

F&S (Fun and Serious)

January 30

†††JMJ††† **Humor for today** †††JMJ†††

Homework Excuses:

“I left it in my shirt, and my mother put it into the washing machine.”

“My sister used it to line the rabbit’s cage.”

“A sudden gust of wind blew it out of my hand, and I never saw it again.”

“My friend fell into a lake, and I jumped in to rescue him. My homework did not make it through.”

“Our furnace stopped working, and we had to burn it to keep ourselves from freezing.”

“I did not do it because I did not want the other children in the class to look bad.”

“I know the importance of recycling, so I did my part by recycling it.”

“I did not do it because I did not want to add to your already heavy workload.”

“I lost it fighting this other boy who said you were not the best teacher in the whole world.”

†††JMJ††† **Short meditation for today** †††JMJ†††

If Jesus Christ is our daily bread, why do you receive Him so seldom? Live in such a manner that you may be worthy to receive this celestial bread each day. — *Saint Ambrose*.

“Nothing so fills our hearts with love for the Sovereign Good as holy Communion,” said the venerable Father Olimpe. Another Saint has said that to produce the happiness of uniting herself with Jesus Christ in holy Communion she would not hesitate to pass through flames of fire to obtain it, if necessary.

On the days that Saint Catherine of Siena did not receive holy Communion she was sick; it seemed as if she could not live any longer. When she received Our Lord she was strong again. Let us prepare ourselves for Communion by renouncing all irregular affections, by many spiritual Communions, and by the practice of different virtues.

Prayer

O my God, I will approach Thee often. Grant that it be with a pure heart, profound humility, and great joy born of love. Grant that these be the dispositions of all hearts.

†††JMJ††† **Today's reflection from the *Imitation of Christ*** †††JMJ†††

Study, to wean thy heart from love of visible things, and to betake thee to the things unseen; for they that follow the pleasures of their senses sully their conscience and lose the grace of God.

†††JMJ††† **A Scripture quote for today** †††JMJ†††

Who is he that can hurt you, if you be zealous of good?

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Consider the universe under another comparison. Once a vessel enters a harbor safe and sound after a voyage over peerless seas from one continent to another, no one doubts that a skilled captain has guided her course. That ship did not just sail from one port to another, even once – let alone time after time, without someone guiding it. How, then, can anyone hesitate to describe the ordered course of this universe, with its mathematical precision of motion, to the Mind of a Creator? Not even one thing, let alone everything in the universe, did not just come into existence without Someone, Who always was and Who always will be.

When Lindbergh, after crossing the Atlantic, circled over Le Bourget Field in his plane, the assembled crowd knew that the pilot of the plane was not asleep, but alert and unerring in his judgment, for he had come directly to his destination. How, then, can anyone doubt that a supreme, intelligent Being pilots every planet, star, sun, and moon through space? How can any intellect not admit that these stars, the sun, and the moon orbits this earth with exact timing, although some of them are going very rapid speeds – much further, and much faster, and with greater exactitude than the flight of Lindbergh?

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You are invited and encouraged to share this information with others. Thank you for visiting <http://www.JMJsit.com>; and please tell others about this website. I pray that you will live in such a way that the Good God will always constantly Bless you while He keeps you from all sin. May Jesus, Mary, and Saint Joseph obtain for you every grace you need.

My prayer for everyone; and especially for those on my email list: "May the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and St. Joseph grant you and yours all of the Joys, Graces, and Blessings necessary to live and die in the state of Sanctifying grace in perfect Uniformity with God's Most Holy Will. May you know the truth and live and die in the True Church having obtained that degree of holiness it is God's Will you obtain."

I will pray an extra 15-decade Rosary every Sunday and Holyday throughout the year for those who are on my email list.

Thank you for all of your prayers, penances, and sacrifices for me.

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