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

**Responsorial Psalm 95:** O that today you would listen to the voice of the Lord. Do not harden your hearts!

### **St. Theresa's Parish News & St. Joseph The Worker Parish News:**

Due to Covid-19, both parishes are closed for Mass' until further notice.

The new Sunday envelopes can be picked up by calling the Parish Office to arrange an appointment time.

### ***Zoom Along with Us***

If you use the internet you can join St. Joseph & St. Theresa with the Zoom Mass Each Sunday as one more option to celebrate community and the sharing of the Word together. After Mass we will be having *Coffee Sunday* with each other who wish to stay and visit with the rest of the community. If you wish to join into the Zoom Mass send an email to St. Joseph The Worker, [stjoewkr@mymts.net](mailto:stjoewkr@mymts.net) to get on the Access List.

**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.

### **World Day for Consecrated Life – February 2**

The purpose of the day is "to help the entire Church to esteem ever more greatly the witness of those persons who have chosen to follow the Christ by means of the practice of the evangelical counsels" as well as "to be a suitable occasion for consecrated persons to renew their commitment and rekindle the fervour which should inspire their offering of themselves to the Lord" (Saint John Paul II, 1197).

**YOUR 2020 St. Joseph The Worker PARISH DONATION RECEIPTS** have been mailed to you. The receipt includes all your regular Sunday donations, special collections and building fund donations. If you have any questions about your receipt please call Gary at 204-773-3198. **Reminder....your 2020 Sharing Gods Gifts receipt will come directly to you from the Archdiocese.**

### **You are Invited to Discover what Liturgy of The Hours is in the Roman Catholic Church!**

Our group will be learning what Morning & Evening prayer is, how it originated and its purpose for us to pray it today. Find out why as people in The Church, it connects us to each other and to Jesus Christ. It includes, Psalms, Scripture reading, and prayers for our world. Our group will be meeting by means of Zoom, online. For more information, please contact either, Deacon Darin Douglas or Carlene Douglas, Binscarth, at 204-532-2157 (please leave a message), or reply using Messenger



### **\*Healthy Christians**

Jim and Bev are two Christians who have lived very good lives.

They both died and arrived in heaven. Walking along one of the golden streets and marveled at all the paradise around them, Bev turns to Jim and says, "Wow. I never knew heaven was going to be as good as this."

"Yeah, says Jim. "And just think, if we hadn't eaten all that oat bran, we could have gotten here ten years earlier."

### **\*A Quick Grace**

The pastor was invited over for dinner and asked to lead in prayer for the meal. After a brief prayer, Little Jimmy said approvingly, "You don't pray so long when you're hungry, do you?"

### **Mass Intentions For The Week:**

#### **Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Saturday Jan. 30 For health of family req. Jean Goba

Sunday Jan. 31 Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m. – For all Parishioners req. Father Paul  
&

For health of Georgette req. Wade & Carol Schott

Monday Feb. 1 +Emilienne Mangin req. George Mangin & family

Tuesday Feb. 2 Fr Paul req. Jean Goba

Wed. Feb. 3 +Deceased Family req. Frank & Madeline Mangin

Thurs. Feb. 4 **Zoom on-line Adoration 10:30 a.m. & Mass 11:00 a.m.**  
+Joe Zegalski req. Gord, Melanie, Bill, Mary-Lou & Eugene Lyshyshyn

Friday Feb. 5 Special intentions req. Albina Kozak

#### **Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Saturday Feb. 6 For health of family req. Jean Goba

Sunday Feb. 7 Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m. – For all Parishioners req. Father Paul  
&

+For deceased family req. Frank & Madeline Mangin

**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.

### **Help little Ynora get her Artificial Eye**

Ynora Kryziel Yucot is a two-year old charming & bubbly toddler of Yucot family from Rossburn, Manitoba. On December 9th, she was brought to check in with the local Optician where they were referred to Winnipeg for MRI on the 10th and with that findings, Ynora was diagnosed with Retinoblastoma and was summoned for enucleation the next day. Retinoblastoma or cancer if the eye is a condition most seen in young children.

The enucleation was called for to prevent further metastasis into her brain. Ynora is now recovering and getting herself ready to undergo artificial eye implant by the following month.

