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Please remember to pray for the sick and shut-in in our parishes...

St. Joseph The Worker Parish, Russell, MB

St. Theresa's Parish Rossburn, MB

Responsorial Psalm 98: "The Lord is coming to judge the peoples with equity."

St. Theresa's Parish News:

If anyone has any personal petitions, you can place them in the box at the back of the church. They will not be individually read but prayed for generally.

What a better way to prepare for Christmas as a Christian community to begin Advent with a Community Pot Luck Brunch, Dec. 2nd after 11:00 am Mass. If you can't bring anything, that's OK. There is always to much, so come and share with the rest of us!

St. Theresa's Finance Report 2019 Month of November

REVENUES:		EXPENSES:	
Nov 3 collection	\$1,610.00	Hydro	\$501.00
		Rosburn Municipality (levies)	\$62.53
Year To Date Revenues	\$67,310.87	Year To Date Expenses	\$64,207.91

For a donation envelope set contact Raymond Lysyshin at 204-859-2409 or 204-859-2134

You never appreciate what you have till it's gone.
 Toilet paper is a good example.

St. Joseph The Worker Parish News:

Note: There will not be children's liturgy December 1.

Our Parish Advent Potluck Party is only a few weeks away! Everyone is invited for this evening of fun on **Saturday, November 30th** starting with **Mass at 5:00 p.m. (no 7:30 p.m. Mass that Saturday)** followed by a potluck supper, games, a door prize (worth over \$100), and carols with Fr. Paul playing his guitar. Presentations will be made to our Deacon and our altar servers. Please remember to bring; a dish or two for the supper, food items for Russell & Area Food Connections (for each item you bring you receive a ticket towards the "Lucky Draw" auction) and money to buy tickets...only a loonie per ticket! All proceeds from the tickets go to the Orphanage in Peru. Please note, if you would like to make a personal donation to the Orphanage that evening, (make your cheque out to "Oeuvres Regis-Vernet") we will make sure it is sent to the Presentation of Mary Sisters for Sr. Hilda Simard's Orphanage in Peru. Tax receipts will be sent to you directly from them. Hope to see you there!

The CWL invite all ladies of our parish to our Christmas Party on Tuesday Dec 3 at Arbuckle's in Binscarth. Cocktails 5:30 until 6 and Supper at 6. We will have a gift exchange of a value of \$20 and your gift is to start with the letter **C** (exp: Candle, Chocolates, Cookies, Cards). Please let Margaret Mushumanski 204-773-2868 know if you are able to come by November 28. Hope to see you there.

CWL membership (\$20) for 2020 are due now. New members are very Welcome to come and join our group.

Coats for Cold: Pick up, Nov 7 and Nov 14 at Grace Lutheran Church From 4 to 7. If you know of anyone in need of a winter Jacket please let them know these dates.

Annual Community Christmas Supper (sponsored by the Russell & Dist. Ministerial) -

needs representatives from each congregation to help in planning and contacting congregations for food donations, and to line up volunteers to set up on Christmas eve and to cook and serve on Christmas Day. Those on the planning committee do not necessarily need to be there on Christmas Day. Contact Pastor Janet Kasteena, at 204-821 6379 or bethgrac@mymts.net ASAP so a meeting time can be set.

If no more volunteers offer, this Christmas supper may need to be cancelled.

Thank You to all parishioners for generously giving to World Mission Sunday, a total of \$982 will be sent from our parish to support the missions.

Would you like to provide a gift this Christmas for a child in our communities? Russell & Area Food Connections is asking for your help for a child's gift, limit of \$25 – with no batteries. It will be distributed in the annual Christmas food hampers in our area. Just take a "Gift Tag Angel" from the Stewardship Tree. When you bring your wrapped gift with attached Gift Tag Angel, place it in the hamper next to the Stewardship Tree at the front of the church. Deadline is Sunday, Dec. 8th. Please also remember those in need of socks, all sizes/colors, place under the tree also. Thank you!

Annual Community Carol Sing - Wednesday, December 11th, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. at the George P. Buleziuk Centre in Russell, donations to Russell & District Food Connections. Everyone is welcome to attend. Anyone interested in putting in a choir/relaxed informal singing groups are welcome from the community, please contact 204-773-2096, Chris Pilon, or you are welcome to join our parish choir for this occasion, practices are after Mass Sundays. We need lots of voices!

