST

**Please Pray for our sick and their caregivers:** Andrea Armstrong, Bob Bodem, Robert Burns, Geoff Carter, Alicia Cortez, Russ Davis, John DePiazza, Melissa Duran, Kate Ellis, Karen Emmons, Debbie Erichs, Teri Erickson, Velia Escalante, Juanita Estrellas, Martin Fiorino, Anthony Gabriele, Lillian Geoffrey, Ella Gomes, Jimi Grant, Steve Guerrero, Donna Harris, Tom Harvey, George Heffner, Sr. Marion Hicks, Dick Hill, Mary Jeffries, Eduardo Jimenez, Yelena Kanavalchuk, Michelle Keyawa, Sayed Kian, Pat Lobrovich, Kim Louder, Karen Lydon, Angelica & Cheryl Martin of Tennessee (COVID-19 positive), Jennifer Martin, Arielle McLeskey, Pat Minnard, Manuel Molina, Michael Niekamp, Tony Nolasco, Gilles Ouellet, Lynn Parry, Mike Peterson, Alex Quiroz, Max Rankin, Jeff Reynolds, Ruth Salazar, Rena Scherman, Robert Scholtes, Christopher Scott, Paul Scurti, Lili Simic, Joan Smith, Hank Thompson, Kim Van Blaricom, Bob Walker, Katie Walker, Theresa West (Cheryl Martin's daughter) and all those with COVID-19.

## WIT AND WISDOM

**REALLY, no condition is permanent:**

- (1) no matter how tall you are, you can't see tomorrow.  
(so be patient)
  - (2) no matter how big and strong you're, you can't carry yourself to your grave.  
(so be humble)
  - (3) no matter how light skinned you're, you need light in darkness  
(so take caution)
  - (4) no matter how rich and how many cars you have, you will always walk to bed.  
(so be contented)
- So gentlemen and ladies let us take life easy.  
What a life we live!

Have you taken note of the coincidence of life:

- (1) **CHURCH** has 6 letters same as **MOSQUE**.
- (2) **BIBLE** has 5 letters same as **QURAN**
- (3) **LIFE** has 4 letters same as **DEAD**.
- (4) **LOVE** has 4 letters same as **HATE**.
- (5) **FRIENDS** has 7 letters same as **ENEMIES**.
- (6) **TRUTH** has 5 letters same as **LYING**.
- (7) **HURT** has 4 letters same as **HEAL**.
- (8) **POSITIVE** has 8 letters same as **NEGATIVE**.
- (9) **SUCCESS** has 7 letters same as **FAILURE**.
- (10) **ABOVE** has 5 letters same as **BELOW**.
- (11) **CRY** has 3 letters same as **JOY**
- (12) **HAPPY** has 5 letters same as **ANGER**.
- (13) **RIGHT** has 5 letters same as **WRONG**.
- (14) **RICH** has 4 letters same as **POOR**.
- (15) **PASS** has 4 letters same as **FAIL**.
- (16) **KNOWLEDGE** has 9 letters same as **IGNORANCE**
- (17) **HIM** has 3 letters same as **HER**.
- (18) **BLACK** has 5 letters same as **WHITE**.
- (19) **TABLE** has 5 letters same as **CHAIR**.
- (20) **FATHER** has 6 letters same as **MOTHER**.

Are they all coincidence?

We should think wisely, this means LIFE is like a doubled edged sword.

If you think it is your alarm clock that wakes you up every morning, then try putting it beside a dead body and you will realize that it is the grace of God that wakes you up every day.

--forwarded by Fr. Ambrose

## PARISH NOTES--ADORATION

### **ADORATION HELP NEEDED!!**

Because of health issues or other commitments, some of our long-time faithful members of our Parish who have been keeping an hour of Adoration for years are unable to do it any longer. Therefore, there are a number of hours that have just one person committed.

There should be at least two.

If, for some reason, you are unable to keep your hour, you can call your partner to make sure the hour is covered. There is a list of Parishioners who are willing to substitute when needed.

If you visit the Chapel during Adoration and you are not on the schedule, please check the schedule in the back of the Chapel to see if one or more times works for you.

For those who aren't in the habit of visiting the Chapel, do you feel Jesus encouraging YOU to come and spend an hour in His presence on Wednesday or Friday each week? Please consider it--pray about it--try it for three months. You will be happy you did!

The schedule will be in the back of the Chapel for you to see the hours that need to be covered. Please sign your name, phone number, time you will cover and whether Wednesday or Friday.

More than two people can sign for the same time!

If you have any questions, please call **Jackie Sanders** at **(916) 481-0398**.

Until Fr. Bernardin gets further notice, there should be no more than 18 people in the Chapel at the same time...

## A LITTLE HUMOR...

**Rachel Nichols from Richmond, Missouri wrote:**

Our fourth grader celebrated his birthday on crutches, so he couldn't carry the cupcakes into school without help.

I asked our sixth grader, Noah, to help his brother carry them in.

"I could", he said "but I'd prefer not to."

Spotting a teaching moment, my husband asked Noah, "What would Jesus do?"

Noah answered, "Jesus would heal him so he could carry his own cupcakes."

from Readers' Digest submitted by **Bernadette Hicks**



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