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

Responsorial Psalm 90: Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations..

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 downstairs by the church entrance. 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 or www.youtube.com/dailytvmass to watch Mass each day.

St. Joseph The Worker News:

Condolences to the Jutta Leven family who passed on August 27th 2022

Congratulations on the Baptism of Camille Klara Jean Nernberg child of Tyson Nernberg & Frenchy Malinao on August 28th 2022.

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.



The knights are having a barbecue for the two Catholic Churches. St Joseph's will have Our Masses on September 11 at 11:00 a.m. so that St. Mary's church would be able to join us. So be sure to mark your calendars. Please bring your lawn chairs.

Praying with Pope Francis, September: For the abolition of the death penalty: We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

Daily Reflection

The thought of hating one's father and mother, spouse and children, brothers and sisters, and even one's own life does indeed sound harsh. However, when viewed through the lens of the parallel in Matthew's gospel, we see that the point being made is that true discipleship requires undivided loyalty to Jesus above any other loyalty, including to oneself. Such a commitment might at times pit us against our relatives or even our own desires and wishes.

As I reflected on the gospel, I was reminded of the radical and inclusive love that God has for us. In being detached from our relationships and possessions we can more fully experience this love and be channels of it to our family, friends, ourselves and even our enemies. Ironically then, today's gospel is not calling us to hate (as we understand hate) our father and mother, spouse and children, brothers and sisters, and even our own life, but rather to love these with that radical and inclusive love that we have experienced as disciples. This is the true cost of discipleship, and it is not easy.

by Nicky Santos, S.J. [Creighton U. Daily Reflection](#)

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday Sept 3 7:30 p.m. Russell +Duncan Spurway by Funeral Mass offering
Sunday Sept 4 9:00 a.m. Russell Mass +Rita Ross req. by Jim & Bev
11:00 a.m. Rossburn Mass For all parishioners req. by Father Paul
Monday Sept 5 Health of family & friends req. by Jean Goba
Tuesday Sept 6 Heather & Barry Gusnowsky req. by Wade & Loretta Fewings
Wed. Sept 7 10:00 a.m. Music & **Mass Russell Personal Care Home**
Fr Paul Req. by Irene Deschamps

Thurs. Sept 8 10:30 a.m. Rossburn Adoration
11:00 a.m. Mass Gerald Bisson req. by family
Friday Sept 9 8:30 a.m. Russell Adoration
9:00 a.m. Mass +Deceased Family req. by Rita Fleury
10:30 a.m. Music & **Mass Rossburn Personal Care Home**

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday Sept 10 7:30 p.m. Russell +Duncan Spurway req. by Funeral Mass offering
Sunday Sept 11 9:00 a.m. Rossburn Mass For all parishioners by Father Paul
11:00 a.m. Russell Mass Darin Douglas req. by Carlene
Parish BBQ



**Carry the cross
and follow me.**



Farm Humor 😊

An FDA representative stopped at the Douglas farm and talked with the farmer. He told the farmer, 'I need to inspect your farm for sanitary pre-food conditions.'

Then Darin said, 'OK, but don't go in that field over there.'

The representative said, 'Mister, I have the authority of the Federal Government with me. See this card? The card means I am allowed to go WHEREVER I WISH on any agricultural land. No questions asked or answered. Have I made myself clear? Do you understand?'

Darin nodded politely and went about his farm chores. Later, he could heard loud screams and saw the FDA man running for the fence. Close behind was the farmer's huge-horned, prize bull. The bull was gaining on the rep with every step. The rep was clearly terrified, so then Darin immediately threw down his tools, ran to the fence and shouted out.....'Your card! Your card! Show him your card!'

* Pastor and Farmer: "Do you smoke, drink or curse?" The pastor asked the old farmer. It was a hesitant, "Well, every once in a while." "You know, John, I don't smoke, drink, or cuss..." "Yessuh, pastor, but you don't farm either...!"

PRAYER FOR OTHERS

Father,
I stand before you in prayer today, not for myself but for anyone who needs you right now.
Father, whatever it is that someone is going through today, please help them and take away their burden.
If there's someone who is weak, I pray for strength for them. If there's someone who is sick, I pray for your divine healing for them. If someone is lost, please be their guide. If someone is anxious, please calm their mind. Please provide comfort to the brokenhearted and be their reminder that you are with them.
Help them to hold onto their faith in you. Fill their hearts with your peace and gladness in Jesus's name,

Amen

THE GRACEFUL CHAPTER

Dear Padre,

It seems like the Church always asks for money. Why should I donate?

