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

Responsorial Psalm 29: The Lord will bless his people with peace.

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.

Sunday Missal (2020-2021) now available! \$4.00 each. Contact the Parish Office, if you would like one!

Our Sympathy to family and friends

† Alexander Kotyk who passed away on Dec 27 and funeral was held Jan 5, 2021 at Rae's Funeral chapel May he rest in peace.

† Nettie Penonzek who passed away on Jan 3 and funeral was held Jan 6, 2021 at Brendle-Bruce Funeral chapel. May she rest in peace.

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 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 or www.youtube.com/dailytvmass to watch Mass each day.

St. Josephs CWL yearly membership now due, \$20.00. Please mail to Darlene Witty, Box 426 Russell, MB R0J 1W0.

January 10, 2021 Stewardship Message

Baptism of the Lord

"And a voice came from the heavens, 'You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.'" - Mark 1:11
 Through our baptism, we too, are daughters and sons of God. We are disciples of Jesus. As true disciples we are called to actively participate in our Catholic faith, not just be mere bystanders. This means working in collaboration with the Holy Spirit and discerning how we are being asked to use our gifts. Using our gifts for the benefit of others and not just for our own interests and comfort.

Prayer for Christian Unity – January 18-25

During this week, it is celebrated around the world, as recommended by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops.

It encourages Christians of all denominations to meet, to participate in various liturgical & other community activities & to pray together that all may be one, as Christ desires. All members should seek to have a deeper understanding of ecumenism (working to restore unity among all Christians and religions. The model of unity we seek is found in the Trinity Jesus prays that all his followers will be one as he and the Father are one, so that all people may come to believe in Christ (John 17.21). Ecumenism is one of the primary tasks in the Church today & invites a change in attitudes (e.g. toward the work of the Spirit, the use of the Scriptures, social justice, ministries) & by praying & working for greater unity among those who believe in Jesus.

Mass Intentions For The Week:

Baptism of the Lord

Saturday Jan. 9 For health of family req. Jean Goba
 Sunday Jan. 10 Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m. – For all Parishioners req. Father Paul
 &
 +Suffering Souls in Purgatory req. Rose & family
 Monday Jan. 11 +Emilienne Mangin req. George Mangin & family
 Tuesday Jan. 12 Special intentions req. Albina Kozak
 Wednesday Jan. 13 +Deceased Family req. Frank & Madeline Mangin
 Thursday Jan. 14 **Zoom on-line Adoration 10:30 a.m. & Mass 11:00 a.m.**
 +Suffering Souls in Purgatory req. Rose & family
 Friday Jan. 15 Rosaline Swidzinski req. Albina Kozak

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday Jan. 16 For health of family req. Jean Goba
 Sunday Jan. 17 Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m. – For all Parishioners req. Father Paul
 &
 Special intentions req. Armand Lusier



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.

TUESDAY JANUARY 12TH, 2021 : "Join the Journey - Body, Mind and Spirit"

Location: Offered Online by The Catholic Health Assoc.: An 8-week virtual volunteer training course beginning the week of January 12th, 2021. It is designed to help develop a deeper understanding of how to accompany older adults in every aspect of their journey, whether they are living at home, in Supportive Housing, or are in Long-Term Care. \$100 registration fee. For more information contact Julie Turenne-Maynard at 204-235-3136, visit: <https://joininthejourney.eventcreate.com>. Space is limited.

They Still Bring Forth Fruit in Old Age: A Lesson on Caring in the Midst of the COVID-19 Pandemic
Message by the Executive Committee of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops:

Pope Francis' warning against the implications of a "throwaway culture" in our society must be considered. The elderly are more often than not the primary victims of this culture of discarding. The Church, as the Body of Christ, has a decisive and crucial mission, and an undeniable witness to give, in caring for the elderly and the sick, and in advocating on their behalf for their dignity as human persons in our society: *"Aware of the irreplaceable role of the elderly, the Church becomes a place where generations are called to share God's loving plan, in a relationship of a mutual exchange of the gifts of the Holy Spirit."*

This intergenerational sharing obliges us to consider older people differently, to learn to look to the future together with them. When we think of the elderly and talk about them, especially in the pastoral dimension, we must learn to alter the tenses of verbs a little. There is not only the past, as if, for the elderly, there were only a life behind them and a moldy archive. No. The Lord can and wants to write with them also new pages, pages of holiness, of service, of prayer... Today I wish to tell you that the elderly are also the present and the future of the Church. Yes, they are also the future of a Church that, together with the young, prophesies and dreams! This is why it is so important that those advanced in years and the young speak to each other, it is so important.

