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*St. Joseph The Worker Parish, Russell, MB      St. Theresa's Parish Rossburn, MB*

**Responsorial Psalm 72:** Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

St. Joseph's Russell needs volunteers to read and usher on Sunday Morning Mass, please choose which Sunday and sign up on the Ministry Schedule – found on the table where the donation envelopes are located. Thank you!

**Did you Know!** The National Catholic Broadcasting Council offers Sunday & Daily TV Mass on the Web, visit the website at [www.dailytvmass.com](http://www.dailytvmass.com) or [www.youtube.com/dailytvmass](http://www.youtube.com/dailytvmass) to watch Mass each day.

**Zoom Along with Us** you can use it on your computers, tablets, i-pads & smart-phones  
 We still have **Sunday zoom Mass at 9:00 a.m.**

**St. Joseph The Worker News:**

**Beloved: Finding Happiness in Marriage** You are invited in the New Year at St. Joseph The Worker

In 6 stunning sessions, BELOVED uncovers the mystery and the meaning of the sacrament of marriage.

What if marriage is more than you think it is? What if God has woven into the very fabric of your humanity a purposeful need and desire that can only be fulfilled in your marriage?

BELOVED invites all couples to experience firsthand the wonder, mystery, and joy behind that first "I Do".... whether you said it last year or many years ago.

**For more information contact** Father Paul Bisson, 204-773-2924, or Deacon Darin Douglas, 204-532-2157.

**Please remember in your prayers** those who are sick in hospitals, care homes, or in their homes & those who care for them. If you wish to receive the Sacraments of Anointing, Confession, or Holy Communion – please call the parish office & leave a message: 204-773-2924.

**First Communion** – Next class will be **January 26th** from 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

**Praying with Pope Francis, January:** *For educators:* We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

The last deposit for the **Children's collection** for 2022 was \$144.25 making the total for 2022 \$1,376.25.

**Where Do 'Sayings' Come From**

\*It was the accepted practice in Babylon 4,000 years ago that for a month after the wedding, the bride's father would supply his son-in-law with all the mead he could drink. Mead is a honey beer and because their calendar was lunar based, this period was called the honey month, which we know today as the honeymoon.

\*In English pubs, ale is ordered by pints and quarts... So in old England, when customers got unruly, the bartender would yell at them 'Mind your pints and quarts, and settle down.'  
 It's where we get the phrase 'mind your P's and Q's'

\*Many years ago in England, pub frequenters had a whistle baked into the rim, or handle, of their ceramic cups. When they needed a refill, they used the whistle to get some service. 'Wet your whistle' is the phrase inspired by this practice.

**Mass Intentions For This Week:**

**Epiphany of The Lord**

Saturday Jan 7 10:45 a.m. Rossburn **First Saturday** Immaculate Heart of Mary  
 7:30 p.m. Russell + Jutta Leven req. by Anne & Ubald Deschambault

Sunday Jan 8 9:00 a.m. Russell **Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m. & YouTube after 10:15 am**

For all parishioners by Father Paul  
 11:00 a.m. Rossburn + Norma Kaskiw req by St. Theresa's Parish

Monday Jan 9 No Mass

Tuesday Jan 10 No Mass

Wed. Jan 11 Health of family & friends req. by Jean Goba

Thurs. Jan 12 10:30 a.m. Rossburn Adoration  
 11:00 a.m. +Suffering Souls in Purgatory req by Rose & family

Friday Jan 13 8:30 a.m. Russell Adoration  
 9:00 a.m. + Deceased Family req. by Frank & Madeline Mangin  
 10:15 a.m. Rossburn Personal Care Home

**Second Sunday In Ordinary Time**

Saturday Jan 14 7:30 p.m. Russell + Duncan Spurway Funeral Mass offering

Sunday Jan 15 9:00 a.m. Russell **Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m. & YouTube after 10:15 am**  
 + Annette Schmitz req. by Knights

of Columbus

11:00 a.m. Rossburn For all parishioners by Father Paul

**\*Three Wise Women**

You do know what would have happened if it had been three wise women instead of men, don't you? They would have asked for directions, arrived on time, help deliver the baby, cleaned the stable, made a casserole, and bought disposable diapers as a gift!

