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

Responsorial Psalm 66: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth.

St. Joseph (Russell) & St. Theresa's (Rossburn) 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.

Our sympathy to the Fleury & Senek family and friends on the passing of Lucy Senek and also Rista Fleury whose funerals were celebrated this past week. May they rest peacefully in the arms of Our Lord and Saviour.

To everyone who supplied cakes and worked at the funerals, this past weekend, we send **a huge Thank You**. It is very much appreciated. May God bless all Mothers, this weekend, give them Strength and Faith. St Joseph CWL

Thank You St. Joseph The Worker from: Russell & Area Food Connections, Major Pratt Breakfast Program, & Catholic Christian Outreach (C.C.O. – see cco.ca for more information – "Your sacrificial giving allowed many students to encounter the personal love of God and respond to His call on their life. Thank you for your commitment to Catholic Christian Outreach!)

Mass Intentions For This Week:

Sixth Sunday Of Easter

Saturday May 13 7:30 p.m. Anniversary Blessing for Michelle & Curtis Kempthorne req by the McLaughlins

Sunday May 14 9:00 a.m. Russell **Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m. & YouTube after 10:15 am**

+Emilienne Mangin req by George Mangin & family

11:00 a.m. Rossburn + Nellie & Frank Kaskiw & all deceased mothers of St. Teresa's Parish reg. by Vince kaskiw

Monday May 15 Health of family & friends req. by Jean Goba

Tuesday May 16 + Emilienne Mangin req. by George Mangin & family

Wed. May 17 Prince Harry req. by Slawek Gawlik

Thurs. May 18 10:30 a.m. Rossburn Adoration

11:00 a.m. Mass + John Ryshytylo req. by Glen & Denise Walleyn

Friday May 19 8:30 a.m. Russell Adoration

9:00 a.m. Fr Paul reg. by Michelle & Curtis & family

Ascension of the Lord

Saturday May 20 7:30 p.m. Russell + Duncan Spurway from Funeral Mass offering

Sunday May 21 9:00 a.m. Russell Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m. & YouTube after 10:15 am

+ Bernard Trinder req. by Louise Trinder

11:00 a.m. Rossburn +Suffering Souls in Purgatory req. by Rose & family

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.

Ordination of Christpher Pugh to Transitional Diaconate will be June 30th at Saint Augustine's Brandon at 7:30 p.m.

<u>Praying with Pope Francis</u>, May: For Church movements and groups: We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the servicer of needs in the world



Celebrating Our Lady of Fatima
(Saturday, May 13th)

Prayer to Our Lady of Fatima

"Take under your motherly protection the whole human family, which with affectionate love we entrust to you, O Mother. May there dawn for everyone the time of peace and freedom, the time of truth, of justice and of hope."

The month of May the CWL will be leading the rosary, please come early to join them in prayer, starting at 8:40 a.m.!



Concrete Ways to Renew Practices of Family Holiness – June 3, 2023

We are pleased to invite you to a free (and open to all) webinar hosted by the CCCB Office for Family and Life, as part of our ongoing national networking workshops. This webinar, entitled "Concrete Ways to Renew Practices of Family Holiness," will take place on Saturday, June 3, 2023 from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. EDT. It is intended for anyone involved in dioceses, eparchies, parishes, or family groups that accompany couples and families in faith. To register with zoom: https://cccbca.zoom.us/webinar/register/5516817367284/WN HOFGVS7RT3mO 5cJMPIVIg#/registration. The webinar will be presented by Msgr. Philippe Bordeyne, President of the John Paul II Pontifical Theological Institute for the Science of Marriage and the Family, Rome, Italy. It will be recorded for later broadcast and presented in French with simultaneous English translation. For more information, contact Michelle Dabrowski, Director of the Office for Families and Life (m.dabrowski@cccb.ca).

