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

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

**St. Joseph The Worker News:**

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 March:** For the new martyrs: We pray that those who risk their lives for the gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

**Mass Intentions For This Week:**

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent**

Saturday Mar 16 7:30 p.m. Russell + Jutta & Erich Leven req. by Michelle & Curtis & family  
 Sunday Mar 17 9:00 a.m. Russell **Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m. & YouTube after 10:15 am**  
 For all parishioners by Father Paul

11:00 a.m. Rossburn + Anne Palmer req. by Kaskiw family

Monday Mar 18 Fr Paul req. by Jean Goba

Tuesday Mar 19 Fr Paul req. by Mike & Alice Shenderevich

Wed Mar 20 + Deceased family members req. by Jean Goba

**Lenten Confessions Rossburn – at Sacred Heart  
 4-5 p.m. then after 6:30 p.m.**

Thurs Mar 21 10:30 a.m. Rossburn Adoration  
 11:00 a.m. Gordon L. req. by Rose & family

**Lenten Confessions Russell – at St. Mary's,  
 4-5:30 p.m. then after 6:30 p.m.**

Friday Mar 22 8:30 a.m. Russell Adoration  
 9:00 a.m. Mass + Deceased family members req. by Madeline & family  
 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross at St. Joseph's Church

**Lenten Confessions St Lazare – at St Lazare Parish  
 3:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.**

**Passion (Palm) Sunday (Coffee Sunday)**

Saturday Mar 23 7:30 p.m. Russell Fr Paul req. by Irene Deschamps

Sunday Mar 24 9:00 a.m. Russell **Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m. & YouTube after 10:15 am**  
 For all parishioners by Father Paul

11:00 a.m. Rossburn + Norma Kaskiw req. by the Kaskiw family

**Station of the Cross** has been celebrated each Friday during Lent at 7:00 p.m. through Zoom. The next Stations of the Cross will be March 22nd. As this is the last Friday of Lent we will be celebrating at St. Joseph's parish. You are all welcome to attend!!

We are still looking for someone who would like to shovel snow for St. Joseph's the Worker Parish. This would be to clear sidewalks throughout the winter and is a paid position. Please call the office or Gary Petz for more information. Thank you.



**Coffee Sunday** is back Palm Sunday & Sharing God's Gifts Kick-Off Sunday March 24th after 9 am Mass and *everyone is invited!*  
*We hope to see you there!*



**Holy Thursday** March 28, 6:00 p.m. Russell – 8:00 p.m. Rossburn

**Good Friday** March 29, 1:00 p.m. Russell – 3:00 p.m. Rossburn

**Holy Saturday** March 30, 7:00 p.m. Russell

**Easter Sunday** March 31, 9:00 a.m. Russell – 11:00 a.m. Rossburn

# SEDER SUPPER

Wednesday March 27th 6:30pm  
 Advance Tickets only

Tickets must be purchased  
 by March 24  
 Adult \$15  
 Youth \$12  
 6 & Under Free

