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

**Responsorial Psalm 33:** Let your love be upon us, Lord, even as we hope in you.

The Archdiocese has issued new Protocols as of Saturday, August 28. The Provincial Government now allows a group of 33% 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.**

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 and can be brought to Knox United church in Russell. 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 temporary 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 Oct. 17), or Knox United Church (In the basement). 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 25 and Oct 26th, at Grace Lutheran Church From 5 to 7.

## The Corporal Works of Mercy

The Corporal Works of Mercy are found in the [teachings of Jesus](#) and give us a model for how we should treat all others, as if they were Christ in disguise. They "are charitable actions by which we help our neighbors in their bodily needs" ([USCCA](#)). They respond to the basic needs of humanity as we journey together through this life.

The seven Corporal Works of Mercy are listed in upcoming bulletins. Each week we will continue to explain one area of Corporal Work. After each work of mercy there are also suggestions and words of advice for living them out in our daily lives. Have your own suggestions? Call our parish office, 204-773-2924 or e-mail: [stjoewkr@gmail.com](mailto:stjoewkr@gmail.com) .

**Feed The Hungry:** There are many people in this world who go without food. When so much of our food goes to waste, consider how good stewardship practices of your own food habits can benefit others who do not have those same resources.



- Having delicious food at Thanksgiving or Christmas dinner? Donate to a Thanksgiving or Christmas food drive so everyone can have something to eat.

- Research, identify and contribute financially to organizations that serve the hungry.
- The next time you make a recipe that can be easily frozen, make a double batch and donate one to your local food pantry or soup kitchen, **or** drop off and give to someone who is not feeling well or able to cook.
- Try not to purchase more food than you are able to eat. If you notice that you end up throwing groceries away each week, purchasing less groceries would eliminate waste and allow you to donate the savings to those in need.
- Some households having very busy schedules, appreciate the thoughtfulness of prepared food being given.

## Mass Intentions For The Week:

**Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time** – World Food Day: The church is concerned about the issue of hunger in the world, remembering the words of the Son of Man on the last judgement of the nations," ...I was hungry & you gave me food; I was thirsty & you gave me something to drink..." – promoted since 1981, Food & Agriculture Org.

Saturday Oct. 16 7:30 p.m. Russell Mass +Elisabeth Neuhofer req. Julie Schatt

Sunday Oct. 17 9:00 a.m. Russell Mass & **Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m. & on Youtube after 10:15 a.m.**  
 +Marla Borsa req. Josie, Delbert and family  
 11:00 a.m. Rossburn Melissa Lamore and her family req. Kostecki Family

Monday Oct. 18 Health of family & friends req. Jean Goba

Tuesday Oct. 19 +Emilienne Mangin req. George Mangin & family

Wed. Oct. 20 +Emilienne Mangin req. George Mangin & family

Thurs. Oct. 21 **Zoom on-line Adoration 10:30 a.m. & Mass 11:00 a.m.**  
 +Helen Budz req. Nellie Kaskiw

Friday Oct. 22 8:30 a.m. Russell Adoration  
 9:00 a.m. Mass  
 10:30 a.m. Rossburn Adoration  
 11:00 a.m. Mass  
 Lynda Ryshytylo req. Wade McLaughlin & family

## Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time – World Mission Sunday

Saturday Oct. 23 7:30 p.m. Russell Mass +Elisabeth Neuhofer req. Julie Schatt

Sunday Oct. 24 9:00 a.m. Russell Mass & **Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m. & on Youtube after 10:15 a.m.**  
 +Mary Schaab req. Lucy Senek

11:00 a.m. Rossburn For all Parishioners

**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.

**Thank you to all volunteers who give their time, care and generosity to look after all our technology needs, usher & sanitize our Parish after mass!**

**Praying with Pope Francis, October: Missionary disciples:** We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavor of the Gospel."

**Remember to pray** for our seminarians in our archdiocese of Winnipeg! Please see each of their personal reflections in the newsletter at the back of the church.

