ST. VITAL CATHOLIC PARISH

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Deacon: Dan Ritchie

APRIL 30, 2023

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

<u>Weekend Mass Times</u> Saturday 5:00 p.m. (English) Sunday 9:00 a.m. (bilingual) 11:00 a.m. (English)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Friday (April 28th) (Feast of St. Vital) Mass @ 5:00 p.m. - potluck @ 6:00 p.m.) Tuesday-Friday (May 2^{nd -} May 5th) Mass @ 9:00 a.m.

ADORATION - May 5th 9:30-4:30

Check out our website <u>www.saintvitalparish.com</u> and check it regularly for updates.

<u>Sacrament of Reconciliation</u> Saturday 11 a.m. – noon (in the church) or By appointment by contacting Fr. Les

Baptism Preparation Course

Are you expecting a child in the near future? Consider taking Baptism Preparation now while you are waiting for the birth of your son or daughter. The classes are for parents and sponsors (godparents). Attending now eliminates the need to find baby-sitters, rearrange feeding schedules etc. plus it adds to the joyful anticipation of your new arrival. Parents wishing to register for the next courses which will be held on Monday, May 15th and June 19th at 7:00 pm please call the parish office.

God has blessed us with many gifts. The **St. Vital Talent Show and Potluck**, being held **May 13th**, is an opportunity to share yours. Recite a poem, sing a song, perform a skit, or demonstrate some other talent. **Join us after the 5pm Mass** on May 13th to share in a meal while the show takes place! For more information, contact Gerard <u>gom@ualberta.ca</u>

CALLED TO PROTECT TRAINING SESSION

The two and half hour session is mandatory for all volunteers and employees of the Archdiocese. The next Called to Protect training, an abuse prevention training session, will be offered in-person as follows: **Thursday, May 4, 2023** from 7:00 - 9:30 pm Our Lady of Perpetual Help (13 Brower Drive, Sherwood Park) To register, please use the link: <u>https://forms.gle/iydsKfPR7T2Xchfj7</u>

Monday, May 22, 2023 from 7:00 - 9:30 pm St. Charles Parish (17511 - 112 St. NW, Edmonton) To register please use the link: <u>https://forms.gle/fdgfAAvoR7m2gjENA</u>

On Monday, May 1, the feast of St. Joseph the Worker, our parish has the privilege of praying with this icon of St. Joseph. At 7 p.m. we will gather for a prayer service led by Our Lady of the Hill Council #13064. It will include a Liturgy of the Word and the recitation of the joyful mysteries of the Rosary.

We hope you will be able to join us.

Since 1979, the Knights of Columbus has selected icons for us to pray with. They travel from parish to parish throughout North America, inspiring the faithful to follow Jesus more closely and to model our lives after those of the Holy Family. Over the years, most of these icons feature Blessed Mary or, on occasion, the Holy Family. This year the chosen icon is an image of St. Joseph. This beautiful icon is normally housed at St. Joseph's Oratory in Montreal and provides a window into the life and mission of St. Joseph.

Joseph was chosen by God to be Mary's beloved spouse and to be the foster father of God's Son, protecting and raising the Child Jesus. Joseph is the patron saint of the Universal Church, Canada, families, fathers, expectant mothers, travelers, immigrants, house sellers and buyers, craftsmen, engineers and working people, among others. Furthermore, St. Joseph serves as a fatherly example for us and a model of quiet strength, humility, and fidelity

PRAYERS FOR PALLIATIVE CARE

CWL across Canada will be holding 12-hour prayers for palliative care in conjunction with the Canadian Hospice Palliative Care Association's National Hospice Palliative Care the week of May 7-13, 2023. Palliative Care is a special kind of health care for individuals and families who are living with a live limiting illness that is usually at an advanced stage. The goal of palliative care is to provide the most comfort and dignity for the person living with the illness as well as the best quality of life for this person and their family. Prayers for Palliative Care are greatly needed!

On Wednesday, May 10th, please join the CWL in praying for our palliative care programs. The church will be open for praying from 9:00 a.m.- 9:00 p.m. There is a sign up sheet available at the back of the church to fill in a time slot. Please consider filling in one or two 1/2-hour time slots. Prayer sheets will be available at the back of the church for your use.

Parishioners: If you notice any repair or maintenance issues in the church that require attention please contact the parish office.

On Saturday, May 6th, St. Vital CWL will be hosting a Spring Tea fundraiser in the church hall downstairs from 2-4 p.m.

\$5.00 per person \$20.00 per family of 5 or up

Bring a friend and enjoy dainty sandwiches, squares and tea, coffee or juice.

50/50 draw Indoor raffle and

Browse through our "New to You" Boutique of gently used items all at spackling prices. Mark this event on your calendar and join us for tea and goodies and check out the bake table and White Elephant table.

Scent Free Makes Sense



We would like the parish to be sensitive to folks with allergies and refrain from wearing perfume and aftershave at Mass. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

KEVIN KERRIGAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP -This scholarship, sponsored by Our Lady of the Hill Knights of Columbus Council is open to year 2023 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, 2023. Applications are at the back of church and online at the Parish website (see KofC link).

