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

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



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.

## \*\*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\*\*.

<u>Praying with Pope Leo: July:</u> 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:**

#### 14th Sunday In Ordinary Time

Saturday July 5 11:00 a.m. Rossburn Immaculate Heart Of Mary

7:30 p.m. Russell For Fr Paul req by Irene Deschamps

Sunday July 6 9:00 a.m. Russell - For all parishioners req by Father Paul

11:00 a.m. Rossburn + For aborted & miscarried children req by Lynda & family

Monday July 7 10:30 Funeral Mass in Rossburn

Tuesday July 8 + Emilienne Mangin req by George Mangin & family

Wed July 9 No Mass

Thurs July 10 No Mass

Friday July 11 8:30 a.m. Russell Adoration

9:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Deacon Darin

10:15 a.m. Rossburn Care Home Lay service with Lynda Rhyshytylo

#### 15th Sunday In Ordinary Time

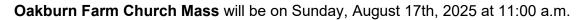
Saturday July 12 7:30 p.m. Russell Fr Paul req by Florence & Walter.

Sunday July 13 9:00 a.m. Russell + Emilienne Mangin req by George Mangin & family

11:00 a.m. Rossburn For all parishioners req by Father Paul

#### 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 <a href="https://www.passionplay.ca">www.passionplay.ca</a>. The outdoor theatre is located 1km east of La Riviere on Highway #3. Pamphlets are at the back of the church.



**Kaposvar Pilgrimage** will be held August 17<sup>th</sup> 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.

As you are all aware, St. Joseph's will be celebrating their 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year. On September 14<sup>th</sup>, 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!!

\*\*St Lazare Parish in St. Lazare will be hosting a youth camp for ages 10 to 18. The date for this camp is July 14<sup>th</sup> to July 18<sup>th</sup>. Watch for more information in our next bulletin.\*\*



#### **Food for Thought**

Today's Scriptures are about announcing the Good News. They remind us that announcing the Good News of the Kingdom by words, deeds, and life is not the task of only a few. Rather, it is a task for all baptized Christians.

Scripture lessons summarized: In the first reading, Isaiah announces the good news to the returned Babylonian exiles that the ruined and desolate Jerusalem will take care of them "as a mother comforts her baby son." Isiah assures the returned Jews that they will live in the certainty of Yahweh's promises of love, protection, prosperity and salvation. In today's Responsorial Psalm, Ps 66, the Psalmist urges, "sing praise to the glory of God all the earth," because of the wonders He has done. In today's second reading, Paul removes the confusion created by the Judaizers, in the minds of the new Gentile Christians of Galatia. He clearly conveys the good news that it is Jesus' death on the cross which brings one's salvation and not Jewish heritage or practice of Torah laws. Paul reminds us that the mission of each member of the Church is to bear witness to the saving power of the cross of Christ through a life of sacrificial, self-giving service. In today' Gospel, Luke describes the fulfillment of the prophetic promise made by Isaiah, in Jesus' commissioning of 72 disciples to preach the Gospel or the Good News of God's love and salvation in towns and villages in preparation for his own visit. Jesus gives the paired disciples "travel tips" for their missionary journey. They must be walking witnesses of God's providence by relying on the hospitality of others, living very simple lives, preaching the Good News and healing the sick. Today's Gospel reminds us that the 1.5 billion Christians in the world today have the mission of the 72, to proclaim the Gospel of Christ to the other 4.5 billion non-Christians.

#### St. Teresa of Avila wrote:

Christ has no body but yours, No hands, no feet on earth but yours, Yours are the eyes with which he looks Compassion on this world,

Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good,

Yours are the hands, with which he blesses all the world.

Yours are the hands, yours are the feet,
Yours are the eyes, you are his body.
Christ has no body now but yours,
No hands, no feet on earth but yours,
Yours are the eyes with which he looks with
compassion on this world.

Christ has no body now on earth but yours (https://frtonyshomilies.com/).



