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

**Responsorial Psalm 113:** Praise the Lord who lifts up the needy.

St. Joseph's Russell needs volunteers to read and usher on Sunday Morning Mass, please choose which Sunday and sign up on the Ministry Schedule – found on the table downstairs by the church entrance. Thank you!

**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.

**Zoom Along with Us** you can use it on your computers, tablets, i-pads & smart-phones We still have **Sunday zoom Mass is at 9:00 a.m. – We're now restarting zoom Sept 25<sup>th</sup> after summer holidays!**

**St. Joseph The Worker News:**

**First Communion- Glenda will be contacting those that registered last time. If anyone doesn't hear from her or is new to the parish and wishes to have their child receive the sacrament to contact Glenda at 204-821-5216 or email at [glenda\\_stasiuk@hotmail.com](mailto:glenda_stasiuk@hotmail.com). Start day will be Thursday Oct 6<sup>th</sup> 3:30-4:30 pm to receive books and answer questions.**

**CREATING SAFE ENVIRONMENT – UPDATE:** In May 2022 Archbishop Richard Gagnon requested all parishes renew their commitment to our Archdiocesan Safe Environment Program. This is important for the protection and well-being of vulnerable adults and children. We were asked to continue to ensure accurate Record Checks are kept (we have been actively doing this in our parish for the past 6 years), and that all priests, ministers, staff and volunteers complete an online training session by Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>. THANK YOU to Fr. Paul, Deacon Darin, parish office staff, parish council and parishioners who have now completed the training session, your co-operation was much appreciated.

**Catechist Fall Formation: Brandon - November 5, 2022**

Join us for this in-person formation for catechists, coordinators, RCIA teams, youth ministers, and you who journey with others. This is a time to prepare your heart and connect with others. A time for renewal and being equipped to go forth in the new pastoral year in front of us! The day will present moments of learning, group discussion, practical approaches and prayerful experiences. This event will take place at St. Augustine of Canterbury Church in Brandon, MB. Register here before October 3: <https://bit.ly/FallFormationWPG>

**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.

**Praying with Pope Francis, September:** *For the abolition of the death penalty:* We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

**Russell & Area Food Connection's Basket** is located at the church entrance for your food donations, please help those less fortunate in our communities.

**8-Week Spiritual Care Series - October 4, 2022**

Are you caring for an older person or are on your personal aging journey? If so, the Spiritual Care program beginning the week of October 4<sup>th</sup> 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 or are in Long-Term Care. There are 8 weekly 2 hour virtual sessions. For more information and to register, type in: [www.eventcreate.com/e/join-the-journey-fall2022](http://www.eventcreate.com/e/join-the-journey-fall2022).

**Stewardship Bulletin Bits Message**

September 18, 2022 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time “No servant can serve two masters. He will hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon (wealth).” Luke 16:13 Jesus knows that for many of us, God and money run “neck and neck” as top priority. Is money a “god” that you put before God? Giving money to support the Church and other charity is a pillar of our faith, just like attending Mass every Sunday and participating in parish ministry. Giving money frees us from becoming a slave to money. It increases our dependence on God and our trust that God will provide all that we need.

**Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Saturday Sept 17 7:30 p.m. Russell +Deceased Family req by Rita Fleury  
 Sunday Sept 18 9:00 a.m. Russell +Annette Schmitz req by Jim & Bev Roszell  
 11:00 a.m. Rossburn For all parishioners by Father Paul  
**12:00 noon Rossburn Cemetery Blessing and Blessing of the graves**

Monday Sept 19 Health of family & friends req. Jean Goba  
 Tuesday Sept 20 +Laura Klassen req. Ellen C.  
 Wed. Sept 21 Richard Bisson req. family  
 Thurs. Sept 22 10:30 a.m. Rossburn Adoration  
 11:00 a.m. Mass +Suffering Souls in Purgatory req. Rose & family  
 Friday Sept 23 8:30 a.m. Russell Adoration  
 9:00 a.m. Mass Special Intentions req. Carlene

**Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

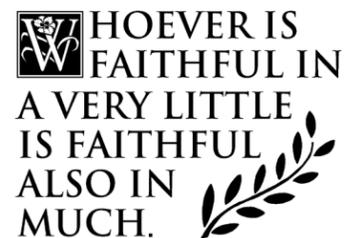
Saturday Sept 24 7:30 p.m. Russell +Duncan Spurway req. by Funeral Mass offering  
 Sunday Sept 25 9:00 a.m. Russell **Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m. & YouTube after 10:15 am**  
 Mass For all parishioners by Father Paul  
 11:00 a.m. Rossburn Mass +Suffering Souls in Purgatory req. Rose & family

**Daily Reflection**

In today's readings we hear about honesty and integrity and decency. In the first reading we are told not to cheat the poor, not to steal from those who can least afford it, not to take advantage of those who are already down on their luck. You'd think that would be obvious, but it wasn't then and it isn't now. Of course we shouldn't cheat or steal from anyone. Of course we shouldn't take advantage of the vulnerable, but people have and still do. It wasn't right then and it isn't right now.

