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

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 98): The Lord is coming to judge the peoples with equity.

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 November: *For the prevention of suicide:* Let us pray that those who are tempted to commit suicide might find the support, care and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

Mass Intentions For This Week:

33rd Sunday In Ordinary Time - World Day Of The Poor

Saturday Nov 15 7:30 p.m. Russell Special Intentions req by Gary & Nicole Petz

Sunday Nov 16 9:00 a.m. Russell **Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m. and YouTube after 10:15 a.m.**
For all parishioners req by Father Paul

11:00 a.m. Rossburn + Deceased family req by David Woychyshyn & family

Monday Nov 17 Health of Family & friends req by Jean Goba

Tuesday Nov 18 + Mary Schenderevich req by Jean Goba

Wed Nov 19 No Mass Fr Paul Treatments

Thurs Nov 20 10:30 a.m. Rossburn Adoration
11:00 a.m. + Suffering Souls in Purgatory req by Rose & family

Friday Nov 21 8:30 a.m. Russell Adoration
9:00 a.m. For Fr Paul req by Brad & Brenda Robin

Christ the King

Saturday Nov 22 7:30 p.m. Russell Special Intentions req by Carol & Wade Schott

Sunday Nov 23 9:00 a.m. Russell **Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m. and YouTube after 10:15 a.m.**
For all parishioners req by Father Paul
11:00 a.m. Rossburn + Nellie Kaskiw req by the Kaskiw family

Russell & Area Food Connection's Basket is located at the church entrance for your food donations. Please help those less fortunate in our communities.

Diving Deeper (Archdiocese Of Winnipeg Adult Faith Program.)

The Diving Deeper will be having the second session this Saturday November 22, 2025 with three more sessions following in January, February, and March on the fourth Saturday of each month at St. Joseph the Worker Parish. The Committee Team and Presenters would **greatly appreciate prayers** for the Adult Faith Program so that all who have signed up will be able to travel safely to and back home again and will be able to 'dive deeper into the Mass' the theme for these sessions. Thank you!

Confirmation classes will continue this Wednesday November 19th from 3:30 to 4:30. Please keep the confirmation candidates and their teachers in your prayers.

***A new schedule for "Coffee Sundays" for 2026 at St. Joseph's will be made shortly. If you haven't already done so and would like to be added to a group, please contact either Brenda Robin at 204-564-2646 or her cell at 204-937-0270, or Nicole Petz at 204-773-3198. Coffee Sunday is a part of the Ministry of Hospitality. Thank you.

World Day of the Poor – November 16

In 2017, Pope Francis instituted the World Day of the Poor so that "throughout the world Christian communities can become an ever greater sign of Christ's charity for the least and those most in need." Message of his Holiness, Pope Francis, First World Day of the Poor, 19 November 2017.

SAVE THE DATE – St. Joseph's will be holding our **Annual Parish Advent Potluck Party** on Saturday, **November 29th, 2025 starting with Mass at 5:00 p.m. (NO 7:30 p.m. Mass that Saturday)**, followed by a potluck supper, games, carols, crafts, Lucky draw auction and **new this year a photo booth**. Bring a dish or two for the potluck, food items for the Russell & Area Food Connections (for each item you bring you will receive a ticket towards the Lucky Draw Auction downstairs) and bring some money so you can buy tickets! Tickets are just a Loonie each for our Auction with all proceeds going to our local food bank. If anyone wishes to donate an item for the auction table (we only accept new items), please contact the office or Starla Thom, Brenda Robin or Donalda Wishart! We will have a couple of door prizes again this year for the children and adults! Please note: we will also be accepting donations to the Orphanage & missions in Peru that evening. **So, circle the date on your calendar, you don't want to miss this year's Parish Advent Potluck Party!**

Would you like to provide a gift this Christmas for a child in your community?

The Russell & Area Food Connections is asking for your help for a child's gift, limit of \$35 – with no batteries. It will be distributed in the annual Christmas food hampers in our area. Just take a "Gift Tag" from the Stewardship Tree, which is up in St. Joseph The Worker Church. When you bring your un-wrapped gift with attached Gift Tag – place it in the hamper next to the tree. Deadline is Sunday, Dec. 7th.

Socks (unwrapped) and mitts of all sizes and colors are also needed! Bring those to the church by Sunday, December 7th, and place them under the Stewardship Tree.

