St. Vital Catholic Parish

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MAY 5, 2024 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Weekend Mass Times

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

Weekday Masses

Wednesday, May 8th & Friday May 10th @ 9:00 a.m.

First Communion Mass – Sunday, May 5th @ 2:30 p.m.

ADORATION-

Friday, May 10th (9:30 a.m. – 6:15 p.m.)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

By appointment with Fr. Les

On **Saturday, May 4th**, St. Vital CWL will be hosting a **Spring Tea fundraiser** in the church hall downstairs from **2-4 p.m**. Mark this event on your calendar and join us for tea and goodies.

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

Loan Balance March 31, 2024 \$414,059.74

The Pope's Monthly Intention: May 2024

For the formation of religious and seminarians:

We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocation through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the gospel. world.

PASTORAL VISIT with ARCHBISHOP SMITH

Archbishop Richard Smith will be making his pastoral visit to St. Vital Parish on the **weekend** of **May 11/12.** During his time with us, the Archbishop will meet with the residents of Chateau Vitaline, preside at the celebration of Confirmation, meet with the ROCK Youth Group on Saturday evening and preside at all three of the Masses in our parish. A Meet and Greet with the Archbishop will be held after each of the two Masses on Sunday in the parish hall.

Please note that on the **morning** of **Saturday, May 11**, Father Les will be with the Archbishop as he visits the residents of Chateau Vitaline. Therefore, the regular hour of **Confessions will be cancelled for that day.**

Please make every effort to join us and to extend a very warm welcome to Archbishop Smith as he visits our parish.

Thank you.

Grocery Gift Cards

Our Lady of the Hill Council is selling Sobeys and No Frills grocery gift cards before and after all the weekend Masses. All parishioners are encouraged to support this effort. Proceeds from the sales go toward supporting the Knight's charitable work and donations. We accept cash, cheque and e-transfer.

The Catholic Women's League would like to thank you for your generous support of the Baby Bottle Project. Together with your support we raised \$2500 and was well received by Our Lady of Grace-For Pregnant and Parenting Students.

On **Friday**, **May 10th**, during adoration we would ask you to join the Catholic Women's League to **pray for Palliative Care.** Adoration will begin after the Exposition after the 9:00 am mass and continue until 6:15 followed by Benediction. Prayers for Palliative Care will be at the back of the church.

KEVIN KERRIGAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP -This scholarship, sponsored by Our Lady of the Hill Knights of Columbus Council is open to year 2024 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, 2024**. Applications are at the back of church and online at the Parish website (see KofC link).

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 13th**, **at 7:00** pm, please call the parish office

COR Initiative

Sunday, May 5th at 7:00p.m.

COR is a time for men in the parish to pray, engage in scripture program called Men of the Word, and enjoy fellowship with each other. COR is scheduled at the home of Louis Kloster (100, 50511 Range Rd 234). Come and see what COR is all about.

ALBERTA MARCH FOR LIFE RALLY

The annual Alberta March for Life Rally will be held on **Thursday, May 9** beginning with the Pro-Life Mass at 10:00 am at St. Joseph's Basilica (10044 - 113 St. NW), followed by the March at 12:30 pm at the Alberta Legislature (10800 - 97 Ave., Edmonton). The March for Life is a peaceful and inspiring demonstration that gives witness to the beauty and dignity of every human person. The right to life is a basic human right. In the defense of that right, every year women, men, young people, and children gather to celebrate life. We celebrate God and His goodness in giving us life from conception to last breath and resurrection. The Rose Dinner will be held at 6:00 pm at the Polish Hall (10960 - 104 St. NW) with keynote speaker Alveda King, niece of Dr. Martin Luther King. For more info: albertamarchforlife.com



The Knights of Columbus and Catholic Women's League are partnering to organize a wonderful pro-life event in the parish hall on **Friday, May 10** (6:30 start time). Gabrielle Johnson, Executive Director of Alberta Life Issues Educational Society (ALIES), which operates The Back Porch, will be the guest speaker. Gabrielle will speak about what the organization does, how they provide education and support in a compassionate, empathetic way to vulnerable women, pro life apologetics, and all the exciting things happening at ALIES.

After the talk, we will show a pro-life, faith-filled, family-friendly movie called *LifeMark*. The trailer for this movie can be viewed at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bZI9ziz8Azw. Snacks, popcorn, drinks will be available. The movie is an hour and 45 minutes long, with a ten-minute intermission / needs break in the middle. The evening should conclude around 9:15 pm.

All are welcome and the event is free to attend. We kindly ask for donations to help cover the cost of the event. Donations to the Alberta Life Issues Educational Society will also be accepted and can also be made online (https://www.alies.ca/).

