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

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 145): You open your hand to feed us, Lord; you satisfy all our needs.

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 Francis July: *For the pastoral care of the sick:* We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.

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

Mass Intentions For This Week:

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Saturday Jul 27 7:30 p.m. Russell + Deceased family members req by The Chartier Family
- Sunday Jul 28 9:00 a.m. Russell For all parishioners by Father Paul
11:00 a.m. Rossburn + Suffering Souls in Purgatory req by Rose & family
- Monday Jul 29 Health of family & friends req by Jean Goba
- Tuesday Jul 30 + Duncan Spurway req by Charm
- Wed Jul 31 Health of family & friends req by Jean Goba
- Thurs Aug 1 10:30 Rossburn Adoration
11:00 a.m. Lynda & +John Ryshytylo req by the McLaughlins
- Friday Aug 2 8:30 a.m. Russell Adoration
9:00 a.m. + Myron Andrews req by Michelle & Curtis & family
11:00 a.m. Rossburn – **Sacred Heart of Jesus**

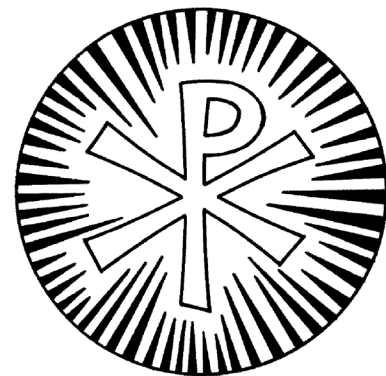
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Saturday Aug 3 11:00 a.m. Rossburn – **Immaculate Heart of Mary**
7:30 p.m. Russell + For Frank & Nellie Kaskiw req by the Sabourin family
- Sunday Aug 4 9:00 a.m. Russell Fr Paul req by Jim & Bev Roszell
11:00 a.m. Rossburn For all parishioners by Father Paul

Oakburn Farm Church Mass will be on Sunday August 18, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.

Kaposvar Pilgrimage will be held August 18th 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.

St. Philomena Walking Pilgrimage August 11 – 14.



From Yorkton to the shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes, Rama, SK. A supported pilgrimage sponsored by the Archdiocese of Regina. Come on a walking pilgrimage to have time to pray and spend time with God. Looking for peace or healing? This may be a good time to do it! Register at www.stphilomena.ca

Pilgrimage Schedule

**Vigil of the Assumption
AUGUST 14th:**

- 3:00...Chaplet of Divine Mercy (Grotto)
- 3:15 pm... Stations of the Cross
- 4:30.....Supper (Catered) (RC Hall) -
Please book by August 2nd. Call (306)
593-6120 or (306) 593-4412
- 6:00-Hymns of Praise to Mary (Filipino
Choir)
- 6:00-7:45... Confessions
- 8:00 Mass - Celebration of the Holy
Eucharist.
*Rosary
* Candlelight Procession
*Exposition & Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament(Church)

**Feast of the Assumption of The
Blessed Virgin Mary**

AUGUST 15th:

- 8:30 am - Morning Devotional Prayer to
Mary in Polish (Church)
- 9:00 - Mass in Polish (Church)
- 10:00 am: Divine Liturgy in the Byzantine
Rite
Copy & Paste this link if you will be
attending Divine Liturgy!
<https://www.skeparchy.org/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/Rama-Divine-Liturgy-online.pdf>
- 11:15..... Final Mass
*Anointing of the Sick & Aged
*Blessing for Plenary Indulgence
*Blessing of Religious Articles
- After Final Mass - Meal (catered by Parish
Ladies)j Hall. Please book by Aug 2nd
(306) 593-6120 or (306) 539-4412
- *Like Rama Grotto on Facebook!

Reminders:

Please bring cash to make purchases.

BRING a CHAIR.

Food For Thought

The first reading tells us how the prophet Elisha, by invoking God's power, fed one hundred men with twenty barley loaves. Elisha relied not on what he had but on what God would do with what the Prophet had received as a gift. This miracle foreshadows the Gospel account of Jesus' miraculous feeding of the pursuing crowd seeking the Master. The Refrain for today's Responsorial Psalm has us sing, *"The hand of the Lord feeds us; He answers all our needs."* In the second reading, St. Paul gives us the theology behind sharing. Jesus united the Jews and the Gentiles by bringing them together as Christians in *one Faith* by means of *one Baptism*, enabling them to become communities of sharing

Christians living together and helping each other by sharing their blessings. In today's Gospel, Jesus' miraculous feeding of the five thousand people, using five barley loaves and two fish offered by a boy in the crowd through the apostles, is associated with the Holy Eucharist early in the Church's tradition. That is why it is described in all four gospels and the second century Christians used this miracle in their catacomb wall drawings. The people who had been fed immediately gave Jesus two Messianic titles: *"The prophet"* and *"the one who is to come."* This miracle teaches us that God works marvels through ordinary people. Elisha's servant and Jesus' disciples distributed the bread provided by God through generous people who were willing to share their food with the hungry. Thus, God meets the needs of people through the good will and services provided by members of His community. The Gospel story also teaches that Jesus meets the most basic human need, namely hunger, with generosity and compassion, tells us that God really cares about His people, and shows us that He provides more than enough for everybody. Studies indicate that the world today produces enough food grains to provide every human being on the planet with 3,600 calories a day, not counting such foods as tuber crops, vegetables, beans, nuts, fruits, meats, and fish! Hence, let us pray and work for better social justice in all communities and countries. [O. T. XVII \(B\) \(July 28th, 2024\) | Fr Tony's Homilies \(frtonyshomilies.com\)](#)

