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This year we will celebrate Grad Mass next Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Plan to attend to congratulate the graduates and to join us for coffee Sunday!



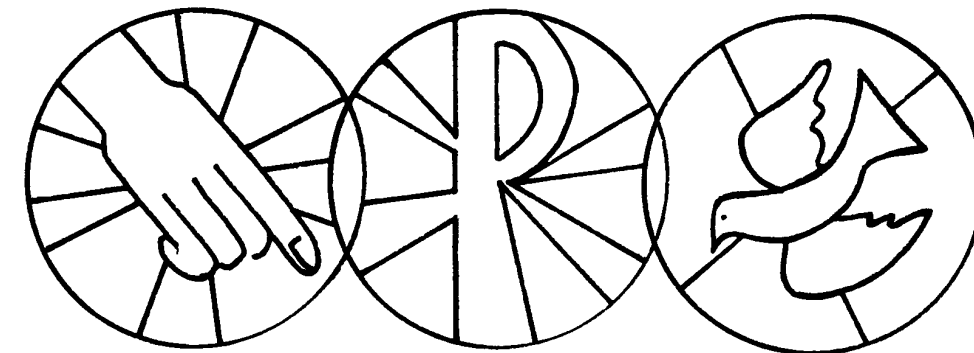
### Fathers Day Prayer...

St. Joseph, guardian of Jesus and chaste husband of Mary, you passed your life in loving fulfillment of duty. You supported the holy family of Nazareth with the work of your hands. Kindly protect those who trustingly come to you. You know their aspirations, their hardships, their hopes. They look to you because they know you will understand and protect them. You too knew trial, labor and weariness. But amid the worries of material life your soul was full of deep peace and sang out in true joy through intimacy with God's Son entrusted to you and with Mary, his tender Mother. Assure those you protect that they do not labor alone. Teach them to find Jesus near them and to watch over him faithfully as you have done.

Amen. Pope John XXIII

**“Bad things always come in threes.”** An old adage warns, “Bad things always come in threes.” Have you found this true in your own experience — that bad things like to happen in community, in bunches? **You say:** we invent this connection by suddenly realizing that we got a flat tire on the same day that a computer glitch devoured our hard drive, shortly after our last contact lens just slid down the drain. **I say:** there seems to be something significant about the power of three. — On this Sunday, “Trinity Sunday,” the Church celebrates the Triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, affirming the Truth that good things also come in threes. We recognize God as Creator (the Father), God as Redeemer (the Son), and God as Sanctifier (the Holy Spirit). Fr. Tony (<https://frtonyshomilies.com/>)

**Importance in Christian life:** 1) All prayers in the Church begin in the Name of the Holy Trinity and end glorifying the Trinity. 2) All Sacraments are administered (we are baptized, confirmed, anointed, our sins are forgiven, our marriages are blessed, and our Bishops, priests and deacons are ordained) in the name of the Holy Trinity. 3) When Church bells ring thrice daily, they remind us to give glory to the Holy Trinity for the Incarnation of Jesus and His Redemption of all of us. 4) We bless ourselves, and the priest blesses us, in the Name of the Holy Trinity.



**Life messages:** 1) Let us respect ourselves and others because everyone is the temple of the Holy Spirit where all Three Persons of the Holy Trinity abide.

2) Let us have the firm conviction that the Trinitarian God abides in us, that He is the Source of our hope, courage, and strength, and that He is our final destination.

3) Let us practice the Trinitarian relationship of love and unity in the family relationships of father, mother, and children because by Baptism we become children of God and members of God's Trinitarian family.

4) Let us practice the ***I-God-my neighbor*** vertical and horizontal Trinitarian relationships in this life by loving God and our neighbors.

**Wisdom from child's mouth:** A priest went into a second-grade classroom of the parish school and asked, “Who can tell me what the Blessed Trinity means?” A little girl lisped, “The Blethed Twinty meanth there are thwee perthonth in one God.” The priest, taken aback by the lisp, said, “Would you say that again? I don't understand what you said.” The little girl answered, “Y'not thuppothed to underthtand; t'th a myhtewy.” (Another version: At Confirmation, the Archbishop asked the children for a definition of the Holy Trinity. A girl answered very softly – “**The Holy Trinity is three persons in one God.**” The Archbishop, who was rather old and almost deaf, replied, “**I didn't understand what you said.**” And the young theologian standing in front of him replied: “**Well, Your Excellency, you are not supposed to. The Trinity is a mystery. Nobody understands it.**”)

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

**Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 8):** O Lord, our God, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Welcome

*We're glad you came to join with us in our Mass today.  
We hope that you have felt God's love in a new, refreshing way  
for you're so welcomed in this place. And we hope you'll come again,  
to join us in fellowship and to make some special friends.*

### 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 Leo June:** *That the world might grow in compassion:* Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

