**Prayer for the Corona Virus**

Father, we pray for all those who are sick right now because of the Corona Virus.

We pray for healing for each of them,

especially for those who are older and weaker.

And Father, we pray for our health.

We pray for our immune system to be stronger to resist all disease.

We pray for Your protection for our families.

Father, we also pray for wisdom not to give in to the fear or the panic around us.

Guide us on how to respond.

We trust You, in Jesus name. Father God,

thank you for the wisdom that you give to us,

in order not to react but to respond wisely to this situation.

In Christ Jesus’ mighty name.

Amen

Each week you are invited to contribute in the Sunday Collection and offer the fruits of your labor to our Lord in thanksgiving.  In the absence of Sunday mass, our parish will suffer financially.  As good stewards, it is important to realize that many of the everyday expenses to run our parish will continue.

We know that these are financially challenging times. You may have lost your job, or your business viability may be threatened. Your savings may have been diminished by market conditions. And we understand that your primary financial responsibility is to your own home and family.

We ask that you also remember your spiritual home, our parish.

You can send your donation to:

St. Vital Parish (4905-50 Street, Beaumont, AB. T4X1J9

or

Make arrangements to drop it off at the parish office

or

Donate by clicking the DONATE button on the website.

“In this extraordinary circumstances, I encourage everyone to participate ‘remotely’ in the celebration of the Eucharist by tuning in to daily Mass on Salt+Light TV or Vision TV, or online at dailytvmass.com/daily-tv-mass. In addition, the Archdiocese will livestream Sunday Mass at 10:30 a.m. from St. Joseph’s Basilica. This can be accessed on our Archdiocesan website at caedm.ca. Some individual parishes may also offer a livestream Sunday Mass; we shall make links to those available on our website. These will provide us with yet more way to pray for the sick and for those who care for them.

“ Yours sincerely in Christ,

✠Richard W. Smith Archbishop of Edmonton

Televised Mass Salt + Light TV has arranged with cable companies across Canada (Rogers, Bell, Telus, Shaw Direct, Videotron) to make their service available free of charge to all subscribers until 1 May 2020. This means that anyone who subscribes to cable TV will be able to access Salt + Light TV and therefore the Daily TV Mass and Sunday TV Mass produced by National Catholic Broadcasting Council. Local Livestream Mass.

**L.O.C.K.D.O.W.N**

**L-isten to God’s Voice and reflect. Let go and Let God.**

**O-bey His word and His teachings.**

**C-all on Jesus’ name and be Calm.**

**K-now what is the purpose of all this.**

**D-well in His presence. Do not panic.**

**O-ffer a prayer for everyone’s safety.**

**W-ait and be patient. This too, shall pass.**

**N-urture our personal relationship with Him**

**MESSAGE FROM POPE FRANCIS**

PRAY FOR FAMILIES TO REDISCOVER TRUE AFFECTIONS AT THIS DIFFICULT TIME

“May God help families to rediscover true affection in this difficult time. It’s not easy, but we must always forgive. We have all witnessed families destroyed by family hatreds that go back from one generation to another; brothers that, before the coffin of a parent, don’t greet one another because they bear within old resentments. Forgiveness is the condition to enter Heaven. The Lord’s generosity, teaches us this. When we go to Confession, to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, let’s first ask ourselves: Do I forgive? If I feel that I don’t forgive, I must not feign to ask for forgiveness, because I won’t be forgiven; to ask for forgiveness means to forgive, they are both together. They can’t be separated.

**Some recent words of encouragement from the Holy Father:**

“The Rosary is the prayer of the humble and of the saints. In its mysteries, they contemplate, along with Mary, the life of Jesus, the merciful face of the Father. O, how much we all need to be truly comforted, to be wrapped in loving presence! We measure the truth of this expe- rience through our relationship with others. At this moment, they are our closest relatives. Let us be close to one another, being the first to be charitable, understanding, patient and forgiving. Though you may be confined to your own homes, allow your hearts to expand so they may be available and welcoming to all.

**Watch out for Viral Scams**

As if it wasn’t bad enough ̶ in the wake of the global coronavirus pandemic, cybercriminals are sending emails and designing websites to trick people into clicking on malicious links. Clicking on these seemingly helpful resources might actually install malware on your computer, which is designed to help steal personal data and information from users' systems.

**Do not click on any links in these type of email messages!**

These phishing emails typically use the COVID-19 virus as a lure in the subject line; the text tries to claim news about the infections or the virus itself. Some emails claim to be from the World Health Organization or other reputable organizations. Some offer a link to a coronavirus map of the recipient's neighbourhood, offers on purchasing a mask or a sanitizer, or an update on how many people have been infected around the world.

If an email asks you to click on a link, a good practice is try and find another way to validate it. Try to visit only reputable and trustworthy websites by typing the correct URL into your browser if you know it, or by using a reliable search engine, such as Google, to find the site for you.

Please note, any legitimate organization will NEVER ask for your password via email; that is another sign of scam.

As always, 'Think twice before you click!'

**Online Resources**

A new page on the Archdiocese of Edmonton website ( [***caedm.ca/covid***](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Y5y7MVf3G_KzOFjAouf8jSmknAfX9s3d1AX1_Ayx1YY4aaUVcFnJnuo9LIzuF-RhWmymgMpWn_l781S8_bzZMnswzujUXOHRuUiLDJ0hPdJhGBMSxqopWKhZgONyGKS8mnhxj-meplg=&c=AL5z6xwAA11SKmgUB2BR-n6K3CzYKqJG_9YjLT0wsgD_S-gex1KqwA==&ch=6Jsdez26seXsnkfUKGAOmuMOp8ccxPzn1zLvHmsEBxMyxdAjPbSz6Q==)) where they are posting information and resources of use during the pandemic. These include messages from the Archbishop, faith/prayer resources, and links to the updates that have been sent to parishes and staff. We'll be updating regularly.