

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



The Ascension of the Lord

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 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. June 1 2025

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Acts 1:1-11 / Ephesians 1:17-23 or Hebrews 9:24-28; 10:19-23 / Luke 24:46-53

Why Doesn't God Do Something?

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

t is said that we never grow up until both parents have died, when we can no longer go home. Yet, for each of us, there may also be a symbolic moment that moves us from childhood into adulthood. It may be achieving financial independence, graduating from school, or moving out on our own. Whatever it may be, we say to ourselves, "I am now grown up." Whenever such moments occur, we feel empowered to shape our lives and our future.

The feast of the Ascension is that sort of marker: God has empowered us to shape the world in the image of Jesus. Just as our parents empower us into an adulthood that contributes to life, it is now God who empowers us with the very same power by which he raised Jesus from the dead. It is a power and a presence by which God makes the world new through us.

There are those who say they no longer believe in God, because if there is a good God, then he would not allow violence, the death of children before their time, and all sorts of evil that mars human life. Perhaps the greater question is not "Why doesn't God do something?" but rather "Why do we not do something?" To pass on the responsibility to God is to abdicate our own responsibility and deny the fact that God continues to empower us as adults and expects us to utilize that power and presence to make all things new.

-Reflect—

In what ways do I act like an adult?

How is the world a better place because of me?

MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, MAY 31ST

4PM † Members of Sisters of the Cross

(R & J Brasseur)

SUNDAY, JUNE 1ST

9AM Missa Pro Populo

11:30AM † Gerald Cormier

(Doris Cormier)

8PM † Joao Kanashiro

(Jorge Kanashiro)

TUESDAY, JUNE 3RD

7PM † Vladimir Hamin

(Jasna T.)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4TH

11:30AM Fr. Mark Tarrant

(a parishioner)

THURSDAY, JUNE 5TH

11:30AM † Peter Grigor

(Elena)

FRIDAY, JUNE 6TH

11:30AM † Robert Changtirsing

(Gan family)

Please join us for the Rosary on Wednesday, Thursday, and Fridays starting at 11:00am before the daily Mass.

Dear Padre,

What does the Catholic Church teach about miracles?

Miracles are extraordinary occurrences without natural explanation that manifest the presence and power of God. We believe in miracles "because of the authority of God himself who reveals them, who can neither deceive nor be deceived" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 156).

Christ's multiplication of the loaves is the only miracle

recorded by all four evangelists. He performed many other natural miracles—calming the storm, walking on water—and numerous healings as well—curing the deaf and mute, the woman with a hemorrhage. These signs attest that the Father sent Jesus and "they invite belief in him" (*CCC*, 548). Moreover, Jesus' miracles "also confirm that the kingdom has already arrived on earth..." ("Dogmatic Constitution on the Church," 5).

Today, God still manifests his presence in the Church through miracles. For example, potential medical healings are rigorously investigated by the Vatican for sainthood causes. Other supernatural occurrences—such as apparitions and eucharistic phenomena—are likewise thoroughly and prudently investigated with caution to maintain the Church's credibility and prevent confusion among the faithful.

To that end, in May 2024, the Vatican updated its guidelines for assessing apparitions, visions, and alleged revelations, and reaffirmed that a bishop cannot rule on the validity of a particular case before the pope formally deems it to be "supernatural" for pastoral value. (Search "Norms for Proceeding in the Discernment of Alleged Supernatural Phenomena" at Vatican.va.)

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org



St. Vital Parish Vocations Committee would like to invite the families and individuals of the parish to participate in the Traveling Vocations Chalice Program. A chalice, that has been used at Mass, will travel from home to home as a reminder to pray daily for an increase in vocations (particularly to the priesthood and religious life) and to think and pray about each individual's own vocation. A binder of prayers for all ages will accompany the chalice. Families or individuals can sign up for one-week intervals on the sign-up sheet in the narthex (side hallway). The weekly slots will begin June 1st. Pick-up and drop off of the chalice will be at the church, but alternate arrangements can be made.

Monday

June 2
Easter Weekday
Acts 19:1–8
Jn 16:29–33

Tuesday

June 3
St. Charles Lwanga and
Companions, Martyrs
Acts 20:17–27
Jn 17:1–11a

Wednesday

June 4 *Easter Weekday* Acts 20:28–38 Jn 17:11b–19

Thursday

June 5 St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr Acts 22:30; 23:6–11 Jn 17:20–26

Friday

June 6
Easter Weekday
Acts 25:13b-21
Jn 21:15-19

Saturday

June 7
Easter Weekday
Acts 28:16–20, 30–31
Jn 21:20–25

Sunday

June 8

Pentecost

Acts 2:1–11

1 Cor 12:3b–7, 12–13

or Rom 8:8–17

Jn 20:19–23 or

Jn 14:15–16, 23b–26

Weekly Stewardship Report

Thank you for your donations! May 25, 2025

Sunday Collection May 25, 2025	Budgeted per	Weekly Collection	Year to Date
	week	+/-	+/-
\$ 6543.26	\$ 7307.69	- \$ 764.43	\$ 239 <mark>0.52</mark>

Parish Debt	Budgeted per	Weekly Collection	Sharing God's Gifts collected—May 25'25	Budgeted per	Weekly Collection
collected—May 25'25	week	+/-		week	+/-
\$ 92.75	\$ 1052.55	- \$ 959.80	\$ 128.75	\$ 1 <mark>106.67</mark>	- \$ 977.92



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

If you have been away - WELCOME HOME!