The Church is a global organization representing institutions with growing needs—parishes, schools, charities, and mission societies, for example. If it seems like they “always ask for money,” it’s because there is a constant need to maintain these services. Indeed, the Vatican donates substantial funds to many charities.

Financial support has always been part of Christian community life. Jesus instructed his apostles to rely on the generosity and hospitality of those to whom they preached (see Luke 10:7). Early Christians gave contributions to the apostles to be distributed among widows and orphans. In fact, the early

Church’s charitable activities were so extensive, it led to the formation of the diaconate, with deacons focusing on charitable work while the apostles preached (see Acts 6:1–6).

Some observe that the Church owns splendid churches and artwork. “Why doesn’t the Church sell these assets to fund their operations?” they ask. Indeed, as worshipers leave inner-city parishes for the suburbs,

dioceses have tried to sell decommissioned churches. They have discovered that few people can or want to buy a church. As for art treasures, they are part of the Church’s patrimony from previous generations that continues to inspire Catholics today and into the future.

Ultimately, we give in charity, recognizing that it’s Christ to whom we give when we give to the needy. Almsgiving is part of Christian life because of what it does for the recipient and for what giving does for the giver (see Acts 20:35).

Fr. Gary Lauenstein, CSSR
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A WORD FROM Pope Francis

Charity is not a barren service nor a simple offering to be made in order to ease our conscience. What we must never forget is that charity has its origin and its essence in God himself; charity is God our Father’s embrace of every person, particularly of the least and the suffering.

ADDRESS TO CARITAS INTERNATIONALIS, MAY 27, 2019

Calendar

Monday
SEPTEMBER 5
Weekday
1 Cor 5:1–8
Lk 6:6–11

Tuesday
SEPTEMBER 6
Weekday
1 Cor 6:1–11
Lk 6:12–19

Wednesday
SEPTEMBER 7
Weekday
1 Cor 7:25–31
Lk 6:20–26

Thursday
SEPTEMBER 8
Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Mi 5:1–4a
or Rom 8:28–30
Mt 1:1–16, 18–23
or 1:18–23

Friday
SEPTEMBER 9
St. Peter Claver, Priest
1 Cor 9:16–19, 22b–27
Lk 6:39–42

Saturday
SEPTEMBER 10
Weekday
1 Cor 10:14–22
Lk 6:43–49

Sunday
SEPTEMBER 11
Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ex 32:7–11, 13–14
1 Tm 1:12–17
Lk 15:1–32
or 15:1–10

DAYbreaks

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.



Our Parish COMMUNITY

September 4, 2022

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)
Wis 9:13–18b
Phlm 9–10, 12–17
Lk 14:25–33

So if you [Philemon] regard me as a partner, welcome [Onesimus] as you would me.

PHILEMON 1:17



No Longer a Slave

Paul urges Philemon to treat a runaway slave, Onesimus, as a brother in Christ, not a slave. He didn’t ask Philemon to free the man. Nor did he encourage him to work for the eradication of slavery. Why not? The letter doesn’t tell us. Yet if we look deeply at this issue, we might discover that Paul was asking for something much more profound than a change in law.

The United States outlawed slavery more than 150 years ago. But that change did nothing to erase the political, economic, and social biases of many citizens. Some people still consider African Americans and other people of color as inferior, untrustworthy and dangerous. Laws cannot change thinking or prejudices.

Had Philemon simply freed Onesimus, would the slave’s situation have been improved? In the ancient world, slaves were often branded, thus alerting

everyone to their servile position in society. Might this have prevented him from living a full life as a free man? Even if the law had changed, would ancient Rome have provided for former slaves any better than contemporary America has?

Paul pressed Philemon to go deeper into his heart, to change his perception of Onesimus’ status in his household. Paul is probably not talking about a blood bond, but the bond that joins Christians to each other as brothers and sisters in Christ. If we really treat each other in this way, discriminatory customs will crumble and there will no longer be any kind of slavery.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- ★ How do you regard people of different races? As sisters and brothers, or as dangerous?
- ★ How are nonwhites disadvantaged in your community? What might you do about this?