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

Responsorial Psalm 22: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

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.



Coffee Sunday is back Palm Sunday, today & Sharing God's Gifts Kick-Off Sunday after 9 am Mass and *everyone is invited! We hope to see you there!*

Praying with Pope Francis, April: For a culture of peace and non-violence; We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by

states and citizens.

Mass Intentions For This Week:

Passion (Palm) Sunday

Saturday Apr 1 10:45 a.m. Rossburn **First Saturday Immaculate Heart Of Mary**

7:30 p.m. Russell Amanda Fontaine req. by Carlene Douglas & Darin

Sunday Apr 2 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 + Nellie Kaskiw req. by Kaskiw family

Monday Apr 3 Health of family & friends req. by Jean Goba

Tuesday Apr 4 + Deceased Family req. by Frank & Madeline Mangin

Wed. Apr 5 10:00 a.m. Music & Mass Russell Personal Care Home
 + Duncan Spurway from Funeral Mass offering

Holy Thursday

Thurs. Apr 6 6:00 p.m. Russell + Jutta Leven req. by Anne & Ubald Deschambault

8:00 p.m. Rossburn

Good Friday

Friday Apr 7 1:00 p.m. Rossburn

3:00 p.m. Russell **Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m.**

Easter Vigil

Saturday Apr 8 7:00 p.m. Rossburn Laurette Sabourin req. by Kaskiw family

Easter Sunday

Sunday Apr 9 9:00 a.m. Russell **Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m.**

For all parishioners by Father Paul

11:00 a.m. Rossburn + Frank Kaskiw req. by Kaskiw family

Good Friday Collection

The Good Friday Collection is requested by the Holy See to help maintain the Church's holy places in the Holy Land, so important to the faith of Christians everywhere, and also to support the faithful who struggle to survive under political and economic oppression and persecution.

This Pontifical Collection will be taken during the Good Friday celebration on April 7, 2023.

Ordination of Deacon Oliver Omega to the Ministerial Priesthood will be on Friday June 9th at Saint Mary's Cathedral at 7:30 p.m.

From The Russell Welcoming Committee

It has been over a year since Russia invaded Ukraine. Since that time, we have had over 50, women, men and children move to our area to escape war and devastation.

They are working, attending school and contributing to our communities. Having left their homes and extended family they still need our support. **What can you do to help?**

VOLUNTEERS are needed to drive individuals to work and appointments, to check in on the families and to be a support when they have questions about Canadian life & customs. Volunteers will be required to have a Criminal Record Check. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Becky Flundra at 204-796-0355.

DONATE or fundraise to help cover costs of settling into a new life including basic needs such as groceries, transportation and school costs. Donations can be made by e-transfer to rawc692@gmail.com or contact Pat Orsak at 204-532-2107 for more information. A receipt will be provided.

Russell and Area Welcoming Committee.

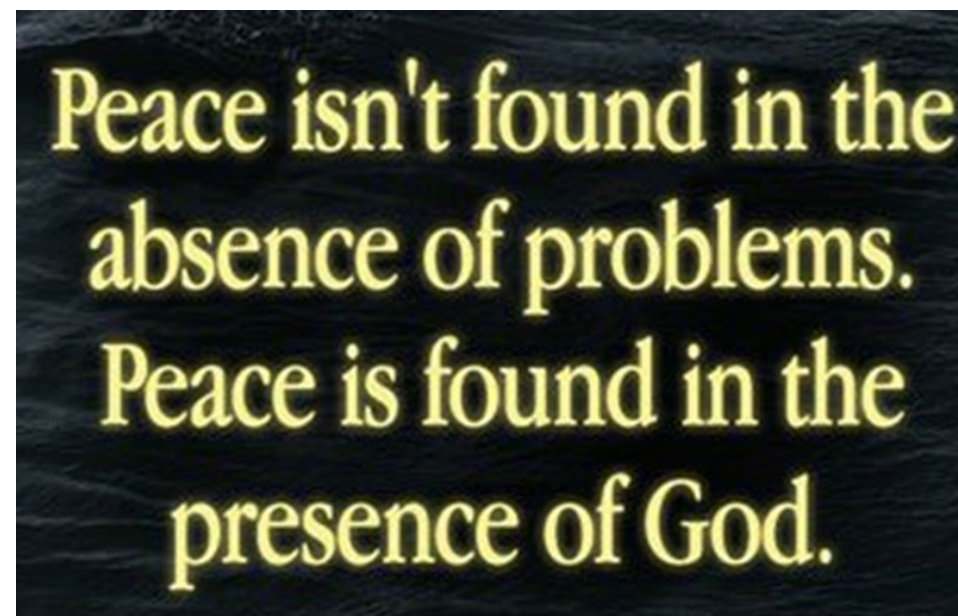
Beyond Death

A doctor made a house call on a dying man. The man asked the doctor what death would be like. The doctor fumbled for a reply and then he heard his dog scratching at the door of the man's room. The answer then came to him. "Did you hear that noise?" he asked the patient. "That's my dog. I brought him with me tonight, and I left him downstairs before I came up to your room. He climbed those stairs because he knows I'm in here. He has no other ideas about what is in this room because he's never been here. All he knows is that I am in here and that is good enough for him."

