



# HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC PARISH

## MAY 2023 BULLETIN

### CHALLENGE FOR MAY

Did you know that when spelled out in English, “forty” is the only number between zero and infinity in which the letters are in alphabetical order? True! Now, using that same number, what is the significance of the number forty (40) in the **bible**? [See page 7 for the answer to this month’s challenge.](#)

### HOLY FAMILY PRAYER

*May God bless each family present and bless our entire Holy Family Parish. Make it like the family of your Son. May our moments of sorrow give way to the seasons of joy. May the memory of harsh words fade before the warmth of a loving touch. May the tears of sorrow be replaced by the music of laughter. May resentment be banished from our families. And may forgiveness reign in our hearts today and everyday. Amen.*

### PRAY FOR OUR SICK

In your daily devotions, we ask that you pray for all the sick members of our parish as you pray for your own loved ones. Please let Father Fred know of any special needs or intentions for his prayers. Here is a possible prayer for you to recite during May for those who are sick:

*O, Lord, We pray for those who grieve today or who are sick. We ask for your comfort to surround those who weep. We pray for the peace of your presence to cover our minds and thoughts, as well as those of our loved ones. Grief and sorrow never have the final say over our lives. We, and those for whom we pray, are kept safe in your presence forever. Amen.*

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## Mass Schedule

Tuesday - Friday: 8:30 AM

Saturday: 5:15 PM

Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM & 11:30 AM

Every 3rd Sunday @ 11:30 AM - Youth Mass

Please call the office and leave a message for  
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**Church Pianist:** Fran Fanelli

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## Ministries

Men's Club – David Pott

Women's Club – Nancy Nabrynski

Art and Environment - Arlene Collins

Altar Linen Society - Mary Narverud

Cleaning Groups - Erika Myers

Recycling Society - Erika Myers

Community Outreach - Deacon Victor Leach

Communication Media Outreach - Justin Elgal

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Fil-Am – Anthony Quicho

Grupo Guadalupano – Anna Castro

Karina Servente

Knights of Columbus – Grand Knight John Fahey

Missionary Families of Christ – Frank Lee

## Sacraments / Sacramentals

Marriage Prep (6 month notice please) - Fr. Fred

Baptism Prep (3 month notice) - Deacon Victor

Reconciliation - See Fr. Fred after Mass

Quinceañera Celebration - Call Office Secretary

Sacrament of Anointing - Contact Fr. Fred

Blessings - Contact Fr. Fred

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# MONTHLY CALENDAR

- May xx - Women's Club meeting TBA
- May 2 - Note: Men's Club moved to May 9th.
- May 5 - Cinco de Mayo
- May 6 - Children's Rosary 2:00 pm in church. Children and parents invited.
- May 9 - Men's Club meets at 7:00 pm in the side meeting room at church. Snack and dessert pot luck. All men invited.
- May 13 - Feast of Our Lady of Fatima
- May 14 - Mother's Day
- May 18 - Ascension of the Lord
- May 20/21 - Special collection to help pay off the church loan.
- May 21 - KCs planning meeting for upcoming dinner/dance at 3:00 pm in CCD room.
- May 25 - Knights of Columbus meeting 7:00 pm in auxiliary room next to the sanctuary.
- May 27 - Finance Committee meeting at 9:00 am at church. All welcomed to attend.
- May 27/28 - Diocesan appeal for Detention Ministries.
- May 28 - Pentecost Sunday
- May 29 - Memorial Day Observed
- May 30 - Pastoral Council meeting in the parish admin. office at 6:00 pm.

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# STEWARDSHIP

## MARCH PARISH FINANCIAL STATUS

Church Income = \$28,000.00  
 (all Masses and e-giving)  
 Church Expenses = \$27,750.00  
 (payroll, utilities, insurance, rectory, etc.)

Pay-off Loan Income = \$18,000.00  
 Pay-off Loan Expenses = \$20,600.00  
 (Mortgage payment, interest)

**Thank you all for your continued generosity.**

*"Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have."  
 - Hebrews 13:16*

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**MOTHER'S DAY, MAY 14TH ==>**

# FATHER FRED'S CORNER

My Dear Family of God:

Greetings to you all. We thank God another very fruitful month has passed as we celebrated the Easter Triduum with joy and happiness. We came together as a family and it was a pleasure to see everybody.

The Bishop of our Diocese, the Most Reverend Robert Vasa, came to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend and we were happy to welcome him home to our parish. We will make sure that his visit will benefit us all since he is our Chief Shepherd.

