



Served By: Fr. Paul Bisson
Box 776, Russell, MB R0J 1W0
Phone Office: 204-773-2924
Deacon Darin Douglas: 204-532-2157
Email: stjoewkr@gmail.com
Website: www.stjosephrussell.com
Archdiocese of Winnipeg www.archwinnipeg.ca



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

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 15): O Lord, who may abide in your tent?

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.

****For the summer months there will be no Zoom or YouTube Mass's recorded to allow our Tech team a time to travel and have more family time**.**

Praying with Pope Leo: July: *For formation in discernment:* Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

Mass Intentions For This Week:

16th Sunday In Ordinary Time

Saturday	July 19	7:30 p.m. Russell	Fr Paul req by Florence & Walter
Sunday	July 20	9:00 a.m. Russell	Fr Paul req by Lori Gallant & family
		11:00 a.m. Rossburn	For all parishioners req by Father Paul
Monday	July 21	Health of Family & friends req by Jean Goba	
Tuesday	July 22	No Mass	
Wed	July 23	No Mass	
Thurs	July 24	10:30 a.m. Rossburn Adoration	
		11:00 a.m. + Eugene Lepischak req by Joyce Lepischak & family	
Friday	July 25	8:30 a.m. Russell Adoration	
		9:00 a.m. Fr Paul req by Doug & Donalda Wishart & family	



17th Sunday In Ordinary Time

Saturday	July 26	7:30 p.m. Russell	Brad & Brenda's 50th wedding anniversary req by Brad & Brenda Robin
Sunday	July 27	9:00 a.m. Russell	For all parishioners req by Father Paul
		11:00 a.m. Rossburn	+ Suffering Souls in Purgatory req by Rose & family

Parkland Ukrainian Pioneer Association will be having its **Memorial Service at the Mass Grave on Sunday, July 27 at 3:30 p.m.** Supper will be served after the service in Olha hall.

Kaposvar Pilgrimage will be held August 17th at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine – 3 miles South and ½ mile West of Esterhazy on Grid 637. Please see poster at the back of the church.

Oakburn Farm Church Mass will be on Sunday, August 17th, 2025 at 11:00 a.m.



As you are all aware, St. Joseph's will be celebrating their 100th anniversary this year. On September 14th, 2025 we will be celebrating with a Parish BBQ. Mass time that Sunday will be 11:00 a.m. More details to follow. Please mark your calendars so we call all celebrate this very special occasion together!!

On June 29th at Sunday morning mass, a gentleman by the name of Thomas brought some peace rosaries to our church for those who wished to take one. He has sent more in the mail for those who wrote their name down of the list but if anyone else is interested in receiving one, please let the office know and we will contact Thomas to get more peace rosaries. Thank you.



World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

Pope Francis instituted the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly on January 31, 2021 to highlight the importance of providing adequate pastoral and spiritual attention to the elderly and to call upon communities to manifest the closeness of the Church to them (especially in the time of pandemic). It is to be celebrated annually on the fourth Sunday of July, close to the memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus.

Food for Thought

The central themes of today's readings are the importance of hospitality in Christian life and the necessity of listening to God before acting. The key to the Christian life is setting priorities: Jesus Christ first, then everything else. The only way really to learn that lesson is to spend some time every day, "sitting at the feet of Jesus."

Life Messages: 1) We need to recharge our spiritual batteries: We should put aside the work we do for the Lord in serving others and just spend some time being with Him, talking to Him and listening to Him, fully aware of His holy presence in our souls. We may also recharge our spiritual energy by means of our personal and family prayers, our meditative reading of the Bible and our participation in the celebration of the Holy Mass. 2) We need

Pilgrimage of Hope
Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto
Ste Rose du Lima Catholic Church
Ste Rose du Lac, Manitoba
AUGUST
SUNDAY 24 2025
Adoration and Confession at Noon
Procession from Church at 1:30pm with Our Lady
Praying the Glorious Mysteries Rosary
Eucharistic Celebration
Food and Fellowship to follow
PLEASE BRING A LAWN CHAIR
CONTACT CINDI 204 647 0999 OR SUZIE AT OFFICE 204 447 2484
STEROSEOURLADYOFLOURDES@GMAIL.COM

listening Marthas and serving Marys: Martha has become a symbol of action-oriented, responsible people who get the job done. Our world and our parish churches need such dynamic and generous men, women, boys and girls. We need them to sing in the choir, to help in the Church, to teach in the Sunday school, to visit the sick and the shut-ins and to serve in all other ministries of the parish community. 3) We need to be good listeners, like Mary, at home and in the workplace. Active and busy as we are, we must find time every day to listen to God, to our spouse, kids, and neighbors. Listening and quiet caring are essential for the success of married life, of family life and of the rearing of children with love, affection, and a gentle, firm discipline. Human love begins at home, and it begins with listening.