Mass Intentions For The Week:

Thirty-third Sunday In Ordinary Time – World Day of The Poor

- Saturday Nov. 16 7:30 p.m. Russell: +Friends of suffering souls in Purgatory req. Joe, Rose & family
- Sunday Nov. 17 9:00 a.m. Russell: For all parishioners req. Father Paul
11:00 a.m. Rossburn: +Nickolas Lysyshin & health for Adeline Baylak req. Lysyshin family
- Monday Nov. 18 **No Mass**
- Tuesday Nov. 19 6:30 p.m. Russell: Special intentions req. Simone
7:00 p.m. Russell Parish Council Meeting
- Wed. Nov. 20 9:00 a.m. Russell: Jean & Family req. Jean Goba
- Thursday Nov. 21 9:00 a.m. Russell: Mass
10:30 a.m. Rossburn: Exposition & Adoration of Blessed Sacrament
11:00 a.m. Rossburn: +Friends of suffering souls in Purgatory req. Joe, Rose & family
- Friday Nov. 22 8:30 a.m. Russell: Exposition & Adoration of Blessed Sacrament
9:00 a.m. Russell: +Father Paul req. Jean Goba

Sunday Missal (2019-2020) now available! \$4.00 each

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

- Saturday Nov. 23 7:30 p.m. Russell: +Felix & Joyce Mushumanski req. Julian and Sandra & Family
- Sunday Nov. 24 9:00 a.m. Russell: Liturgy of The Word Communion Service
11:00 a.m. Rossburn: : Liturgy of The Word Communion Service
(Father Paul serving Roblin 9:30 a.m. & San Clara 11:30 a.m. Sunday)

THANK YOU to all our parish children in St. Theresa's & St. Joseph's for the coins they put in the treasure chest each Sunday.

2019 Sharing God's Gifts deadline is fast approaching! Currently at St. Joseph The Worker parishioner participation rate is 48%. Last weekend Fr. Paul told us that he will donate to our parish's SGG if we reach 55% parishioner participation, plus.....he also indicated that the higher the participation the more he will contribute to our parish's SGG. Remember, by contributing to SGG you are helping our parish pay off our loan (new addition) as well as ongoing parish expenses. Questions? Speak to Fr. Paul or Gary Petz regarding this very important

World Day of The Poor

Today, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB), through the Commission for Justice and Peace, is releasing a statement entitled Poverty in Canada: Ensuring Safe, Secure and Affordable Housing in anticipation of the Third World Day of the Poor to be held on 17 November 2019. Poverty is a serious issue not only in developing countries, but also in Canada. It focus on the current housing crisis, and provides a short list of some key Catholic organizations engaged in the alleviation of poverty in our country

Sharing God's Gifts: 2019 as of Nov. 3
 Our Annual Archdiocesan Appeal & Assessment
 Please honour your pledged commitments before December 31st

Church	Goal	Received	% of Families
St. Joseph	\$ 21,690.00	\$ 27,585.00	48% / 100
St. Theresa	\$ 9,670.00	\$ 12,515.00	69% / 41

Thank you for your generosity and faithful support

Calendar

Monday

NOVEMBER 18

Weekday

1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43,
54-57, 62-63
Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday

NOVEMBER 19

Weekday

2 Mc 6:18-31
Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday

NOVEMBER 20

Weekday

2 Mc 7:1, 20-31
Lk 19:11-28

Thursday

NOVEMBER 21

Presentation of
the Blessed Virgin Mary

1 Mc 2:15-29
Lk 19:41-44

Friday

NOVEMBER 22

St. Cecilia,
Virgin and Martyr
1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59
Lk 19:45-48

Saturday

NOVEMBER 23

Weekday

1 Mc 6:1-13
Lk 20:27-40

Sunday

NOVEMBER 24

Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe
2 Sm 5:1-3
Col 1:12-20
Lk 23:35-43

Dear Padre,

I have a hard time accepting that my money for the Sunday collection may be used to compensate victims of clerical sexual abuse. Do I have to keep giving to my local parish, only to see my money pay for a sex scandal?

The money you give runs your parish and provides assistance to the poor, both locally and throughout your diocese. Scripture mentions the disciples offering money to meet the needs of the poor. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* states: "The faithful also have the duty of providing for the



Volunteers organize stock for a distribution hub that helps supply fresh produce and nutritious food to pantries and soup kitchens in underserved areas.

material needs of the Church, each according to his abilities" (CCC 2043). Similarly, canon law reminds us that we are "obliged to promote social justice...and to help the poor," both signs of Christian charity (Canon 222).

While you give for the needs of your parish, it appears that these lawsuits create a real concern for you. For the most part, awards for lawsuits are paid from two main sources: insurance and the sale of unused property, such as office space, bishops' homes, and seminaries.

While we are pained by the revelations of clerical abuse, we must also understand the victims' need for healing. Money won't end their pain, but it may help a survivor who needs psychological counseling or someone who has difficulty working due to trauma. This is a devastating time in their lives, but the Church will continue to offer hope and claim its responsibility.

—Fr. John K. Schmidt, CSSR
Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



A Word from Pope Francis

We hear these children and their cries of pain...the sufferings, the experiences, and the pain of minors who were abused sexually by priests. It is a sin that shames us. Persons responsible for the protection of those children destroyed their dignity. We regret this deeply and we beg forgiveness.