The COVID-19 pandemic has prompted a renewed discussion about important changes needed in order to address both the present and future challenges facing our elderly who are already frail and compromised by the conditions in which they are forced to live. Our hope is that Canadians will gain greater awareness as to how our culture prioritizes the freedom, desires and choice of individuals, and regrettably also tends to neglect the rights and responsibilities that promote the common good of society and the dignity of every person, especially the elderly. This begins with respecting and protecting, in peace and justice, the fundamental and inalienable rights of each human person, as well as their authentic development and social well-being in the entire community.

Dear Padre,

My fiancée was baptized in the Lutheran Church. If she becomes Catholic, will she be baptized again?

A person can be validly baptized only once, whether in or out of the Catholic Church. Catholics believe three things are necessary for a valid baptism: baptizing in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; flowing water; and the intention of the “minister” to baptize using the form (words of the Trinitarian formula) and matter (flowing water) needed for a valid baptism.

Orthodox and most Protestant baptisms are recognized by the Catholic Church. However, the Catholic Church does not recognize as valid baptisms performed by Christian communities that don’t believe in the Trinity—Jehovah’s Witnesses and Mormons, for example. These communities may use the same matter (flowing water), but they don’t have the same form (Trinitarian formula) or intention in their baptism.

If your fiancée decides to become Catholic, she will need to attend Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults sessions, make her first Communion and reconciliation, and be confirmed, but she has already been validly baptized and will not need to be baptized again.

*Fr. Scott Katzenberger, CSSR
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Calendar

Monday
JANUARY 11
Weekday
Heb 1:1–6
Mk 1:14–20

Tuesday
JANUARY 12
Weekday
Heb 2:5–12
Mk 1:21–28

Wednesday
JANUARY 13
Weekday
Heb 2:14–18
Mk 1:29–39

Thursday
JANUARY 14
Weekday
Heb 3:7–14
Mk 1:40–45

Friday
JANUARY 15
Weekday
Heb 4:1–5, 11
Mk 2:1–12

Saturday
JANUARY 16
Weekday
Heb 4:12–16
Mk 2:13–17

Sunday
JANUARY 17
Second Sunday
in Ordinary Time
1 Sm 3:3b–10, 19
1 Cor 6:13c–15a,
17–20
Jn 1:35–42

Our Parish COMMUNITY

January 10, 2021
Baptism of the Lord (B)
Is 55:1–11
1 Jn 5:1–9
Mk 1:7–11

My Son, My Daughter

Who was not asked, at the dawn of young adulthood, “What do you want to be when you grow up?” Today there are so many options for girls and boys. How does one decide? Money and security are very tempting, as are fame and reputation. And then there is the other side of the story when, in the quiet of our thoughts, we wonder if we became everything we might have been. Did we choose the right path or the easy one? Did we rise to the occasion when life challenged us, or did we stay where it was comfortable? Did we really grow up, or did we just get older?

Today we cross the threshold of Christmastime and into Ordinary Time, when the readings focus on discipleship. What kind of disciple do we want to be? Regardless of the past, today we have a chance to start

anew. Today’s Gospel passage places Jesus before us as a model to follow. He is at the threshold of his ministry. Stepping out of the waters of the Jordan, he is told: “You are my beloved Son.” As Son, his role is to bring God’s goodness to the world. Through baptism and profession of faith, we too are filled with God’s spirit. We too are beloved sons and daughters of God, called to bring God’s goodness to the world. What does this mean for us? To what kind of lives does this call us? What do we want to be when we grow up?

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- * What can you do to make your part of the world a better place?
- * Look deep within yourself. To what might God be calling you?



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And a voice came from the heavens, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.” MARK 1:11



A WORD FROM Pope Francis

To baptize a child is an act of justice toward them. Why? Because at baptism we offer a treasure, at baptism we offer a pledge: the Holy Spirit. Baptism endows the child with the strength of the Holy Spirit: the Spirit that will defend and assist each of them throughout life.

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