St. Joseph's Parish Centre  
 Langenburg



JOIN US FOR A MEANINGFULL SEDER  
 FULL MEAL TO FOLLOW

**Contact**

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**Crumbled and dirty \$20 bill:** A well-known speaker started off his seminar by holding up a crisp new \$20 bill. There were 200 people in the room. The speaker asked them, "How many of you would like to have this \$20 bill?" Hands went up all over the room. Then the speaker said, "I'm going to give this \$20 bill to one of you, but first let me do this." He proceeded to crumple the \$20 bill up... and then he held it up and said, "Who wants it now?" Hand went up everywhere. "Well," he replied, "What if I do this?" He dropped it on the ground and stepped on it and started to grind it into the floor with his shoe. He picked it up and held it up for all to see. It was crumpled and smudged and dirty, and he said, "Who wants it now?" Still hands went up all over the place. Then the speaker said, "My friends, you have just learned a very valuable lesson. No matter what I did to the money, you still wanted it because it did not decrease in value. No matter how smudged and rumpled it became, it was still worth \$20." Many times, in our lives, we get knocked around... dropped, crumpled, smudged, and ground into the dirt... by the decisions we make and the circumstances that come our way. And sometimes we feel as though we are worthless, and used up, and of no account. But no matter what has happened... or what will happen, you will never lose your value in God's eyes. Do you feel spiritually sick this morning? Do you have a fevered soul right now? The doctor is in the house! Jesus Christ is the Great Physician... and just as His love healed Simon's mother-in-law, even so, His love can heal you, help you, cure you, redeem you, save you. In gratitude, you will want to serve, to help others. You will want to pass that love on to everybody you meet. (<https://frtonyshomilies.com/>).

# Dear Padre,

## What is the difference between temptation and sin?

The temptations of Jesus, as they are recorded in the Gospels (Mark 1:12, Luke 4:1, and Matthew 4:1), give us the proper direction with regard to sin and temptation. Jesus was tempted three times, but he did not sin. More than that, Jesus put his trust in God during the temptations. Jesus' message is clear: if you feel tempted, call out to God!

The Church teaches that sin is a deliberative process. Temptation is something that happens to you without your consent: a thought or desire pops into your mind. For temptation to become a sin, you have to entertain that thought or desire, or plan to act on it, or do it. That's when temptation "turns a corner" and becomes sin.

Although the sacrament of penance is available throughout the year, the Church places a special emphasis on it during Lent. There may be a communal penance service in your area. Perhaps you can commit now to participating in the service. If it's been a while since you've been to confession or you're not sure what to do or say, just tell the priest. He will show you. ●



ANNA NASS / SHUTTERSTOCK

### The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
March 18 Lenten Weekday Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62 Jn 8:1-11	March 19 St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22 Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a	March 20 Lenten Weekday Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 Jn 8:31-42	March 21 Lenten Weekday Gn 17:3-9 Jn 8:51-59	March 22 Lenten Weekday Jer 20:10-13 Jn 10:31-42	March 23 Lenten Weekday Ez 37:21-28 Jn 11:45-56	March 24 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord 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
<b>Know Someone Overly Anxious About Sin?</b> Since 1964, the Redemptorists' <i>Scrupulous Anonymous</i> free monthly newsletter has ministered compassionately to those struggling with scrupulosity. To subscribe, visit <a href="http://ScrupulousAnonymous.org">ScrupulousAnonymous.org</a> .						



### A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

*We are called to take on the paschal law of losing life in order to receive it renewed and eternal. And what does losing life mean?... It means to think less about oneself, about personal interests and to know how to "see" and to meet the needs of our neighbors, especially the least of them.*

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# Our Parish COMMUNITY

March 17, 2024

Fifth Sunday of Lent (B)

