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

Responsorial Psalm 51: I will get up and go to my Father.

St. Joseph's Russell needs volunteers to read and usher on Sunday Morning Mass, please choose which Sunday and sign up on the Ministry Schedule – found on the table downstairs by the church entrance. Thank you!

Did you Know! The National Catholic Broadcasting Council offers Sunday & Daily TV Mass on the Web, visit the website at www.dailytvmass.com or www.youtube.com/dailytvmass to watch Mass each day.

Zoom Along with Us you can use it on your computers, tablets, i-pads & smart-phones
We still have **Sunday zoom Mass is at 9:00 a.m. – We're now restarting zoom after summer holidays!**

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, September: *For the abolition of the death penalty:* We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

Russell & Area Food Connection's Basket is located at the church entrance for your food donations, please help those less fortunate in our communities.

8-Week Spiritual Care Series - October 4, 2022

Are you caring for an older person or are on your personal aging journey? If so, the Spiritual Care program beginning the week of October 4th is designed to help develop a deeper understanding of how to accompany older adults in every aspect of their journey, whether they are living at home or are in Long-Term Care. There are 8 weekly 2 hour virtual sessions. For more information and to register, type in: www.eventcreate.com/e/join-the-journey-fall2022.

Stewardship Bulletin Bits Message September 11, 2022 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Everything I have is yours.” Luke 15:31 Our Heavenly Father gives us everything, including the chance to share in His eternal kingdom. Yet, like the Prodigal Son, we are often lured away by the materialism of our society. Do you really want to turn your back on all that God offers in exchange for material wealth that has no lasting value? God wants us to be happy on earth as well. But, that requires us to freely accept His gift of faith; putting Him first in all things and detaching from our own self-sufficiency.

STOP OR SLOW DOWN 😊

The other night while driving back from a garage sale, Jimmy was pulled over by the RCMP and he came up to his window and tells him, “You didn’t come to a complete stop back there at the STOP sign.”

Jimmy said, “It was late at night and I looked real carefully both ways and no one was coming and I slowed down real good.”

Then the officer asks me, “What part of STOP Jimmy didn’t you understand.” He then pulls out his baton and begins to hit Jimmy on the head with it, as he asks, “You want to slow-down or STOP?”

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday Sept 10 7:30 p.m. Russell +Duncan Spurway req. by Funeral Mass offering

Sunday Sept 11 9:00 a.m. Rossburn Mass For all parishioners by Father Paul
11:00 a.m. Russell Mass Darin Douglas req. by Carlene
Parish BBQ today after mass. All are welcome!

Monday Sept 12 Health of family & friends req. by Jean Goba

Tuesday Sept 13 Muriel "Mae"(nee Fewings) Nicholls req. by Wade & Loretta Fewings

Wed. Sept 14 Normand Bisson req by family
Deanery Meeting, St. Augustines Brandon

Thurs. Sept 15 10:30 a.m. Rossburn Adoration
11:00 a.m. Mass +Suffering Souls in Purgatory req by Rose & family

Friday Sept 16 8:30 a.m. Russell Adoration
9:00 a.m. Mass Special Intentions req by Carlene

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday Sept 17 7:30 p.m. Russell +Deceased Family req by Rita Fleury

Sunday Sept 18 9:00 a.m. Russell +Annette Schmitz req by Jim & Bev Roszell
11:00 a.m. Rossburn For all parishioners by Father Paul
12:00 noon Rossburn Cemetery Blessing and Blessing of the graves

CCRS of Manitoba - 14 Week Online Formation Course - September 8, 2022

Starting September 8th, we will be holding an Online Formation Course on **“The Gospels”**. Ever wonder what are the similarities and differences for each evangelist? Why do we have 4 gospels and no less/more? Would you like to get to know Jesus on a personal level through the “lenses” of those who witness and wrote the Gospels? If so, this is your opportunity!

There are fourteen 2-hour sessions weekly. Thursdays starting at 6:30 pm CST. The sessions will be conducted online via YouTube Live, followed by Zoom discussion groups. There is a free-willing offering to all participants.

To sign up, please complete your registration here: **Online Bible Formation Course – Registration Form**.

For more information about CCRS, visit: catholicrenewalservice...

The Season of Creation is an annual celebration to protect creation that starts on September 1st and ends on the Feast of St. Francis on October 4th. In 2015, Pope Francis wrote Laudato Si', an Encyclical letter pleading with us to take responsibility in the care of our world.