If you are unable to drop off gifts/socks/mitts at the church, you may also drop off at Bev & Jim Roszell's at 328 Mather St. E. Russell (phone 204-773-3998)

Life messages: **1) We need to be prepared daily for death and judgment.** The ideal way to accept Jesus' apocalyptic message is always to be ready to face our death. We must live holy lives of selfless love, humble service, mercy, compassion, and unconditional forgiveness, remembering the demands of justice in our day-to-day lives. We must also take time to rest and to pray in order to keep our hearts alive to God's presence with us and within us. Daily examination of our conscience at bedtime and asking God's pardon and forgiveness, also prepares us to face God at any time to give an account of our lives.

2) We need to attain permanence in a passing world by leading exemplary lives. Our homes, our Churches and even our own lives are temporary. All our structures are provisional. Our influence has no more claims to permanence than our buildings. Hence, our task is not to build monuments of any kind, but to be faithful to Christ. How our faithfulness is expressed each day is the most important thing. We are to persevere in our Faith, despite worldly temptations, attacks on religion and moral values by the atheistic or agnostic media, threats of social isolation, and direct or indirect persecution because of our religious beliefs. Let us conclude this Church year by praying for the grace to endure patiently any trials that are essential to our affirmation of Jesus our Savior



Dear Padre,

Is it a sin to swear if I'm not taking the Lord's name in vain?

As hard as it might be to comprehend, not every bad habit is a sin. Human weakness is sometimes nothing more than human weakness. An exclamation of anger or frustration is often nothing more than an expression of how you feel. When we assign “sin” to every human action or imperfection, we trivialize sin. When we see sin around every corner and in every possible human interaction, we might very well become numb to the presence of real sin when it occurs. The possibility of sin is a wonderful motivator to help us adjust our choices and change our behaviors, but it need not be the only option.

Monitor your speech because you want to be a good person, a mature person, a caring person. That is a virtuous reason and worth the effort. At the same time, remain vigilant, as any good person who desires to be in relationship with the Lord, and choose behaviors that model a good Christian life. Examine your choices and decisions, and when you recognize the presence of sin, be willing to acknowledge that it is sinful, confess it, and then graciously accept the forgiveness and mercy of the Lord. ●



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
November 17 <i>St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious</i> 1 Mc 1:10–15, 41–43, 54–57, 62–63 Lk 18:35–43	November 18 <i>Weekday</i> 2 Mc 6:18–31 Lk 19:1–10	November 19 <i>Weekday</i> 2 Mc 7:1, 20–31 Lk 19:11–28	November 20 <i>Weekday</i> 1 Mc 2:15–29 Lk 19:41–44	November 21 <i>The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> 1 Mc 4:36–37, 52–59 Lk 19:45–48	November 22 <i>St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr</i> 1 Mc 6:1–13 Lk 20:27–40	November 23 <i>Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</i> 2 Sm 5:1–3 Col 1:12–20 Lk 23:35–43



A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV
Relations between the Catholic Church and Muslims have been marked by a growing commitment to dialogue and fraternity, fostered by esteem for these our brothers and sisters.... This approach, based on mutual respect and freedom of conscience, is a solid foundation for building bridges between our communities.
ADDRESS, ROME, MAY 19, 2025

Dismantled and Reassembled

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

It is the time of year when seasons turn and the rhythm of life changes as days become dismantled and reassembled in new and varied ways. All of this is not unlike the much deeper process continually at play within our hearts. Indeed, the seasons of our individual lives can be dismantled and reassembled—and often more than once in a lifetime. That white-robed prophet of doom who proclaims that the end is near is right. Our lives do collapse in such cosmic ways that not one stone is left upon another. The end may come with a life-robbing illness or the premature death of someone we love. It may take the shape of an unwanted move to a new city or a life collapsed by addiction. It may happen slowly, as life forces us to surrender passion or enthusiasm or the dreams of our youth, like colors faded by sunlight yet never noticed until suddenly we realize the color has all but disappeared. Such transitions can feel as violent as the end of our lives in this world. Indeed, at such times, we may feel that a part of us has died. Yet, if we pay attention, we may discover that we have been refashioned, recreated into something new. It is the story of the divine phoenix rising from the ashes, lived by every human being and understood by every person who lives with faith in the resurrection. ●

Reflect
Have I known the experience of life being dismantled and reassembled into something new?



[Jesus said,] “All that you see here—the days will come when there will not be left a stone upon another stone that will not be thrown down.”
LUKE 21:6