ST. VITAL CATHOLIC PARISH

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OCTOBER 1, 2023

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Weekend Mass Times

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

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday, October 3rd - Friday, October 6th @ 9:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 11:00 a.m. – noon or by appointment by contacting Fr. Les

Adoration – Friday - 9:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Canada's Truth & Reconciliation Day (officially September 30 each year) provides each one of us an opportunity for prayerful reflection to learn, reflect and act in our ongoing journey of healing, reconciliation and hope.

The Parish Office will be closed Monday, October 2, 2023 in lieu of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

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

Loan Balance August 31, 2023 \$553,207.37

St. Vital Parish Mission

Jim Murphy, a Catholic evangelist from Michigan, will be here to serve as the Retreat Master for a Parish Mission which will run from **November 12th-14th**, **2023.** The theme of the retreat is entitled "Healing our Wounds". All of the services will be at St. Vital Church starting at 7:00 p.m. Please join us as we try to make this Mission a highlight of our parish year!

Pope's Prayer Intention - October 2023 - The Synod

We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world

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.

K OF C FOOD DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus will hold its monthly food drive in support of the Leduc Food Bank the weekend of September 30/October 1, 2023. Please drop your donation in the bin in the Church vestibule. Donations not only benefit the needy of Leduc County but also help out the needy residents of Beaumont as well. Thanks to all the Parishioners who have been supporting this effort over the months

Reverse Collection

A reverse collection for the Leduc Food bank will be taken the weekend of Oct. 7th & 8th.

Slips of paper with requested items will be handed to parishioners on the weekend of September 30th & October 1st masses.

Thank you for helping those in need.

Bible Study

Our Bible Study is called THE EUCHARIST *Bible Study Guide For Catholics By Fr. Mitch Pacwa*

We usually gather for our Bible Study every second Monday, However due to some holiday time the schedule will be adjusted to a few different dates. The the next few Bible Study date: **Oct. 23** @ **10:0** a.m. Please call or text Claire Connell 780 887-0468

Public Square Rosary Crusade

You are invited to join in a Public Square Rosary Crusade/Rally at St. Vital's on Saturday, October 14 at 12:00 noon. This Public Square Rosary is sponsored by "Canada Needs our Lady" and will be one of over thousands of rallies taking place in Canada and the United States. Please join us in offering reparation for the sins and offenses committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary and to fervently pray for the conversion of Canada For more information call Marie at 587-989-1114.

Gospel & Inspiration Music & Singing

St. Paul's Lutheran Church (Rollyview) on October 20, 2023 @ 7:00 p.m. Free admission

Called to Protect (Online via Zoom)

Called to Protect training, an abuse prevention training session will be offered on Wednesday, October 11, 1:00 to 3:30 pm. The two-and-half-hour session is mandatory for all clergy, employees and volunteers of the Archdiocese.

Registration link: https://forms.gle/KkidrABE5x5hyEhm8

WOMEN OF DIGNITY CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE "The good Lord does not do things by halves, He always gives what we need - let us, Carry on Bravely." St. Zelie Martin Join us for the 2023 Women of Dignity Catholic Women's Conference on October 20 - 21 at Holy Trinity Parish (200 Boundary Rd., Spruce Grove). You can expect a weekend filled with prayer, uplifting music, adoration, confessions, Mass, fellowship and a weekend of inspired speakers with engaging talks to help women affirm their faith in God. It is an opportunity to find meaning and purpose in life's challenges. Invite family and friends to make this a special faith-building journey and experience! Speakers and Mass celebrants are Susanna Parent, Dr. Rebecca Genuis, Amanda Marleau, Fr. Frank Sharma, and Fr. Jim Corrigan. Cost is \$60/woman or \$40/student. Please register before October 12. To register: www.catholicfamilyministries.com or 780.920.7878

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (September 30th) Prayers for Justice and Healing

O God, we praise and thank You for the blessings of life in Canada,

from your natural bounty and from the work of human hands.

We ask you to open our ears to the truths

about our collective history shared with the Truth and Reconciliation Commission by survivors of residential schools.

We ask you to open our minds to the complex and subtle ways

that past mistakes, arrogance, misuse of authority, and sinfulness

have damaged our social fabric in ways we have barely begun to redress.

We ask you to open our hearts that we may continue to listen

even when the truth challenges us;

that we may understand that we are heirs to a system

that has shown itself capable of domination and cruelty,

whether or not we personally contributed;

that we may commit ourselves in all humility

to do what we can and support the efforts of others to restore our ruptured social fabric.

Amen. ~

Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon

STAR OF THE NORTH Ways of the Heart Women's Retreat: October 13-15, 2023

Boundaries are essential to living a healthy and full life. This weekend we will pause and reflect on what boundaries we need to be wholly alive as God intends us to be. In addition to input sessions, our time together will include gentle yoga, meditation, prayer, and more. Contact Star of the North for more information at 780-459-5511 or programs@starofthenorth.ca.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a powerful weekend experience designed to help good marriages become better – to take relationships to a higher level of greater joy and intimacy. There will be a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend in Fort Saskatchewan October 13 – 15, 2023. To register for a Marriage Encounter experience, go to the website: https://wwme.org/ **If you need help, call 780- 464-2874 or email gvankup@telus.net

CONNECTION

My St. Vital's League council is parish-based yet connected to Canada's largest women's organization. How connected are you? You will meet women from your region, diocese, province and country by becoming involved in your parish Catholic Women's League council! Your place is among us!

Did you miss the registration/meeting for **First Reconciliation and First Communion** on September 27th?

You can still register your child for the sacraments at the parish office before the first class on October 11, 2023 @6:30 p.m.

Thank you to our lawn and yard volunteers for their faithfulness through another season.

Credo

Credo (I Believe) is a coffee-house style evening of Catholic Apologetics. It is held from 6:30 PM – 9:30 PM at Newman Theological College on Thursday evenings once a month (Oct 19, Nov 16, Dec 14, Jan 18, Feb 15, Mar 21, Apr 18, May 16). The evening begins with Compline (Night Prayer in the Divine Office), followed by a talk, group discussions, Q&A and concluding with a social (refreshments provided). This year's series focuses on the 7 Deadly Sins and how to overcome them. Each month we'll take up one of the traditional Seven Deadly Sins, unmask its contemporary face, and reflect together on how the Catechism, Thomas Aquinas, and the Catholic intellectual tradition offer us compelling antidotes to contemporary society's ruinous philosophy of despair.

St. Vital's Parish is holding a Fall Talent Show Saturday Oct 21st from 630-9pm.

If you are interested in attending, or better yet, participating in, please let me know! (t.mclarney12@gmail.com)

Details are as follows

What type of talent are you looking for?

Any gift God has graced you with. Last show ranged widely, from choreographed sword duels, to poetry recitations, memorized speeches, duets, stand-up, and a most memorable Calculus demonstration.

Do I have to sign up? No; you are more than welcome to just watch and to share in fellowship.

Is there a cost? No. This is entirely free of charge.

What should I bring? If you can bring a snack or treats to share, that would be greatly appreciated. Blessings,

Gerard and Tracy