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

**Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 33):** Blessed the people the Lord has chosen as his heritage.

**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 May:** *For the formation of religious and seminarians: We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the gospel.*

**Mass Intentions For This Week:**

**Most Holy Trinity**

Saturday May 25 7:30 p.m. Russell + David Vermette from Funeral offering

Sunday May 26 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 + Suffering Souls in Purgatory req by Rose & family

Monday May 27 Fr Paul req by Jean Goba

Tuesday May 28 + Deceased family members req by Madeline & family

Wed May 29 + David Vermette from Funeral offering

Thurs May 30 10:30 a.m. Rossburn Adoration  
 11:00 a.m. Myrna Kostecki req by St Theresa's Parish

Friday May 31 8:30 a.m. Russell Adoration  
 9:00 a.m. Mass Health of Fr Paul req by Jim & Bev Roszell

**Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**

Saturday Jun 1 7:30 p.m. Russell + Duncan Spurway req by Charm

Sunday Jun 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 + Wendy req by David & family



Coffee Sunday is **today** Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup> after 9 am Mass and *everyone is invited!* **Please note...** If you haven't already done so and would like to be added to a group, please contact Brenda Robin at 204-564-2646 or cell 204-937-0270. Darlene Witty's group will be busy in the church kitchen downstairs today handing out the coffee and juice and providing us with some delicious goodies! Coffee Sunday is part of the Ministry of Hospitality, a time to gather together, greet one another and visit after Mass while enjoying coffee and snacks. **We hope to see you there!**

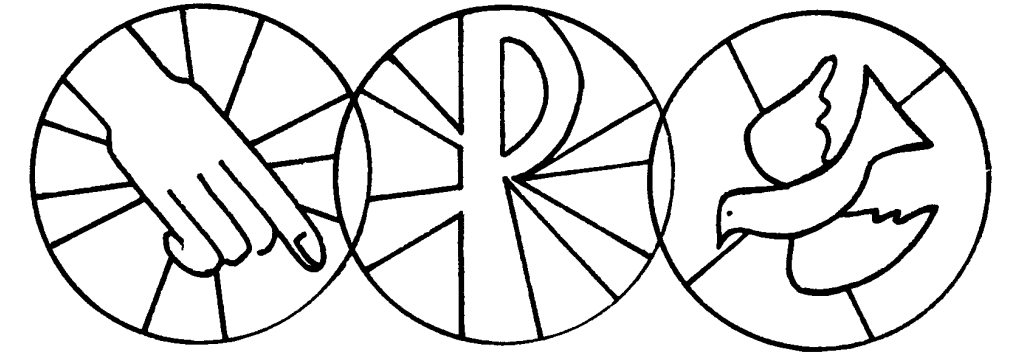


**Congratulations** to Donnie Mushumanski who will be celebrating her **100<sup>th</sup>** birthday on May 29<sup>th</sup>!!

**Happy Anniversary** to Merrill and Lorna Kiliwnik who will be celebrating their **60<sup>th</sup>** wedding anniversary on May 30<sup>th</sup>!!

**Roman Catholic Reflections**

**The reality of the Holy Trinity** is absolutely wonderful and it's an indispensable as part of our Christian faith. And it's certainly not, as some people occasionally are heard to say, "merely an academic construct." No! the Holy Trinity is an absolute necessity to get a small grasp, a little glimpse into the breadth and depth and diversity of God's inner nature, which is implicitly community, innately relational and loving.



We're reminded that by becoming God's people, we become sons and daughters of God, heirs to the kingdom. That comes with a real task, to live with an outreaching love towards others, and to the world, as God the Trinity lives in God's inner self. We're told we must go out, out into the world.

The cost of entry into this eternal relationship with God, who is three persons in one, is that we always remain outward looking, turned outwards towards others, not inward. We must be willing to suffer because of participation in the outreaching, generous, unselfish love of God.

At the table of the Holy Trinity, there's no room for self-interest and stinginess or inward-looking mentalities. God is always on the lookout for more people to be part of the family, always reaching out, open and generous and welcoming.

The more we as individuals and as Christian communities reflect the inner life of the Trinity in how we act and live and think, the more we're participating deeply into the Trinitarian life of God. It's no wonder that our Lord Jesus is made very present to us in the Eucharist, encountered in the form of a sacred meal. It's very poignant.

