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

Responsorial Psalm 145: You open your hand to feed us, Lord, and satisfy our needs.

St. Theresa's Parish News:

If anyone has any personal petitions, you can place them in the box at the back of the church. They will not be individually read but prayed for generally.

*******Sunday Mass will resume at St. Theresa's on August 2nd, 2020. (masks will be mandatory) *******

St. Joseph The Worker Parish News:

*******Since Covid Epidemic has created a need for ushers & sanitizers following Saturday & Sunday Masses, please, if you are able to help in some way – call the parish office and leave a message. *****

*******Very Important Notice at Russell, St. Joseph's Parish*******

-Russell, St. Joseph's Parish has **begun weekend masses on Saturdays, (7:30 pm) & Sundays, (9:00 am). Please note the following:**

-People wanting to come to weekend mass, need to first call to register. They need to leave a message at the parish office, 204-773-2924 with the following information: mass day requesting, number & names of people attending, and a number so we may return their call, or an email address. Once a message has been received at the parish office, parishioners will be receiving a return call mid-week before the weekend mass - to confirm their attendance, from the parish office.

-Please know masks will be provided for you if you do not have one (wearing masks are mandatory).

-Please arrive early before mass, to ensure you are in the church before the door is locked preventing access from the outside, since we cannot have numbers which may exceed church capacity. An usher will greet you & explain protocols.

-If you wish to make a parish offering and/or your S.G.G. contribution, please mail to St. Joseph's The Worker Box 776, Russell R0J 1W0.

-If you have any questions or concerns please call the parish office for clarification, please leave a message and your call will be returned.
Father Paul

Thank you to all volunteers who give their time, care and generosity to usher & sanitize our Parish after mass!

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.

Congratulations Emersyn Regel, family & friends! Emersyn has recently at St. Joseph, been baptized!

Mass Intentions For The Week:

Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Saturday Aug 1 7:30 p.m. Russell: Special intentions req. Albina Kozak
Sunday Aug 2 9:00 a.m. Russell: For all Parishioners req. Father Paul
11:00 a.m. Rossburn: +Michael & Adeline Sobie req. Bernadine Brown

Monday Aug 3 **No Mass**

Tuesday Aug 4 6:00 p.m. Music Russell PCH **No Mass**

Wed. Aug 5 9:00 a.m. Russell: For health of family req. Jean Goba

Thursday Aug 6 9:00 a.m. Russell: +Frank Kaskiw req. Nellie Kaskiw

10:30 a.m. Rossburn: Adoration

11:00 a.m. Rossburn: Mass

Friday Aug 7 8:30 a.m. Russell: Adoration
9:00 a.m. Russell: Special intentions req. Albina Kozak

Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Saturday Aug 8 7:30 p.m. Russell: Special intentions req. Dwayne Pastuck

Sunday Aug 9 9:00 a.m. Russell: Deacon Darin, Aug. 10th, Anniversary of Ordination req. Carlene

11:00 a.m. Rossburn: For all Parishioners req. Father Paul

Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine, Kaposvar – Annual Pilgrimage (near Esterhazy, SK) – Sunday, August 16th. For more information contact: Eola Stevenson 306-740-6095. Details to follow.

Growing God's Kingdom in a Material World Series - Growing the Stewardship Garden, Fr. John Weckend

The analogy of comparing the various plots of a garden to different ways in which stewardship applies to many facets of our everyday lives was first introduced to me a number of years ago in a talk given by Robert Morneau, retired auxiliary bishop of Green Bay Wisconsin. What I would like to do in this presentation is to expand on that analogy and explore 12 areas relating to stewardship that might be a little surprising. (12-Part Series continued in coming weeks):

9. The Garden of the Intellect

Among all of earth's creatures, humans have been endowed with the greatest capacity to think, reflect, reason and learn. Yet science tells us that we use only a small part of our brain potential. Further to that, do the books we read and the programs we watch stretch our knowledge and imaginations or have we allowed our intellectual garden go to seed. Indeed, how have we put the intelligence and education, with which we have been endowed, to work - not only for ourselves but for the service of others. How are we encouraging our young people to continue their education? Have we ever volunteered to assist with reading programs in our local elementary schools or assisted new Canadians with language skills? Have we taken advantage of public lectures, webinars, podcasts, or made use of the public library to upgrade our level of education in either secular or religious interests? Never, in the history of the human race, have we had access to so many tools and avenues of learning.

August 2, 2020 - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Stewardship Message

“Jesus said to them, ‘There is no need for them to go away; give them some food yourselves’.” (Matthew 14:16)

This is what Jesus said right before he fed the five thousand men. How often do we really place our trust in Jesus when the situation looks grim? With Jesus, no gift is too small or insignificant when offered with love. But we have to do our part. We should trust that Jesus will provide all that we need. We need to believe that Jesus has a better plan in store for us.

