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

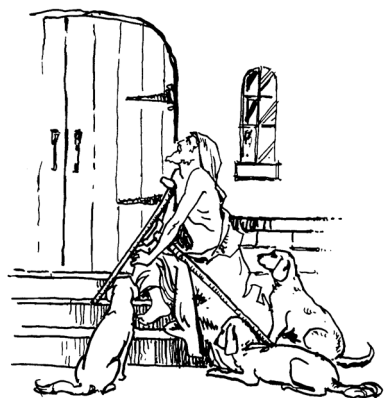
**Responsorial Psalm 146:** Praise the Lord, O my soul!

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

### **St. Joseph The Worker News:**

**First Communion- Glenda will be contacting those that registered last time. If anyone doesn't hear from her or is new to the parish and wishes to have their child receive the sacrament to contact Glenda at 204-821-5216 or email at [glenda\\_stasiuk@hotmail.com](mailto:glenda_stasiuk@hotmail.com). Start day will be Thursday Oct 6<sup>th</sup> 3:30-4:30 pm to receive books and answer questions.**

**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.



**1) Russell and Area Food Connections Inc are in need of donations of food.**  
 Each year at this time our shelves are low and we need your help to restock them. Donations of food can be dropped off at various locations around town. Items that we are most in need of at this time are; Cereal, peanut butter, canned fruit, canned meat, canned veggies, pasta, spaghetti/tomato sauce, and canned beans. Donations of garden produce are also gladly accepted. If you have a large number of items to donate, call David at 204-821-5442 and arrangements will be made to receive them directly at our location of Grace Lutheran Church. We also gladly accept cash donations, cheques can be made payable to "Russell and Area Food Connections Inc" and mailed to Box 118 Russell MB, R0J 1W0.

**2) Coats for Cold: If you have a gently used, laundered Winter coat that you would be willing to donate to someone in need, it can be dropped off here, after mass at St. Joseph The Worker (by Sunday, Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>). All sizes would be appreciated. We also gladly accept all winter apparel, (Ski pants, boots, mitts, toques, scarves etc.).**

**3) Coats for Cold Pick Up:** If you or someone you know would like a gently used coat, you may pick up on Oct 24<sup>th</sup> and Oct 25<sup>th</sup>, at Grace Lutheran Church From 3:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

### **Catechist Fall Formation: Brandon - November 5, 2022**

Join us for this in-person formation for catechists, coordinators, RCIA teams, youth ministers, and you who journey with others. This is a time to prepare your heart and connect with others. A time for renewal and being equipped to go forth in the new pastoral year in front of us! The day will present moments of learning, group discussion, practical approaches and prayerful experiences. This event will take place at St. Augustine of Canterbury Church in Brandon, MB. Register here before October 3:

<https://bit.ly/FallFormationWPG>

**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.

### **Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Saturday Sept 24 7:30 p.m. Russell +Duncan Spurway req. by Funeral Mass offering

Sunday Sept 25 9:00 a.m. Russell **Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m. & YouTube after 10:15 am**  
 Mass For all parishioners by Father Paul

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

Monday Sept 26 Health of family & friends req. by Jean Goba

Tuesday Sept 27 Elain Bisson req. by family

Wed. Sept 28 +Laura Klassen req. by Ellen C.

Thurs. Sept 29 10:30 a.m. Rossburn Adoration  
 11:00 a.m. Mass +Emilienne Mangin req. by George Mangin & family

Friday Sept 30 8:30 a.m. Russell Adoration  
 9:00 a.m. Mass +Jutta Leven req. by Anne & Ubald Deschambault

### **Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Saturday Oct 1 10:30 a.m. Rossburn 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday Devotion & Mass  
 7:30 p.m. Russell +Deceased Family req. by Rita Fleury

Sunday Oct 2 9:00 a.m. Russell **Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m. & YouTube after 10:15 am**  
 Mass +Duncan Spurway req. by Funeral Mass offering

11:00 a.m. Rossburn Mass For all parishioners by Father Paul

### **Pride is one of the Seven Deadly Sins.**

According to St. Thomas Aquinas, it's the most deadly sin of all. C.S. Lewis calls it "the complete anti-God state of mind."

We can define pride as a disorderly desire for human excellence. God gives us all gifts. He calls each of us to different types and degrees of excellence. But pride is a desire for an excellence that's either above us or an excellence God does not will us to have.

You get that pride is bad. The problem is, you probably struggle with it. Almost everyone does. It's one of the most universal sins.

#### **Here's how to overcome the sin of pride:**

**1. Be patient with yourself**

You won't conquer your pride overnight. It's a difficult sin to eradicate. Be patient; otherwise, you'll fall into despair and perhaps commit even greater sins.

**2. Continue to act**

Don't let fear of pride prevent you from doing good things. God gave you gifts. Yes, there's a risk that pride will creep into your good works. But God calls you to use your gifts, so don't let fear of pride hijack your fidelity to your vocation.

**3. Don't deny your weakness**

If you've recognized pride in your heart, admit it! Rather than wasting time bemoaning how imperfect you are, work as well as you can within the confines of your weaknesses.

**4. Ask God to embolden the good desires of your heart**

As your good desires grow and are purified, pride will lessen. You'll learn to be motivated by love of God, neighbor, and a more wholesome love of yourself.

