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

Responsorial Psalm 23: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

St. Theresa's Parish News & St. Joseph The Worker Parish News: We also welcome Sacred Heart Parish Roblin & St. Claire's Parish San Clara for the next few weeks as Fr Tony is away on holidays.

The Archdiocese has issued new Protocols as of Saturday, July 17. The Provincial Government now allows a group of 50% presently in churches. Please remember there are government rules in relation to COVID-19. Such as Wearing a mask is mandatory. • Everyone has to Hand Sanitize entering the Church and leaving the Church. • Social distancing is mandatory (stay 6 feet apart)

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

We still have **Thursday**, zoom adoration at 10:30 a.m. followed by **Mass at 11:00 a.m. & Sunday zoom Mass is at 9:00 a.m. **Daylight savings Time****

Staying Spiritually Resilient during this pandemic

Three Ways to Respond When Life Goes a Different Direction

After Ignatius of Loyola gave his life to God's service, he imagined that he should go to Jerusalem to pray and do penance, make [pilgrimage](#) to the sites of Jesus' life, and do God's work among people there. Today still, many Christians feel the pull to walk where Jesus walked. We sense that this region of the world is truly holy ground.

Ignatius made it to Jerusalem, after a lot of time and effort. But he did not stay long. Jerusalem was not safe at the time; some pilgrims had been killed, others taken for ransom. So, less than a month after his arrival, Ignatius returned to Spain. He had been so sure of this call to Jerusalem that he had even snuck off to some of the holy sites without the required guard. When the Franciscan superior in charge of Christian pilgrims threatened to excommunicate Ignatius, the pilgrim relented.

[Ignatius's conversion](#) was the major turning point of his life. But even after his conversion, life took turns he did not expect. His disappointment in Jerusalem likely taught him that discernment could have many layers and that perfectly good goals and desires do not always lead to the obvious outcome.

We have experienced this too, haven't we? Our good desires—even our sense of calling—led us in one direction, but then something happened we didn't expect. How can we respond when this happens?

1. Don't regret the good desire and intention.

God has created us to desire and to follow our good desires. A changed direction does not mean the desire was wrong. Desire gives us energy to take action. Simply discerning a [good desire](#) is an action that moves us toward God's dream for us. In fact, sometimes we see our desire leading to a certain outcome because that's the only outcome we can imagine. But maybe God has planted that desire in us for a different outcome than the one we see at the time.

2. Accept the change in direction.

Ignatius did not want to leave Jerusalem, but when he accepted that outcome, he acted on it. It does no good to keep fighting the inevitable. The job we thought was a perfect fit, falls through. An adult child makes a choice with which we don't agree. The social justice work we've dreamed of keeps getting delayed for reasons outside our control. Can we keep moving in a good direction? Can we resist the temptation to become argumentative and bitter—with people or with God?

3. Rely on the creativity of the Holy Spirit.

Our mistake is in believing that life can go only one way or that only one choice is the right one. Yet the Holy Spirit works in us to create new opportunities for growth and good work every day. No circumstance is wasted in God's economy. And, because we live in a world filled with God's creation and grace, there are *multiple* paths to good outcomes. We simply cannot see the possibilities from our limited perspective.

Ignatius experienced various changes of direction. All the while, he followed his God-given desire to help others and to love Jesus more and more. Ignatius was known as a man of great joy and [gratitude](#). He was convinced that God's love poured over every circumstance and change. Thwarted plans no doubt disappointed and frustrated him, but never for long. He trusted God to guide him to the ultimate destination: God's glory and love.

Mass Intentions For The Week:

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday July 17 12 noon Roblin Funeral Kimberley (Kim) Ludwig
 Roblin +Emilienne Mangin req. George Mangin & family
 7:30 p.m. Russell **Liturgy of the Word**

Sunday July 18 9:00 a.m. Russell Liturgy of the Word
11:00 a.m. Rossburn Liturgy of the Word

Fr Paul will be celebrating Mass' Sunday at Roblin at 9:30 a.m. - **readers:** Darlene Linchkowski & Dwayne Pastuck
 Health of family & friends req Mark Shenderevich
Sunday at San Clara 11:30 a.m.

Monday July 19 Health of family & friends req. Jean Goba
 Tuesday July 20 Health of family & friends req. Mary Shenderevich
 Wed. July 21 +Emilienne Mangin req. George Mangin & family
 Thurs. July 22 **Zoom on-line Adoration 10:30 a.m. & Mass 11:00 a.m.**
 +Joe Zegalski req. Gord Lyshyshyn
 Friday July 23 8:30 a.m. Russell Adoration
 9:00 a.m. Mass
 10:30 a.m. Rossburn Adoration
 11:00 a.m. Mass
 +Joe Zegalski req. Gord Lyshyshyn

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

Saturday July 24 7:30 p.m. Russell +Emilienne Mangin req. George Mangin & family
 Sunday July 25 9:00 a.m. Russell Mass & **Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m.**
 For All Parishioners req. Father Paul
 11:00 a.m. Rossburn +Ed Bobinski req. Bernice Rybuck & Clayton, Monte & Jolene

Deacon Darin will be celebrating:

July 25 9:30 a.m. Roblin Liturgy of the Word - readers: Jeanine Landry & Ewa Baranowski
11:30 a.m. San Clara Liturgy of the Word

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.