"Ask the Lord of the harvest to send workers to the harvest." The mission of the seventy-two disciples was not a human project, and, hence, they needed strength from God to do the work. In proclaiming the Good News of the Kingdom, we, too, participate in God's work. It is the Lord Who is working in and through us. He gives us the power to announce His presence with our lives. Therefore, constant contact with the Lord of the harvest is necessary. This means that we must be men and women of prayer — not only for an hour a week at Mass but on a daily basis.

## Dear Padre,

At Mass during the Our Father, should we hold hands, lift our hands up, or keep our hands to ourselves?

Among many ancient religions, it was common to extend one's hands toward heaven while praying. This practice has continued in the Mass, where the rubrics indicate that the priest should extend his hands at certain points, including during the Our Father. The celebrant represents all the people with this gesture. The deacon is expressly forbidden to hold his hands up in prayer. There is no particular gesture assigned to the rest of the congregation. Some may be holding hands, some lifting their hands, some standing with arms crossed.



The variety of postures is not a problem in itself. The problem is when people become distracted or judgmental of others. As a rule of thumb, I suggest doing what the rest of the congregation does. As stated in the "Order of the Mass," written by the Bishops' Committee on the Liturgy in 2003, "The people are called as members of an organic whole, not as disparate individuals. A Christian assembly that worships 'with one heart and mind' (Acts 4:32) naturally moves toward and consciously chooses a common posture as a sign of its unity. Such common posture 'both expresses and fosters the intention and spiritual attitude of the participants'" (28). The gestures at Mass are not as important as the essence of the Mass, and part of that essence is our unity in the body of Christ. •

Fr. Gary Lauenstein, CSsR / DearPadre.org



#### A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

The disciples were sent two by two, not individually....
Let us ask ourselves whether we have the capacity to
collaborate; whether we know how to make decisions
together, sincerely respecting those who are alongside
us and taking into account their point of view; whether
we do so in community, not by ourselves.

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#### Monday

July 7 Weekday Gn 28:10–22a Mt 9:18–26

#### Tuesday

July 8 *Weekday* Gn 32:23-33 Mt 9:32-38

#### Wednesday

July 9 Weekday Gn 41:55–57; 42:5–7a, 17–24a Mt 10:1–7

#### Thursday

July 10 Weekday Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5 Mt 10:7-15

#### Friday

July 11 St. Benedict, Abbot Gn 46:1-7, 28-30 Mt 10:16-23

#### **Saturday**

July 12 Weekday Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a Mt 10:24-33

#### Sunday

July 13 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Dt 30:10–14 Col 1:15–20 Lk 10:25–37

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# Our Parish

July 6, 2025

#### Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Isaiah 66:10-14c / Galatians 6:14-18 / Luke 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9



### **Bloom Where You Are Planted**

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

f you could change one aspect of your life, what would that be? Financial instability? Arthritis? Addiction? A disruptive family member? Work's daily grind? Finding love? No doubt the answers are as varied as the people who answer the question.

Though the old poster advises us to "bloom where you are planted," sometimes we can feel as if we've been planted among weeds—the people we've been given, the problems that continually pop up, the conflicts that all too often shut out the peace we seek. Just as Jesus sends disciples into every place he intends to visit, the reality for us may very well be that he sends us into the very lives we live even though we wish we could change them. Where we are is where we've been sent. It is in the lives we have that we

work out our salvation, for Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is at hand for you" (Luke 10:9).

St. Paul emphasized how important it is for disciples of Jesus to live out their identity as a new creation. British artist and sculptor Henry Moore made the observation that, in life, it is most important that we give ourselves over to a goal or dream, something so all-consuming that we live it morning, noon, and night. And the most important aspect of it, he said, is that it must be something we cannot possibly accomplish. For the followers of Jesus, it is the lifelong task to bloom where we've been planted. •

#### -Reflect-

What is the hardest part of my life right now?
What is the most blessed?



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