**5. Work to cultivate virtues that heal pride**

Magnanimity and humility are two of these virtues. Magnanimity helps you do great things worthy of honor because they're great — not because they make you look awesome. Humility makes you realize that all the things you do are because of the gifts God has bestowed upon you.

**6. Remember that God calls you to do great things**

It's not humility to deny that. In fact, it's simply another form of pride. For some people, this means creating art or music. For others, it means making discoveries in science. For most of us, we are called to do "ordinary things," but with great love. And this love transforms those everyday tasks into precious gems in the eyes of God.

To summarize, there are two extremes you want to avoid. On the one hand, don't shut your eyes to your sins of pride. But also don't get tripped up by the fact that you have mixed motives or impure intentions. For the good that you do, pride will creep in. Just acknowledge it, entrust it to the Lord, and move on.

God will get you where you need to go if you simply follow Him. [How to Conquer Your Pride | Pints with Aquinas Blog](#)



# Dear Padre,

**A Protestant friend tells me that Jesus died to take the punishment for our sins. That doesn't seem accurate. Is that what the Church teaches?**

**J**esus understood his mission to be sacrificing his own life “as a ransom for many” (Matthew 20:28). His fidelity to that mission was even at the cost of death. However, saying Jesus’ death was payment for our sins doesn’t mean that a vengeful God was appeased by the slaughter of his own innocent Son. Rather, we are redeemed because of the mutual love between Father and Son, as well as the love Christ had for us all when he offered his life.

“It is love ‘to the end’ [John 13:1] that confers on Christ’s sacrifice its value as redemption and reparation, as atonement and satisfaction” (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 616). It is in this sense that Jesus’ death was a payment—not one to be exacted—but a unique sacrifice “that completes and surpasses all other sacrifices,” when “the Father handed his Son over to sinners in order to reconcile us with himself,” and the Son of God freely and lovingly offered his human life to his Father “in reparation for our disobedience” (CCC 614).

Christ “bore our sins in his body upon the cross....By his wounds you have been healed” (1 Peter 2:24). Viewed in light of the resurrection, Christ’s death has meaning in eternal life’s triumph over sin.

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**Do you have a question for the Padre?**

Go to [DearPadre.org](http://DearPadre.org) to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.



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## A WORD FROM Pope Francis

*In many situations of suffering, Christ's cross is like a beacon that indicates the port to ships that are still afloat on stormy seas. Christ's cross is the sign of hope that does not disappoint; and it tells us that not even one tear, not one sigh is lost in God's plan of salvation.*

GENERAL AUDIENCE, MARCH 31, 2021

## Calendar

**Monday**  
SEPTEMBER 26  
Weekday  
Jb 1:6–22  
Lk 9:46–50

**Tuesday**  
SEPTEMBER 27  
St. Vincent de Paul,  
Priest  
Jb 3:1–3, 11–17, 20–23  
Lk 9:51–56

**Wednesday**  
SEPTEMBER 28  
Weekday  
Jb 9:1–12, 14–16  
Lk 9:57–62

**Thursday**  
SEPTEMBER 29  
Sts. Michael, Gabriel  
and Raphael,  
Archangels  
Dan 7:9–10, 13–14  
or Rv 12:7–12a  
Jn 1:47–51

**Friday**  
SEPTEMBER 30  
St. Jerome, Priest and  
Doctor of the Church  
Jb 38:1, 12–21; 40:3–5  
Lk 10:13–16

**Saturday**  
OCTOBER 1  
St. Thérèse  
of the Child Jesus,  
Virgin and Doctor  
of the Church  
Jb 42:1–3, 5–6, 12–17  
Lk 10:17–24

**Sunday**  
OCTOBER 2  
Twenty-seventh Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
Hb 1:2–3; 2:2–4  
2 Tm 1:6–8, 13–14  
Lk 17:5–10



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# Our Parish COMMUNITY

September 25, 2022

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Am 6:1a, 4–7

1 Tm 6:11–16

Lk 16:19–31



Abraham said, “If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead.”

LUKE 16:31

## Woe to the Complacent

**I**n traditional societies, a woe is a frightening declaration. It was more than a warning. It was considered performative. This means that as soon as the words were spoken, what it described began to happen. The first verse in today’s first reading states the woe; the last verse describes what will happen. And it did happen. Those with wealth and prestige were the first to be exiled from the land. It should be noted that the problem was not that they were wealthy. The Bible does not condemn wealth. The issue is how it was acquired and how it is used. The wealthy are condemned because their wealth made them complacent, indifferent to the struggles of the poor.

A similar situation is found in the Gospel passage. It tells of two men, one quite prosperous and the other suffering overwhelming indignity. Their fates after death are reversed. One might think that they got their

just deserts. But that is not the point of the story. The rich man wants the poor man to comfort him, but it is too late. Then at least send him to warn the rich man’s family. And here is the point of the story: That should be unnecessary. They have the religious tradition, Moses, and the prophets who have always taught that we must do what we can for our needy brothers and sisters. If they (or we) do not listen to our religious teachings, we probably will not listen to someone from the dead. Woe to the complacent!

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

## FOR Reflection

- ★ How might you participate in the food and clothing drives in your parish?
- ★ For which candidates do you vote? Those who work to make your life better or for those who work to make everyone’s life better?