You are Invited! 3 miles South & half mile West of Esterhazy, SK - Grid 637 – Kaposvar Pilgrimage
Sunday, August 22, 2021 Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine (all Saskatchewan times listed)

11:00 am – noon: Visitors arrive 12:00 – 1:00: Individual Stations of Cross 1:00 pm – 2:00 Rosary in Church
 2:00 – 2:45: Private confessions in Church 2:45 – 3:00 Procession from Church to Shrine
 3:00 – 4:00: Holy Mass & Anointing of the Sick 4:00 pm: Procession back to Church 4:15 pm: Supper
 For more info.: Eola Stevenson @306-853-7880

Bring your own lawnchairs, concession booth on site

***Please Note that we will be adhering to COVID protocols in effect August 22, 2021 ***

****Time Out
 in
 The Park**
 Wednesday
 July 21st at
 10 a.m.
 at Millennium
 Park Russell
 Bring your own
 lawn chair &
 coffee**

Dear Padre,

I read this is the liturgical year of Mark, that next year will be the year of Matthew, and the following year, Luke. Then it starts over with Mark again. Why doesn't John have a year?

The purpose in a three-year cycle of readings at Mass was primarily a pastoral one. "The treasures of the Bible are to be opened up more lavishly, so that richer fare may be provided for the faithful at the table of God's word. In this way a more representative portion of the holy Scriptures will be read to the people in the course of a prescribed number of years" (Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy [*Sacrosanctum Concilium*], 51).

All of Scripture is the word of God, but "Christ, present in his word, proclaims the Gospel" (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 29). Moreover, Christ reveals himself to us from four different Gospel perspectives. For some people, John's version—often deeply symbolic and theological—can be pastorally challenging.

The semicontinuous reading of the three synoptic Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke) "provides a presentation of each Gospel's distinctive doctrine as well as a development of the Lord's life and preaching" (*Lectionary for Mass*, 1970; 16,1). Nevertheless, John's Gospel appears in all three cycles. For example, five readings from chapter six on the bread of life are inserted in Year B, when Mark's short Gospel is proclaimed. John's Gospel is also read during Easter and scattered throughout the seasons of Advent, Christmas, and Lent.

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Calendar

Monday
JULY 19
Weekday
Ex 14:5–18
Mt 12:38–42

Tuesday
JULY 20
Weekday
Ex 14:21–15:1
Mt 12:46–50

Wednesday
JULY 21
Weekday
Ex 16:1–5, 9–15
Mt 13:1–9

Thursday
JULY 22
St. Mary Magdalene
Sg 3:1–4b or
2 Cor 5:14–17
Jn 20:1–2, 11–18

Friday
JULY 23
Weekday
Ex 20:1–17
Mt 13:18–23

Saturday
JULY 24
Weekday
Ex 24:3–8
Mt 13:24–30

Sunday
JULY 25
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
2 Kgs 4:42–44
Eph 4:1–6
Jn 6:1–15

Do you have a question for the Padre?

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

Our Parish COMMUNITY

July 18, 2021

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Jer 23:1–6

Eph 2:13–18

Mk 6:30–34

Follow the Leader

This is not simply the name of a childhood game.

It is actually an essential directive for living. We learn so many things in life because we followed someone. That is how we learned to read, to play a musical instrument, to speak another language, or to understand social behavior.

Many nations at the time of Jeremiah represented their kings as shepherds, leading the people to verdant pastures and restful waters. We see this in the art they left behind. However, many of the kings of Jeremiah's day were not good leaders—not attentive shepherds, nor faithful to God, who had entrusted the people to their care. Consequently, God stepped in to be their shepherd. This is the image of the divine shepherd found in the responsorial psalm. Jesus also characterized religious leaders as shepherds. He was distraught that the people were "like sheep without a shepherd" (Mark 6:34).

Is this situation different today? Many are eager to follow a leader, but which one? Ours is a multicultural, pluralistic, international society with innumerable viewpoints. Voices cry out from many corners, demanding to be heard. But which voice should we heed? Which worldly leaders should we follow? It's apparent that our leaders, both civic and religious, disagree on certain matters. What are we to do? The issue is not "with whom do I agree?" but rather "whose point of view makes me a better person? More compassionate? More understanding? More selfless? More Christlike?" Are we following the right leader?

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- ★ Our Shepherd never pits us against each other but brings us together. Is this reflected in the way we live in society?
- ★ Our Shepherd cares for all, not just those whom society has privileged. Do we?

I will raise up shepherds for them who will shepherd them so that they need no longer fear or be terrified; none shall be missing.

JEREMIAH 23:4



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A WORD FROM Pope Francis

For leadership there is only one road: service. There is no other way. If you have many qualities—the ability to communicate, etc.—but you are not a servant, your leadership will fail, it is useless, it has not power to gather [people] together.

ADDRESS TO PONTIFICAL COLLEGES
AND RESIDENCES OF ROME, MAY 12, 2014

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