On a sad note we lost our brother Knight Terry Hendricks. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

I would like to seize this opportunity once again to thank you for being a great family. I also thank you for your unflinching support in cash and in kind. I also wish to thank my brother Knights for making sure every activity here runs smoothly. I organized a breakfast session on Easter Monday after the morning Mass and it was a great success. We need to have more of those to foster good rapport among us. May God bless you all, and please, count on my incessant prayers for you all. Thank you all so much.

Father Frederick K.A. Kutubebi, Pastor

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# SUNDAY MASS READINGS FOR MAY

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**Sunday, May 7 (Fifth Sunday of Eastertide)**

**First Reading from Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7:** After complaints that widows were being neglected in daily distributions, the Twelve decided to select seven reputable men to lay hands on and make them special ministers. The Twelve prayed and laid hands on them and they continued to spread the faith and serve the widows.

**Responsive Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19:** “Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.”

**Epistle Reading from the First Letter of Peter 2:4-9:** Those who are serving in the holy priesthood for the community of faith are to offer sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. The community is a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation and are called out of darkness into the light of Christ.

**Gospel of John 14:1-12:** Jesus told His disciples that He would prepare a place for them in heaven. When Thomas questioned Him, Jesus said that He is the way and the truth and the life, and all will come to the Father through Him. Jesus then told Philip that the Father dwells in Him and He in the Father, to whom Jesus is going.

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**Sunday, May 14 (Sixth Sunday of Eastertide)**

**First Reading from Acts of the Apostles 8:5-8, 14-17:** In spreading the Word of Jesus, Philip went to Samaria. Samaria had accepted the word of God and many were baptized; so the apostles in Jerusalem also send Peter and John to teach them further and then lay hands on them so that they too might receive the Holy Spirit.

**Responsive Psalm 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20:** “Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.”

**Epistle Reading from the First Letter of Peter 3:15-18:** Sanctify Christ in your hearts. be gentle and give reverence to those who ask you for explanations. If you are maligned, know that is is better to suffer for doing good than for doing evil. Even Christ suffered for our sins and was brought to life in the Spirit.

**Gospel of John 14:15-21:** Jesus told His disciples, if you love me, you will keep my commandments. If you do, I will ask the Father to send you an Advocate to be with you always. Remember, whoever loves me will be loved by my Father.

Sunday, May 21 (The Ascension of the Lord celebrated on the Seventh Sunday of Eastertide)

**First Reading from Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11:** The beginning of Luke’s account of the Christian community following the Ascension. The Acts of the Apostles begins by recounting what Jesus taught the Apostles, how He answered their questions, how He appeared to them following His Resurrection, how He predicted the descent of the Holy Spirit, and how He gathered the Apostles together and rose to heaven.

**Responsive Psalm 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9:** “God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.”

**Epistle Reading from St. Paul’s Letter to the Ephesians 1:17-23:** Paul prays that the God of Glory will give them revelations, wisdom and knowledge. Know that Jesus was raised from the dead and sits at the Right Hand of the Father and was given power over all creation.

**Gospel of Matthew 28:16-20:** The Eleven went to the mountain near Galilee as Jesus had instructed them. There, Jesus appeared to them and told them to go to all nations and baptize them and teach them to observe all that Jesus taught and commanded. Jesus promised that He would be with them until the end of time. He then left them.

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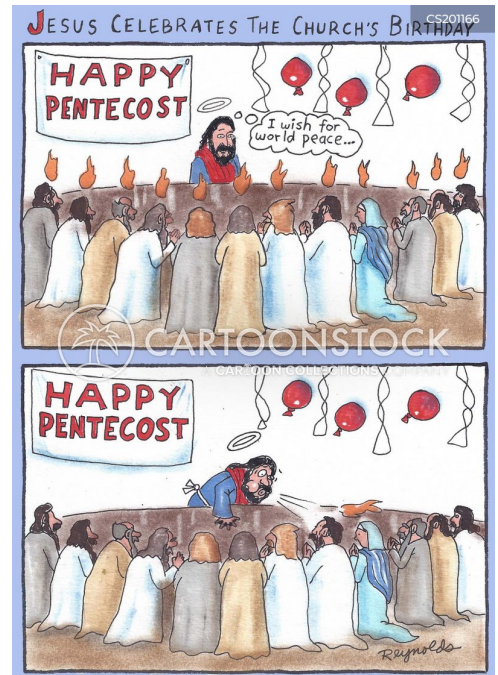
Sunday, May 28 (Pentecost Sunday)

**First Reading from Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11:** Ten days after the Resurrection, the Apostles were gather in one place. And a strong driving wind filled the house they were in. There appeared tongues of fire that rested on the heads of each and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit. They began to speak in different languages as the Spirit led them. Outside, people from dozens of regions and from different countries heard the Apostles speaking, each in their own language.

