

Dear Padre,

A friend told me not to worry about salvation because we're predestined to be saved or condemned. Why try to be a good person if God has already decided where I'll end up?

The idea that some people are predestined to be saved and others are damned is contrary to Catholic teaching.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* says that "when therefore [God] establishes his eternal plan of 'predestination,' he includes in it each person's free response to his grace" (600; emphasis added).

The *Catechism* (1038) also cites the parable of the separation of the sheep from the goats, in which the sheep and goats are separated not randomly, but based on their actions: "When the Son of Man comes in his glory...all the nations will be assembled before him. And he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. Then the king will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father'....And [those on the left] will go off to eternal punishment" (Matthew 25:31-46).

God wants to save all people. The way we respond to God's gift of salvation is called *free will*. Unfortunately, not everyone accepts that gift.

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Calendar

- Monday**
AUGUST 15
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Rv 11:19a;
12:1-6a, 10ab
1 Cor 15:20-27
Lk 1:39-56
- Tuesday**
AUGUST 16
Weekday
Ez 28:1-10
Mt 19:23-30
- Wednesday**
AUGUST 17
Weekday
Ez 34:1-11
Mt 20:1-16
- Thursday**
AUGUST 18
Weekday
Ez 36:23-28
Mt 22:1-14
- Friday**
AUGUST 19
Weekday
Ez 37:1-14
Mt 22:34-40
- Saturday**
AUGUST 20
St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church
Ez 43:1-7ab
Mt 23:1-12
- Sunday**
AUGUST 21
Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 66:18-21
Heb 12:5-7, 11-13
Lk 13:22-30



20th Sunday In Ordinary Time

August 14, 2022



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A WORD FROM Pope Francis

Jesus says, "I came to bring division." It is not that Jesus wishes to split people up....Following Jesus entails giving up evil and selfishness and choosing good, truth, and justice, even when this demands sacrifice and the renunciation of our own interests. And this indeed divides; as we know, it even cuts the closest ties.

ANGELUS, AUGUST 18, 2013

Holy Spirit Mass Schedule & Intentions

- Week of August 13 – August 19*
- Sat 6:00 pm NO MASS
- Sun 11:00 am Parishioners Living & Deceased
- Sun 6:00 pm †Robert Robbins
- Mon 8:00 am NO MASS
- Tue 8:00 am NO MASS
- Wed 8:00 am Communion Service
- Thr 8:00 am NO MASS
- Fri 8:00 am NO MASS

Christ the King Mass Schedule & Intentions

- Week of August 13 – August 19*
- Sat 4:00 pm †Dennis & Altamae Higginbotham
- Sun 9:15 am †Ann Newman
- Tue 6:00 pm Adoration & Communion Service

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Before and after daily Mass, and by Appointment
1st Friday Adoration – 8:30am- 6:00pm
at Holy Spirit in St. Patrick's Chapel
Adoration at Christ the King – Tuesday 5:30pm-6pm

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