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

Responsorial Psalm 51: Create in me a clean heart, O God.

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

Due to Covid-19, **both parishes are opening for Mass' at reduced levels.** People need to call to ensure there is still room. Also remember that Masks are mandatory.

*******Please know, Reconciliations are available before and after Mass, or call the parish office to arrange a time.*******

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.** ****Daylight savings Time**** We will send out the links for the **Zoom Holy week** one day ahead **Check Times.**

The Sunday Mass will be sent out by e-mail - just click on the Link and play at your convenience. **Email the church for the Link or will be on our website for the Mass - as Zoom** not required for this format as using youtube.

Stewardship Prayer

I offer this day to you dear God.
 Thank you for the blessings you have given me.
 May I use these gifts to build your kingdom.
 May my actions be a reflection of your love.
 May what I do today bring others closer to you.
 May my words be kind and gentle and may they bring joy to others.
 Today, help me to give back a portion of what you have given me.
 I ask this in Jesus' name.
 Amen.

Pope Francis Prayer Intention for March: *Sacrament of reconciliation:* Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.

Condolences to Joe Fleury and Rose Hachkowski family & friends. May they rest in peace in the arms of our Father in heaven.

St. Theresa's Parish News

- 1) Father is available for Confessions before and after each Mass.
- 2) Please remember to register for Holy Thursday or Good Friday Services. Divine Mercy Novena begins Good Friday.
- 3) Easter Baskets will be blessed after Saturday Mass on April 3rd and Easter Sunday Mass April 4th. Please keep the baskets in your cars and Father will bless them outside from the church doors, as weather permits. Blessed Water will also be available in individual bottles following both Masses.
- 4) Please continue to register for Masses or call if any changes to your scheduled time! Masks are mandatory. Thank you for your kind cooperation. Thank you so much! Lynda



Sharing God's Gifts Kick-Off weekend! Time to hand in or mail in your SGG pledge sheets!

Mass Intentions For The Week:

Passion/Palm Sunday – World Day of Youth

Saturday March 27 4:00 p.m. Rossburn For all Parishioners req. Father Paul
 7:30 p.m. Russell +Ted Yankoski req. Knights of Columbus
 Sunday March 28 ****No On-line Mass this week****
 9:00 a.m. Russell Mass For all Parishioners req. Father Paul
 11:00 a.m. Rossburn +Suffering Souls in Purgatory req. Rose & family

Monday March 29 No Mass
 Tuesday March 30 +Deceased Family req. Frank & Madeline Mangin
 Wed. March 31 Special intentions req. Albina Kozak

Holy Thursday Zoom at 8:00 p.m.

April 1 6:00 p.m. Rossburn
 8:00 p.m. Russell + Leonard Neumeier req. Lucy Senek

Good Friday * Day of Fast and Abstinence from meat* Zoom at 3:00 p.m. & on line shortly after mass by going to our website

April 2 1:00 p.m. Rossburn
 3:00 p.m. Russell

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil

April 3 4:00 p.m. Rossburn For all Parishioners req. Father Paul
 7:30 p.m. Russell +Shenderevich & Welenchenko family req. Mary Shenderevich

Easter Sunday Zoom at 9:00 a.m. & on line shortly after mass by going to our website

April 4 9:00 a.m. Russell For all Parishioners req. Father Paul
 11:00 a.m. Rossburn +Rose Hachkowski req. St. Theresa's Parish

Fr Paul will be away after Easter for a few days. In case of emergency call Deacon Darin at 204-532-2157 or Fr. Jay Korban from Rossburn at 204-773-6594 (cell). Please leave a message.

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.

Holy Week Schedule 2021

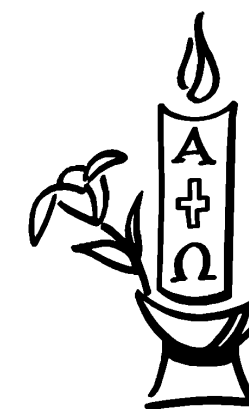
April 1st Holy Thursday	Russell 8:00 p.m.	Rossburn 6:00 p.m.
April 2nd Good Friday	Russell 3:00 p.m.	Rossburn 1:00 p.m.
April 3rd Easter Vigil	Russell 7:30 p.m.	Rossburn 4:00 p.m.
April 4th Easter Sunday	Russell 9:00 a.m.	Rossburn 11:00 a.m.