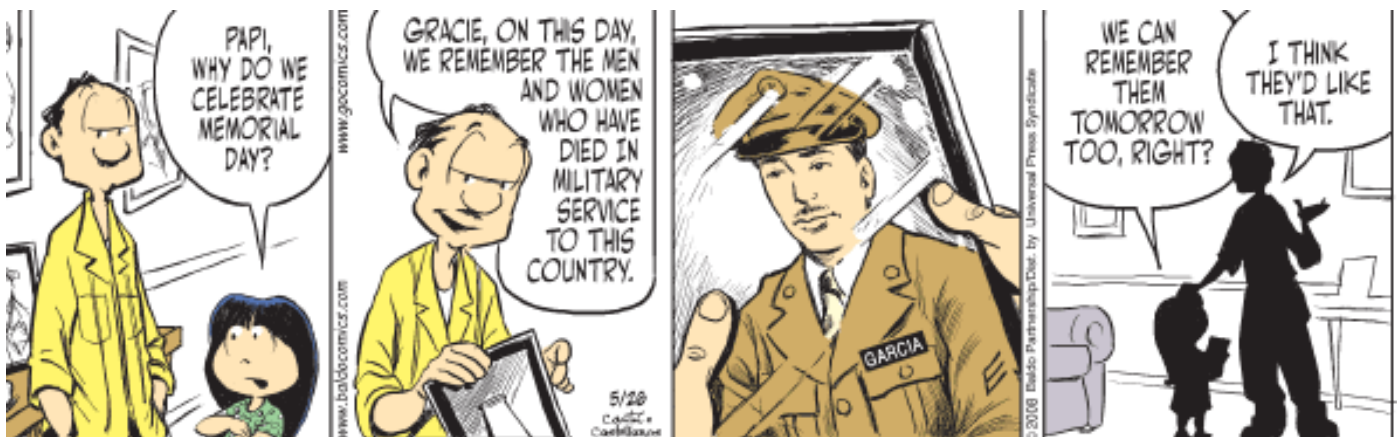
**Responsive Psalm 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34:** “Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.”

**Epistle Reading from St. Paul’s First Letter to the Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13:** There are different kinds of gifts given to all of us, but they all come from the same Spirit. As the body is one with many parts, so also is Christ. In one Spirit we were all baptized into one body; we were all given to drink of one Spirit.

**Gospel of John 20:19-23:** On the first day of the week, the disciples were gathered in one room, and Jesus came and stood in their midst. He said, “Peace be with you.” When He showed them His hands and side, the disciples were overjoyed. Again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” Jesus then initiated the Sacrament of Reconciliation or Penance by telling the Disciples that “Whose sins they forgive are forgiven” but “Whose sins they retain are retained.”



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## DAILY READINGS FOR MAY



### Monday, May 1st

Acts 11: 1-18  
Psalm 42: 2-3; 43: 3-4  
John 10:11-18

### Tuesday, May 2nd

Acts 11:19-2  
Psalm 87:1-3, 4-5, 6-7  
John 10:22-30

### Wednesday, May 3rd

1 Corinthians 15:1-8  
Psalm 19:2-3, 4-5  
John 14:6-14

### Thursday, May 4th

Acts 13:13-25  
Psalm 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27  
John 13:16-20

### Friday, May 5th

Acts 13:26-33  
Psalm 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11  
John 14:1-6

### Saturday, May 6th

Acts 13:44-52  
Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 3-4  
John 14:7-14

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### Monday, May 8th

Acts 14:5-18  
Psalm 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16  
John 14:21-26

### Tuesday, May 9th

Acts 14:19-28  
Psalm 145:10-11, 12-13, 21  
John 14:27-31

### Wednesday, May 10th

Acts 15:1-6  
Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5  
John 15:1-8

### Thursday, May 11th

Acts 15:7-21  
Psalm 96:1-2, 2-3, 10  
John 15:9-11

### Friday, May 12th

Acts 15:22-31  
Psalm 57:8-9, 10 and 12  
John 15:12-17

### Saturday, May 13th

Acts 16:1-10  
Psalm 100:1-2, 3, 5  
John 15:18-21

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### Monday, May 15th

Acts 16:11-15  
Psalm 149:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 9  
John 15:26—16:4

