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

Responsorial Psalm 116: I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living.

St. Theresa's Parish News & St. Joseph The Worker Parish News:

Due to Covid-19, both parishes are closed for Mass' until further notice.

The new Sunday envelopes can be picked up by calling the Parish Office to arrange an appointment time.

Zoom Along with Us you can use it on your computers, tablets, i-pads & smart-phones

Stations of the Cross - Volunteers will be leading Stations of the Cross starting at 9:00 a.m. Sunday mornings, before mass, during Lent, the Parish community invite you to come and join them to pray on Zoom online!

February 28, 2021 Stewardship Message

2nd Sunday of Lent

"Here I am!" he answered." - Genesis 22:11

It is easy to say, "Here I am, Lord," when we are kneeling in church. But how easy is it to say "Here I am, Lord," when a neighbor needs our help, when we are invited to join a parish ministry, or when we are asked to provide financial support? Often times we are called when it's not convenient for us. Discipleship is not always easy, most of the time it will make us uncomfortable and vulnerable.

Three Habits to Get the Most Out of Lent — Bishop Barron's Sunday Sermon – YouTube

Here is the link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ezZxL5xoEq8>

Even if you can't go to church, you don't have to Miss Lent!

-Daily meditations based on the day's readings, designed to be completed from the comfort of your own home, within 10 minutes. Meditations written by various members of our local Catholic community, Catholic School of Evangelization. [take up your cross – CSE Lenten Retreat \(wordpress.com\)](http://takeupyourcross.com)

-This Lent, we invite your congregation to join us in a series of [weekly reflections](http://weeklyreflections.com) for hungry children around the world. Although we may not be able to gather in person this Lent, we can still come together in weekly prayer for the children of Mary's Meals. <https://marysmeals.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=c2a8505b5316644ac2d5fd681&id=f7e9d48593&e=c5ed26838c>

-Begin on Ash Wednesday: exous90.com: Daily in Lent for men, 40 day spiritual exercise.

-Lent 2021, Bruce Downes, the Catholic Guy (daily video): BruCEDownes.org: This Lent is not about what you give up. It's about who you become. (registration). Available on Facebook.



An online 1-hour **World Day of Prayer Service** may be accessed at www.wicc.org (Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada). Click on video button, either on Friday, March 5th (World Day of Prayer), or is available to view at any time. This year's theme is on Vanuatu, located in the south Pacific Ocean. Please also see online resource or if you want to make a donation.

Mass Intentions For The Week:

Second Sunday of Lent

Saturday Feb. 27 +Lorne Gallant req. Lori, Kyle & Kim, Colin
Sunday Feb. 28 Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m. – For all Parishioners req. Father Paul
&
+Lorne Woychysyn req. David & family

Monday March 1 For health of family req. Jean Goba
Tuesday March 2 Special intentions req. Albina Kozak
Wed. March 3 + Emilienne Mangin req. George Mangin & family
Thurs. March 4 **Zoom on-line Adoration 10:30 a.m. & Mass 11:00 a.m.**
+Mitch Zimmer req. Louise Trinder
Friday March 5 +Deceased Family req. Frank & Madeline Mangin

Third Sunday of Lent

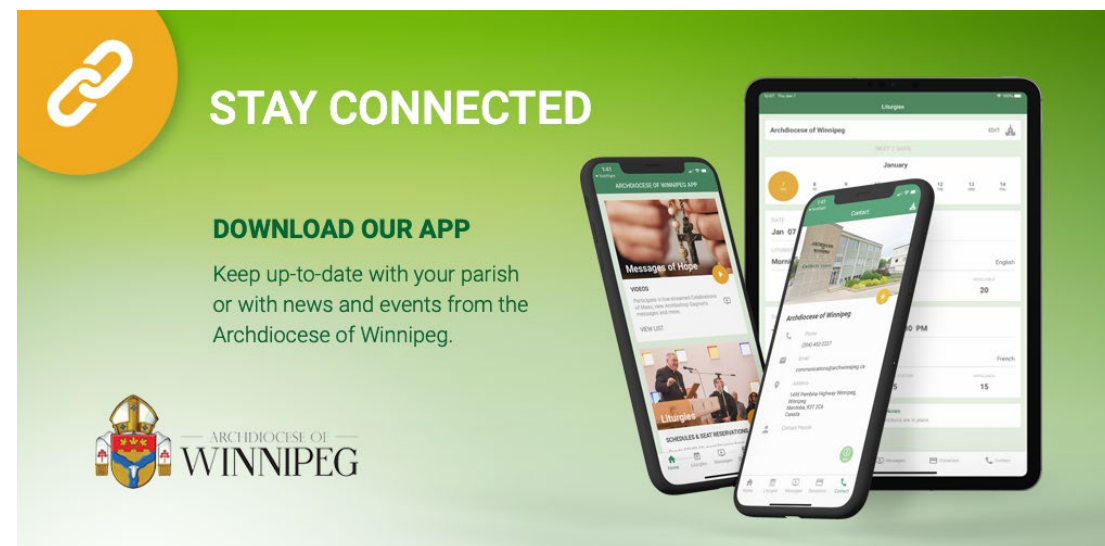
Saturday March 6 Shenderevich & Welenchenko family req. Mary Shenderevich
Sunday March 7 Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m. – For all Parishioners req. Father Paul
&
+Adeline Sobie req. Bernadine Brown

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.

