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

Responsorial Psalm 128: May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.

The Archdiocese has issued new Protocols as of Saturday, August 28. 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.**

A Statement From The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB)

September 24, 2021, Ottawa - "We, the Catholic Bishops of Canada, gathered in Plenary this week, take this opportunity to affirm to you, the Indigenous Peoples of this land, that we acknowledge the suffering experienced in Canada's Indian Residential Schools. Many Catholic religious communities and dioceses participated in this system, which led to the suppression of Indigenous languages, culture and spirituality, failing to respect the rich history, traditions and wisdom of Indigenous Peoples. We acknowledge the grave abuses that were committed by some members of our Catholic community; physical, psychological, emotional, spiritual, cultural, and sexual. We also sorrowfully acknowledge the historical and ongoing trauma and the legacy of suffering and challenges faced by Indigenous Peoples that continue to this day. Along with those Catholic entities which were directly involved in the operation of the schools and which have already offered their own heartfelt apologies[1], we[2], the Catholic Bishops of Canada, express our profound remorse and apologize unequivocally."

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.**

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.

**** 1st Communion Enrollment List is set up at entrance table. Respond by Sunday, October 3rd**

**** Confirmation Enrollment List** is also being started at entrance table.

This is to enable us to obtain enough resources for these classes

Mass Intentions For The Week:

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday Oct. 2 7:30 p.m. Russell Mass +Elisabeth Neuhofer req. Julie Schatt

Sunday Oct. 3 9:00 a.m. Russell Mass & **Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m.**
 +Marla Borsa req. Marlene & Lorne and family

11:00 a.m. Rossburn For all Parishioners

Monday Oct. 4 +Albina Kozak req. Jeff, Darlene & Randy

Tuesday Oct. 5 +Bradley Suidak req. Wendy & family

Father Paul - Clergy Study Day by Zoom On-Line

Wed. Oct. 6 +Private Mass

Father Paul - Clergy Study Day by Zoom On-Line

Thurs. Oct. 7 + Emilienne Mangin req. George Mangin & family **Father Paul Clergy Study Day** Zoom On-Line

Friday Oct. 8 8:30 a.m. Russell Adoration
 9:00 a.m. Mass

10:30 a.m. Rossburn Adoration

11:00 a.m. Mass

+ Suffering Souls in Purgatory req. Rose & family

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday Oct. 9 7:30 p.m. Russell Mass +Elisabeth Neuhofer req. Julie Schatt

Sunday Oct. 10 9:00 a.m. Russell Mass & **Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m.**
 + In memory of Cynthia Nerbas Mother req. St. Joseph C.W.L

11:00 a.m. Rossburn For all Parishioners

Sunday October 3rd Eucharistic Procession & Blessing for Rossburn town and area. This time we will be starting at the UK Church at 3:00 p.m. and end our journey at Saint Theresa's.

The Annual "Canada Needs our Lady" Rosary Rally will be held **Oct.16th** in front of the **Rossburn Town Hall** at 12 noon. Please join us. In case of bad weather, we will gather at St Theresa's Church.

National Catholic Health Care Week

From October3 to 9,2021we mark National Catholic Health Care Week across Canada, recognizing the important work of Catholic health care organizations in our province and across Canada. At the heart of Catholic health care is a deep respect for the intrinsic value and dignity of every human being and a commitment to serving all people, from all backgrounds and faiths—especially those impacted by trauma, stigma, poverty, and isolation. We pray for health care teams who have given much over the past year and continue to who walk with all those who are ill, deeply troubled, weary and struggling. The healing journey depends on openness, trust and compassion, and we are grateful for our Catholic health ministries as they strive to create safe and welcoming places for connection and healing—body, mind and soul. Holding all those who are hurting in our hearts, we ask God to bless the work of Catholic health care and we offer our prayers, support, and encouragement for the people of our Catholic health organizations who serve with compassion and courage. You are encouraged to mark National Catholic Health Care Week with daily reflections and prayers. Please visit the Catholic Health Alliance of Canada website at www.chac.ca .

Why October? October marks the time of year when Hôtel Dieu, the first Catholic hospital in Canada, opened its doors, falls soon after the feast day of St Raphael, the patron saint of healing (in late September), and takes place during Thanksgiving, a well-recognized time of gratitude.

