

# Saint Vital

CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Mission- 1861*  
*Parish-1914*

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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

Then the other disciple also went in,  
the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and  
he saw and believed

JOHN 20:8

March 31  
2024

## The Resurrection of the Lord

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please contact Candace at 204-453-0933 ext. 281  
or [candace@stvitalparish.ca](mailto:candace@stvitalparish.ca) for more information.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Tuesdays from 6:00pm-6:45pm OR by appointment

### 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.

#### PASTOR/DIRECTOR

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## MASS SCHEDULE

### SATURDAY, MARCH 30TH (EASTER VIGIL)

7PM For all Catechumens

### SUNDAY, MARCH 31ST

9AM † Ruby Maxwell  
(Leslie Maxwell-Joseph)

11:30AM Angela & Lucia  
(Beberly & Alan Balingit)

8PM Missa Pro Populo

### TUESDAY, APRIL 2ND

7PM † Veronika & Vladimir Hamin  
(Jasna Tralic)

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3RD

11:30AM † Felipe Gobenciong Jr.  
(Gregoria Parado)

### THURSDAY, APRIL 4TH

**No Mass**

### FRIDAY, APRIL 5TH

11:30AM † Irena Sotto  
(Lucy DeDressay)

Please join us for the rosary on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays starting at 11:00am before the daily Mass.

## Life without a Blankie

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**F** aith can have the look of high dives and learning to ride a bike without training wheels and life without one's "blankie." All are confrontations with the specter of death asking us to have faith. From youth to old age, our lives seem to be laced with the loss of control, and unless we embrace such moments, not only will we never really grow up, neither will we ever become people of faith who live in the resurrection.

The Easter Gospels are about women and men who arrive at the tomb but hesitate going in; it is the home of death. Yet they become believers after they have entered that home of death and discover it to be abandoned. Over the years, I have become convinced that the only way to become a believer in the resurrection is to walk into the tomb yourself and there discover that where you thought death

was present now has been abandoned. That is the pattern of coming to faith.

Usually such moments do not have the look of faith. They tend to seem more akin to death than any promise of new life—like having to move to a new city or a new school, or abandoning an addiction, or confronting a problem through counseling, or aging, or grieving over lost love. They all can have the look of tombs yet they are also where we find the beginnings of new life. Risk it often enough and so discover new life, and we begin to believe in the reality of resurrection—Jesus' and ours. ●

### Reflect

***Have you ever experienced life flowing from what appeared to be a death?***

# Dear Padre,

**Where did the idea of an Easter bunny come from?  
What about the Easter egg?**

The Easter bunny is really a hare which, according to an Egyptian legend, is a symbol of the moon. Easter falls on the first Sunday after the first full moon that occurs after the twenty-first day of March. Put this together, and we have an Easter bunny.

Early Christians gave new meaning to the Roman proverb *Omne vivum ex ovo*, which means, "All life comes from an egg." A hatching chick represented the risen Christ emerging from the shell of a tomb on Easter morning. Consequently, eggs were prohibited during the Lenten fast and were reintroduced at the Easter meal and also shared as decorated gifts. In 1610, a prayer by Pope Paul V blessed the egg "that it may become a wholesome sustenance to Thy faithful servants, eating in thankfulness to Thee, on account of the Resurrection of Our Lord."

In some parts of the world, children carry baskets and torches and sing Easter carols as they go from place to place. They are given brightly colored eggs to put in their baskets. In other places, eggs are carried to church and blessed by the priests. The eggs are taken home and placed in the center of the table as the main dish at the Easter feast. Visitors to the house during Easter week are offered this sacred food of the resurrection. Happy Easter! ●



SVITLANA MARTYNOVA / SHUTTERSTOCK

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**Spring Book Study**  
**Rediscover the Rosary - Matthew Kelly**  
**May 6, 13, 22 & 27, 2024**  
St. Vital Parish - Limited Space  
Hosted by Faith Formation Ministry  
Free Will Offering for Hardcover Book  
(valued at \$25)

Register by phone or links:  
204-453-0933  
<https://forms.gle/PnmjBh2u7a849xe18>



## THANK-YOU

We wish to thank the Catholic Women's League and the Knights of Columbus for all their efforts in putting together a successful Trivia Night and St. Patrick's Day raffle. Thank you also to all those who donated items for the raffle. Together we raised \$3,832.05 to go towards our Renovation Fund!

## Stewardship of Treasure - Financial Gifts to God

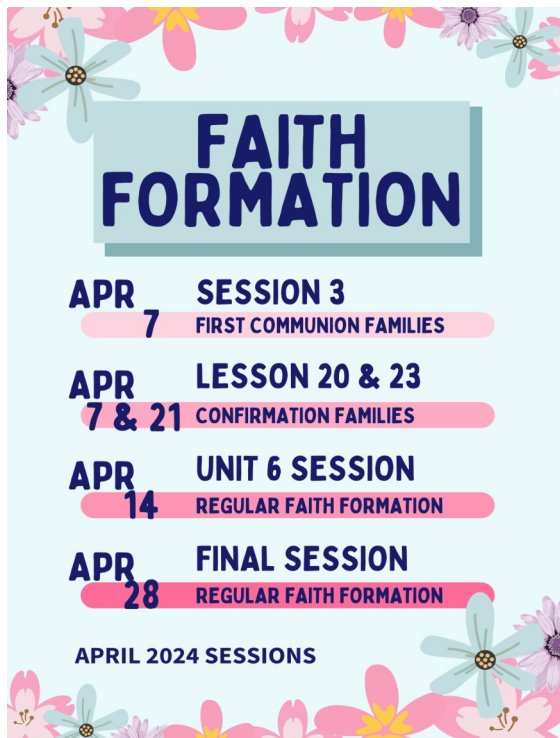
Thank you for your stewardship! We will update again starting April 7th'24

## Knights of Columbus - Pancake Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a pancake breakfast in the School Cafeteria on Sunday, April 7th immediately after the 9am Mass. Admission is Free, however, cash donations and e-transfers will be accepted.

Seating will continue until 11:30am. The elevator (lift) will be available upon request.

We look forward to serving you!



**FAITH FORMATION**

- APR 7** SESSION 3  
FIRST COMMUNION FAMILIES
- APR 7 & 21** LESSON 20 & 23  
CONFIRMATION FAMILIES
- APR 14** UNIT 6 SESSION  
REGULAR FAITH FORMATION
- APR 28** FINAL SESSION  
REGULAR FAITH FORMATION

APRIL 2024 SESSIONS



**HYMN SING**

DANIELLE SAVARD  
WARMLY INVITES YOU  
TO COME JOIN OUR  
MUSIC MINISTRY TEAM  
FOR AN OPEN  
REHEARSAL

APRIL 14TH  
10-11AM  
CHURCH  
SANCTUARY



ST. VITAL PARISH

**MINISTRY FAIR**

*And he said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fishers of people." Mathew 4:19*

**COME & LEARN ABOUT  
ALL THE DIFFERENT  
MINISTRIES IN OUR PARISH  
COMMUNITY AND HOW YOU  
CAN GET INVOLVED**

May 4th & 5th , 2024

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

If you have been away - WELCOME HOME!