**Mass Intentions**

Saturday, December 7th **✞** Evaline Labonte

Sunday, December 8th (11:00 a.m.) **✞**Johann Rettenbacher

Tuesday, December 10th Len Brossart (hip surgery)

**St. Vital Advent Penitential Service**

Thursday, December 12th @ 6:30 p.m.

**'HEAR THE WORD OF GOD AND DO IT'**

**LIVING IN THE WORD** - Make time each day for a prayerful listening to the Word of God. We may wonder how, in the midst of many demands upon our time, this might be possible. This can be a particular challenge, especially, for parents with infants and young children. However hectic our circumstances, Jesus invites us to remember "the one thing necessary:" taking time to listen to him (cf. Luke 10:42).

*(Archbishop Smith, Pastoral Letter, September 14, 2017)*

**Concerts at St. Vital’s**

Thursday, December 19th (7:00p.m.) Swiss Men’s Choir

Friday, December 20th (7:00 p.m.) Beaumont Society of the Arts Concert

**Star of the North** invites you to their first annual ***Starlight Cultural Festival of Light*** Fundraiser.

Join us for an afternoon of cultural foods and performances with Guest Emcees Kevin and Mona-Lee Feehan.  For more details and to register now go to [www.starofthenorth.ca](http://www.starofthenorth.ca).

**JOIN US FOR EVENING VESPERS**

**When:** Friday, December 13

 Wednesday, December 18

**Time:**  7:00 – 7:45 p.m.

**Place:** St. Vital Church

Fellowship & refreshments in parish hall following each session

**PLEASE pick up your 2020 Donation Envelopes.**

## *Baby Bottles for Babies….. A CWL 40 Days for Life project*

## The St Vital CWL will be launching a project to support the Choice of Life. In doing so, we ask for your help in recycling and donating used baby bottles. NOTE: these bottles will be used to collect your offerings made over the Lenten season. Money raised will be used to support and assist women who have chosen life over abortion. Please drop the bottles off in baskets located at the entrance of the church or at the Parish office before December 15. Thank you.

**Carmelite Monastery Craft Sale**

**December 15th** after 9 & 11 a.m. mass.

Crafts and handmade cards will be on display downstairs for purchase.
Monetary donations also accepted.

***Please help support the Carmelites***

**CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS MASS TIMES**

***Christmas Eve*** Tuesday, December 24

3:30 pm Christmas Nativity Pageant

**Christmas Eve Masses**

**4:00 pm 6:30** pm **9:00** pm & **Midnight Mass** (12am)

***Christmas Day*** Wednesday, December 25

10:00am Mass

***Feast of the Holy Family Sunday,*** December 29 –

9:00 am & 11:00 am

***New Year’s Eve (Feast of the Holy Mother of God)***

Tuesday, December 31 - 5:00pm Mass

***New Year’s Day (Feast of the Holy Mother of God)***

Wednesday, January 1, 2020 - 10:00 am Ma

**Snowflake Raffle 2019**

As we finalize the last remaining details from our annual fundraising event, we would like to take a moment to convey our tremendous gratitude to everyone who helped make it a great success.

We are happy to report that the $2,760.57 ***net*** raffle now takes the profit of both Snowflake event(s) to a new total in excess of $12,600!

We thank everyone who invited family, neighbours, co-workers and friends to buy Raffle tickets, participate and attend our Snowflake Bazaar; *our generous and loyal supporters whose time and attendance is invaluable to us*, thank you again!

AND nothing can happen to attain this great of a success without our ***Volunteers***! Thank you to each and every one of you who so graciously and unconditionally gave of your time and talents.

***“A volunteer might not have too much time, but they have a gigantic heart.”***

*And finally to the ‘secret angel’ – the flowers were lovely and truly a wonderful surprise!*

**Winners are as follows: Huge THANK YOU to all our Sponsors!**

**1st House of Cards ..................$1,470** Karen Reichert – Beaumont AB

**2nd Elegant Table Setting .......$ 435** Roberta Nolan-Smith – Beaumont

**3rd Warm Winter Quilt .......... $ 400** Roland Magnan – Edmonton AB

**4th Cocktail Hour ....................$ 200** Isabelle Hétu – Bonnyville AB

The Knight’s of Columbus will be having their **Pancake Breakfast** on **Sunday, Dec. 15** after both masses.  For this month we will be serving baked beans on top of our pancake, ham, scrambled eggs, strawberries, coffee, juice and tea.  Come join us at the church basement.

The Beaumont and Nisku Christmas Elves box had replaced the Leduc Food Bank Box at the Church Entrance for the next few weeks. Last year the Christmas Elves helped 73 families in our area, and we have been advised to expect an increase based on the activity at the Leduc Food Bank.

If you are able to contribute non-perishable food, toys, teen gift cards, grooming aids, it would be much appreciated by the families needing our help at Christmas.