**Welcome to our Easter Celebrations!**

We are honored to have this opportunity to extend words of welcome to each of you

today. Whether you have come from another province, or other parts of Alberta, or from

another denomination in Edmonton - to say “you are welcome” is our way of letting you

know just how glad we are to have you with us. We want you to feel at home with us and

to assure you that you are among friends.

Are you new in our Parish? Welcome! We want you to feel at home in St. Vital Parish, and we would like to know that you are here. Please pick up a ‘Parishioner Census Form’ at the back of the church or print one from our website. Fill out this form and drop it off at the Parish Office or in the collection basket.

**K4J** is looking for a **Coordinator** for the fall. If you enjoy organizing and have a love for children this is the volunteer position for you.  This is a great way to serve within your parish. Any questions or inquiries please email k4j.stvital@gmail.com

**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 15th** at **7:00 p.m**. in the meeting room. If you have any questions or require further information, please contact the parish office.

“The Knights of Columbus will be having their **monthly pancake breakfast** after the 9:00am and 11:00am masses on **Sunday, April 23** at the church basement.  Come down and join us.”

**Divine Mercy Sunday April 23rd at 3:00 pm**

Chaplet of Divine Mercy/Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament Sun., April 23rd at 3:00 pm. Prayed on ordinary rosary beads, The Chaplet of The Divine Mercy is an intercessory prayer that extends the offering of the Eucharist, so it is especially appropriate to use it after having received Holy Communion at Holy Mass. It may be said at any time, but our Lord specifically told St. Faustina to recite it during the nine days before the Feast of Mercy (the first Sunday after Easter). He then added: “By this Novena, (of Chaplets) I will grant every possible grace to souls.”

**MARRIAGE**

 Please contact Fr. Arlan at least 6 months prior to your wedding date. A prerequisite is the Marriage Preparation Course or Engaged Encounter.

There will be no grocery gift card sales over Easter weekend. Sales will resume the weekend of April 22nd23rd.

ST. Vital CWL invites you to a **SPRING TEA**,  **Sunday**, **MAY 7**, 2017

OPEN HOUSE **2-4 p.m**.

Beverages & dessert $5, bake sale, white elephant sale and in-house raffle!

Come one and all!

**TRUNK SALE AND BABY ITEMS SALE**

DO YOU HAVE ITEMS TO SELL? HOUSEHOLD ITEMS,  or BABY ITEMS?

Rent a parking space and Sell from the Trunk of your vehicle (tables available)or Rent a table for your baby items in the Church basement!

JUNE 10, 2017 from 9 a.m.- noon  LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE

for information, contact Liz @ 780-929-6799 or eats.taylor@gmail.com

**CALLED TO PROTECT**

 Here are upcoming dates for “Called to Protect” sessions, which are a **requirement for every** **volunteer in the Archdiocese of Edmonton, in Edmonton parishes.** You can attend any session regardless of the parish in which you are volunteering. Please register with the appropriate parish so that there will be enough materials and seating space for everyone. Wednesday, May 3rd 7:00 - 9:30 pm at Annunciation (9420 – 163 St. / 780-484-6534) Saturday, May 6th 10:00 am – 12:30 pm at St. Joseph’s Basilica 780-488-7295

Thursday, May 18th 7:00 – 9:30 pm at Corpus Christi (2707 – 34 St. / 780-466-7576) Monday, May 29th 7:00 – 9:30 pm at St. Theresa (7508 – 29 Ave / 780-463-8646)

**An encounter with Christ in the Land where He Lived**

Archbishop R. Smith will be leading a pilgrimage to the Holy Land from **Nov 29-Dec 10th,** **2017** and is inviting us to journey with him to the place rendered holy by the very presence of Jesus Himself. Contact Jackie Abello at 780-229-4171 or at JackieA@UniglobeOne.com Registrations now open.

Congratulations to all those who have become full members of our Roman Catholic Church this weekend. Thank you to everyone who made the celebration such a success.