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St. Joseph The Worker Parish, Russell, MB

St. Theresa's Parish Rossburn, MB

May 17, 2020 - 6th Sunday of Easter -

"For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be

The old line says "if you want to make God laugh,

tell him your plans." Many of us are diligent in

our planning and making sure things are

progressing smoothly. Then disaster strikes, we

don't get the result that was intended or an unforeseen problem arises. Many times, we may

respond negatively and ask, "Why me? I did

everything right!" Here's the thing – adversity

humbles us and reminds us of our dependence on

God and not on our own self-reliance. Rest assured; God has a better plan in store for you.

God's will, than for doing evil." (1 Peter 3:17)

Stewardship Message

Responsorial Psalm 66: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth!

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

Russell And Area Food Connections

Food Distribution Days:

Thursday May 21st 1pm - 2pm Thursday June 4th 1pm - 2pm **Location: Grace Lutheran Church**

114 Bonny Ave. Russell (No appointment is needed)

If you have an immediate need for food, or you have questions.

please call David at 204-821-5442.

All calls are confidential.

NINE FIRST FRIDAYS DEVOTION

When Our Lord appeared to Saint Margaret Mary in 1673, He promised to grant the following favors to all those who practiced devotion to His Sacred Heart:

12 Promises of the Sacred Heart to St. Margaret Mary:

- 1) I will give them all the graces necessary for their state of life.
- 2) I will give peace in their families.
- 3) I will console them in all their troubles.
- 4) I will be their refuge in life and especially in death.
- 5) I will abundantly bless all their undertakings.
- 6) Sinners shall find in my Heart the source and Infinite Ocean of mercy.
- 7) Tepid souls shall become fervent.
- 8) Fervent souls shall rise speedily to great perfection.
- 9) I will bless those places wherein the image of my Sacred Heart shall be exposed and venerated.
- 10) I will give to priests the power to touch the most hardened hearts.
- 11) Persons who propagate this devotion shall have their names eternally written in my Heart.
- 12) In the excess of the mercy of my heart, I promise you that my all powerful love will grant to all those who will receive Communion on the First Fridays, for nine consecutive months, the grace of final repentance: they will not die in my displeasure, nor without receiving the sacraments; and my Heart will be their secure refuge in that last hour.

A veritable treasure chest of spiritual gems! And what does He ask of us in return?

How to complete the Nine First Fridays Devotion:

On the first Friday of nine consecutive months:

- 1. Receive Holy Communion on each of the First Fridays:
- 2. The nine first Fridays must be consecutive;
- 3. They must be made in honor of and in reparation to His Sacred Heart.

Zoom Along with Us

If you use the internet you can join St Joseph and 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 e-mail to St Joseph the Worker to get on the Access List.

Mass Intentions For The Week:

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Saturday	May 16	For all Mothers req. by Jean Goba
Sunday	May 17	For all Parishioners req. Father Paul & Special intentions req. by Carlene & Darin Douglas
Monday	May 18	+Deceased Family req. by Frank & Madeline Mangin
Tuesday	May 19	Special intentions req. by Jean Goba
Wed.	May 20	Special intentions req. by Albina Kozak
Thursday	May 21	+Suffering Souls in Purgatory req. by Joe, Rose & family

Special intentions req. by Jean Goba

Ascension of the Lord

Friday

May 22

Saturday May 23 Special intentions reg. by Albina Kozak Sunday May 24 For all Parishioners reg. Father Paul & +Suffering Souls in Purgatory reg. by Joe, Rose & family



Did you Know! The National Catholic Broadcasting Council offers Sunday and Daily TV Mass on the Web, visit the website at www.dailytymass.com or www.youtube.com/dailytymass to watch Mass each day.

Word on Fire will be offering daily Mass for the foreseeable future. Join Bishop Robert Barron, or Word on Fire CEO Fr. Steve Grunow, right here https://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass.

In these difficult times as public Masses are being cancelled across Canada and other countries, Salt + Light TV is available on most cable and satellite carriers across Canada. If you have any further questions about this, please check with your provider for more details. The Daily TV Mass is offered 4 times a day Monday to Saturday and twice a day on Sunday. Daily Papal Mass. Mass celebrated by Pope Francis from Casa Santa Marta airs daily at 9:30am ET. Also, you can stream this Mass daily on Salt + Light Media Facebook Live.