### Tuesday, May 16th

Acts 16:22-34  
Psalm 138:1-3, 7-8  
John 16:5-11

### Wednesday, May 17th

17:15, 22—18:1  
Psalm 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14  
John 16:12-15

### Thursday, May 18th

#### (Ascension Thursday)

Acts 18:1-8  
Psalm 98:1, 2-4  
John 16:16-20

### Friday, May 19th

Acts 18:9-18  
Psalm 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7  
John 16:20-23

### Saturday, May 20th

Acts 18:23-28  
Psalm 47:2-3, 8-9, 10  
John 16:23-28

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### Monday, May 22nd

Acts 19:1-8  
Psalm 68:2-3, 4-5, 6-7  
John 16:29-33

### Tuesday, May 23rd

Acts 20:17-27  
Psalm 68:10-11, 20-21  
John 17:1-11

### Wednesday, May 24th

Acts 20:28-38  
Psalm 68:29-30, 33-36  
John 17:11-19

### Thursday, May 25th

Acts 22:30; 23:6-11  
Psalm 16:1-2, 5, 7-11  
John 17:20-26

### Friday, May 26th

Acts 25:13-21  
Psalm 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20  
John 21:15-19

### Saturday, May 27th

Acts 28:16-20, 30-31  
Psalm 11:4, 5 and 7  
John 21:20-25

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### Monday, May 29th

#### (Memorial of Mary)

Genesis 3:9-15, 20  
Psalm 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7  
John 19:25-34

### Tuesday, May 30th

Sirach 35:1-12  
Psalm 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23  
Mark 10:28-31

### Wednesday, May 31st

Zephaniah 3:14-18  
Isaiah 12:2-3, 4, 5-6  
Luke 1:39-56

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## DID YOU NOTICE

that during the Easter Season (ending on Pentecost), the first readings for all weekdays were taken from Acts of the Apostles (rather than from an Old Testament scripture)?

# IMPORTANT REL. ED. DATES

First Communion Practice, Monday, May 1st, 5:00 pm

First Communion Ceremony, Saturday, May 6th, 10:00 am.

**IMPORTANT: May & June - Religious education registration for the 2023-2024 year during this time span only.**

**To register for next year’s classes, pick up a form in the CCD classroom. Instructions are on the form on how to fill it out and how to call for an appointment in order to register.**

Check with your Religious Education teachers for more details about registration.

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The Knights Of Columbus Council 15750 will be hosting a Fund-raiser dinner/dance on Friday, July 21, 2023, at the Filipino Community Center, 611 Amador St. in Vallejo. The theme is Hawaiian “Knight.”



The cost per person will be \$50 or \$60 at the door. It will be from 5PM - 12PM. Coordinators: Deputy Grand Knight Romy Blanquera and Knights Lady Tess Blanquera. Contact them at 707-290-5047 for more info.

Next planning meeting will be on Sunday, May 21st at 3:00pm in the CCD classroom. Event tickets, raffle tickets and prize donations at all upcoming weekend Masses in May and June. Raffle prizes are still being welcomed.



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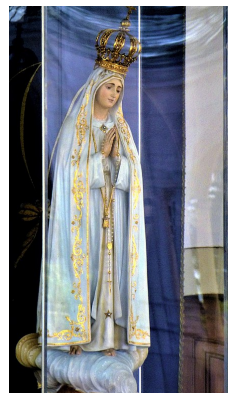
The Napa Women’s Center helps women who are experiencing an unplanned pregnancy by providing free and confidential resources (pregnancy tests, baby clothes and diapers, fetal development education and parenting education). A representative from the Center will be at all Masses on **May 6th and 7th** to give out baby bottles to take home and fill with cash, loose change and checks as donations to the Center. Return the bottles to church on **June 10 and 11**. Thanks for being a part of this life affirming ministry supported by the Holy Family Women’s and Men’s Clubs.

En todas las misas el fin de semana del **6 y 7 de Mayo**, busque las mesa de ministerio para recoger y llevar a casa in biberón para llenar con efectivo, cambio y cheques. Deje las botellas llenas en cualquier servicio religioso al que asista el **10 y 11 Junio**. Muchas gracias.

