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

Responsorial Psalm 22: Lord, from you comes my praise in the great congregation.

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

Due to Covid-19, both parishes are closed for Mass' until further notice.

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. & Sunday zoom Mass is at 9:00 a.m.** **Daylight savings Time**

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

Staying Spiritually Resilient during this pandemic

Praying with Scripture Daily...(More Information To Be Continued in upcoming bulletins)

What scriptures should I pray with?

The Gospel from the Mass of the day is a good selection
 (Download app) iBreviary.com / Readings / Gospel

The 5 "P's" to prepare for meditation:

1. **Pick** the scripture you'll pray with and have it ready.
2. **Place.** Where you are alone and uninhibited in your response.
3. **Posture.** Comfortable but alert, a harmony of body and spirit.
4. **Presence** of God. Be aware of it, and acknowledge it.
5. **Passage** from Scripture: read it slowly and listen to the Word.

Stop when something strikes you, for example, if:

- You feel a new way of being with Christ.
- You sense your mind is enlightened by truth.
- you experience God's love,
- you feel uplifted in spirit,
- You are peaceful and content just to be in God's presence

This is the time to pause, and rest in the love of God.

You may also feel disturbed and pierced by the Word. *That is also an invitation to pause and ponder.*

This is God speaking to you. Do not hurry to move on. Wait until you are no longer moved by the experience. Don't get discouraged if nothing seems to be happening. Sometimes God allows us to feel dry in order to let us realize it is not in our power to take consolation. God is sometimes very close to us in His apparent absence.

(Ps. 139:7-8). At such times God's Spirit prays "from within us." * Fr. John O'Brien, S.J. 2021

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.

Mass Intentions For The Week:

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Saturday May 1 +Phyllis Keller req. Frank & Family
 Sunday May 2 **Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m.**
 Mitchel, Leah & Jane req. Carlene &
 For All Parishioners req. Father Paul

Monday May 3 Fr Paul req. Jean Goba

Tuesday May 4 Special Intentions req. Simone

Wed. May 5 +Deceased Family req. Frank & Madeline Mangin

Thursday May 6 **Zoom on-line Adoration 10:30 a.m. & Mass 11:00 a.m.**
 +Joe Zegalski req. Helen & Ernie Yanish

Friday May 7 Gerald Lysyshin speedy recovery req. St. Theresa's Parish

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Saturday May 8 +Bill req. Irene & Family

Sunday May 9 **Zoom on-line Mass 9:00 a.m.**
 Bernadine & Brian 50th Wedding Anniversary
 Req. Bernadine Brown &
 For All Parishioners req. Father Paul

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.

National Week for Life and the Family

Virtual Tridocesan 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!

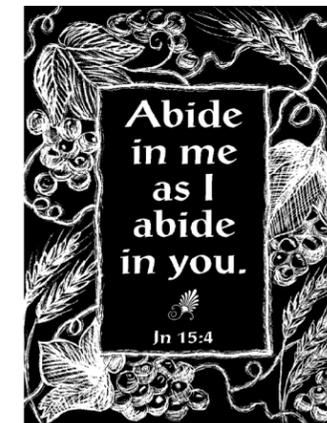
View poster: bit.ly/poster-nwlf-2021. For more info and to register online by Saturday, May 1, visit: lifeandthefamily.com/events/conference or contact: Nadine Fetherston mfl2@archsaintboniface.ca or (204) 594-0295. Free-will donations welcomed (select National week for life & the family): bit.ly/donations-nwlf.

Pope Francis Prayer Intention for May: *The world of finance:* Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

Catholic Health Alliance Of Canada: Zoom National Conference –"The Pandemic Calls Forth the Compassionate Healing Ministry of Jesus" Thurs., May 6 & Fri., May 7 11:00- 4:00 EST www.chac.ca email: Cspencer@chpca.net

Mother's Day Flowers- Due to Covid restrictions this year, our parish will not be presenting carnations to all our Mothers at St. Joseph's. However, in lieu of flowers Parish Council has decided to make a \$200 donation from our parish to "Life's Vision Manitoba". Life's Vision is a charitable, non-profit, pro-life resource center dedicated to protecting the right to life from conception to natural death. We wish everyone a Happy Mother's Day!

May is the month of Mary



Dear Padre,

Why is the Church considering a word change to the Our Father? It seems fine as it is.

Of the two versions of the Lord's Prayer in Luke 11:2-4 and Matthew 6:9-13, Luke's is more concise. The petition, "and lead us not into temptation" in Greek means both "do not allow us to enter into temptation" and "do not let us yield to temptation" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 2846). The *Catechism* includes the explanation from James 1:13: "God cannot be tempted by evil and he himself tempts no one," to certify that God "wants to set us free from evil. We ask him not to allow us to take the way that leads to sin." Consequently, Pope Francis reportedly approved the English wording, "do not let us fall into temptation" to replace "lead us not into temptation."

"It is not a good translation because it speaks of a God who induces temptation," the Pope said in 2017. "I am the one who falls. It's not him pushing me into temptation to then see how I have fallen." On the contrary, "a father helps you to get up immediately," he added. "It's Satan who leads us into temptation—that's his department."

However, unlike the change in the Italian Lord's Prayer that will appear in their third edition of *The Roman Missal*, no immediate plans have been made to change the wording in English-speaking countries.



THE TEMPTATION OF CHRIST BY THE DEVIL, BY FELIX JOSEPH BARRIAS, 1860 / WIKIPEDIA

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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

Let us not forget that the Our Father is the prayer of the poor. Our asking for bread expresses our entrustment to God for our basic needs in life. Everything that Jesus taught us in this prayer expresses and brings together the cry of all who suffer from life's uncertainties.