A Note From the St Vital Pastoral Care

The Pastoral Care Team is a group of parishioners from St Vital who are available to bring the Blessed Sacrament to those of our parish who are unable to attend Mass on Sundays. We regularly go to Chateau Vitaline, Place Beausejour and also private homes of those who are unable to attend Mass due to health reasons.

If you have a loved one who is unable to attend Mass and would like to have a visit and receive Holy Communion from our team, please contact Jeanette at the Parish Office (780-929-8541).

Please note that we always come as a team of two people when we visit.

*Please contact Jeanette if you are interested in joining in this ministry.

Our Lady of the Hill Knights of Columbus will be selling **Sobey and No Frills gift cards** after all masses on the weekend. Buy your grocery cards and support Our Lady of the Hill Knights of Columbus. We thank you for your consideration.

"ADOREMUS & CREDO"

Adoremus ("Let us Adore") is held at St. Joseph Basilica (10044 - 113 Street NW) from 7:00 - 8:30 pm on the first Saturday of every month. The next one is on May 6. Join other young adults for a evening of Eucharistic Adoration, music, reconciliation, and prayer.
Credo ("I Believe") will be from 7:00 - 9:00 pm at Newman Theological College (10012 - 84 Street NW) held monthly on Thursdays. The next one is on May 11. Join other young adults and dive into the mysteries of our faith! This cultural apologetics series will focus on a different topic each month. A social and light refreshments will follow. All are welcome! For more information, contact Dr. Ryan Topping: ryan.topping@newman.edu

Our Lady of Victory Camp

If you have a child in grade 4-12, we have a place for them at Our Lady of Victory Camp this summer! Consider sending them to camp where they can swim in our lake, gather around the campfire, play epic games, and grow in their faith during one our four weeks of camp this summer. If you don't have a camp-aged child, you can still get involved in the preparations for our camp reopening this summer. Please pray for us! We also always need workers on the ground to help prepare the site of the summer and would welcome any financial support you might give. We look forward to gathering with families and camp supporters on Saturday, July 8th for Mass with the Archbishop and a BBQ. If you have any questions, please contact us at 587-447-2837 or visit www.olvcamp.com.

Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood

God our Father. from eternity You appointed Your only begotten Son to be the High Priest of the human race. Pour forth, we beseech You, Your Holy Spirit upon our families, that vocations to the priesthood may be multiplied. Lord Jesus, give us holy priests: To offer up the sacrifice of the Mass; To lead the little ones to You; To strengthen the faith of believers; To preach the Gospel to all peoples; To bring forgiveness to sinners; To feed souls the Bread of Life; To comfort the suffering and dying and to spread Your Kingdom in our midst. Mary Mother of our High Priest, pray for us and obtain for us an increase of holy priests. Amen

Stewardship Corner Fourth Sunday of Easter Weekend of April 29/30

Saint Peter plays a prominent leadership role in the first two readings, urging his listeners to be baptized and accept the gift of the Holy Spirit; and encouraging them to follow in the footsteps of Christ. We have just renewed our baptismal promises at Easter and the Holy Spirit dwells in us in a special way. Are we good stewards of those baptismal vows? Have we renewed our commitment to follow in Jesus' footsteps? Have we opened our hearts to discern the will of God in our lives? Take some time to reflect on the importance of our baptismal renewal and our lives as disciples of the Lord.

Come to be **REIGNITED**, the flame within **REKINDLED**, and to be **RENEWED** through the Holy Spirit! Join the Catholic Renewal Services for our **Pentecost Vigil on Sat May 27** at St. Thomas More Church located at 210 Haddow Close NW, start time **7:00 pm.** Fathers Matthew Hysell & Mark McGee will be the celebrants

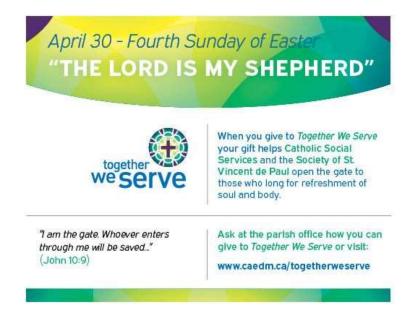
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Camp Encounter

Get ready for an unforgettable reunion and farewell event at Camp Encounter on **May 27** from 1 - 10 p.m., beginning with a classic camp Mass and ending with our best campfire ever! Join us for a day filled with fun activities, crafts, prayers and reflection, great food, outdoor tour and ...wait for it... a 25-foot ice cream sundae! Reconnect with old friends, reminisce with stories and say goodbye to our beloved camp.





Newman Golf Classic is back for its 31st Anniversary on **Monday**, June 26, 2023 with a shotgun start at 12:30 pm.

Early bird registration for the Annual Newman Golf Classic is May 31. Register early for a chance to win a Samsung 75" 4K UHD HDR QLED Tizen Smart TV!

Register as individual or team by calling Lisa at 780.4691010 ext. 2139 or visit www.caedm.ca/golf.