The psalm tells us to pray for those in power that they might be good leaders to all their people and protect those who are vulnerable. The job of our leaders is to protect their people and assure they are safe and treated decently.

Unfortunately, not everyone acts decently and appropriately. Unfortunately, some people, even some leaders do take advantage of the vulnerable. And that behavior needs to be nipped in the bud. People who cannot be trusted in a small matter have not proven themselves trustworthy. If someone would steal a small thing they would surely steal something bigger. If they can't be trusted in a small matter, how could they be trusted for something bigger and more important. Someone who would take advantage of a vulnerable person for their own means could not be trusted to treat a 'more important' person appropriately. Because, who is more important? Our job is to treat all God's people decently and appropriately, and take proper care of all God's creation. [Creighton U. Daily Reflection](#)



# Dear Padre,

**A friend sent me a copy of *The Catholic Worker* newspaper. It was founded by one of his heroes, Dorothy Day. What can you tell me about her?**

**D**orothy Day was born in Brooklyn, New York, in 1897. She finished high school at age sixteen and joined the Socialist Party in 1914 as a college student. She converted to Catholicism in 1927.

During the Great Depression, Dorothy's commitment to the poor deepened. In 1932 she met Peter Maurin, with whom she founded the Catholic Worker Movement. In 1933 she created *The Catholic Worker* newspaper, through which



she proclaimed the rights of workers to dignity and to fair and honest treatment by industry and government, landlords, and neighbors. Her pro-labor and anti-war beliefs caused her to be labeled a Communist, but she was never a member of the Communist Party.

Dorothy's concern for social justice grew—among other things, she worked with Cesar Chavez and the United Farm Workers. She was orthodox, pious, and had a deep sense of Catholic morality.

She died in 1980. In 2000, St. John Paul II granted the Archdiocese of New York permission to open a cause for Dorothy

Day's sainthood. That cause was endorsed in 2012 by the US Conference of Catholic Bishops, who called her "a saint for our time." In December 2021, Servant of God Dorothy Day's cause advanced from the Archdiocese of New York to the Vatican's Congregation for the Causes of the Saints.

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## A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

*In these times when social concerns are so important, I cannot fail to mention the Servant of God Dorothy Day, who founded the Catholic Worker Movement. Her social activism, her passion for justice and for the cause of the oppressed, were inspired by the Gospel, her faith, and the example of the saints.*

ADDRESS TO JOINT SESSION OF US CONGRESS,  
 SEPTEMBER 24, 2015

## Calendar

**Monday**  
 SEPTEMBER 19  
 Weekday  
 Prv 3:27–34  
 Lk 8:16–18

**Tuesday**  
 SEPTEMBER 20  
 Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gön,  
 Priest, and Paul Chông  
 Ha-sang, and Companions,  
 Martyrs  
 Prv 21:1–6, 10–13  
 Lk 8:19–21

**Wednesday**  
 SEPTEMBER 21  
 St. Matthew,  
 Apostle and Evangelist  
 Eph 4:1–7, 11–13  
 Mt 9:9–13

**Thursday**  
 SEPTEMBER 22  
 Weekday  
 Eccl 1:2–11  
 Lk 9:7–9

**Friday**  
 SEPTEMBER 23  
 St. Pius of Pietrelcina,  
 Priest  
 Eccl 3:1–11  
 Lk 9:18–22

**Saturday**  
 SEPTEMBER 24  
 Weekday  
 Eccl 11:9–12:8  
 Lk 9:43b–45

**Sunday**  
 SEPTEMBER 25  
 Twenty-sixth Sunday  
 in Ordinary Time  
 Am 6:1a, 4–7  
 1 Tm 6:11–16  
 Lk 16:19–31

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# Our Parish COMMUNITY

**September 18, 2022**  
 Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)  
 Am 8:4–7  
 1 Tm 2:1–8  
 Lk 16:1–13 or 16:10–13