Condolences to Wes Osborn and Ritchell Manoop at the passing of their baby daughter +Avery Josephina Osborne (Manoop) December 9, 2020 ~ February 17, 2021

ARCHDIOCESE OF WINNIPEG MOBILE APP

We are currently in the 'pilot' phase of our development! Stay tuned!



This new App is available for all our community and it is free for all users (at Apple App Store and Google Play Store). The App is meant to be an additional way of communicating and keeping in touch with our parish family.

*****From Archbishop Richard Gagnon***** Dated February 24, 2021

Dispensations from Sunday Mass

The Current general dispensation from Sunday Mass concludes on March 1, 2021. Taking into consideration the current state of the pandemic this general dispensation is now extended to Pentecost Sunday May 23, 2021.

Pope Francis Prayer Intention for February: *Violence against women:* We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.

Dear Padre,

Was Lent always associated with sacrifice, sin, and penance? Did Lent have some other purpose in Church history?

A set period of Lent was not observed during the first centuries of Christianity. Rather, Christians prepared for the Easter celebration with an all-night vigil and a fast. This vigil concluded with a morning Eucharist. Gradually, Christians extended this celebration to include Jesus' own Passover (the supper on Holy Thursday and the death of Jesus on Friday). By the end of the second century, baptism became linked to the Easter Vigil, and the time leading to Easter became a period of intense preparation for baptism. At first, this preparation period lasted only three weeks. This baptismal preparation program eventually extended to forty days. The idea of forty days came out of Mark's Gospel (1:13), where we read about Jesus going into the desert for forty days to prepare for his ministry.

Today the Lenten period serves a double purpose. It is still a time of intense preparation for the catechumens, as they anticipate celebrating the sacrament of baptism at the Easter Vigil. But Lent also has become a time for baptized Christians to reflect on their own baptism. During Lent, the baptized are challenged to turn away from sin and choose again the deepest meaning of their baptism: the fact that they have died and risen with Christ and are now alive anew in Jesus. This renewal is done through the traditional penitential practices of fasting, prayer, and works of charity.

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Calendar

Monday MARCH 1 <i>Lenten Weekday</i> Dn 9:4b–10 Lk 6:36–38
Tuesday MARCH 2 <i>Lenten Weekday</i> Is 1:10, 16–20 Mt 23:1–12
Wednesday MARCH 3 <i>Lenten Weekday</i> Jer 18:18–20 Mt 20:17–28
Thursday MARCH 4 <i>Lenten Weekday</i> Jer 17:5–10 Lk 16:19–31
Friday MARCH 5 <i>Lenten Weekday</i> Gn 37:3–4, 12–13a, 17b–28a Mt 21:33–43, 45–46
Saturday MARCH 6 <i>Lenten Weekday</i> Mi 7:14–15, 18–20 Lk 15:1–3, 11–32
Sunday MARCH 7 <i>Third Sunday of Lent</i> Ex 20:1–17 or 20:1–3, 7–8, 12–17 1 Cor 1:22–25 Jn 2:13–25

Our Parish COMMUNITY

February 28, 2021
Second Sunday of Lent (B)
Gn 22:1–2, 9a, 10–13, 15–18
Rom 8:31b–34
Mk 9:2–10

Future Gazing

Some spiritual writers and psychologists tell us how important it is to live in the present. Still, many of our decisions are made with an eye toward the future. Life commitments are always future oriented. Each newborn child carries promises for the future. Because we are part of the emerging universe, we are always called into the future. Today's readings also carry implications for the future.

Isaac was not only Abraham's beloved son; he was Abraham's legacy and future dynasty. Isaac's death would have put an end to Abraham's memory in the future. Consequently, this was more than a test of obedience. Abraham was presented with a choice: Choose Isaac and all that the future might bring to your family and memory through him. Or, trust that the promise God made—that your descendants would be as numerous as the stars in the sky—would be fulfilled even if Isaac dies. God asked Abraham to place his future in God's hands.

Some scholars believe that the real meaning of Jesus' transfiguration lies in its effects on the disciples who witnessed it. In this experience they came to see Jesus in a significantly new way. They saw that he has somehow associated with Moses, an agent of the law, and Elijah, a great prophet. In other words, Jesus was somehow associated with the very core of Jewish religion. The disciples did not understand how, nor did they grasp what "rising from the dead meant." Still they placed their future in his hands.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- ★ Have you ever felt like your whole world has collapsed? How did you get through it?
- ★ True disciples must place their lives in God's hands. Pray for this grace.

*I will bless you and
make your descendants
as countless as the
stars of the sky and the
sands of the seashore.*
GENESIS 22:17



A WORD FROM Pope Francis

We learn from Abraham to pray with faith, to dialogue, to argue, but always ready to receive the word of God and to put it into practice. We learn to talk with God as a child with his father: to listen to him, respond, argue, but transparent, as a child with his father.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, JUNE 3, 2020