**Q.** If you were to spell out numbers, how far would you have to go until you would find the letter 'A'?

**A.** One thousand

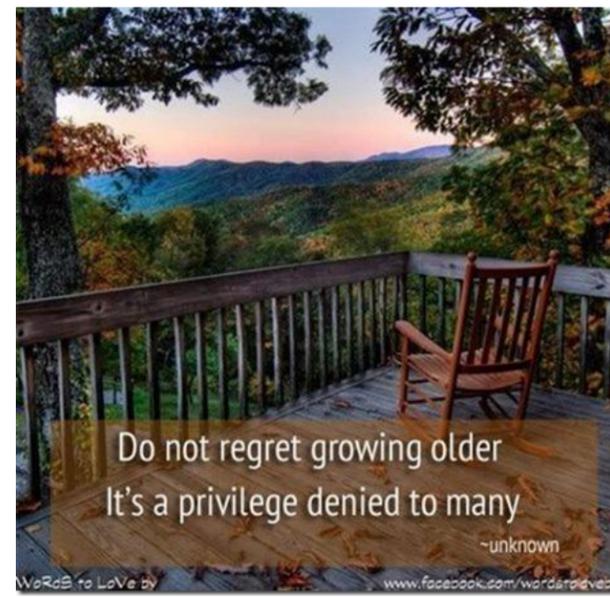


Dolly said, "Each year I send each of my grandchildren a card with a generous check inside. I never hear from them... never receive a thank you message."

Ruby replies, "I too send my grandchildren a very generous check. I hear from them within a week after they receive it. In fact, they each pay me a personal visit."

"Wow! How come?" remarked Dolly.

"Very simple solution... I don't sign the check!"



# Dear Padre,

***I've been asked to be a godparent. I'm honored but also a little hesitant. What does a godparent have to do?***

Congratulations. It is an honor to be a godparent. Hesitancy is appropriate, too, as it is also a responsibility. The Church takes baptism very seriously. As a godparent/sponsor, you represent the larger Catholic community into which the child is being received. Church law requires several qualifications for being a godparent/sponsor. As a Catholic, you should have been baptized, confirmed, and received the Eucharist. You must be a practicing Catholic and at least sixteen years old (though some dioceses may have other age requirements). You should understand the meaning of baptism and the responsibilities that you will undertake on behalf of the Church.

Parishes often include godparents in the baptismal preparation programs they offer to parents. This baptismal instruction might challenge you to examine your life. The power of your good example cannot be emphasized enough. A child may not understand the behavior of adults, but the child sees their actions. You cannot tell a child to pray if you yourself don't pray.

Don't be scared off by all this. You are being invited to participate in the most important day of this child's life and to continue being involved as the child lives and grows. Don't let it be just a day of pictures and a party. If you let it, this day may change your life, too. ●



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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
January 9	January 10	January 11	January 12	January 13	January 14	January 15
Baptism of the Lord	Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10:34-38	Mk 1:21-28	Heb 2:14-18	Heb 3:7-14	Heb 4:1-5, 11	Heb 4:12-16	Is 49:3, 5-6
Mt 3:13-17		Mk 1:29-39	Mk 1:40-45	Mk 2:1-12	Mk 2:13-17	1 Cor 1:1-3
						Jn 1:29-34

### Daybreaks inspires during our Church's holiest seasons.

Leading Catholic voices inspire the faithful with daily reflections & prayers for Advent and Lent. Including: Fr. Ron Rolheiser, Dr. Mary Katharine Deeley, Sr. Dianne Bergant, Fr. Paul Turner, and more at Liguori.org.



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### A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

***How many foreigners, including persons of other religions, give us an example of values that we sometimes forget or set aside! Those living beside us, who may be scorned and sidelined because they are foreigners, can instead teach us how to walk on the path that the Lord wishes.***