## October 24<sup>th</sup>World Mission Sunday!

Next week is World Mission Sunday. It is a global celebration of the universal church. Your prayer and donations will assist building new churches, hospitals, support rural health clinics, schools, and the training of priests. The donations that the Catholic communities throughout the world receive through World Mission Sunday, will assist them to be self-sufficient and continue to flourish. By sharing your gift of faith, we can bring love and compassion to those who need it most. **Envelopes are provided on the back table in the church.**

**☺ of the Week!** A little boy as listening to a long-drawn-out homily by the church pastor. Suddenly he noticed the red votive light by the altar that caught his eye. Tugging his father's arm sleeve, he asked, "Daddy, when the light turns green can we go?"



# Dear Padre,

Can a minister of holy Communion who visits hospitals bless a doctor? I was recently asked to do this. I didn't know how to say no, so I said a prayer over him even though I'm not ordained. Was that OK?

**You did the right thing.** The Church's *Book of Blessings* gives guidelines for a variety of blessings, some of which may be given by laypeople (see page xxviii). For example, parents may bless their children. Baptized laypeople who carry out functions on behalf of the Church may also give blessings: catechists may bless their students, and eucharistic ministers who visit the sick may bless them.



Laypeople may give various other blessings, including blessing the sick, food, a new home, seeds at planting time, and throats on the feast of St. Blaise. A layperson may distribute ashes on Ash Wednesday, though the actual blessing of the ashes is reserved for the clergy. Also reserved for

the ordained are blessings of liturgical vessels and parishioners entering ministry as readers, altar servers, ministers of holy Communion, or musicians. Blessings of the cathedra (the bishop's chair in the cathedral church) and the consecration of the sacred chrism are reserved for bishops.

If you're trained to minister in the hospital and are there with the approval of your pastor and the hospital's pastoral team, you can give blessings. The *Book of Blessings* has texts to guide your words.

*Fr. John Schmidt, CSSR / Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org*

## Calendar

**Monday**  
OCTOBER 18  
St. Luke, Evangelist  
2 Tm 4:10–17b  
Lk 10:1–9

**Tuesday**  
OCTOBER 19  
Sts. John de Brébeuf  
and Isaac Jogues,  
Priests, and  
Companions, Martyrs

Rom 5:12, 15b,  
17–19, 20b–21  
Lk 12:35–38

**Wednesday**  
OCTOBER 20  
Weekday  
Rom 6:12–18  
Lk 12:39–48

**Thursday**  
OCTOBER 21  
Weekday  
Rom 6:19–23  
Lk 12:49–53

**Friday**  
OCTOBER 22  
Weekday  
Rom 7:18–25a  
Lk 12:54–59

**Saturday**  
OCTOBER 23  
Weekday  
Rom 8:1–11  
Lk 13:1–9

**Sunday**  
OCTOBER 24  
Thirtieth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
Jer 31:7–9  
Heb 5:1–6  
Mk 10:46–52

