

TRUSTING IN *God's Mercy*



with **Julia Monnin, OCDS**
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The Parable of the Lost Son.

Luke 15:11–24

‘A man had two sons, and the younger son said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of your estate that should come to me.’ So the father divided the property between them. After a few days, the younger son collected all his belongings and set off to a distant country where he squandered his inheritance on a life of dissipation. When he had freely spent everything, a severe famine struck that country, and he found himself in dire need. . . . Coming to his senses he thought, . . . ‘I shall get up and go to my father’ . . . While he was still a long way off, his father caught sight of him, and was filled with compassion. He ran to his son, embraced him and kissed him. His son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.’ But his father ordered his servants, ‘Quickly bring the finest robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Take the fattened calf and slaughter it. Then let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again; he was lost, and has been found.’”

God’s mercy is endless and His love is everlasting! Yes, so true!!! But we fall—and fall hard—at times. How can we fully believe in God’s mercy when others have been less-than-perfect in how they’ve forgiven us over the years? On top of that, how can we fully receive and trust in God’s mercy when we struggle to forgive ourselves for our own mistakes, not to mention forgive others for theirs? While sharing some of her own witness story (which includes making a frightening return to the Sacrament of Reconciliation after her own college graduation), author and speaker Julia Monnin turns to the wisdom of Scripture (particularly the wisdom found in the Story of the Prodigal Son and in the stories outlining the similarities and differences between Peter, “the Rock of the Church” and Judas, “the Betrayer”) as she sheds light on the beauty of God’s infinite love and the endless abyss of His mercy.

- This is a one hour talk
- It’s suitable for anyone Junior High/High School age and above
- If a priest is available for Confession, it can be coupled well with additional time after being offered to attendees for personal prayer, reflection, and the Sacrament of Penance

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Julia Monnin is a small-town girl whose “rocky” young adult years were followed by a massive conversion in her late twenties. After living a life of deadly sin for more years than she would like to admit, she eventually found God’s endless love and mercy and her fresh start in the practices of the Roman Catholic faith she grew up in. She published her first book, *The World Is Noisy – God Whispers: Volume I* in 2017 and her second, *The World Is Noisy – God Whispers: The Daily Devotional* in 2019. (The Second Editions of both of these books were released in 2021.) Her third book, *The World Is Noisy – God Whispers: Volume II*, was released in January of 2023 followed quickly by the release of her fourth book, *The World Is Noisy – God Whispers: The Second Daily Devotional* in November of 2023. She also hosts *The World Is Noisy – God Whispers@Podcast* and has previously hosted *The Shoenstatt Way of Life Podcast* as well as *Darting Through the Faith* with Fr. Sean Wilson. Links to all of these episodes can be found on her website theworldisnoisy.com. Julia is the founder and president of Journeys Revealed Ministries and is also serving as JRM’s Director of Apostolic Works. She has a degree in Psychology and made her Definitive Promises in the Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites (OCDS) on December 14, 2021. She lives with her husband and son in west central Ohio where she joyfully and gratefully lives out her vocation as a wife and mother.



SPEAKING TOPICS

A SINFUL WOMAN FORGIVEN

“‘I’m a sinful woman forgiven.’ In essence, this pretty much sums up my soul’s journey. And I’m humbled to share the goodness of our great and merciful God, who ransomed, healed, restored, and forgave me, and who continues to draw me into the depths of His love.”

SAINT MARY MAGDALENE, “APOSTLE TO THE APOSTLES”

Julia shares insights into the life of this great saint who, after a profound conversion, loved the Lord with such ardor and zeal that she followed Him all the way to the foot of the Cross and was also graced to be the first our Resurrected Lord appeared to at the empty tomb on Easter Sunday. Julia draws her inspiration from the book *Saint Mary Magdalene: Prophetess of Eucharistic Love* by Fr. Sean Davidson.

6 SESSION SERIES: CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH, PART IV

In this 6 session series, Julia discusses in full Part Four (the section on prayer) of the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

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THE FOUR TEMPERAMENTS: A SPIRITUAL PERSPECTIVE

Though we are complex beings in which there are endless reasons for any of our tendencies to react, having a basic understanding of the four temperaments has helped many to find truer and more lasting peace in their relationship with themselves, with others, and with Christ.

HEROIC VIRTUE

What it is, what it isn’t, and the perfect opportunity the challenges of parish life give us to grow in it. A day of recollection for priests, staff members, and parish leaders.

DO YOU LOVE ME? . . . WILL YOU FIGHT FOR ME?

A day of recollection for both women and men spent unpacking the beauty of authentic masculinity and femininity aimed at helping those in attendance better embrace what it truly means to be “man” and “woman.” (Couples are encouraged to attend together.)

A PRAYERFUL APPROACH TO PLANNING

Learn how to plan as a fruit of prayer and even a way of prayer so as not to let the work and “to-do’s” of the day (and one’s life) become overwhelming. This workshop ties basic planning strategies into the life of prayer and offers practical tips and suggestions for the “how to” part. Great for annual planning strategies as well as for Advent and Lenten strivings.