

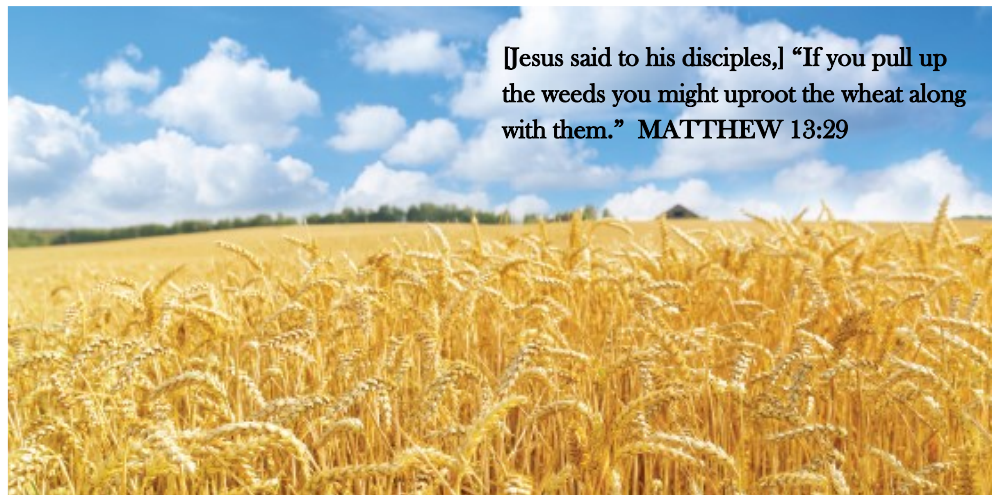
Saint Vital

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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LORD'S DAY MASS TIMES: SATURDAY AT 4:00 PM & SUNDAY AT 9:00 AM, 11:30 AM & 8:00 PM



[Jesus said to his disciples,] "If you pull up the weeds you might uproot the wheat along with them." MATTHEW 13:29

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please contact Candace at 204-453-0933 ext. 281 or candace@stvitalparish.ca for more information.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Tuesdays from 6:00pm-6:45pm

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Please contact one of our priests at the parish office at least 6 months in advance.

FUNERALS:

Please contact one of our priests at the parish office prior to making arrangements with the funeral home.

July 19
2026

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**PARISH OFFICE
SUMMER
HOURS**

MONDAY - FRIDAY

09:00 AM - 3:00 PM

CLOSED

JULY 1ST & AUGUST 3RD



MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, JULY 18TH

4PM † Sophie Horosko
(Norma Padilla)

SUNDAY, JULY 19TH

9AM † Adrianus Goos
(Goos family)

11:30AM † John & Joyce Osodo
(Bernadette Osodo)

8PM Thorimbert family
(Tim & Louise Scatliff)

TUESDAY, JULY 21ST

7PM † Dave Deighton
(Wayne & Rosanne Lowe)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22ND

10AM † Wilfred & Humilta Stewart
(Carol Stewart)

THURSDAY, JULY 23RD

10AM † Jose J. Arauz
(Marietta Godoy)

FRIDAY, JULY 24TH

No Daily Mass

Please join us for the rosary at 9:30am before the daily Mass, Wednesday & Thursday

Weeds in Wheat

MIGUEL DULICK

Jesus loved parables. “He spoke to them only in parables, to fulfill what had been said through the prophet: ‘I will open my mouth in parables, I will announce what has lain hidden from the foundation [of the world]’” (Matthew 13:34–35).

Indeed, parables spring from creation itself. Wheat and weeds grow, a natural process, just waiting for Jesus to read the kingdom of heaven hidden within. Jesus doesn’t force an interpretation on these elements; he, more than anyone, follows his own advice: “Whoever has ears ought to hear” (Matthew 13:43).

