St. Vital Catholic Parish

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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 11, 2024

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday 5:00 p.m. (English) Sunday 9:00 a.m. (bilingual) 11:00 a.m. (English)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday, February 13th @ 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, <u>February 14th @ 7:00 p.m.</u> and Thursday, February 15th & Friday, February 16th @ 9:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday's - 11 a.m. – noon or by appointment by contacting Fr. Les

ADORATION- Friday, February 16th (9:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.) followed by Benediction

Check out the website www.saintvitalparish.com and check it regularly for updates.

Loan Balance December 31, 2023 \$457,076.93

Please pick up your2024 Donation Envelopes. If you have not used envelopes previously and would like a set, please contact the parish office. DO NOT USE 2023 ENVELOPES for your 2024 donations.

Please pick up your 2023 Tax receipts at the back of the church.

The Pope's Prayer intention for the month of February – For the terminally ill We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment

Ash Wednesday - February 14, 2024 Mass with Distribution of Ashes @ 7:00 p.m.

Every FRIDAY evening during Lent, join us for STATIONS OF THE CROSS led by parish groups

Friday February 16 @ 7:00 p.m. Friday February 23 @ 7:00 p.m. Friday March 1 @ 3:15 p.m. Friday March 8 @ 7:00 p.m. Friday March 15 @ 7:00 p.m. Friday March 22@ 7:00 p.m.

Days of Fast and Abstinence From Meat

In the Catholic Church in Canda, there are two days designated as days of fast and abstinence: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On these two days, all Catholics 14 years of age and older are asked to abstain from eating meat and those between 18 and 59 are asked to fast (taking no more that one full meal; two smaller meals are permitted in order to maintain strength). This should be seen as a joyful act as we look forward to the celebration of Easter.

"No Scents Makes Scents". Please refrain from wearing scented products to Mass, such as: hand lotions, shaving products, scented hair products - shampoos, sprays etc, perfumes/colognes. There are parishioners who experience severe reactions when exposed to these products at Mass. We want all parishioners to feel safe when we come to celebrate together.

Alpha

Alpha is finished for 2023, but we want to invite you (and your friends and family) to Alpha in January 2024. Alpha is a place to explore the Christian faith with others. Each session has time for connection, a talk, and space to discuss and ask questions. - It is designed for people without a church background or who wouldn't call themselves a Christian but everyone and anyone will get something from these engaging talks There are 4 sessions left plus the retreat on the Holy Spirit!! Even if you missed the first sessions, please still join us! The dates are Feb 12 and 19th. We will meet from 6-8 pm. in the Parish Basement and it is a Potluck Dinner.

Please come! No registration is required. Email Theresa at <u>jordan.theresa@gmail.com</u> if you have any questions.

LADIES! You need a night out because it's vital. Join the monthly Vital Ladies Night.

When: Thursday, February 22nd and every 2nd Thursday of the month there after

Time: 7:30pm till 10:30pm

Where: Michelle's home in Beaumont

Who: Any adult Lady

What: It is a wholesome Christian social time away from all of our life's expectations.

What to bring: Anything or Nothing. If you want to bring something, you can bring a snack or drink or game.

Contact: Michelle Felix (780)239-7703

Spaghetti Dinner

The Knights of Columbus is once again holding a **spaghetti dinner**, which is scheduled for **Sunday**, **February 18 at 5 p.m.** It will be held at the **Beaumont Community Centre**. Tickets are \$10.00 a person, and \$40.00 per family or household. Tickets are available at the Knights of Columbus gift card table at the back of the church. Following the supper, there will once again be 'A Night at the Races', a fun event that was particularly exciting for the children last year. The hall at the Community Centre can hold up to 150 people, and we would love to fill the space. Not only is this a fundraising event, but it is an opportunity to gather as a parish community on the Family Day long weekend. Please come and join us. Thank you.

The Catholic Renewal Services of the Archdiocese of Edmonton is hosting their next Mass with **Healing Service** on **Saturday Feb 17**, **6:30 pm start**, with Fr. Matthew Hysell presiding. It will be held at **St. Emeric's Hungarian Catholic Church (12960-112 St NW, Edmonton)**. Reconciliation on Saturday, with Fr. Matthew, will only be available between 3:30-5:00 at St. Emeric's.

Jesus said, "I am the Bread of Life, he who comes to Me will not hunger and he who believes in Me will never thirst." John 6:35 www.crsedmonton.ca/events

The **Annual Men of Integrity Conference** will be an opportunity for men to gather on **March 1-2 at Holy Family Parish**, **St. Albert**, **AB**, The theme for the conference is "Setting the Captives Free". Our Guest Speakers are Fr. Michael Denk, (The Prodigal Father), Diocese of Cleveland, Ohio and Fr. Paul Moret from Holy Trinity Parish, Spruce Grove. The conference will focus on the importance, power, and methods of prayer. For further information on speakers and the schedule please check

our website: www.catholicfamilyministries.com

CALLED TO PROTECT TRAINING

Called to Protect training, an abuse program training session will be offered on Monday, **February 12, 2024**, **from 7-9:30 p.m.** The two and half hour session is mandatory for all Clergy, Employees and Volunteers of the Archdiocese who have not yet participated in this training. This will be a zoom session.

Please register Registration Link https://forms.gle/zjCGpvTbduKRUu4B6

Knight Riders

The Knights of Columbus are offering to drive, to and from church, any parishioners who wish to attend weekend Masses at St. Vital Church but are unable due to a lack of transportation.

As the Knights are using their private vehicles, they cannot offer assistance for people with mobility issues or those with wheelchairs. Neither can they accommodate car seats for babies or young children. If you think you can take advantage of this free service, contact Joe Lauer at 780-929-6056 to arrange a ride to Mass and back home and we will do our best to accommodate you. Alternate contact: Paul Weisenberger @ 780-929-5150.

"The Order of Secular Franciscans, a lay order of men and women in the Catholic Church, who live the Gospel of Jesus Christ through the charism of St. Francis and St. Clare of Assisi, gather weekly for prayer, faith formation, and fellowship. You are invited to the Come and See! Which is a standing open invitation to see if this vocation is one that you are being called to. The St. Berard Fraternity gathers on Monday evenings from 7:00-8:30pm in the St. Joan Room of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Sherwood Park. For more information please contact: Dawid (David) Ksiazek (a parishioner of St. Vital) at 780.394.6193 or Monica (available in the evenings only) at 780.881.0990. Blessings in Christ