FIRST WORLD DAY OF THE POOR, NOVEMBER 19, 2017

Calendar

Monday
MAY 3
Sts. Philip and James,
Apostles
1 Cor 15:1-8
Jn 14:6-14

Tuesday
MAY 4
Easter Weekday
Acts 14:19-28
Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday
MAY 5
Easter Weekday
Acts 15:1-6
Jn 15:1-8

Thursday
MAY 6
Easter Weekday
Acts 15:7-21
Jn 15:9-11

Friday
MAY 7
Easter Weekday
Acts 15:22-31
Jn 15:12-17

Saturday
MAY 8
Easter Weekday
Acts 16:1-10
Jn 15:18-21

Sunday
MAY 9
Sixth Sunday of Easter
Acts 10:25-26,
34-35, 44-48
1 Jn 4:7-10
Jn 15:9-17



Our Parish COMMUNITY

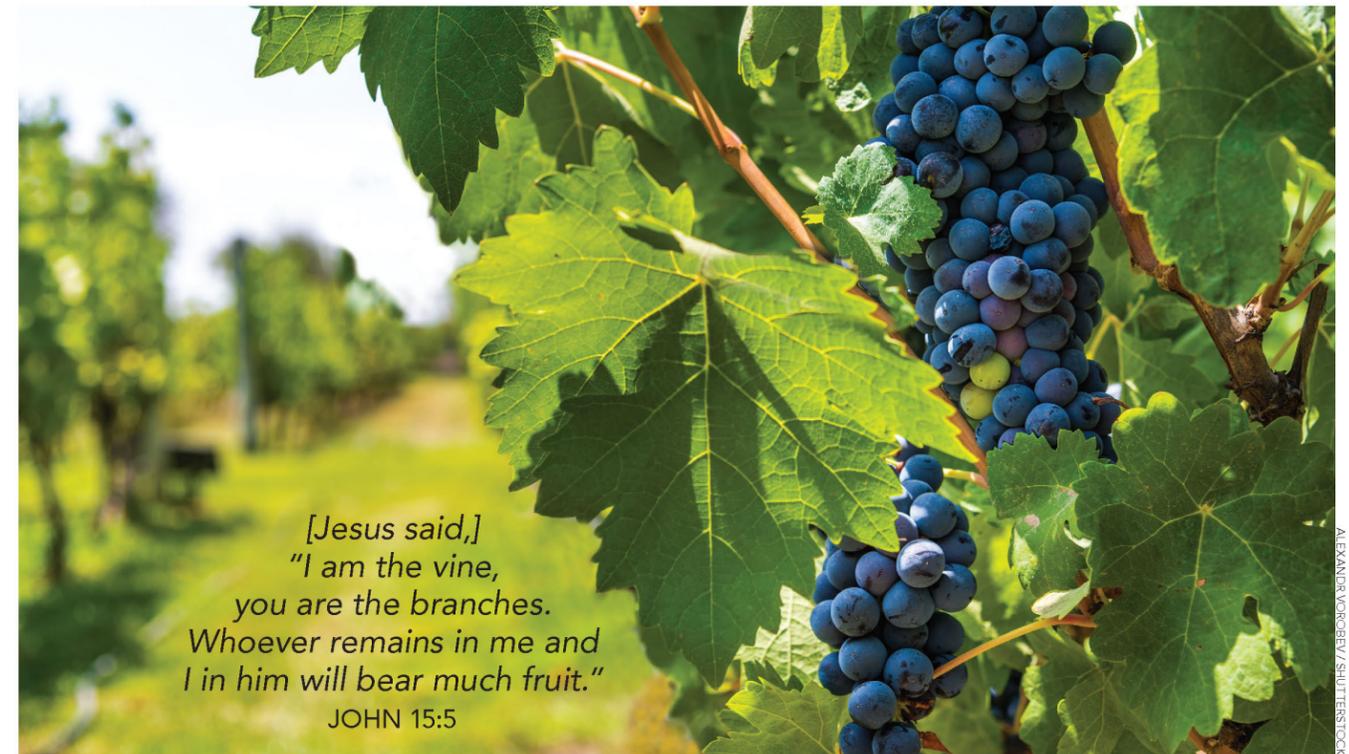
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Fifth Sunday of Easter (B)

Acts 9:26-31

1 Jn 3:18-24

Jn 15:1-8



[Jesus said,]
"I am the vine,
you are the branches.
Whoever remains in me and
I in him will bear much fruit."
JOHN 15:5

In or Not at All

The little word *in* appears eleven times in the Greek text of today's short passage from John's Gospel (ten times in most translations), and it has the same meaning in all cases. It refers to an intimate relationship: We are in Christ; Christ is in us. This being *in* does not mean "inside," like being in a room or in a country. It means being an intimate aspect of something, like the relationship of a branch to the vine. Perhaps a way of understanding this intimacy is to remember that the branch cannot exist by itself, and there is no vine if there are no branches. We cannot be partially in. We are either in or out.

If we want to live and thrive, we must cherish and protect our relationship with Christ, who is our source of life and nourishment. Otherwise we risk being nothing more than dead branches, the usefulness of which is mere fodder for the fire. This sounds

like a harsh punishment. However, it is not really punishment. Rather, it is the inevitable consequence of cutting ourselves off from our supply of life-giving nourishment. Furthermore, being cut off does not happen accidentally; we choose it deliberately.

Finally, this metaphor of vines and branches is an image of the Church. Though each of us, by grace, is "in Christ," our source of life, the risen life of Christ surges through members of his body. Thus, when we are united to Christ by grace, we live in him as Christ lives in all of us.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR *Reflection*

- * Think for a moment of the ways Christ lives in you.
- * Now think of how you might live in Christ.