ZEN TEACHINGS

- *If you lend someone \$20 and never see that person again, it was probably well worth it.
- *If you tell the truth, you don't have to remember anything.
- *There are two excellent theories for arguing with women. Neither one works.
- *Generally speaking, you aren't learning much when your lips are moving.
- *If you think nobody cares whether you're alive or dead, try missing a couple of mortgage payments.
- *Always remember you're unique. Just like everyone else.
- *Before you criticize someone, you should walk a mile in their shoes. That way, when you criticize them, you're a mile away.
- *If at first you don't succeed, skydiving is not for you.

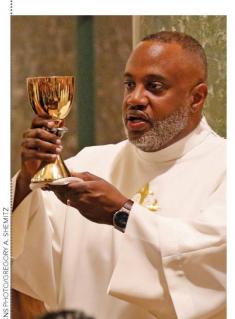
^{*}No one is listening until you fare.

Dear Padre,

After Mass a friend told me I belonged to "the priesthood of believers." I'm not a priest! What did she mean?

A t baptism, all of us became part of the laity. The word *laity* comes from the Greek word *laos*, which means "people." The laity are the people of God. As people of God, we all share in the priesthood of Christ. This is why the Church speaks of the "priesthood of all believers," because when we were baptized we were incorporated into Christ's priesthood. Each of us is called to exercise our common priesthood within the Church, strengthening and serving each other. The exercise of priesthood means, above all, to serve.

The Church speaks of Jesus as our High Priest, the one who offers himself as the sacrificial animal. Jesus is the priest and victim, offering himself as a sacrifice to God. The priesthood that Jesus exercises is one of self-giving. All those who are called to the priesthood of Christ are called to serve as he did, offering themselves in a spirit of service and love.



This "priesthood of all believers" shouldn't be confused with the sacrament of Holy Orders, which ordains to the office of bishop, priest, or deacon. These men are called by God and ordained by the Church to exercise the particular ministry of preaching the good news and administering the sacraments, especially the Eucharist. During Mass, the ordained priest represents Christ and also acts on behalf of all the people of God. His sacramental priesthood represents the common priesthood of the whole Church.

-Fr. Paul J. Coury, CSsR Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



A WORD FROM Pope Francis

There are so many people waiting for us to go out and meet them and look at them with the tenderness that we have experienced and received from our relationship with God. That is where our power lies: not in our ideals and in our personal projects, but rather in the strength of his mercy.

—ADDRESS TO THE ORDER OF AUGUSTINIAN RECOLLECTS, OCTOBER 20, 2016



Monday

MAY 18
Easter Weekday
Acts 16:11–15
Jn 15:26—16:4a

Tuesday

MAY 19 Easter Weekday Acts 16:22–34 Jn 16:5–11

Wednesday

MAY 20 Easter Weekday Acts 17:15, 22—18:1 Jn 16:12–15

Thursday

MAY 21 Easter Weekday Acts 18:1–8 Jn 16:16–20

Friday

MAY 22 Easter Weekday Acts 18:9–18 Jn 16:20–23

Saturday

MAY 23 Easter Weekday Acts 18:23–28 Jn 16:23b–28

Sunday

MAY 24 The Ascension of the Lord Acts 1:1–11 Eph 1:17–23 Mt 28:16–20



May 17, 2020

Sixth Sunday of Easter (A)
Acts 8:5–8, 14–17
1 Pt 3:15–18
Jn 14:15–21

What Is Your Hope?

We hope for good health, for fulfilling work, for settled lives for our children. As valuable as such hope might be, that is not what Peter is referring to in today's second reading. He is talking about religious hope. Not hope *that*, but hope *in*. Not hope that God will give us what we ask, that God will supply what we cannot accomplish, that God will reward our faithfulness. That is also valid hope, but it is still not religious hope.

Genuine religious hope is hope or trust in God. Period. Trust in God when we have no idea what the future might bring. Trust in God when all our best plans crumble before us. Trust in God when we face the terrors of illness and death. This is a trust or hope for which we do not provide God plans to follow so our needs get met as we think they should be. It is a hope that enables us to place ourselves into the hands of God. Period.

This kind of hope asks for nothing and expects everything. Why? Because we are convinced that God loves us with a passion we can't possibly imagine and, therefore, wants what is best for us. This might seem like an impossible hope, but the reading goes on to list reasons to hope. God's love is exemplified by Jesus Christ, who "suffered for sins...that he might lead you to God" (1 Peter 3:18). Who could ask for more?

-Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

-- FOR Reflection

- * Think of times when you were surprised by God's love.
- * Pray for the gift of genuine religious hope.