Make Easter Special - I wish to encourage parishioners to mark the celebration of the Vigil by placing a lighted or electric candle in their windows and or by ringing bells during their households Easter celebration. Fr Paul

Mass of Chrism

Archdiocese of Winnipeg - The live-stream of this year's Mass of Chrism will occur on **Monday, March 29, at 10:30 am.** Due to current pandemic restrictions, attendance at St. Mary's Cathedral will be limited to representatives of the clergy, religious communities, and parishioners. All may participate in the live-stream of Mass through the Archdiocesan YouTube channel, as well as the website.

The Good Friday Collection is for the Holy Land in support of the Christian communities, the work of the H. Land, the upkeep of the Holy Sites and the formation of future priests. Envelopes for your donation are in your regular parish donation box, let us give generously and show solidarity to respond to the needs of the Church in the land of Jesus.



Dear Padre,

I recently converted to Catholicism. Can you tell me more about the significance of the palm branches on Palm Sunday?

Welcome to our faith! And we are delighted to answer your questions. We can consider the meaning of the palm branches on two levels. On the first level, we commemorate a historical event—Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem.

In biblical times, people saw the palm as a kingly tree because of its height and majestic appearance. During festivals, the Jews carried palm branches in processions. Roman soldiers carried palm branches in their victory parades. In public games, the winners of contests and sports received palm branches as signs of victory. Thus, when people greeted Jesus with palm branches, they were greeting him in the spirit of joy and triumph usually reserved for victorious kings, armies, and athletes. It was the biblical equivalent of a ticker-tape parade!

That brings us to the second meaning for the palm branches. They do signify a joyful victory, but not in the worldly and military sense of the word. It is a victory that we can understand and celebrate only in the light of the other events of Holy Week and Easter Sunday.

The ultimate victory of Jesus was his Easter triumph over death and sin. But it was a victory won through suffering and dying. This is the victory we recall on Palm Sunday. Even though we must relive the sad events of Holy Thursday and Good Friday, we know the triumphant outcome of the story. Knowing that outcome enables us to make Palm Sunday the beginning of our victory celebration.

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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

This celebration seems to combine stories of joy and suffering, mistakes and successes, which are part of our daily lives as disciples. It somehow expresses the contradictory feelings that we too, the men and women of today, experience: the capacity for great love...but also the ability to "wash our hands" at the right moment.

PALM SUNDAY HOMILY, MARCH 25, 2018



Calendar

Monday
MARCH 29
Monday of Holy Week
Is 42:1-7
Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday
MARCH 30
Tuesday of Holy Week
Is 49:1-6
Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday
MARCH 31
Wednesday of Holy Week
Is 50:4-9a
Mt 26:14-25

Thursday
APRIL 1
Holy Thursday
Ex 12:1-8, 11-14
1 Cor 11:23-26
Jn 13:1-15

Friday
APRIL 2
Good Friday
Is 52:13-53:12
Heb 4:14-16, 5:7-9
Jn 18:1-19:42

Saturday
APRIL 3
Holy Saturday
Gn 1:1-2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a
Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18
Ex 14:15-15:1
Is 54:5-14
Is 55:1-11
Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4
Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28
Rom 6:3-11
Mk 16:1-7

Sunday
APRIL 4
Easter
Acts 10:34a, 37-43
Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8
Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7

Our Parish COMMUNITY

March 28, 2021
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord (B)
Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16
Is 50:4-7
Phil 2:6-11
Mk 14:1-15:47 or 15:1-39



Those preceding him as well as those following kept crying out: "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"
MARK 11:9

Empty Praise

How could anyone think that the joyous cry "Hosanna!" would be viewed as empty praise? Though the word has come down to us in the Greek Gospels, it probably has Hebrew roots as a form of the verb "to save" (see Psalm 118:25). Thus, it is more than an exuberant cry; it is a plea for salvation. How could this possibly be empty praise?

The answer to that question is found in human fickleness. So often we—not simply the people of Jerusalem, but we human beings—wholeheartedly offer someone our support, only to turn our backs on that person when the going gets tough. We know from experience how this works.

This is precisely what today's readings describe. The passage for the procession with palms describes an enthusiastic group of people showing Jesus great respect and crying out: "Hosanna!" Later, in the Gospel we hear, "Crucify him!" Were these the same people? Does it matter? Presumably these were people who were in Jerusalem to celebrate Passover, the feast of their deliverance from Egyptian bondage. Now they are caught in another oppressive political system—Roman occupation. Are these heartless people? Or are they like us: often afraid to take an unpopular stand lest we lose face or, even worse, suffer serious consequences? And so, Jesus stands alone before those who have planned to silence him. Might he have considered the earlier "Hosanna" empty praise? Probably not. Jesus does not hold our fickleness against us.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

For Reflection

- ★ How steadfast have you been in your support of others?
- ★ Thank Jesus for his willingness to forgive your fickleness.