Matthew is the only gospel writer who records this parable. Maybe he liked it because it’s his own story. Among the beautiful wheat of the chosen people, he was an ugly weed, a tax collector for the Roman Empire. Once Jesus plucked him from obscurity to follow him, Matthew might have thought, *Why didn’t God just strike me dead for all the poison I spread among my own brethren?*

Now, in the parable, the weeds never become wheat, and they indeed meet a terrible fate, but the point is to let the wheat and weeds grow together, lest we uproot the wheat when we pull up the weeds. Oftentimes, it’s difficult to tell the difference. Those who are “wheat” should not find excuses to separate from those judged to be “weeds.” The risk is too great for the damage we may do. Let God do the separating in God’s own time. ●



LEARN ABOUT
THE AUTHORS
OF OUR PARISH
COMMUNITY

Reflect

Are you tempted to give up on someone? Or yourself?

Dear Padre,

My former boyfriend died recently. He was very abusive and caused me a lot of pain. Should I pray for him even if I believe that no amount of prayer could help him?

Yes, you should pray for him and, despite your lingering hurt from the relationship, resist the urge to make a judgment about him. This decision is not only a healthy spiritual choice, but it will also help you heal the wounds that you still carry. Praying for him does not mean that you are denying any of the hurt that he inflicted on you but rather that you are capable of maturity and choices that were seemingly beyond his ability. Praying for him really says more about you than it says about him. It is also an act of grace-inspired honesty and faithfulness. It is a statement that you believe wholeheartedly in the merciful and forgiving God who is capable of healing the deepest hurts and is even capable of helping his faithful people ultimately forgive those who have inflicted harm upon them. ●



VASYLCHENKO NIKITA / SHUTTERSTOCK

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org

A Lasting Gift of Faith

As we give thanks for God's many blessings, please consider remembering St. Vital Parish in your will. A legacy gift is a beautiful way to continue supporting the mission of our parish and to help future generations grow in faith. After providing for your loved ones, a gift to your parish is a lasting expression of gratitude and hope.

Thank you for your faithful support of St. Vital Parish, today and for the future.

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 18/19, 2026

In today's second reading, Saint Paul bids us to take comfort in knowing that when God invites us to pray to him, he knows our true needs, even if we do not. The Holy Spirit intercedes and prays for us even if we can't come up with appropriate words; even when we don't have a clue what to ask for. We are not left alone.

Good stewards know that prayer is an important part of living a life in Christ. The important thing is to make space for God. Do we let God into our hearts? Do we make room for the Holy Spirit to pray within us?



Weekly Stewardship Report

Thank you for your donations! July 12, 2026

Sunday Collection July 12'2026	Budgeted per week	Weekly Collection +/-	Year to Date +/-
\$ 8430.57	\$ 7636.00	\$ 794.57	\$ 8714.59

Parish Debt collected—July 12'26	Budgeted per week	Weekly Collection +/-	Sharing God's Gifts collected—July 12'26	Budgeted per week	Weekly Collection +/-
\$ 197.75	\$ 1053.00	- \$ 855.25	\$ 467.50	\$ 1106.67	- \$ 639.17



FAREWELL CELEBRATION FOR FR. MICHEL



Saturday, July 25th
- following the 4pm Mass-

Join us in gratitude as we come together to honor and thank Father Michel for his faithful service and spiritual guidance.

We give thanks to God for the blessings bestowed through his ministry, and may God's love be with Father Michel always. May he carry the Lord's blessings into the next chapter of his journey.




St. Vital Parish
Milestone Wedding Anniversary
Celebration
4:00pm Mass, Saturday July 25, 2026

We will honor the Feast of St. Anne and St. Joachim, the patron saints of married couples, as well as the revered parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary and grandparents of Jesus.

We invite all couples who are celebrating a milestone anniversary in 2026—such as 1 year, 5 years, 10 years, 15 years, and beyond—to join us for this special occasion.

Fr. Michel will bestow a blessing upon these couples during the Mass as a recognition of their enduring commitment and faith.




A parish to call home! If you are new - WELCOME!

If you have been away - WELCOME HOME!