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

Responsorial Psalm 118: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

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

***Zoom Along with Us* you can use it on your computers, tablets, i-pads & smart-phones**

We still have **Thursday, zoom adoration at 10:30 a.m.** followed by **Mass at 11:00 a.m. **Daylight savings Time****

Prayer for the Year of St. Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

*******REMINDER: Please do not use parish donation envelopes from previous years as your 2021 envelope number may have changed! Thank you.** *****

Pope Francis Prayer Intention for April: *Fundamental rights:* We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under democracies, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crises.

Staying Spiritually Resilient during this pandemic

Morning and Evening...

Morning and evening, dawn and dusk are the bookends of our day, two "mystical times", in which we are close to God. Upon waking, we turn thoughts to God. A good time for doing a formal prayer, such as:

Morning Offering

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Through the Immaculate Heart of Mary,

I offer to you my prayers,

works, joys, and sufferings of

this day.

In union with the holy

sacrifice of the Mass, offered

throughout the world,

In reparation for my sins,

For the intentions of your

most Sacred Heart,

And for the Holy Father's intentions for this month. Amen.

* Fr. John O'Brien, S.J. 2021

*** **More Information To Be Continued in upcoming bulletins**

Morning Offering prayer of Charles de Foucauld

Father,
I abandon myself into your hands;
do with me what you will.
Whatever you may do, I thank you:
I am ready for all, I accept all.
Let only your will be done in me,
and in all your creatures.
I wish no more than this, O Lord.
Into your hands I commend my soul;
I offer it to you
with all the love of my heart,
for I love you, Lord,
and so need to give myself,
to surrender myself into your hands,
without reserve,
and with boundless confidence,
for you are my Father. Amen

Mass Intentions For The Week:

Fourth Sunday of Easter – World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Saturday April 24 4:00 p.m. Rossburn +Budz Family req. Nellie Kaskiw

7:30 p.m. Russell For All Parishioners req. Father Paul

Sunday April 25 9:00 a.m. Russell For All Parishioners req. Father Paul

11:00 a.m. Rossburn +Adeline Sobie req. Bernadine Brown

Monday April 26 For health of family req. Jean Goba

Tuesday April 27 Amanda Fontaine req. Carlene & Darin Douglas

Wed. April 28 Special Intentions req. Simone

Thursday April 29 **Zoom on-line Adoration 10:30 a.m. & Mass 11:00 a.m.**

+Joe Zegalski req. Gord, Melanie, Bill, Mary-Lou & Eugene Lyshyshyn

Friday April 30 8:30 a.m. Russell adoration

9:00 a.m. Mass +Leonard Neumeier req. Lucy Senek

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Saturday May 1 4:00 p.m. Rossburn +Phyllis Keller req. Frank & Family

7:30 p.m. Russell For All Parishioners req. Father Paul

Sunday May 2 9:00 a.m. Russell Mitchel, Leah & Jane req. Carlene Douglas

11:00 a.m. Rossburn For All Parishioners req. Father Paul

The 99 - by Our Archdiocesan Synod Office

Whether you serve as a religious educator, in liturgical or social ministry, as a parish council member, or are simply just curious, The 99 is for you. It will draw you into the heart and focus of our Christian faith through presentations from leading experts in ministry, and it is interactive and transformative. The next series of classes will begin on Tuesday, April 27th, at 7:00 p.m., (or as soon as there is sufficient enrollment) via Zoom with a 3-week segment called 'The Experience,' followed by a 6-week 'Masterclass' that teaches participants how to accompany others on their faith journey. Please share with those you think might be interested. Contact Linda Chiupka at lchiupka@archwinnipeg.... to learn more and to register.

Roe v. Wade Movie

In the Community - **We at Life's Vision** are thrilled to present the new movie, *Roe v. Wade*, for streaming right in the comfort of your own home! *Roe v. Wade* shares the true story of how the modern-day abortion movement began and how one of its founders, Dr. Bernard Nathanson, became pro-life. It is a must-see! Due to COVID-19 restrictions, this incredible movie was not able to have a theatrical release. Thanks to technology, this film can be shown in living rooms across North America until April 26! To stream, please click the following link: <https://www.watchroevwade.com/lifvision> .

National Week for Life and the Family

Virtual Tridicocesan Catholic Family Conference- May 6-8, 2021

This year for the National week for Life and the Family, we are excited to offer a free, inspiring, three-part Catholic family conference for families: parents, grandparents, children and youth while exploring the theme: "Family, the Domestic Church: a sign of Hope and Life. Walking in the Wilderness, Living in the Light".

