**Mass Intentions**

Sunday, February 4th – 9:00 a.m. ✞Peter Chuppa

**Our Lady of the Hill K of C**  Sobey/Safeway and No Frills Grocery Cards are once again available at the back of the church.

**COUNTDOWN FOR LENT We will enter into the liturgical season of Lent February 14th. Lent is a time for prayer and penance, for almsgiving and service, for working to change attitudes that are not life-giving and to turn back to God with an open heart.**

**Palm branches for Ash Wednesday**

Please bring in your palm branches from last year before February 11, 2018, so that we can have them prepared for Ash Wednesday, February 14, 2018.

**Ash Wednesday** is an important day in the church and it is important to attend a service or a mass that day. In Beaumont with St. Vital the available times are as follows:

* Mother D'Youville School - 9:00 am service
* St. Andre School - 11:00 am service
* Ecole St. Vital (at St. Vital Parish in french) - 1:00 pm Service
* St. Vital Parish - 7:00 pm Mass **This is a reminder ...about fasting and the abstinence from meat.**

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** will be held every **Friday (7:00 p.m.) during Lent beginning on Friday, February 16**

Please join us on **Tuesday, February 13th** for the Shrove Tuesday **pancake supper** from **6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m**.  St. Vital Church basement – by the Knights of Columbus – fundraising for K4J, amount per person $4.00 or $20.00 per family.

**Day of Confessions**

It doesn't matter if you've been away for a while, it doesn't matter what you have to confess. Drop by the closest Catholic church and experience the grace of God in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Priests across the Archdiocese are devoting themselves to hearing confessions on **Tuesday, February 20th**

To help prepare, visit  <http://caedm.ca/confessions> for instructions, prayers, resources, and video links.

 **Fr. Arlan will be hearing confessions in his parish office from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m**

 **PIE SALE** hosted by the Knights of Columbus and the CWL on **Saturday, February 10th and Sunday, February 11th after masses.** We invite all parishioners to support this event by purchasing one or more of the pies that will be for sale. All proceeds from this pie sale will be going towards the St. Vital’s building fund.

**Living in the Word of God**

There are many ways we can put the Word of God into practice through the act of witnessing to Christ. The most effective is by the way we live our lives. People pay more attention to what we do than to what we say. Yet, there are times when we are called upon to speak on the basis of our belief, particularly in those moments when people close to

us, co-workers or society in general take directions contrary to the teachings of our Lord.

*(Archbishop Smith, Pastoral Letter , September 14, 2017 ) https://caedm.ca/Letter*

**Open Book: a new video series on Scripture**

Much has been said and written about the Word of God, but how often do we actually open the Bible and really take time to read it? If we haven’t, do we even know where to start?

Our colleagues at Grandin Media are making it easier with a new video interview series entitled **Open Book**. It’s an introduction to the Bible with the goal of opening both hearts and minds to the Word of God. It can be watched, and re-watched, whenever you like.

Scripture scholars from Newman Theological College present the answers in language that’s accessible and easy to understand. In Episode 1, Professor Stéphane Saulnier starts with some basic questions: What is the Bible? Is it the truth? Who wrote it?

We hope you will check it out; it runs just 3 ½ minutes. To be notified of each new episode, just subscribe to [Grandin Media on Youtube](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Akyq_UbW8DxR4IL0E8ZYk_j4lzUq4J2FN_EHeEIlxxSOoBEnVnw475k5yQVSDme4bmHmNzHoceEpoJor6eHKYmNAUU5Fdz6a1RnhMVar0zBiC3U5n4M2nBKG7WV-x84OFoGv2zjSp_2lZvUTOGhISCphCeMq0qS2Q2ucDDkGeCRcjVEhJWLfO9fA0nBqMQuD&c=A-AEj4bTv-U92HphiyuAPW5ifqGrTFZlKfPXsbGhyqX3mvVMug9lFQ==&ch=r7zKOCPLKqofHqsqJBulPix3jDq41XE0WDrq7fTtsjAjQhUtIz_WSw==).

**Youth Camps Review** Archbishop Smith has announced a review of youth camps ministry in the Archdiocese, and he wants to hear from you. The Archdiocese currently operates two camps under its Office of Youth Evangelization: Our Lady of Victory Camp at Gull Lake, northwest of Red Deer; and Camp Encounter at Lac La Nonne, northwest of Edmonton. In a letter issued on January 25, the Archbishop said the 2018 camp season will go ahead as usual, but the operations will then close for a period of consultation with stakeholders. The initial phase of the consultation has begun with an online survey, which he encourages everyone interested in youth camps to fill out. **Find the survey at https://caedm.ca/CampsSurvey.**

**Shadow Box** (Paydown the Debt Donations) will be updated for 2017 donations. If you have not previously given permission for your name to be placed on the Shadow Box and have given donations to Paydown the Debt Fund and would like your name to appear, please call the parish office. Donations of $100 equals one square

**Holy Trinity Youth** Rally For Youth Grades 7 - 12 Saturday February 24, 2018 - 10:00 am to 9:00 pm Something Beautiful For GOD Register by February 3rd to get a T-Shirt. Keynote speaker: Fr. Mario Fernandes, OCD. Cost $45.00 Contact Holy Trinity Parish Youth to register: call 780-960-0135 or email: youth@trinitycatholic.net Website: [www.htyouth.ws](http://www.htyouth.ws)

**AB March for Life Pasta Supper & Silent Auction** on Saturday, Feb 10, 2018 at 5:30pm at St. Joseph’s Basilica. Help support Alberta’s annual pro-life march. Great food, great bake sale, great deals! Tickets $15, children 7 and under free. Call 780 807 8972 or Patsy 587 589 3194.

**Western Canadian Catholic Home School Conference** Anchoring The Family In This Cultural Storm —— March 22-24, 2018 Providence Renewal Centre, 3005 - 119 St. Edmonton, AB For Registration contact Veronica at 780-467-8410 or wcchscreg@shaw.ca

On **Tuesday Feb 6th, St. Andre’s School** will be hosting a **Kindergarten “Open House”.** The information session will take place at the school from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm. At that time they will be accepting Kindergarten Registrations for the 2018 - 2019 school year. Prior to Feb 6th, for our Catholic families, we are accepting kindergarten registrations from those who ***already have children attending SAINT-ANDRÉ***. Please drop by the office with your completed registration form, section choice, copy of your child’s birth certificate and baptismal certificate if available. REGISTRATIONS CANNOT BE PROCESSED WITHOUT A BIRTH CERTIFICATE OR GOVERNMENT ISSUED ID FOR THE STUDENT\*

Non-Catholic families will be placed on a waiting list and notified of acceptance in late Spring 2018.

Please note that your child must be 5 years old on or before March 1, 2019 to enroll in Kindergarten for the 2018-2019 school year.

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