### Mass Intentions For This Week:

#### Most Holy Trinity

Saturday	Jun 14	7:30 p.m. Russell CWL - 70th anniversary req by the CWL
Sunday	Jun 15	9:00 a.m. Russell <b><u>Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m. and YouTube after 10:15 a.m.</u></b> For all parishioners req by Father Paul
		11:00 a.m. Rossburn + Suffering Souls in Purgatory req by Rose & family
Monday	Jun 16	Health of Family & friends req by Jean Goba
Tuesday	Jun 17	No Mass
Wed	Jun 18	7:00 p.m. Parish Council meeting
Thurs	Jun 19	10:30 a.m. Rossburn Adoration 11:00 a.m. Zach McLaughlin req by His family
Friday	Jun 20	8:30 a.m. Russell Adoration 9:00 a.m. Special Intentions req by Gary & Nicole Petz

#### Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Saturday	Jun 21	7:30 p.m. Russell Special Intentions req by Irene Deschamps
Sunday	Jun 22	9:00 a.m. Russell <b><u>Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m. and YouTube after 10:15 a.m.</u></b> For all parishioners req by Father Paul
		11:00 a.m. Rossburn + Suffering Souls in Purgatory req by Rose & family

### **Manitoba Passion Play - July 4-6, and 11-13, 2025**

Come one come all to see the Manitoba Passion Play to witness the life of Christ unfold before your eyes. Come solo, with family, with your youth group or fill a bus and head on down to our beautiful amphitheatre. We also offer concessions and a meditation trail. Our performances are July 4th - 6th at 7:30pm, gates open at 5:30pm and July 11th - 13th at 7:30pm, gates open at 5:30pm. For more information visit our website at [www.passionplay.ca](http://www.passionplay.ca).

**The outdoor theatre is located 1km east of La Riviere on Highway #3. Pamphlets are at the back of the church.**





Dear Padre,

What does the Church teach about respect for the body after death? Is burial the most respectful? It's certainly the most expensive. What about donating your body to science? Or cremation? If someone is cremated, can the ashes be kept respectfully by a family member, or do they have to be buried?

Your question serves as a summation of current practice and exposes the real-life dilemma and choices facing loved ones: "How can I be respectful and at the same time practical?"

Catholics believe that the body of the deceased must be respected and not simply disposed of without care or concern. Current practice allows for burial, cremation, and the donation of the body to science, and choices depend in large part on tradition, culture, and economic circumstances. If someone chooses to donate to medical science, it is with the understanding that the body will be cremated or properly buried. If cremation is the chosen option, proper burial of the cremains in a sacred place is required.

All of this assumes an uneventful passing of the deceased person. It does not account for war, disease, or disaster. When faced with ordinary, rather than extraordinary, circumstances, loved ones have a real opportunity to be grateful and thankful for the chance to mourn, grieve, and show respect for the person. Unfortunately, that is not always the case in today's world. ●



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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Celebrating the Most Holy Trinity is not so much a theological exercise, but a revolution in our way of life. God, in whom each Person lives for the other in a continual relationship...provokes us to live with others and for others. Open. Today, we can ask ourselves if our life reflects the God we believe in.

ANGELUS, ROME, JUNE 12, 2022

Monday

June 16  
Weekday  
2 Cor 6:1-10  
Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday

June 17  
Weekday  
2 Cor 8:1-9  
Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday

June 18  
Weekday  
2 Cor 9:6-11  
Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday

June 19  
Weekday  
2 Cor 11:1-11  
Mt 6:7-15

Friday

June 20  
Weekday  
2 Cor 11:18, 21-30  
Mt 6:19-23

Saturday

June 21  
St. Aloysius Gonzaga,  
Religious  
2 Cor 12:1-10  
Mt 6:24-34

Sunday

June 22  
The Most Holy Body  
and Blood of Christ  
(Corpus Christi)  
Gn 14:18-20  
1 Cor 11:23-26  
Lk 9:11b-17

Our Parish COMMUNITY

June 15, 2025  
The Most Holy Trinity (C)  
Proverbs 8:22-31 / Romans 5:1-5 / John 16:12-15



Wisdom à la Water Balloons

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Calvin and Hobbes comic strip finds Calvin filling water balloons. Immediately, we know there's trouble ahead. Calvin's plan is to drench Susie Derkins unless, as he says, the universe can give him some sign that there is a moral law against it. Calvin gives the universe thirty seconds. When there is no sign, Calvin concludes he is allowed to soak Susie. He finds her and pummels her with water balloons. Susie takes off after Calvin as he runs, screaming, "Help! Help!" The final frame shows Calvin, dazed and beaten, wondering why the universe always gives the sign after you do something.

It does seem that we learn more about the ways of life from our mistakes and upheavals than we do from the times when life unfolds smoothly. It is how we come to wisdom—the wisdom that is the very aura of God present in our lives. In fact, John's Gospel

points out that God is always the one who brings us to that wisdom; a God woven into the very ups and downs of what we are about. "When he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth" (John 16:13). It is St. Paul who notices how the troubles of life are always the source of new wisdom. He writes of how our afflictions lead us to endurance, and how endurance brings about character, and how it is our character (our inner values) that brings us to hope and trust in God's wisdom rather than in our own. In so many ways, it is the power and presence of the Holy Trinity making us new. ●

Reflect

Think of a time when life was difficult.  
What blessings or important lessons  
did you receive as a result?



[Jesus said to his disciples,]  
"Everything that the Father  
has is mine; for this reason I  
told you that [the Holy Spirit]  
will take from what is mine  
and declare it to you."

JOHN 16:15