# Our Parish COMMUNITY

October 17, 2021

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Is 53:10–11

Heb 4:14–16

Mk 10:35–45 or 10:42–45

## Can You Drink the Cup?

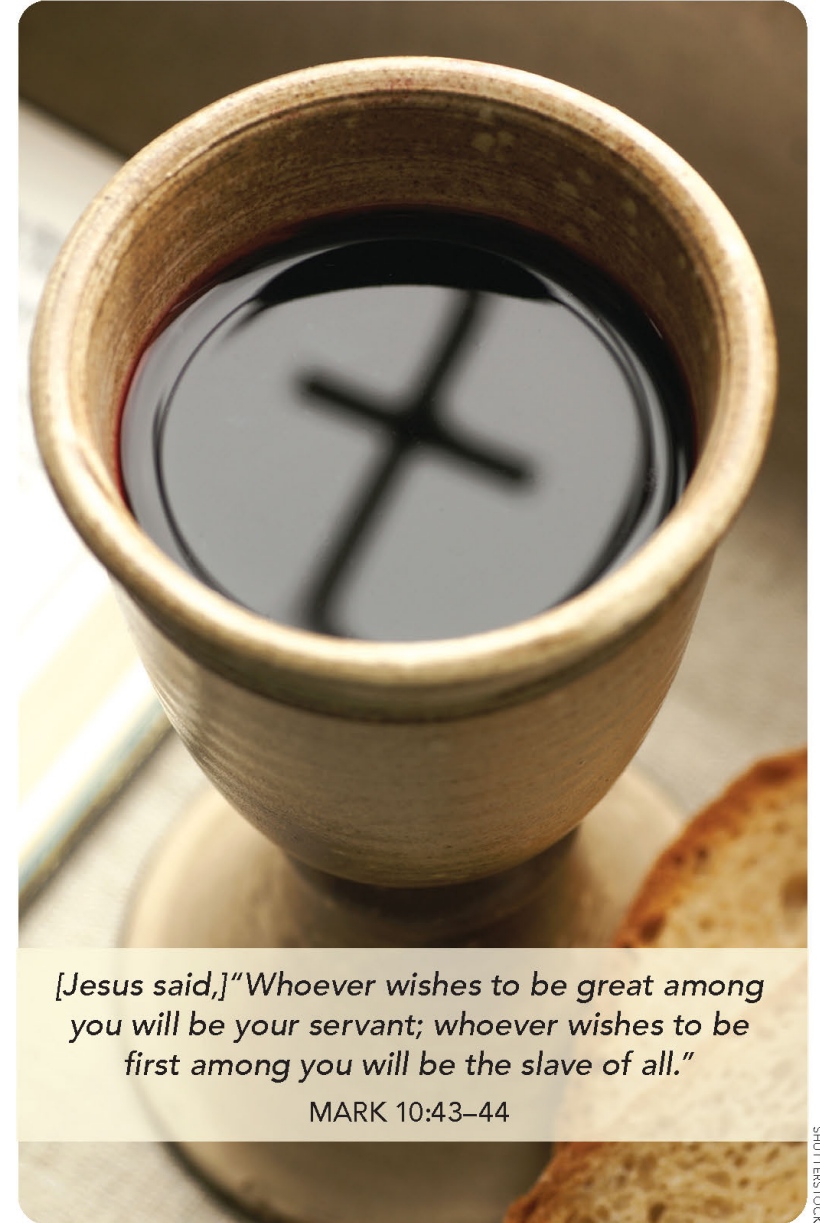
**That is the question in today's Gospel** that Jesus posed after James and John, two of his closest followers, asked for places of honor. They wanted to be recognized for their loyalty. Don't we all? Jesus asks them: "Can you drink the cup?" (Mark 10:38). Can you pay the price? And they both say: "We can" (10:39). Such confidence and self-assurance!

This is a Sunday that focuses on hardship—not the hardship that comes from the burdens of life itself, such as economic distress, racial and gender bias, or the loss of loved ones. Jesus was certainly concerned about these. However, today's readings have a specific focus. He asks: "Can you drink the cup that I drink?" Can you face and endure what I must? Can you follow me to suffering?

Isaiah refers to the servant of the Lord, that mysterious individual who suffers at the hands of others precisely because of his loyalty. However, his suffering is not in vain: "Because of his anguish...my servant, the just one, shall justify the many" (53:11). The spirit of this servant lives on in many stories about Jesus. It certainly does this Sunday. Like the servant, Jesus will suffer for the sake of others. How ready are James and John, you and I, for such a role?

Jesus then turns the values of society upside down. You want to be great? Then you have to serve others. You want to be first? Then, for the sake of others, you have to put yourself last. To follow Jesus means to follow him even through suffering. "Can you drink the cup?"

*Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA*



*[Jesus said,] "Whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all."*

MARK 10:43–44

## A WORD FROM Pope Francis

*The way of service is the most effective antidote against the disease of seeking first place....Therefore, as disciples of Christ, let us receive this Gospel passage as a call to conversion, in order to witness with courage and generosity a Church that bows at the feet of the least, in order to serve them with love and simplicity.*

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## FOR Reflection

- ★ Think of times when the welfare of another made you forget about yourself.
- ★ Do you always seek praise? Are you indignant when others are praised? What can you do about this?