The doctor then looked back at the patient. "You don't know what is on the other side of the door of death, but you do know that your Master is there."

***"For Palm Sunday"**

Little Jimmy was sick on Palm Sunday and stayed home from Church with his mother. His father returned from Church holding a palm branch. The little boy was curious and asked, "Why do you have that palm branch, Dad?" His father explained, "You see, when Jesus came into town, everyone waved palm branches to honor Him; so we got palm branches today." "Aw, shucks," grumbled Little Jimmy. "The one Sunday I can't go to Church, and Jesus shows up!"



A parapsydokian is a figure of speech in which the latter part of a sentence is unexpected and oft times very humorous:

* Today a man knocked on my door and asked for a small donation towards the local swimming pool, so I gave him a glass of water.

* Artificial intelligence is no match for natural stupidity.

* I'm great at multi-tasking. I can waste time, be unproductive, and procrastinate all at once.

* Women sometimes make fools of men, but most guys are the do-it-yourself type.

* Sometimes I wake up grumpy; other times I let her sleep.

Dear Padre,

Why do we call Jesus “the Lamb of God”? How did Jesus get that name, and why do we refer to him as a lamb? Doesn’t that make him sound weak and helpless?

A lamb was a common animal of sacrifice for the Jews. The Passover account talks about sacrificing an unblemished lamb to God and eating its flesh so the people would have strength for the journey to the Promised Land.

Jesus is the perfect, unblemished sacrifice by which our sins are forgiven and we are made children of God. The Father provides Jesus as the sacrifice, and so Jesus is the Lamb of God, the sacrificial offering made because God loves us. Jesus chose to sacrifice himself according to the Father’s plan. “He humbled himself, becoming obedient to death, even death on a cross” (Philippians 2:8). Jesus gave himself into our hands so we could be caressed by the hands of God.

Like the Passover lamb, the Lamb of God is food for us. We “eat his body” and “drink his blood.” This food and drink gives us strength for our journey of faith. The food we receive from Jesus, the Lamb, is the nourishment we need to do as St. Paul begs the Philippians—and us—to do: “Have among yourselves the same attitude that is also yours in Christ Jesus” (Philippians 2:5). ●



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

We are preparing to celebrate the victory of the Lord Jesus Christ over sin and death—over sin and death—not over someone and against someone else. But today, there is a war. Why do we want to win like this...? There are only losses this way. Why not allow him to win?
ANGELUS, APRIL 10, 2022