<u>The Church in Canada</u> - In the National Family and Life Week context, the Permanent Council of the CCCB has issued an *Open Letter to the Government* and a *Message to the Catholic Faithful* on the subject of permitting persons with mental illness to access euthanasia/assisted suicide.

Prior to being submitted to the Permanent Council for approval, the texts were drafted by the CCCB Office for Family and Life and reviewed by several Bishops, as well as experts in the fields of ethics, law, medicine, mental health, and palliative care.

See the insert for more information.

Dear Padre,

If the Catholic Church recognizes baptisms from other Christian denominations, why not confirmations?

Baptism signs us with an indelible mark. It defines our character and can never be repeated. A baptism is always held to be valid if a person is baptized with water using the Trinitarian formula (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1256). If a priest is unsure of the validity of a person's baptism, he would baptize the person conditionally, recognizing the earlier baptism if it happened and was valid. The minister of baptism is usually an ordained minister, but in necessity anyone can baptize, including a non-Christian, if the person intends what the Church intends.

Confirmation also leaves an indelible mark, as does holy orders, and they also cannot be repeated. What makes confirmation

different from baptism is that the minister of confirmation is ordinarily the bishop because this expresses the apostolic unity of the Church (CCC 1312). If someone had been confirmed in a Church that has apostolic succession,

their confirmation would be considered valid, and the person wouldn't be reconfirmed.

Timely topics viewed with a Catholic perspective

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Most Christian churches have a common understanding of what the sacrament of baptism is, but while other churches might have communion, confirmation, and ordination, their celebration of those sacraments may not include all the requirements necessary for the Catholic Church to consider them valid.

> Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSsR DearPadre.org

MONDAY

May 15 May 16 Easter Weekday Easter Weekday Acts 16:11-15 Acts 16:22-34 Jn 15:26-16:4a Jn 16:5-11

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TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

May 17 Easter Weekday Acts 17:15, 22-18:1 Jn 16:12-15

THURSDAY

May 18 Easter Weekday Acts 18:1-8 Jn 16:16-20

FRIDAY

May 19 Easter Weekday Acts 18:9-18 Jn 16:20-23

SATURDAY

May 20 Easter Weekday Acts 18:23-28 Jn 16:23b-28

SUNDAY

May 21 Ascension Acts 1:1-11 Eph 1:17-23

Mt 28:16-20



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

[The Holy Spirit] is the Gift of God; he is God himself, who helps us to be free people, people who want and know how to love, people who understand that life is a mission to proclaim the wonders that the Lord accomplishes in those who trust in him.

REGINA CAELI, ST. PETER'S SQUARE, MAY 17, 2020



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May 14, 2023

Sixth Sunday of Easter (A)

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17 / 1 Peter 3:15-18 / John 14:15-21





Apron Strings

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here are moments when we realize the baton has been passed to us, and now we must conduct the symphony of our lives. One such moment may be when both parents have died. "They" say we never fully grow up until that occurs, for from that time on we can no longer go home. I know of a daughter who received a gift from her mother when the daughter moved out on her own. Inside, the daughter discovered a pair of apron strings, a symbol of her break with home. At various times, life hands us a bountiful serving of responsibility as we commit to a vocation, or for many, become parents for the first time. On such occasions, the future may weigh heavily upon us.

This week's Gospel is a farewell speech of sorts. Given to the Twelve on the night before his passion and death, Jesus promises he will not leave us orphans and that the Spirit will be given to us to do what we must do.

There have been any number of times when life has unfolded for me into new circumstances and life roles, occasions often filled with anxiety and sometimes even fear. I usually found I could deal with such realities by asking myself what would be the worst that could happen, and if it did, could I handle it? Every time, I found myself realizing I could handle the worst. Importantly, the ability to do what needs doing always seems to flow from God's Spirit that is given to each of us. If our faith in God is alive in us, our spiritual apron strings are never severed.

-Reflect-

Has the Spirit of God ever helped you face a daunting responsibility?

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