The family has been into a rollercoaster of medical appointments and all and have drained them both physically and financially, and it is for this noble reason that we seek help for Ynora and her family with some amount that is expected to incur for this procedure and the many more tests she will have to undergo to make sure she will be free of such illness and grow up healthy and enjoy a normal kid life. In behalf of the Yucot family, we express our sincerest gratitude for all your generosity....

Thank You from bottom of our hearts....

### **January 31, 2021 Stewardship Message**

#### **4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*"Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties."* - 1 Corinthians 7:32

How much anxiety do we bring upon ourselves by constantly worrying about not having enough or attaining more things? God won't necessarily give you everything you want, but He will provide everything you need. Try this – use the word "pray" instead of the word "worry" in the future. Then pray for things instead of worrying about them.





# Dear Padre,

**Recently my son made his first reconciliation and was told to say some prayers as his penance. Doesn't this make prayer seem like a punishment for being bad?**

**You raise a valid concern.** In fact the latest rite of reconciliation suggests that, if at all possible, penance must right the wrong and be clear enough that the penitent knows he has fulfilled it. Penance should not just show God we're sorry; it should also put us on the path to a Christian life and correct the harm our sins caused.

For instance, if someone has stolen something and returning it would reveal his sin (this cannot be part of the penance), making a comparable donation might be a fitting penance. When someone confesses gossiping, I challenge him or her to tell someone else something good about the person who was gossiped about. In other words, instead of spreading pain, learn to spread joy. The penance for disobeying parents might be to do something nice for them or do chores without being asked. This type of penance is far more beneficial to the penitent and the community at large.

Using prayer as a penance can send the signal that we pray only when

we've been bad or need something from God, like forgiveness. On the contrary, prayer should be constant. We should pray always and in all ways, if for no other reason than to give glory to God.

*Fr. Rick Potts, CSSR*  
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## A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

*We must never forget that true power, at any level, is service, whose bright summit is upon the cross....Although man frequently equates authority with control, dominion, success, for God authority is always synonymous with service, humility, love. It means entering the logic of Jesus who kneels to wash the Apostles' feet.*

ADDRESS TO INTERNATIONAL UNION  
OF SUPERIORS GENERAL, MAY 8, 2013

## Calendar

<b>Monday</b> FEBRUARY 1 Weekday Heb 11:32–40 Mk 5:1–20
<b>Tuesday</b> FEBRUARY 2 Presentation of the Lord Mal 3:1–4 Heb 2:14–18 Lk 2:22–40 or 2:22–32
<b>Wednesday</b> FEBRUARY 3 Weekday Heb 12:4–7, 11–15 Mk 6:1–6
<b>Thursday</b> FEBRUARY 4 Weekday Heb 12:18–19, 21–24 Mk 6:7–13
<b>Friday</b> FEBRUARY 5 St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr Heb 13:1–8 Mk 6:14–29
<b>Saturday</b> FEBRUARY 6 St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs Heb 13:15–17, 20–21 Mk 6:30–34
<b>Sunday</b> FEBRUARY 7 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jb 7:1–4, 6–7 1 Cor 9:16–19, 22–23 Mk 1:29–39

