

F&S (Fun and Serious)

†††JMJ††† **Dust the cobwebs out of your gray matter and solve this brainteaser if you can** †††JMJ†††

How does one know which is the left bank and which is the right bank of a river? [The answer will be provided in a later F&S production.]

†††JMJ††† **Scriptural quiz** †††JMJ†††

Give the names of three people in the Bible that were apparently triplets. [The answer will be provided in a later F&S production.]

†††JMJ††† **Liturgy quiz** †††JMJ†††

Who is always commemorated when there is a feast day of the Prince of the Apostles; except in some cases when the feast falls on a Sunday? [The answer will be provided in a later F&S production.] NOTE: you may receive a Catholic calendar and some information concerning the rubrics by requesting it from Patrick Henry; JMJ@JMJsites.com

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

WHY STUDY?

The more I study; the more I know. The more I know; the more I forget. The more I forget; the less I know!
So why study?

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For a REAL sponge cake, BORROW all the ingredients.

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

If wisdom is God, the true philosopher is he who loves God. – *Saint Augustine*

Every man must study philosophy, said Saint Justin; that is, he must apply himself to know and to love Jesus Christ, Who is true Wisdom.

St. Lawrence Justinian relates that, at the age of nineteen, Wisdom appeared to him under the form of a virgin full of majesty, and said: “Why seek contentment in creatures? I alone possess what you seek; you will find it in me if you take me for your spouse.” He gave himself to Wisdom, and never ceased to love her; he loved her always with ardent and tender love. In like manner we should give ourselves to Jesus Christ.

The more you love God the more you will possess true wisdom. Why are persons living in the same state of life, performing the same exterior actions, the same exercises of piety, different in the sight of God? It is because the interior is different; it is because their love of God is not the same, says Saint Augustine.

Prayer

I asked pardon, O my amiable Savior, because I have so often pierced Thy heart by sin. Be merciful; give me wisdom, that it may enlighten my mind and wound my heart with love.

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

What benefit is it to live long when we advance so little? Ah! Long life does not always make us better, but often adds to our guilt. Would to God we had behaved ourselves well in this world even for one day!

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

Work your work before the time, and he will give you your reward in his time. Ecclesiasticus 51/38

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Son, says that Holy Coast, be careful to observe the time, the greatest and most precious gift which God can bestow upon you in this life. The very Pagans knew the value of time. Seneca says that “no price is an equivalent for it.” But the Saints have understood its value still better. [NOTE: The holy writer himself, Saint Alphonsus Maria, made a vow, “never to lose a moment of time.”] According to Saint Bernadine of Siena, a moment of time is of as much value as God; because in each moment a man can, by acts of contrition or of love, acquire the grace of God and eternal glory.

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You are invited and encouraged to share this information with others. Thank you for visiting <http://www.JMJsite.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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