LADIES! You need a night out because it's vital. Join the monthly **Vital Ladies Night.**

When: Thursday, May 9th and every 2nd Thursday of the month there after

Time: 7:30pm till 10:30pm

Where: Michelle's home in Beaumont

Who: Any adult Lady

What: It is a wholesome Christian social time away from all of our life's expectations.

What to bring: Anything or Nothing. If you want to bring something, you can bring a snack or drink or game.

Contact: Michelle Felix (780)239-7703

CALLED TO PROTECT WORKSHOP

Our next "Safe Environment and Abuse Prevention" training sessions, "Called to Protect", by **zoom** is scheduled for **Saturday**, **May 11**, **2024**. The 2.5 hours session will be from 9:30 am - 12:00 pm. **This is a requirement for all volunteers and employees in the Archdiocese 18 years and older**. To register: https://forms.gle/CVWQjsJK6YvsQqkD8

The **next in-person** "Called to Protect" training session is scheduled for **Thursday, May 16, 2024** from 6:30 - 9:00 pm at St. Charles Parish (17511 - 112 St. NW, Edmonton). To register: https://forms.gle/G4RZ793xGknwTJE08

St. Vital Saturday Sports Camp

Date: May 4, 11 & 25 and June 1, 8 & 15 (Saturdays)

Families are invited to participate in an hour of fun sports activities including soccer, capture the flag, and more.

Meet in the St. Vital Parking lot at 11:30 a.m.

For more information contact K of C Family program chairperson Gerard McLarney at

t.mclarney12@gmail.com.

Bring a water bottle and good footwear.

OUR LADY OF VICTORY SUMMER CAMP

Encounter CHRIST

Encounter COMMUNITY

Encounter CREATION

July 6: Summer Kick-off BBQ

July 7—July 11: High School Week (Grades 10-12)

July 14—July 18: All Ages Week 1 (Grades 4-9)

July 28—August 1: Elementary Week (Grades 4-6)

August 4—August 8: Junior High Week (Grades 7-9)

August 11—August 15: All Ages Week 2 (Grades 4-9)

For more information, or to register/donate, please go to: **OLVCAMP.COM**

Yard Maintenance

Greetings, everyone! Spring has arrived, and with that comes yard work and lawn care, both at home and at church. Every year there is a group of people that tend to the cemetery and the area around the church, the parish office, and the rectory. The lawn needs to be cut with ride on mowers, push mowers and line trimmers. If the grass is long when it is cut, raking is required to keep the lawn beautiful. Sometimes grass has to be swept or blown off of headstones and the artificial flowers near the headstones need to be tidied. There is always garbage to be collected and flowers to be tended.

We do all of this work for the sake of our beloved dead and for the beauty of our church property.

You can see, however, that there are many tasks, and the work is time-consuming when only a small number of people are committed. And so we are asking for your help. We all have our own properties to look after, but if several parishioners are willing to give a bit of time, we can maintain our church property as well. It could be just an hour a week or a couple of hours every two or three weeks. The more people involved, the less time required. Last year, close to twenty people volunteered to help with yard maintenance. It's a big job but, when the work is shared by many, it is manageable and rewarding.

There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church on the table to the right as you are leaving. If you think you could give of your time in this way, please put your name, phone number and email address on the list, and indicate what you would like to do. Perhaps you will commit to cutting lawn, sweeping grass off of headstones or simply picking up garbage around our property.

We will contact you and organize a schedule, beginning in mid-May and ending in mid-September. For those of you that need training with the power equipment, someone will help you learn how to use the mowers and trimmers safely.

Thank you for considering this gift of service in our parish. God bless.

Louis Kloster

Volunteer Yard Maintenance Coordinator

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780-929-6024 (Home) 780-691-6506 (Cell)

First Communion

05-May-24

Adeshina-Tremblay, Arella Antony, Luke Bagan, Kate Banic, Leo

Betancourt, Sebastian Bouchard, Bridgett Boucher, Wyatt Caffrey, Selena Cardona, Juan Pablo Cardona, Juliana Carlson, Juliette Crow, Evan Goudreau, Livia Goudreau, Philip Hutton, Liam Keough, Ella Rickwood, Mason Ksiazek, Hazel LeBlanc. Sophia Ledding, Vivienne Levesque, Grace Love, Penelope Magombedze, Munashe



Maranan, Jhed McGavin, Abigail McKinnon, Gerard Micic de Leon, Ante

Moreno-Acosta, Thiago Nelson, Claire Ngemoh, Judie Obi-Nwaohi, Gregg O'Halligan, Tariyah Osana, Gianna Pitts, Frank Quast, Lincoln Reichert, Benjamin Robinson, Mary Rouleau, Lumena Sanchez, Sanitago Scott, Evelyn Scully, Roisin Sinclair, Silias Tinant, Hanna Wedmire, Myelle Weinberger, Claire Yeo, Chloe