# Our Parish COMMUNITY

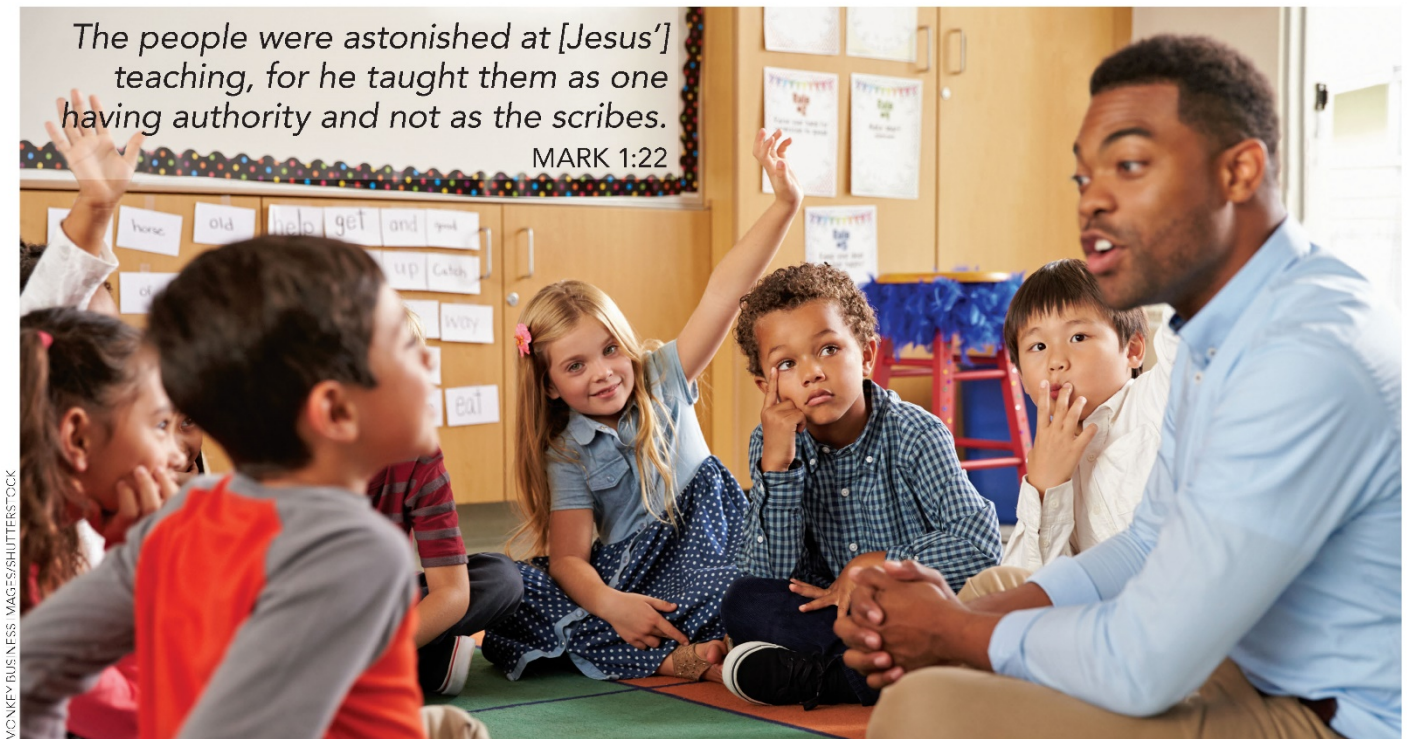
January 31, 2021

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Dt 18:15–20

1 Cor 7:32–35

Mk 1:21–28



The people were astonished at [Jesus'] teaching, for he taught them as one having authority and not as the scribes.  
MARK 1:22

## Teaching with Authority

**Who teaches with authority? To whose voice should we listen?** The first reading provides an answer. Moses had been appointed by God to be God's voice for the Israelites—for that is what a prophet is. Moses assures the people that God will raise up a leader like himself. They are to listen to that voice just as they listened to his voice. The Gospel presents Jesus as the fulfillment of that promise.

The issues of contemporary life are extraordinarily complex. Actually, when one is in the midst of living, it is always complex. It was complex at the time of Moses and at the time of Jesus as well. So, to whose voice should disciples listen? It is easy to answer: "The one with authority." But who has authority? Recognizing genuine authority is not as easy as it sounds. Moses' position of authority was eventually recognized, but that was not the case in the beginning. The expression, "Who died and left you boss?" comes right

out of an earlier story of Moses (Exodus 2:14). As for Jesus, he never held a recognized position of authority in his society, and we know his authority seems eventually to have been rejected by most.

A sign of genuine authority is seen in the integrity of one's life. Moses led the people through the struggles of the wilderness. In this Gospel, Jesus confirms the message of his teaching with his works of healing. Who has authority? "By their fruits you will know them" (Matthew 7:16).

*Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA*

## FOR *Reflection*

- ★ As a disciple of Jesus, whose voice are you inclined to follow? Why?
- ★ What is your attitude toward official authority? Is this a good attitude to hold?