May 6 will be an online program for children/teens featuring a faith-filled comedy, perfect for kids, teens, and families. Bring your popcorn! May 6, will also feature a session for young adults (ages 16+), sharing personal inspiring stories of living in Christ's light while tackling modern-day challenges as well as an opportunity for Eucharistic Adoration. May 7, for adults, features moving guest speaker and author, Robert Rogers who shares his tragic life-changing story, how God moved to bring light in his darkest moments. Come listen, learn, discuss, and be inspired! May 8, join us together with your family, and Archbishops LeGatt, Gagnon and Huculak as we pray, sing, dance, explore and share ways we can be light to each other through family worship, activities & sharing as well as a concelebrated Mass!

View poster: bit.ly/poster-nwlf-2021. For more info and to register online by Saturday, May 1, visit: lifeandthefamily.com/events/conference or contact: Nadine Fetherston mfl2@archsaintboniface.ca or (204) 594-0295. Free-will donations welcomed (select National week for life & the family): bit.ly/donations-nwlf .

Vocation Prayer for Discernment

God, I know You love me and have great plans for me. But sometimes I am overwhelmed by the thought of my future. Show me how to walk forward one day at a time. May I take heart while I search openly, learn about all the choices, listen to others for advice, and pay attention to my own feelings. By doing these things, may I hear your call to a lifestyle and a career that will let me love as only I can, and let me serve others with the special gifts that You have given me. Amen.

Dear Padre,

Am I sinning when I work or shop on Sunday?

Biblical tradition states that the Sabbath is the day that God rested from the labors of creation. Sunday is also the day we commemorate Christ's resurrection from the dead and the inauguration of the new creation.

We rightly refer to Sunday, then, as the Lord's day. This being so, it's important that we do everything possible to keep the Lord's day holy and ensure that we reserve adequate time on Sunday for worship, rest, and recreation.

Today, many activities, social services, and family needs require some people to work on Sundays. In fact, many people have only the weekends to do the errands and activities that sustain their families.

Our participation in such activities and services is not a sin, nor does it mean that those who do need to work cannot find an appropriate way to sanctify the Lord's day and allow time for the worship, rest, and renewal that are proper to the day.

Even so, we must guard against treating the Lord's day as just another workday, or a continuation of our Saturday shopping spree. Remember that the primary focus on Sunday should be participating in the Mass and growing our relationship with the Lord.

For more information on this topic, see paragraphs 2184 through 2195 of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*.

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A WORD FROM Pope Francis

True rest is not simple, because there is false rest and true rest....Man has never rested as much as today, yet man has never experienced as much emptiness as today! Opportunities to amuse oneself, to go out, cruises, travels; but many things do not give you fullness of heart. Indeed, they do not give you rest.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, SEPTEMBER 5, 2018

Calendar

Monday
APRIL 26
Easter Weekday
Acts 11:1–18
Jn 10:1–10

Tuesday
APRIL 27
Easter Weekday
Acts 11:19–26
Jn 10:22–30

Wednesday
APRIL 28
Easter Weekday
Acts 12:24–13:5a
Jn 12:44–50

Thursday
APRIL 29
St. Catherine of Siena,
Virgin and Doctor
of the Church
Acts 13:13–25
Jn 13:16–20

Friday
APRIL 30
Easter Weekday
Acts 13:26–33
Jn 14:1–6

Saturday
MAY 1
Easter Weekday
Acts 13:44–52
Jn 14:7–14

Sunday
MAY 2
Fifth Sunday of Easter
Acts 9:26–31
1 Jn 3:18–24
Jn 15:1–8



Our Parish COMMUNITY

April 25, 2021

Fourth Sunday of Easter (B)

Acts 4:8–12

1 Jn 3:1–2

Jn 10:11–18

*I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead...
and there will be one flock, one shepherd.*

JOHN 10:16



The Good Shepherd

For many of us, our only connection with sheep is with the cuddly white creatures found on holy cards. However, that image strays from the facts. Sheep are not household animals. They live outdoors; they lie down in grass, dirt, and mud. Furthermore, unlike many other animals, sheep cannot clean themselves. I'm not denigrating sheep, just putting aside any fanciful view of their nature.

Raising sheep was an important occupation in the ancient world. In fact, the royalty's governance of people was often described as shepherding. David was told: "You shall shepherd my people Israel" (2 Samuel 5:2). Later, when the royalty were not faithful to this charge, God declared: "I myself will pasture my sheep" (Ezekiel 34:15). This startling characterization of God became a characterization of Jesus.

Grime and animal smells, the blood of births and

deaths, inclement weather, and the threat of predators mark the life of a committed shepherd. Human comfort was secondary to the needs of the sheep. Sheep actually learn to recognize the voice of the one who feeds them, cares for them, protects them. The shepherd's voice seems to say: I am here for you, because you are mine. As "the good shepherd," Jesus is totally committed to us, his sheep. He attends to our needs, willing to risk his own security in order to save us. His care for us seems to say: I am here for you, because you are mine.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

For Reflection

- ★ Is Christ really your shepherd? Do you listen to his voice?
- ★ Do you rely on Christ's protection, even when you don't seem to feel it?