Jeremiah 31:31-34 / Hebrews 5:7-9 / John 12:20-33



## Learning How to Die

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

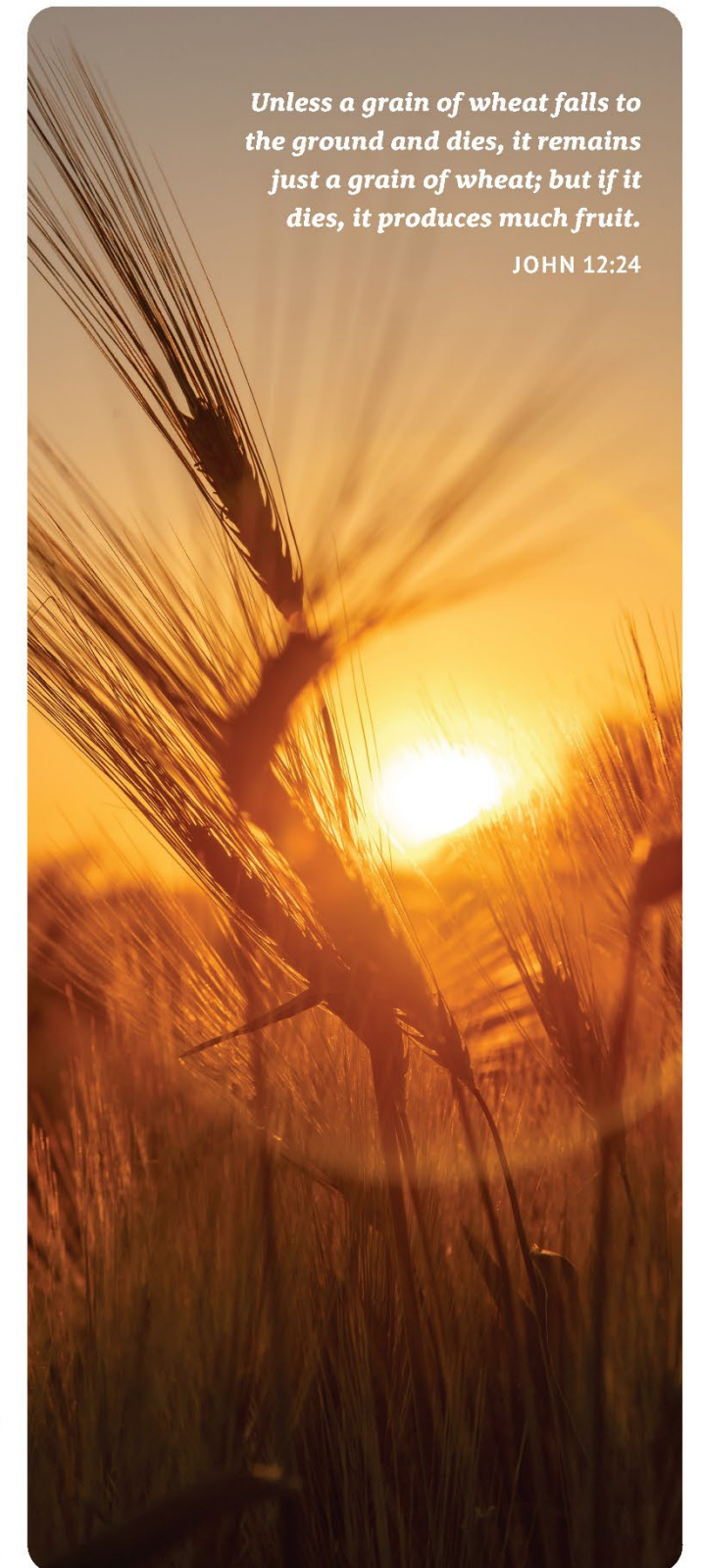
It has been pointed out that one of the tasks of life is to learn how to die well, that is, to go where we would rather not go, to love when we know it will cost, to offer ourselves even when we know we will be used. If we die a bit every day, sometimes with struggle and sacrifice in those situations that may call for such, then at our final moment we will be able to stand before that specter face to face and not run, simply because we have met before and have been able to walk away the victor.

Dying well does not mean we do so without fear. Courage blossoms when we stand in a field of fear. Even the Lord Jesus "offered prayers and supplications with loud cries and tears" to God, as the Letter to the Hebrews notes. Dying well does not mean we do so cleanly. Dying is often messy, and it is always an uprooting that disrupts and scatters everything nearby.

Nor does dying well mean we do so in control of the event. That is what is so devastating about death. It has complete and total control. At its best and at its worst the only way to die well is to say "yes" to it every time it demands our submission. And like the eye of stillness at the center of the hurricane, it is at the heart of death where we embrace resurrection and where the holy offers life. It is where we can have a deep encounter with the Lord Jesus. ●

### Reflect

**Can you accept the little deaths along the way as preparation for the final passing from this life?**



*Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit.*

JOHN 12:24