**Mass Intentions - Sunday, May 13th**

11:00 a.m. Family of Rod & Leona Rance

**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.

The Knights of Columbus will be having their pancake breakfast on **Sunday, May 20**after the 9:00 am and 11:00 am masses.  You are welcome to join them in their fundraising.  See you there.

Members of the CWL across Canada are lobbying the government to enact legislation that requires age verification for all adult pornographic websites to protect our children from stumbling upon explicit content online. Parents and grandparents, please join us in this project.

A member of Alberta Provincial CWL Council has designed a postcard to facilitate this action. These post cards are available in a green box on the information table at the entrance of the church. Address the postcard to *Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister; Honourable Ginette Petipas Taylor, Minister of Health or Honourable Mike Lake, Member of Parliament.* Also in the box is a handout that gives suggestions for comments that you can include on the postcard. Feel free to take postcards for your adult friends to send. **Thank you** for your participation in this lobbying effort.

**KEVIN KERRIGAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** -This scholarship, sponsored by Our Lady of the Hill Knights of Columbus Council, is open to year 2018 graduating high school seniors who attend St. Vital Church as well as a members of the Parish that are attending post secondary schooling at any level.  Preference will be given to a graduating high school senior.  The scholarship has a value of $500. and will be awarded on the basis of all round achievement rather than for strictly academic performance.  Achievement in the areas of academics, athletics, the arts, school, community and church involvement will be considered as well as the question of financial need in determining the successful candidate. Deadline for applying is May 31, 2018.  Applications are at the back of church and online at the Parish website.

The 2018 Priests Assembly will take place from **May 14 to 18.** During this time, Fr. Arlan will be away from the Parish, and there will be **no weekday Masses.**

**UPCOMING MASSES FOR THE SACRAMENTS OF FIRST COMMUNION**

5:00 p.m. Masses May 5th & May 26th

**BAPTISM PREPARATION**

Parents who are asking for Baptism for their child in the Parish Community of St. Vital are required to attend a one evening preparation course. The object of this evening is to help parents appreciate the gift they are asking for their child and to be reminded of the responsibilities towards God, Church-community and their child

The next **preparation course** will be held on **Monday, May 14th** at **7:00 p.m**. in the meeting room. If you have any questions or require further information, please contact the parish office.

**PARISHIONERS!** Dress in the “spirit” of the occasion on Pentecost, May 19/20. This is an invitation to dress in your reds, yellows and oranges. Help enhance a truly wonderful celebration!

**WARMER WEATHER - PLEASE WEAR APPROPRIATE ATTIRE AT CHURCH**

With the warmer weather approaching, we want to offer a gentle reminder to dress appropriately when you attend Mass. What works at the beach does not work in a place of worship. Modest attire for men, women and children is recommended**.**

**Lac Ste. Anne Pilgrimage** - Each July, thousands of pilgrims make their way to the shores of Lac Ste. Anne. Many come in search of healing and spiritual renewal. Some simply come to reconnect with old acquaintances and forge new friendships. This pilgrimage, which began over a hundred years ago, has become the largest annual Catholic gathering in Western Canada. This year's pilgrimage takes place **Saturday, July 21 to Thursday, July 26**, at Lac St. Anne, about 75 km northwest of Edmonton. Check out this [**new video**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001OtfqREOHeJGsvgWLT6Uj3u3Exb3DZMikYN90UO6tAO7JxMHTpeTpwvlFqDWw4nFQZ6GNdGJ0Zgg537B5GqJsKtHSppaeQF68MmG97CD9b9pZiRaba65h6g9M11hH-nVEpNw2b4gd0HOMvW8aQvaTmg==&c=vmVfuDSLW4yENtGibO3-mmV-1GGx-epZEjab61MY9-2mMc131rkK5g==&ch=eaVq_2uOWYBCaSNZ7zgpP0iAb0NOGU7ouT6hb8WMQPrDrQrO9x9H6g==) about the pilgrimage and visit their new website at [**http://lacsteannepilgrimage.ca**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001OtfqREOHeJGsvgWLT6Uj3u3Exb3DZMikYN90UO6tAO7JxMHTpeTpwvlFqDWw4nFQ2aRJ4MTQW60JLtMsthHlCgkY7EXQJ61ubQS9wyuv7zVoEASKz99jFhh-gB3vMsw9aeb8xw7_w1NxW0eg9md40sKBhAcl4r3a&c=vmVfuDSLW4yENtGibO3-mmV-1GGx-epZEjab61MY9-2mMc131rkK5g==&ch=eaVq_2uOWYBCaSNZ7zgpP0iAb0NOGU7ouT6hb8WMQPrDrQrO9x9H6g==)

**HAPPY MOTHER’S DAY**

All-loving God, we give you thanks and praise

for mothers, grandmothers and godmothers.

We pray for young mothers,

who give life and count toes and tend to our every need;

May they be blessed with patience and tenderness

to care for their families and themselves with great joy.

We pray for our own mothers who have nurtured and cared for us;

May they continue to guide us in strong and gentle ways.

We remember mothers

who are separated from their children by death, war, poverty, or conflict;

May they feel the loving embrace of God who wipes every tear away.

We pray for women who are not mothers

but still love and shape us with motherly care and compassion.

We remember mothers, grandmothers, and godmothers

who are no longer with us

but who live forever in our memory

and nourish us with their love.

Amen

**WHAT IS THE MEANING OF AND IMPORTANCE OF THE ASCENSION OF JESUS CHRIST?** According to the New Testament, Jesus Christ had five major milestones in his life. These milestones were baptism, transfiguration, crucifixion, resurrection and ascension. The Bible state that three days after Jesus Christ was crucified by the Romans, he rose from the dead. Jesus Christ was present to his apostles and followers during the forty days after his Resurrection. Christ then ascended to Heaven in the presence of his eleven apostles. Christians believe that Jesus Christ’s ascension to Heaven identifies him as God. Christian scholars also believe that Christ’s resurrection and ascension proves him to the Messiah. Jesus promised the disciples that he would send them an Advocate, the Holy Spirit, to remain with them after ascension. Next Sunday we celebrate the Fest of Pentecost. The power of the Holy Spirit enables the apostles and other Christians to spread the Gospel and expand the community of believers that is the Church.