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

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 104): Lord, send forth your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

St. Joseph The Worker News:

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.

Praying with Pope Francis May: *For the formation of religious and seminarians: We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the gospel.*

Mass Intentions For This Week:

Pentecost Sunday

Saturday May 18 7:30 p.m. Russell Fr Paul req by Irene Deschamps

Sunday May 19 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 + Deceased family members req by David & family

Monday May 20 Health of family & friends req by Jean Goba

Tuesday May 21 + Frank Mangin req by Madeline & family

Wed May 22 Fr Paul req by the CWL

Thurs May 23 10:30 Rossburn Adoration
11:00 a.m. + Suffering Souls in Purgatory req by Rose & family

Friday May 24 8:30 a.m. Russell Adoration
9:00 a.m. Fr Paul req. by Gary & Nicole Petz

Most Holy Trinity

Saturday May 25 7:30 p.m. Russell + David Vermette from Funeral offering

Sunday May 26 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 + Suffering Souls in Purgatory req by Rose & family

Coffee Sunday is next Sunday, May 26th after 9 am Mass and *everyone is invited!* **Please note...** If you haven't already done so and would like to be added to a group, please contact Brenda Robin at 204-564-2646 or cell 204-937-0270. Darlene Witty's group will be busy in the church kitchen downstairs next Sunday handing out the coffee and juice and providing us with some delicious goodies! Coffee Sunday is part of the Ministry of Hospitality, a time to gather together, greet one another and visit after Mass while enjoying coffee and snacks. **We hope to see you there!**

OUR PARISH WOULD LIKE TO THANK Braendle-Bruce Funeral Service for donating the carnations that were presented to all the mothers of the parish on Mother's Day. It was greatly appreciated!

Fr Paul Has started his treatments for cancer on Wednesday this past week. I thank you for all the prayers and well wishes! So far, I am feeling good, but there may be a possibility that masses may be cancelled on short notice. Thank you for your understanding.

Food for Thought

Pentecost literally means 50th. It is a feast celebrated on the 50th day after the Passover feast by the Jews and a feast celebrated on the 50th day after the feast of the Resurrection of Jesus by Christians. The Jewish Pentecost was originally a post-harvest thanksgiving feast. Later, the Jews included in it the remembrance of God's Covenants with Noah after the Deluge and with Moses at Mt. Sinai.

The event: On the day of Pentecost: **1)** The Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles and the Blessed Virgin Mary as tongues of fire. **2)** The frightened apostles were transformed into fiery preachers and evangelizers and were given the gift of tongues by a special anointing of the Holy Spirit. **3)** The listeners experienced a fresh anointing of the Holy Spirit through the apostles' gift of tongues: they heard Peter speaking in their native languages. **4)** The early Christians became powerful witnesses and brave martyrs for their Faith in Jesus.

The role of the Holy Spirit in Christian life: **1)** As indwelling God, the Holy Spirit makes us His Living Temples (1 Cor 3:16). **2)** As strengthening God, the Holy Spirit sustains, enlightens and supports us in our fight against temptations and in our mission of bearing witness to Christ by our transparent Christian lives. **3)** As sanctifying God, the Holy Spirit makes us holy through the Sacraments: **a)** Through Baptism He makes us children of God and heirs of Heaven. **b)** Through Confirmation, He makes us temples of God, warriors, and defenders of the Faith. **c)** Through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, He enables us to be reconciled with God by pardoning our sins. **d)** Through the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist, He gives us spiritual nourishment by changing bread and wine into Jesus' Body, Blood Soul, and Divinity, through Epiclesis. **e)** Through the Sacraments of the priesthood (Ordination) and matrimony (Marriage), He makes the Church community holy. **4)** As teaching and guiding God, the Holy Spirit clarifies and constantly reminds us of Christ's teachings and guides the Magisterium of the Church in presenting Christ's teachings correctly. **5)** As listening and speaking God, the Holy Spirit listens to our prayers, enables us to pray, and speaks to us, mainly through the Bible. **6)** As Giver of gifts, the Holy Spirit pours out on us His gifts, fruits, and charisms, thus enriching the Church.