Dear Padre,

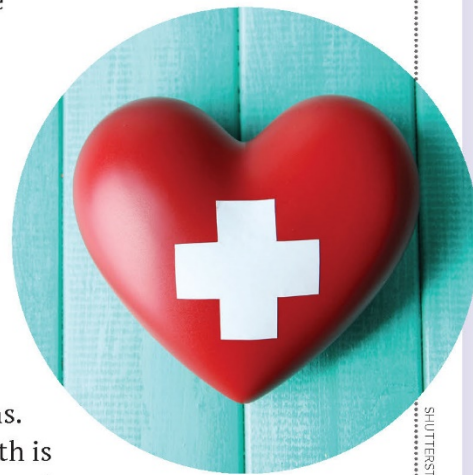
I just got my new driver's license, and my wife is encouraging me to sign up to be an organ donor. Are organ transplants permitted by the Catholic Church?

Yes, under certain conditions. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* affirms that "organ transplants are in conformity with the moral law if the physical and psychological dangers and risks to the donor are proportionate to the good that is sought for the recipient" (CCC 2296).

Organ transplants from a dead person to a living person must fulfill two additional criteria: First, the donor must give free and informed consent prior to death, or those who legitimately speak on the donor's behalf must do so at the time of death. And second, the donor must be dead before the tissue can be harvested—in other words, the donor must not be declared dead prematurely, nor may the donor's death be hastened just to use the organs. The *Catechism* adds, "Organ donation after death is a noble and meritorious act and is to be encouraged as an expression of generous solidarity."

The transplantation of organs from a living donor must fulfill two criteria: First, the removal of the organ must not seriously impair the donor's health or bodily function. Second, the donor must make an informed and free decision recognizing the potential risks involved.

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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*.

Calendar

Monday
OCTOBER 4
St. Francis of Assisi
Jon 1:1—2:2, 11
Lk 10:25—37

Tuesday
OCTOBER 5
Weekday
Jon 3:1—10
Lk 10:38—42

Wednesday
OCTOBER 6
Weekday
Jon 4:1—11
Lk 11:1—4

Thursday
OCTOBER 7
Our Lady of the Rosary
Mal 3:13—20b
Lk 11:5—13

Friday
OCTOBER 8
Weekday
Jl 1:13—15; 2:1—2
Lk 11:15—26

Saturday
OCTOBER 9
Weekday
Jl 4:12—21
Lk 11:27—28

Sunday
OCTOBER 10
*Twenty-eighth Sunday
in Ordinary Time*
Wis 7:7—11
Heb 4:12—13
Mk 10:17—30
or 10:17—27

**Know Someone
Overly Anxious About Sin?**
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Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Gn 2:18—24

Heb 2:9—11

Mk 10:2—16 or 10:2—12

A Suitable Partner

In the story of the creation of the first woman, the Hebrew word *ezer* is used to describe her relationship with the first man. Many Bibles translate that word as "helper" or "helpmate," thus making the woman an addition to the man. The *Lectionary* translates the word as "suitable partner," emphasizing mutuality rather than subservience. Since the word is generally used for divine assistance, it certainly does not imply inferiority.

Another important Hebrew word is *bad*, usually translated as "alone." A common meaning is "separated from," implying incompleteness in a relationship. This incompleteness is remedied when the man is given a suitable partner, one who is as intimate a companion to him as are his bones.

The intimacy of this relationship of mutuality is found in the Gospel passage as well. There the focus is

on the endurance of the relationship. Jesus insists that the bond that joins the couple together must not be severed. Many today might find this ruling too rigid. Things can happen in intimate relationships; partners can grow apart; staying together could become dangerous. While these are valid concerns today, women in the patriarchal society of the time would see Jesus' interpretation of the law as protecting them. By law only men could divorce their wives, and reasons for doing so could be as trivial as poor cooking.

Today's readings remind us of our need for intimate relationships of mutuality. They further underscore how important it is to cherish such relationships and to nurture them by respecting our partners.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- ★ Do you consider yourself a "suitable partner"?
- ★ Are you nurturing and respectful?



[Jesus said,] "'A man shall leave his father and mother [and be joined to his wife], and the two shall become one flesh.'"

MARK 10:7–8

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A WORD FROM Pope Francis

In the first reading we also hear that God was pained by Adam's loneliness....God did not create us to live in sorrow or to be alone. He made men and women for happiness, to share their journey with someone who complements them, to live the wondrous experience of love.

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