

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,] "For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."

Matthew 11: 30

14th 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 5
2026

PASTOR

Fr. Wayne Morrissey ext. 270

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Fr. Michel Nault

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Cindy Cordeiro ext.287

PARISH OFFICE
SUMMER
HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

CLOSED

JULY 1ST & AUGUST 3RD



MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, JULY 4TH

4PM † Letecia Rubi
(Lucy LeDressay)

TUESDAY, JULY 7TH

7PM † Wilfred and Humilta Stewart
(Carol Stewart)

SUNDAY, JULY 5TH

9AM Thanksgiving
(Collin Habon)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8TH

10AM R.M. Suri
(K.E. Suri)

11:30AM Guillerme Booth
(PeterSchilling)

THURSDAY, JULY 9TH

10AM Bianca
(Peter Schilling)

8PM Mark Coates
(the Anthony family)

FRIDAY, JULY 10TH

10AM Tiago Booth
(K & D Schilling)

Take Up the Yoke

ANN M. GARRIDO

The invention of the yoke 6,000 years ago marked one of the great advances in human history. The yoke—a wooden beam fitted across the neck—harnessed the energy of two cattle pulling in the same direction, hastening the tilling of soil and transport of goods.

It is easy to see why, among many ancient peoples, the yoke became a symbol of subjugation. When the Roman army won a battle, they forced defeated soldiers to walk beneath a “yoke” of spears to indicate they were now in a state of servitude. The prophet Jeremiah once walked through Jerusalem wearing a yoke to warn the people they were about to be conquered by Babylon.

In Judaism, however, the Torah was also sometimes referred to as a yoke. It was a law to be submitted to, but it also was a way of life that offered an alternative to the cruel “yokes” imposed by kings. The Book of Sirach encourages youth to “Take [Torah’s] yoke upon your neck; that your mind may receive her teaching.... See for yourselves! I have labored only a little but have found much” (Sirach 51:26–27).

It is unclear exactly what Jesus meant when he invited us to accept *his* yoke, but it is likely that he was echoing the invitation of Sirach. He wanted us to know that following God’s law makes it possible for us to work together, accomplishing much that we could not do on our own. And that God’s law is a gentle law—one that enables rather than oppresses. Are you willing to receive Christ’s gentle teaching and make it your own? ●

Reflect

Is there a teaching of Jesus you find challenging?

Dear Padre,

Is it appropriate to display the American flag in our church?

A diocesan bishop—who often delegates this matter to the discretion of the pastor—determines regulations on whether and how to display the American flag in a Catholic church. Displaying the flag, and a book of remembrance for those serving in the armed forces, seems to have originated in many US parishes during World War II. The practice has continued through subsequent wars and national tragedies.

While the Bishops' Committee on the Liturgy advised that national symbols should not be *permanent* fixtures of a worship space, they may be appropriate at worship services on a civil holiday, etc. This same committee discouraged pastors from displaying the American flag within the sanctuary itself—a space reserved for the altar, ambo, presidential chair, and tabernacle—but instead to place the flag in the vestibule of the church together with a book of petitions for the living and deceased.

Fundamentally, a church building is where the liturgical assembly gathers as one body in Christ—the same Christ of the Eucharist who is beyond time and place, who came to unite our divisions. “The church building is a sign and reminder of the immanence and transcendence of God—who chose to dwell among us and whose presence cannot be contained or limited to any single place” (US Conference of Catholic Bishops, *Built of Living Stones*, 2000). ●



JOAQUIN OSSORIO CASTILLO / SHUTTERSTOCK

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

There is a burning question in our hearts, a need for truth that we cannot ignore, which leads us to ask ourselves: what is true happiness? What is the true meaning of life? What can free us from being trapped in meaninglessness, boredom, and mediocrity?... We need to lift our eyes... to the “things that are above” (Colossians 3:2).

HOMILY, TOR VERGATA, AUGUST 3, 2025

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Monday

July 6
Weekday
Hos 2:16, 17c–18, 21–22
Mt 9:18–26

Tuesday

July 7
Weekday
Hos 8:4–7, 11–13
Mt 9:32–38

Wednesday

July 8
Weekday
Hos 10:1–3, 7–8, 12
Mt 10:1–7

Thursday

July 9
Weekday
Hos 11:1–4, 8e–9
Mt 10:7–15

Friday

July 10
Weekday
Hos 14:2–10
Mt 10:16–23

Saturday

July 11
St. Benedict, Abbot
Is 6:1–8
Mt 10:24–33

Sunday

July 12
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 55:10–11
Rom 8:18–23
Mt 13:1–23 or 13:1–9

Weekly Stewardship Report

Thank you for your donations! June 28, 2026

Sunday Collection June 28'2026	Budgeted per week	Weekly Collection +/-	Year to Date +/-
\$ 7133.53	\$ 7636.00	- \$ 502.47	\$ 7076.05

Parish Debt collected—June 28'26	Budgeted per week	Weekly Collection +/-	Sharing God's Gifts collected—June 28'26	Budgeted per week	Weekly Collection +/-
\$ 277.75	\$ 1053.00	- \$ 775.25	\$ 1247.50	\$ 1106.67	\$ 140.83



Today, we join with the entire Archdiocese of Winnipeg in this exciting renewal of our local Church as we come Together in Mission.

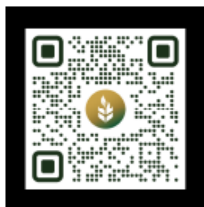
Together in Mission is a call to renew our discipleship, both as individuals and as parish communities.

Guided by the principles of Stewardship, the teachings of the Second Vatican Council, and the leadership of Pope Leo XIV and our own Archbishop, Archbishop Chatlain, we will strive to grow in our relationship with Jesus Christ and deepen our understanding of what it truly means to live as his disciples.

Awakened to the gifts of our time, talent, and treasure, may we become a flame of faith that brings hope and light to our community and to the world.

Please take a few moments to watch this important message from our Archbishop to learn more about Together in Mission. Follow the link below or scan our QR Code.

<https://archwinnipeg.ca/stewardship-and-mission/>



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

If you have been away - WELCOME HOME!