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## MAY: THE MONTH OF MARY

The month of May is dedicated yearly to Mary. Plus, notice that on May 13th, the Church celebrates the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima. The multiple apparitions of Mary to the three children in Fatima, Portugal, began monthly on May 13, 1917, and were accompanied by the Marian instruction to pray the Rosary daily in honor of Our Lady of the Rosary to obtain peace and end World War I. We continue to this day to pray the Rosary all over the world. If you would like to spend some prayerful time this month with a video collection of a daily Rosary reading, go to ==>



[www.franciscanmedia.org/?s=Rosary](http://www.franciscanmedia.org/?s=Rosary)

and click on the link ROSARY

## PENTECOST SUNDAY, MAY 28TH

**REMINDERS**

Many numbers found in the bible are more symbolic than literal. As for the number **40** (this month's challenge), in Hebrew custom it symbolizes the length of time for testing, trial and judgment. Here are some of the uses of the number **40** in the Hebrew Scriptures: † Moses lived in Pharaoh's household for **40** years † Moses fasted for **40** days before he received the Ten Commandments † The Israelites wandered in the desert for **40** years † Elijah also fasted for **40** days † Goliath taunted the Israelites for **40** days † Saul, David and Solomon each ruled for exactly **40** years † Noah lasted on the ark for **40** days during the great flood † Nineveh was given **40** days by Jonah to repent †

And here is the number **40** found in the New Testament: † Jesus spent **40** days in the desert after His baptism and before His public ministry † there are **40** days from the Resurrection (Easter) to the Ascension (May 18 this year). And don't forget that we now assign **40** days to Lent. So, are all of these literal or are some figurative or symbolic about testing and trials? Think about it!

**Extra Credit:** 10 days after the Resurrection, the Church celebrates Pentecost. The descent of the Holy Spirit occurred 10 days after Jesus rose to heaven. This day is always celebrated **50** days after Easter. The word **Pentecost** comes from the Latin word *pentecoste* meaning "the fiftieth!"

- † Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after the 11:30 am Mass each Sunday.
- † Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers: please pick up your cross medallion before Mass, be ready for the single file procession, and return the cross after Mass to the Sacristy.

**LECTOR SCHEDULES**

1st reader / 2nd reader

Weekend of April 29/30

5:15: Rolly Negranza / David Pott  
 7:30: Davet Mohammed / Ernie Zambrano  
 9:30: Eunice DeLeon / Bernie Borges  
 11:30: Rose Tamoro / Xochtil Rivera (Esp)

Weekend of May 6/7

5:15: MFC / MFC  
 7:30: Rose Borja / Roselle Tamoro  
 9:30: Bill Walton / Marie Walton  
 11:30: Suzette Yturralde / Marina Maldonado (Esp.)

Weekend of May 13/14

5:15 Catherine Pott / Rolly Negranza  
 7:30: Greg Bacareza / Hemmy Bacareza  
 9:30: Eunice DeLeon / Rona Yacob  
 11:30: Cynthia Cruz / Marco Pomatz (Esp.)

Weekend of May 20/21

5:15: Melita Negranza / David Mezzera  
 7:30: Davet Mohammed / Ernie Zambrano  
 9:30: Erika Myers / Betty Lorenz  
 11:30: Clarisse Cruz / Alexandra Vergara (Youth)

Weekend of May 27/28

5:15: Shirlese Hayes / Debbie Adams  
 7:30: Rose Borja / Roselle Tamoro  
 9:30: Bill Walton / Bernie Borges  
 11:30: Nidia Romabiles / Francisco Jimenez (Esp.)

**EM SCHEDULES**

Weekend of April 29/30

5:15: Shirlese Hayes  
 9:30: Resurrección Samaniego / Norma Flores / Dolly Flores  
 11:30: Numer Tamoro / Francisco Jimenez / Danny Barcelon

Weekend of May 6/7

5:15: MFC  
 9:30: Maria Leach / Norma Flores / Dolly Flores  
 11:30: Ana Rosa Aranas / Nummer Tamoro / Marnel Yturralde

Weekend of May 13/14

5:15: David Pott  
 9:30: Erika Myers / Bill Walton / Resurrección Samaniego  
 11:30: Suzette Yturralde / Marina Maldonado / Rose Tamoro

Weekend of May 20/21

5:15: Bannie Lee  
 9:30: Nina Tolentino / Rona Yacob / Dolly Flores  
 11:30: Numer Tamoro / Francisco Jimenez / Danny Barcelon

Weekend of May 27/28

5:15: David Mezzera  
 9:30: Nina Tolentino / Resurrección Samaniego / Norma Flores  
 11:30: Percy Barcelon / Danny Barcelon / Marnel Yturralde

**PRAYER PUPS** BY JEFFREY SMITH