Life messages: We need to permit the Holy Spirit to take control of our lives: **1)** by constantly remembering His Holy Presence and behaving well; **2)** by praying for His daily anointing so that we may fight against our temptations and control our evil tendencies, evil habits, and addictions; **3)** by asking His daily assistance to pray, listening to God through meditative Bible reading, and talking to Him by personal, family and liturgical prayers; and **4)** by asking the help of the Holy Spirit to do good for others and to be reconciled with God and others every day.

Dear Padre,

Is it a sin to use God's name in profanity?

Profanity is obscene, vulgar language that may or may not include God's name. People may thoughtlessly ask God to condemn a person or a thing in their profanity, but if questioned, admit that they did not mean it literally. They say their angry words were not intended to deliberately ask God to harm someone and deliberate intent is one requirement for what constitutes a sin. God who knows our hearts can determine if our misuse of his name is a form of venting, but the Second Commandment warns us that taking the Lord's name in vain does not please him, even if no harm to another is intended. The danger in constantly and carelessly using God's holy name profanely is that over time we can easily become desensitized to the practice, creating an irreverent attitude toward God that is offensive and may lead others into sin.

Recall that when we pray, "Hallowed be thy name" in the Lord's Prayer—the prayer Jesus taught his disciples—we ask God to enable us to give him the reverence that is due; it comes first before we ask anything for ourselves—a sure sign of our respect for God.

Because God's name is holy, we mustn't abuse it. Despite the erosion of inhibitions against poor word choices in our time, consider this prayerful petition from the last verse of Psalm 19: "Let the words of my mouth be acceptable, / the thoughts of my heart before you, / LORD, my rock and my redeemer." ●

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
May 20	May 21	May 22	May 23	May 24	May 25	May 26
Blessed Virgin	Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Most Holy Trinity
Mary, Mother of the Church	Jas 4:1-10	Jas 4:13-17	Jas 5:1-6	Jas 5:9-12	Jas 5:13-20	Dt 4:32-34, 39-40
Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14	Mk 9:30-37	Mk 9:38-40	Mk 9:41-50	Mk 10:1-12	Mk 10:13-16	Rom 8:14-17
Jn 19:25-34						Mt 28:16-20



THE LORD'S PRAYER (LE PATER NOSTER) BY JAMES TISSOT

Our Parish COMMUNITY

May 19, 2024

Pentecost (B)

Acts 2:1-11 / 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Galatians 5:16-25 /

John 20:19-23 or John 15:26-27; 16:12-15



Socrates, the Spirit, and Self

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

"Know thyself," advised the philosopher Socrates. Yet easier said than done. A recent public service ad warning about the dangers of smoking concludes, "The worst lies are the lies you tell yourself, like smoking isn't that dangerous." To admit the truth, to come to truth, to live the truth is no small thing.

Have you ever wondered why it takes a lifetime to come to wisdom, why we aren't born with all the wisdom we need? It would make life so much easier. When Jesus promised us the Spirit, he said, "I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now. But when he comes, the Spirit of Truth, he will guide you to all truth" (John 16:12-13). To know ourselves and the truth of who we are can be a painful process, coming to terms with what we do not want to hear. So the Spirit brings us to that wisdom gradually, over the course of a lifetime, lest we run from it.

Paul warns against "immorality and impurity and lust," and each of us at some point in our lives must come to terms with the truth that if we do not channel our sexuality healthfully it will mess up our lives. Paul warns against "hatred, rivalry, fury, dissensions," and each of us eventually realizes how any of those can ruin relationships and our very lives. Some of us learn such wisdom early in life, some late, yet coming to Truth is a lifelong journey guided by the Spirit. ●

Reflect

What truth do you know now that you did not know ten or twenty years ago?

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.

GALATIANS 5:22-23



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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

This is how the word of God describes the working of the Spirit: first he rests on each and then brings all of them together in fellowship....In other words, the same Spirit creates diversity and unity, and in this way forms a new, diverse and unified people: the universal Church.

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