Jesus was put to death too because of, among other reasons, the people he ate with whom others thought he shouldn't. But God is love, God is relationship. It's great to share a meal and encounter a glimpse of what God, a Trinity of Persons, shares all the time and who reaches out and offers to everyone.

We are honoured to be humble assistants in this wonderful, generous hospitality and work of God.  
[Roman Catholic Reflections and Homilies \(homilycatholic.blogspot.com\)](http://Roman Catholic Reflections and Homilies (homilycatholic.blogspot.com)) Fr Paul Kelly

**Fr Paul** has started his treatments for cancer on May 17<sup>th</sup>. I thank you for all the prayers and well wishes! So far, I have been feeling pretty good, but there may be a possibility that some weekday masses may need be cancelled on short notice. Thank you for your understanding.



# Dear Padre,

*I hear people talking about finding their vocation. How do I know what my vocation is?*

Our Catholic understanding of vocation is “a call from God to a particular state in life,” by which is usually meant single, married, priest, or religious. When you hear people speaking about finding their vocation, it is possible that this is what they have in mind. On the other hand, it is also quite possible that they are referring simply to a particular occupation that they feel comfortable with and wish to pursue.

The root understanding of *vocation* is really the understanding of God’s call and our response. Vocation has not so much to do with what we do but is rather reflective of what we believe about our relationship with God. Vocation assumes that we believe that God is active in our own unique history, and is involved in our decision-making process; that God desires to manifest his will to us; and that God does in fact communicate with us in a very personal way.

If you are truly open to the will of God in your own life, if you are willing to listen to God’s call and make your decisions and choices based on this experience, preferably with the guidance of a confessor or spiritual director, you will discover the true happiness that a real vocation can bring. ●



A pilgrim takes time during a World Youth Day event to speak with a priest about vocations. MICHELLE BAUMAN / CATHOLIC NEWS AGENCY

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## A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

*“Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another” [2 Corinthians 13:11]. The Christian community, even with all its human limitations, can become a reflection of the communion of the Trinity, of its kindness, of its beauty. But this—just as Paul himself testifies—necessarily passes through the experience of God’s mercy, of his forgiveness.*

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### MONDAY

May 27  
Weekday  
1 Pt 1:3–9  
Mk 10:17–27

### TUESDAY

May 28  
Weekday  
1 Pt 1:10–16  
Mk 10:28–31

### WEDNESDAY

May 29  
Weekday  
1 Pt 1:18–25  
Mk 10:32–45

### THURSDAY

May 30  
Weekday  
1 Pt 2:2–5, 9–12  
Mk 10:46–52

### FRIDAY

May 31  
Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Zep 3:14–18a or  
Rom 12:9–16  
Lk 1:39–56

### SATURDAY

June 1  
St. Justin, Martyr  
Jude 17, 20b–25  
Mk 11:27–33

### SUNDAY

June 2  
Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)  
Ex 24:3–8  
Heb 9:11–15  
Mk 14:12–16, 22–26

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# Our Parish COMMUNITY

May 26, 2024

Most Holy Trinity (B)

Deuteronomy 4:32–34, 39–40 / Romans 8:14–17 / Matthew 28:16–20



## Doubting, Remembering, then Believing

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**V**oltaire, the French author, once commented that God created us in God’s image, and ever since we have been trying to pay God back. When we fail to forgive, we may not believe that God forgives us. If we hate another person (or another nation), we may imagine that God agrees with us. “God is on our side,” presumes that God is rooting only for our team. In other words, we tend to think of God being like us rather than discovering how we reflect God.

It is little wonder, then, that amid such confusing images we can find ourselves wondering who God is or even doubting God’s existence. Yet faith of its nature tends to be sown with doubt simply because faith does not bring the kind of certainty we think science does. This week’s Gospel tells how “the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had ordered them. When they all saw him, they worshipped, but they doubted” (Matthew 28:16–17). From the beginning believers seemed to be inclined to uncertainty and doubt.

How then do we live in faith? The reading from Deuteronomy tells of Moses asking the people to remember how they had been freed from slavery in Egypt, how God had taught them and taken care of them. It is in remembering past blessings that we recognize a power at work greater than ourselves, a remembering that will lead to renewed faith. We are people who live with the promise of Jesus “to be with you always, to the end of the age.” ●

### Reflect

*This week, perhaps you could spend some time remembering how God has worked in your life.*

Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Spirit.

MATTHEW 28:19