His Holiness proclaimed September 1st, the first day of the “Season of Creation”, to be the “World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation.” He invites us to “weep with the earth, our common home”, and to do something concrete in the healing of creation according to God’s dream for all people and all creation. It is a day and a season to reaffirm our shared vocation as stewards of creation.

You are invited to use the prayer, “Prayer for Our Common Home”, - “A prayer for our earth”, by Pope Francis:

A Prayer for Our Earth

All powerful God,
you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures.
You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.
Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life & beauty.
Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers & sisters, harming no one.

O God of the poor,
help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes.
Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it,
that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.
Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth.
Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation,
to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light.

We thank you for being with us each day.
Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for justice, love and peace.



Dear Padre,

My child's godparents make no attempt to build a special relationship with her. I've talked to them about it, but it didn't help. Can I replace them?

When my niece, Hayley, was five, she asked me to be her "step-godfather" because she didn't know who her godfather was. The family friend my sister invited to be Haley's godfather has moved out of state and seems to have forgotten that Haley is his godchild.

Godparents have responsibilities beyond baptism day. The Code of Canon Law says a godparent also "helps the baptized person to lead a Christian life in keeping with baptism and to fulfill faithfully the obligations inherent in it" (872). A godparent should be present for the child's first Communion and encourage the child to live a Christian life as he or she grows older.

While neglectful godparents may not be replaced, parents are not limited to asking only two godparents to help their child grow in the faith. "The whole ecclesial community bears some responsibility for the development and safeguarding of the grace given at baptism" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1255). Parents can and should ask others to help support their child's faith development as he or she grows up: a teacher, a grandparent, or a friend in the town where your child has gone away to college. After all, children are baptized into a community of believers, and we all have the responsibility to help children—and one another—lead Christian lives.



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Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about Dear Padre.



A WORD FROM Pope Francis

Your children will receive their Christian identity today. And you, parents and godparents, must safeguard this identity. This is your task throughout your lifetime: to protect the Christian identity of your children. It is a daily commitment: to make them grow with the light they will receive today.

ADMINISTRATION OF BAPTISM, JANUARY 9, 2022

Calendar

Monday
SEPTEMBER 12
Weekday
1 Cor 11:17–26, 33
Lk 7:1–10

Tuesday
SEPTEMBER 13
St. John Chrysostom,
Bishop and Doctor
of the Church
1 Cor 12:12–14, 27–31a
Lk 7:11–17

Wednesday
SEPTEMBER 14
Exaltation of the
Holy Cross
Nm 21:4b–9
Phil 2:6–11
Jn 3:13–17

Thursday
SEPTEMBER 15
Our Lady of Sorrows
1 Cor 15:1–11
Jn 19:25–27 or
Lk 2:33–35

Friday
SEPTEMBER 16
Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and
Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs
1 Cor 15:12–20
Lk 8:1–3

Saturday
SEPTEMBER 17
Weekday
1 Cor 15:35–37, 42–49
Lk 8:4–15

Sunday
SEPTEMBER 18
Twenty-fifth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Am 8:4–7
1 Tm 2:1–8
Lk 16:1–13 or 16:10–13

Our Parish COMMUNITY

September 11, 2022

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)
Ex 32:7–11, 13–14
1 Tm 1:12–17
Lk 15:1–32 or 15:1–10

Filled with Compassion

Too many people think of God only as one who is offended when we make a mistake and who is ready to exact punishment for that offense. The three stories in today's Gospel passage tell a different story. They tell how, when we make a mistake, God runs after us to bring us back. The description "filled with compassion" (Luke 15:20), which describes the sentiments of the Samaritan, is really a description of God.

In Hebrew, compassion or mercy comes from the word for "womb," and it describes the intimate bond between a woman and the life in her womb. Though the Greek word in the New Testament is not related to womb, it does mean deep inner sentiment. The word conveys the deep sentiment the Samaritan felt for a perfect stranger, the deep sentiment of the distraught father with his prodigal son, the deep sentiment of God for every one of us.

These three Gospel stories highlight another important point: The compassion was not a response to repentance. The lost sheep, the negligent woman, and the wayward son were all somehow responsible for their predicaments, but nothing was held against them. Nor did they have to correct their error before the situation was corrected. None of this mattered. This was Jesus' way of saying that God's compassion is there even before we ask for it, because compassion or mercy is not simply an act; it is the intimate and lasting love that God has for us.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- ★ Reflect on this passage from Isaiah 49:15: "Can a mother forget...the child of her womb?"
- ★ Where might you show compassion to others?

[Jesus said,] "...There will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance."
LUKE 15:7