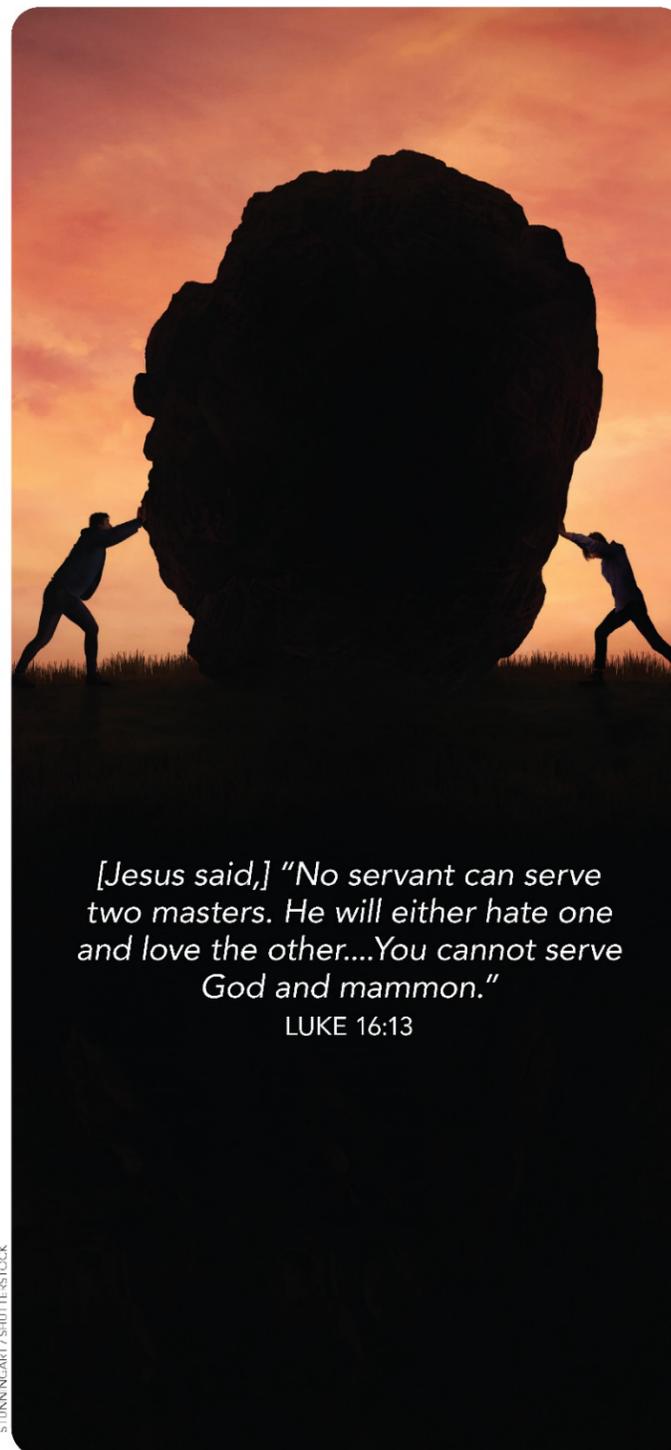
## God or Mammon?

**J**esus tells a story that might sound confusing to us because it reflects economic practices of his time, not ours. His original audience likely recognized the situation as one that was familiar to them. In the story, an employee fails to oversee and enhance the material holdings of his employer. However, when it came to getting what he could for himself from the employer's assets, he shows remarkable ability. One might say: Good for him! Even the employer thought the employee's actions showed resourcefulness.

Jesus does not applaud the specifics of the man's behavior, acceptable or not, as the case may have been. Rather, he notes that the man used whatever was available to him to ensure his own comfort in the future. Jesus then states that the ingenuity of such a man is more noteworthy than that of children of light. What a condemnation!

Jesus goes on to condemn mammon. Just what is that? It is too easy to say that mammon is money, though money is part of it. A good definition is "the greedy pursuit of gain." This could be any kind of gain over others when we make that gain the primary value in our lives. The story shows that the employee was amazingly industrious in his pursuit. In comparison, the children of light (you and me?) too often fail to demonstrate comparable industry in pursuing the true wealth of which Jesus spoke. Once again, a choice is placed before us: God or mammon?

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA



*[Jesus said,] "No servant can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other...You cannot serve God and mammon."*

LUKE 16:13

## FOR Reflection

- ★ *What is the driving pursuit in your life? Is it worthy of you?*
- ★ *How committed are you to religious pursuits?*