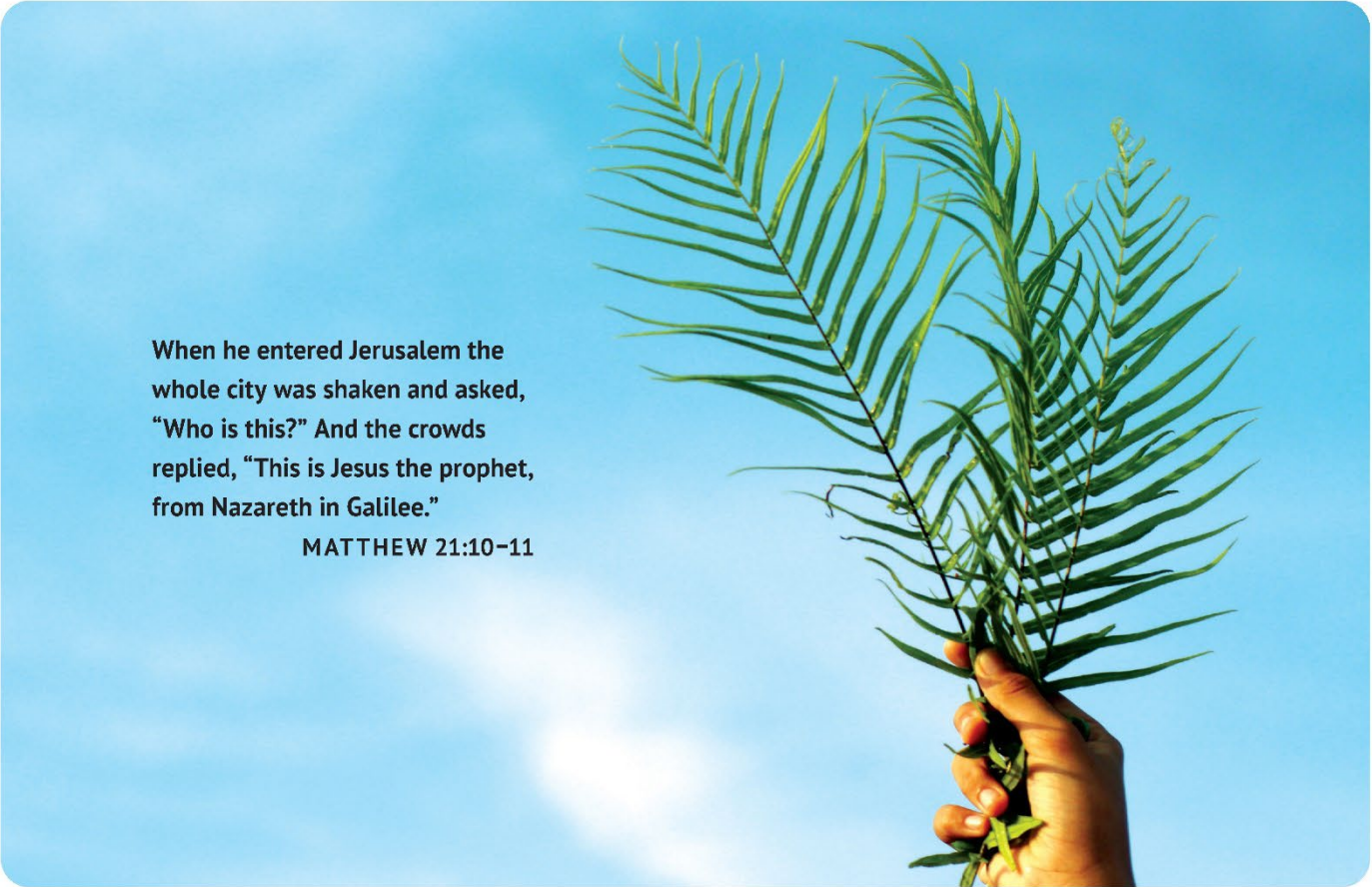
MONDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
April 3 <i>Monday of Holy Week</i> Is 42:1–7 Jn 12:1–11	April 6 <i>Thursday of Holy Week (Holy Thursday)</i> Chrism Mass: Is 61:1–3a, 6a, 8b–9 Rv 1:5–8 Lk 4:16–21 Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper: Ex 12:1–8, 11–14 1 Cor 11:23–26 Jn 13:1–15	April 7 <i>Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)</i> Is 52:13–53:12 Heb 4:14–16; 5:7–9 Jn 18:1–19:42	April 8 <i>Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil)</i> Gn 1:1–2:2 or 1:1, 26–31a Gn 22:1–18 or 22:1–2, 9a, 10–13, 15–18 Ex 14:15–15:1 Is 54:5–14 Is 55:1–11 Bar 3:9–15, 32–4:4 Ez 36:16–17a, 18–28 Rom 6:3–11 Mt 28:1–10	April 9 <i>Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord</i> Acts 10:34a, 37–43 Col 3:1–4 or 1 Cor 5:6b–8 Jn 20:1–9 or Mt 28:1–10

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to [DearPadre.org](#) to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

Our Parish COMMUNITY

April 2, 2023
Palm Sunday of the Lord’s Passion (A)
Matthew 21:1–11 / Isaiah 50:4–7 / Philippians 2:6–11
Matthew 26:14–27:66 or Matthew 27:11–54



When he entered Jerusalem the whole city was shaken and asked, “Who is this?” And the crowds replied, “This is Jesus the prophet, from Nazareth in Galilee.”

MATTHEW 21:10–11

The Art of Dying

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

When I was much younger and idealistic, I might have been ready to die for some worthy cause. Friends about my age had the same experience. There was something romantic about giving our lives then. Something glorious—or so we thought. There was the brotherhood and sisterhood of us all, peace and non-violence, nuclear arms opposition, equal opportunities for education and housing. Many of us now over fifty thought we would lay down our lives for any one of those dreams.

For some of us, things have changed. We’ve grown older and, perhaps, wiser, and it seems we’re not so eager to die anymore. The glamor has been tarnished, and, for some, the romance

has turned from infatuation to disillusion. Death seems like a tragedy, continually rearing its strength to destroy in full or in part the fruit of our lives.

Yet death continues to remain the only doorway into real life. Without death there is no life—in this life or in any life. For that reason, then, one of the tasks of life is to learn how to die well, something we also need to teach our children. It takes a lifetime to learn how to die for one another, and that is why our young people need a community of adults who seek to master the art of dying. It is also why, for one long week, we tell the story of Jesus and of how, for the sake of us all, he did not back away from death. ●

Reflect

Who has sacrificed for you? Have you “paid it forward” with gratitude?



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