Welcome to a man with his hat on: A man attending a crowded Church service refused to take off his hat when asked to do so by the ushers. Others also asked him to remove his hat, but he remained obstinate. The preacher was perturbed, too, and waited for the man after the service. He told the man that the Church was quite happy to have him as a guest, and invited him to join the Church, but he explained the traditional decorum regarding men's hats and said, *"I hope you will conform to that practice in the future."* *"Thank you,"* said the man. *"And thank you for taking time to talk to me. It is good of you to invite me to join the congregation. In fact, I joined it three years ago and have been coming regularly ever since, but today is the first time that anyone paid attention to me. After being an unknown for three years, today, by simply keeping on my hat on, I have had the pleasure of talking with the ushers, several of the congregants and you. Thanks!"* — Our Scripture for this Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time is about welcoming – about hospitality. It is about noticing the other and being attentive to the other. *"Hospitality is the way we come out of ourselves. It is the first step toward dismantling the barriers of the world. Hospitality is the way we turn a prejudiced world around, one heart at a time."* (Benedictine Sister Joan Chittister). — In our first reading, Abraham and Sarah go out of their way to entertain three strangers, and they receive God's blessing. In the Gospel, Martha and Mary receive Jesus in their home at Bethany, each in her own characteristic way.

Dear Padre,

“Lead us not into temptation...” God does not lead us into temptation, so what is this saying?

You are of the same mind as the pope! In 2019, Pope Francis approved changing the Lord’s Prayer, that is, changing the phrase “lead us not into temptation” to “do not let us fall into temptation.” Pope Francis said that the original appeared to suggest that God caused the temptation. However, most Scripture scholars agree that “lead us not into temptation” is the best translation from the Greek. It’s a subjunctive verb. It’s used in the second person, addressed directly to God. And it really does say “do not lead us into temptation.”

What did the pope hope to accomplish? Those who are most familiar with the pope say that what he was trying to clarify was not anchored in the intricacies of translation but rather anchored in pastoral life. He wanted to focus the attention of God’s people on their action, “falling into temptation,” and not on a misunderstanding of what Jesus was teaching. It was a point of focus and clarification to help us in our spiritual journey and our understanding of our relationship with God. Understood in this sense, the new translation would accomplish this pastoral purpose. ●

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSSR / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about Dear Padre.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
July 21	July 22	July 23	July 24	July 25	July 26	July 27
Weekday	St. Mary	Weekday	Weekday	St. James, Apostle	Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ex 14:5–18	Mg Magdalene	Ex 16:1–5, 9–15	Ex 19:1–2, 9–11, 16–20b	2 Cor 4:7–15	Ex 24:3–8	Gn 18:20–32
Mt 12:38–42	Sg 3:1–4b or 2 Cor 5:14–17	Mt 13:1–9	Mt 13:10–17	Mt 20:20–28	Mt 13:24–30	Col 2:12–14
	Jn 20:1–2, 11–18					Lk 11:1–13



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

When I start my day, do I throw myself headlong into the things to be done, or do I first seek inspiration in the Word of God? At times, we begin the day automatically, we start doing things...like hens. No. We must start the day by first of all looking to the Lord, taking his Word... allowing this to be the inspiration for the day.

ANGELUS, ROME, JULY 17, 2022



The Temptation of Christ by Otto Münch, relief on the door of Grossmünster Church in Zurich, Switzerland.

Our Parish COMMUNITY

July 20, 2025
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)
Genesis 18:1–10a / Colossians 1:24–28 / Luke 10:38–42



The Lord said to her...
“Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, and it will not be taken from her.”

LUKE 10:41–42

Keeping Your Balance

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

These days, when people come to confession, they seldom list their sins by name and number. Quite often, it seems, they simply talk about their lives, about the chaos in which they seem to be living, about the relationships that are less than what they would hope, about the values they’ve let slide sometimes into the muck, about how they’ve turned in upon themselves, and about how caring for others has faded from their lives. After they’ve told their stories, I will usually ask if they take any time in the day to be quiet and if they pray in whatever way they find helpful and with some regularity. Invariably, they will say that they’ve let such prayer time slip away; that they have not been praying the way they once did. In such cases, I often suggest that as penance, they take some time—even just a

little time—in the next day or two to simply quiet themselves in the presence of God.

Life will always tend to be chaotic. These days, there is too much going on for life not to be. But, quiet and reflective prayer seems to bring a balance, a refocusing upon what is important and what is trivial. Without that, we can become overwhelmed and lose our way. It is what the Martha/Mary story is about. It’s not that our own Martha-service is not worthwhile. It’s crucially important in order to make life hum along in an orderly fashion. But without Mary’s reflective part, our lives can become muddled drudgery. ●

Reflect

How would prayer help me keep myself grounded and centered?

© 2025 Liguori Publications. Imprimatur: “In accordance with CIC 827, permission to publish was granted on December 16, 2024, by the Most Reverend Mark S. Rivituso, Auxiliary Bishop, Archdiocese of St. Louis. Permission to publish is an indication that nothing contrary to Church teaching is contained in this work. It does not imply any endorsement of the opinions expressed in the publication; nor is any liability assumed by this permission.” No part of this work may be used in any form without the prior written permission of Liguori Publications. Scripture texts in this work are taken from The New American Bible, Revised Edition © 2010, 1991, 1986, 1970 Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, Inc., Washington, DC. All Rights Reserved. Printed in USA. Visit Liguori.org or call 800-325-9521.