HOMILY, ST. PETER'S SQUARE, OCTOBER 9, 2016



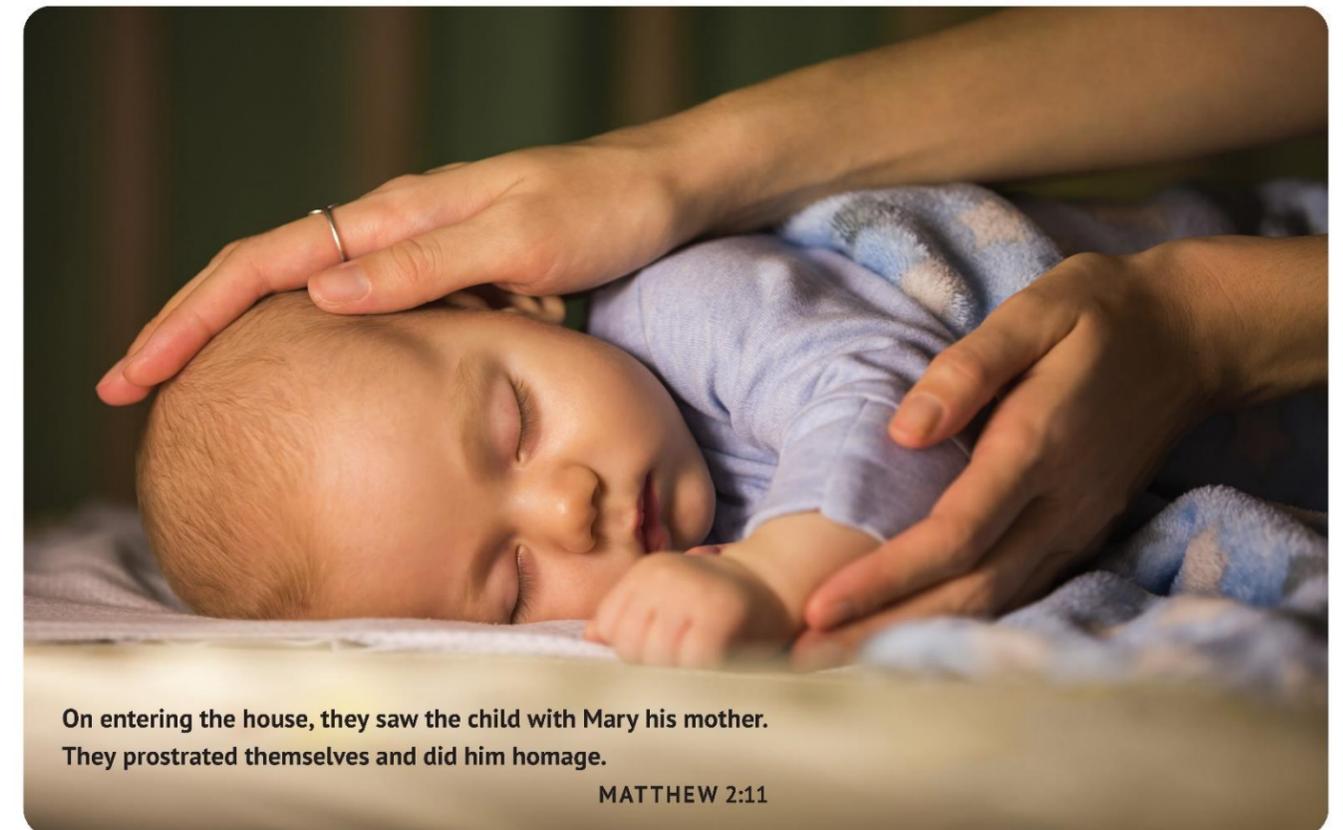
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# Our Parish COMMUNITY

January 8, 2023

Epiphany of the Lord (A)

Isaiah 60:1-6 / Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6 / Matthew 2:1-12



On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage.

MATTHEW 2:11

## A Trip Called Life

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**O**ne way to pray with sacred Scripture is to ask, "How is this biblical story my story?" So then, how is the story of the *Magi* our story?

Like those journeyers from the East, we may sense there is more to our lives than what is now. Some inner angst can send us on a life search without really knowing where it will take us or even what we are really seeking. Yet through it all we are led by an inner star that lures us on. Some might call it a spiritual journey.

Like the *Magi* who stopped in Jerusalem and asked if anyone knew something about what they were seeking, we begin asking around. Some people we ask aren't sure what we are asking, like Herod. Others seem able to offer suggestions, but for our purposes it is not an answer but only points the way.

Then one day we happen to stumble on what we've been looking for all along. Some people call it a religious experience. To describe it to someone else, we might be at a loss for words. Yet it touches us so deeply that it seems to change our lives. We begin to let go of what we once thought was so important—the gold, frankincense, and myrrh of our lives. And like the Wise Men, we journey on with our lives, except by a different route, sensing that the path we had thus far traveled was no longer a safe journey home. ●

### Reflect

***Is anything of the Magi story also your story? If so, reflect on yours.***