Praying with Pope Francis, August: “We pray for all those who work & live from the sea, among them sailors, fisherman and their families.

Archdiocese of Winnipeg - We are pleased to publish the summer edition of *On the Way*, a publication of the Archdiocese of Winnipeg. Issue No. 3 contains stories from throughout our local church during the age of the coronavirus - stories of challenge and rejoicing, stories of change and tradition, stories of tears and laughter, stories of love and mercy, real stories, stories of faith. Check out the archdiocese website: www.archwinnipeg.ca .

Dear Padre,

Recently a visiting priest went completely off script during the eucharistic prayer at Mass. Is this allowed?

The eucharistic prayer is the summit of the entire Mass, culminating in what it means for the Church to celebrate the Eucharist. *The Roman Missal* offers ten options in English: Eucharistic Prayers 1, 2, 3, and 4; two for reconciliation; and four for various needs. Also, an additional three are available for Masses with children. Not all of these options appear regularly in missalette.

In exercising his office of celebrant, the priest is allowed to offer brief explanations, such as before the preface to the eucharistic prayer, but never during the prayer itself (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 31).

In general, “the Priest will remember that he is the servant of the Sacred Liturgy and that he himself is not permitted, on his own initiative, to add, to remove, or to change anything in the celebration of Mass” (*GIRM* 24). The mystery of the Mass “is too great for anyone to permit himself to treat it according to his own whim, so that its sacredness and its universal ordering would be obscured” (*Redemptionis Sacramentum*, 11).

Overall, presiders desire a meaningful ritual experience for those hungering and thirsting for holiness to encounter the living presence of Christ. If some actions and proclamations by presiders appear misguided, they’re seldom due to a lack of genuine pastoral care.

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR
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A WORD FROM Pope Francis

Obedient to Jesus’ commands, the Church organized the eucharistic liturgy into moments which correspond to the words and the actions performed by him on the eve of his passion....In the eucharistic prayer, we give thanks to God for the whole work of redemption, and the offerings become the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ.

—GENERAL AUDIENCE, FEBRUARY 28, 2018

Calendar

Monday

AUGUST 3
Weekday
Jer 28:1–17
Mt 14:22–36

Tuesday

AUGUST 4
St. John Vianney,
Priest
Jer 30:1–2, 12–15,
18–22
Mt 14:22–36 or
Mt 15:1–2, 10–14

Wednesday

AUGUST 5
Weekday
Jer 31:1–7
Mt 15:21–28

Thursday

AUGUST 6
Transfiguration
of the Lord
Dn 7:9–10, 13–14
2 Pt 1:16–19
Mt 17:1–9

Friday

AUGUST 7
Weekday
Na 2:1, 3; 3:1–3, 6–7
Mt 16:24–28

Saturday

AUGUST 8
St. Dominic,
Priest
Hb 1:12–2:4
Mt 17:14–20

Sunday

AUGUST 9
Nineteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
1 Kgs 19:9a, 11–13a
Rom 9:1–5
Mt 14:22–33

Our Parish COMMUNITY

August 2, 2020

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Is 55:1–3

Rom 8:35, 37–39

Mt 14:13–21



A Free Meal, but with Demands

When God invites you to a meal, you never have to pay. It might be free, but it does have its demands. In fact, you are expected to open yourself to a total transformation. In the first reading, Isaiah mentions the renewal of an everlasting covenant. Perhaps a small dinner fee might be easier to handle.

This reading is quite tender. The needy are invited to a meal of grain, wine, and milk. Their neediness might explain why the meal is free. The invitation is magnanimous: “Come to me...that you may have life” (Isaiah 55:3). The Gospel story of the multiplication of the fishes and loaves reveals the same magnanimity. Jesus feeds all those who have followed him, no questions asked. This story follows a long tradition of miraculous feedings, which include the manna in the wilderness (Exodus 16) and Elisha multiplying bread (2 Kings 4:42–44). It’s natural to wonder just how that bread and those fish were able to satisfy so many, but there is another aspect of the story that should not be overlooked. The words, “He said the blessing, broke

the loaves, and gave them to the disciples” (Matthew 14:19) will appear again in the account of the Last Supper (Matthew 26:26). Though this was the ritual performed at the daily Jewish meal, the eucharistic allusion is unmistakable.

Perhaps it is the psalm response that throws light on the primary focus of the readings. There the graciousness and kindness of the Lord are acclaimed: “You open wide your hand / and satisfy the desire of every living thing” (Psalm 145:16).

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- ★ Think of the good things in your life that have been given to you free of charge. How grateful are you?
- ★ Think of the times God has used you to bless others. How grateful are you for this?