😊 **"What would Jesus do?"** I heard about a little boy who got into a heated argument with his sister about who was going to get the last brownie. Their mother overheard this discussion and came in to try to resolve the fuss. Her two children, both extremely upset, each wanted that last brownie. So sensing the opportunity to teach a deeper spiritual truth, the mother looked at her children and asked that very relevant question...*"What would Jesus do?"* Well, that little boy immediately answered, *"That's easy. Jesus would just break that brownie and make 5,000 more!"*

* **“What’s the expiration date on it?”** It’s like the story of a little girl in Milwaukee who had had tonsil infection and was staying with her grandmother while her parents were at work. One day she complained of a sore throat. “I have some holy water from Lourdes that I got from my mother,” the grandmother said. “Should I put some on your neck?” The girl thought for a moment and then asked, *“What’s the expiration date on it?”*

Dear Padre,

Is there really an unforgivable sin?

In the Gospels, Jesus teaches that blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven (Matthew 12:31–32, Mark 3:28–29, Luke 12:10). This seems to imply the existence of a sin that God either cannot or will not forgive. Yet we have the overwhelming testimony of the Scriptures and Church teaching that God’s mercy and forgiveness are more powerful than any sin, no matter how serious or frequent it might be. This apparent contradiction disappears when we carefully consider the context of Jesus’ teaching on the “unforgivable sin.”

Jesus’ statements regarding blasphemy against the Holy Spirit occurred as part of his ongoing dispute with the scribes and Pharisees who witnessed Jesus’ exorcisms but attributed them to the power of Satan, thus denying the evidence of the Spirit’s saving action in Jesus’ work and teaching (Matthew 12:22–32). This denial is not simply a misunderstanding. Rather, it is willful, malicious, deliberate, and unrepentant. For such people, there can truly be no forgiveness, not because God is unwilling or unable to forgive, but because the people will not recognize their need for forgiveness.

The “unforgivable sin” is not an action so horrible that even God’s patience and mercy are exhausted. Rather, it is the attitude of people who reject the Lord’s presence in their lives. God’s offer of forgiveness is still universal. We need only respond to his grace and seek his forgiveness. ●



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| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | Sunday |
|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|--|-------------|------------------|------------------------------------|
| July 29 | July 30 | July 31 | August 1 | August 2 | August 3 | August 4 |
| Sts. Martha, Mary, and Lazarus | Weekday | St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest | St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church | Weekday | Weekday | Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| Jer 13:1–11 | Jer 14:17–22 | Jer 15:10, 16–21 | Jer 18:1–6 | Jer 26:1–9 | Jer 26:11–16, 24 | Ex 16:2–4, 12–15 |
| Jn 11:19–27 or Lk 10:38–42 | Mt 13:36–43 | Mt 13:44–46 | Mt 13:47–53 | Mt 13:54–58 | Mt 14:1–12 | Eph 4:17, 20–24 |
| | | | | | | Jn 6:24–35 |



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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Every day...around seven thousand children under the age of five die due to malnutrition.... Jesus also addresses an invitation to us...
 “Be brave, give what little you have, your talents, your possessions, make them available to Jesus and to your brothers and sisters. Do not be afraid, nothing will be lost, because if you share, God will multiply.”

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Our Parish COMMUNITY

July 28, 2024
 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)
 2 Kings 4:42–44 / Ephesians 4:1–6 / John 6:1–15



Enough Is Enough

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

The radio program discussed whether Americans thought they were better or worse off today than one year ago. As you might expect, opinions were divided. Some believed we were better off—inflation had dropped 6 percentage points to about 3 percent, and while prices were higher, so were most wages. Others believed the opposite—many costs had risen, especially food, as well as big-ticket items like homes and cars. One of the panelists then suggested what she knew would be an unpopular opinion: while there were many still struggling to make ends meet and did not have enough, there were others who, because of the pandemic supplement, began to overspend and now could not maintain their lifestyle. Her opinion was that, for many, it was not an issue of having enough, but rather wanting too much and a lack of proper budgeting.

When Jesus fed the people gathered by the mountain, he provided not a feast but bread and fish, which was enough for them all. This is how God feeds us each day, with enough. We rise each morning sleepy, yet with enough energy to get us through the day. Our health may not be what it once was, but there is enough to keep us going. Our prayer may seem routine and lacking in heavenly inspiration, but somehow it seems to be enough for us to continue living with faith. God does feed us, not always with the abundance we may desire, but always with enough of what we need. ●

Reflect
 How does God feed you with what you need?
 Is it enough?



[The disciples] filled twelve wicker baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves that had been more than they could eat.

JOHN 6:13