—Feast of the Holy Innocents, December 28, 2016

Our Parish COMMUNITY

November 17, 2019

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Mal 3:19-20a

2 Thes 3:7-12

Lk 21:5-19

Keeping the End in Mind

As we approach the end of the liturgical year, the readings prepare us for the conclusion of our earthly pilgrimage. In this Sistine Chapel fresco, Moses is punishing the rebellious Israelites who were acting as priests without being authorized by him or called by God.

This chaotic scene seems similar to what Jesus describes of the end times in today's Gospel. He warns us not to follow false prophets who will arise and claim to come in his name. He prophesies a time of war, natural disasters, famines, and plagues. Persecution will fall upon his followers, allowing them the chance to give testimony—*martyrion* in Greek. Jesus' monitions for that time are simple: do not follow false prophets or prepare a defense, but persevere instead. In the section "I Believe in Life Everlasting," the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* also speaks to us about the last times. We believe in heaven, hell, and a

personal, universal judgment. These last things await us all, and Jesus doesn't keep us in the dark about these realities.

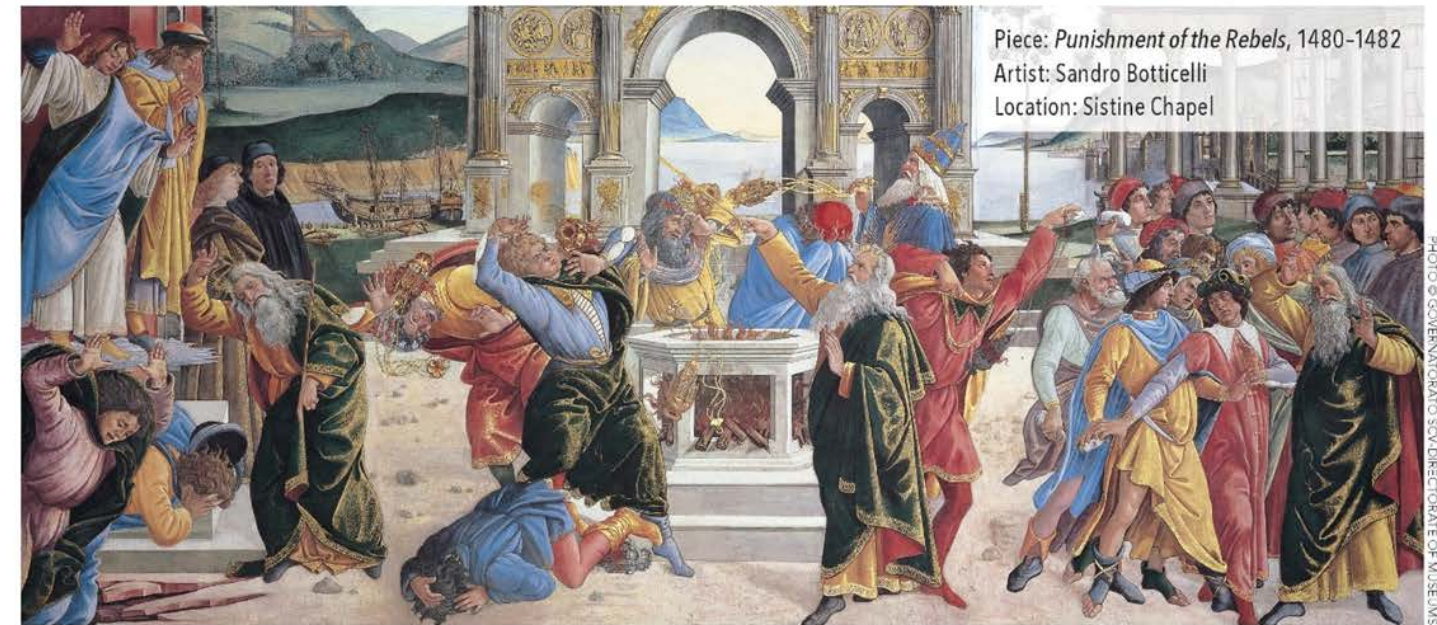
We don't know when the end times may come. But regardless, our call is to live prepared by fulfilling God's will and trusting in him. Jesus clearly wants us to be aware of the end of the world, but he doesn't want us to be overly anxious about it. If we are in Christ, we are already a new creation. The old has passed away. Behold the new has come. Be not afraid!

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

Do I live soberly, knowing that I am heading toward an end that is both certain and wrapped in God's mercy?

Is there anything I should adjust in my lifestyle to be better prepared for my definitive encounter with God?



Piece: Punishment of the Rebels, 1480-1482

Artist: Sandro Botticelli

Location: Sistine Chapel

[Jesus said,] "You will be hated by all because of my name, but...by your perseverance you will secure your lives."