



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



May 7th
2023

5th Sunday of Easter

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Sundays from 1:00pm—2:00pm 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.

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Fr. Mark A. Tarrant ext.285

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MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, MAY 6TH

4PM † Deceased members of Rooney family
(the family)

SUNDAY, MAY 7TH

9AM Missa Pro Populo

11:30AM † Pelagia Casiong
(Gregoria Parado)

8PM † Marjorie Gowen
(Lise Harding)

TUESDAY, MAY 9TH

7PM Araeome-Omoh family
(St. Maurice Daycare)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10TH

11:30AM † Veronika & Vladimir Hamin
(family)

No daily Mass Thursday or Friday

The following Mass intentions will be sent to the parish in Neepawa to be said in a timely manner:

- Brenda Tarrant
- Anthony

Where the Heart Is

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Some would say that the purpose of life is to save one's soul. And certainly we should try, with the grace of God, to live our lives in such a way that we avoid evil and do good in order to do our part in building God's kingdom on earth. At the same time, we must remember that it is God who saves us. We don't save ourselves. Eternal life and happiness are byproducts of loving others. If the focus of one's life is to be happy, one never achieves it. If one seeks to serve others, however, happiness seems to find us. So also eternal life.

Robert Frost's "The Death of a Hired Man" is a poem about Silas, an aging drifter farmhand, and Warren and Mary, a farming couple who give Silas a room whenever he comes around.

Silas comes when he is needed the least and leaves when his presence would be most helpful, all of which frustrates Warren. In the poem Silas has returned, and Mary thinks it will be his last time, that he is dying. She says to Warren that theirs is the only home Silas has. Warren simply shakes his head as if to gently mock the idea of home: "Home is the place where, when you have to go there, / They have to take you in." Mary says it differently, "I should have called it / Something you somehow haven't to deserve."

Is that not also the promise of Jesus? "In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you?" (John 14:2). Something we somehow haven't to deserve. ●

Reflect

**Where do you feel truly
at home—and is Jesus
invited?**

Dear Padre,

I know a Catholic couple who wanted to celebrate their sacrament of matrimony at a Mass in a forest, but the bishop didn't allow it. Why not marry in God's creation?

A marriage between Catholics or between a Catholic and a baptized non-Catholic is usually celebrated in a parish church. It can be celebrated in another church or oratory with the bishop or pastor's permission. A marriage between a Catholic and an unbaptized person can be celebrated in a church or another suitable place, although a Catholic church remains the preferred place for the celebration.

Why is the parish church the preferred site for the celebration? For Catholics, matrimony is a sacrament—one of the seven sacred signs through which God communicates love to us. When Catholics ask God to bind their union as a sacrament, the couple's love for each other is a sign of God's love for both, and their union is also a continuous sign of Christ's love for the Church. Thus, the church as a "house of God," which contains the presence of Christ, is revered as the most sacred place to make this most sacred commitment. Marriage, according to Pope Francis in a 2015 General Audience, "is not merely a ceremony in a church, with flowers, a dress, photographs....Christian marriage is a sacrament that takes place in the Church, and which also makes the Church, by giving rise to a new family community....[Saint] Paul says that the love between spouses is an image of the love between Christ and his Church. An unimaginable dignity!" ●

Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to **DearPadre.org** to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
May 8	May 9	May 10	May 11	May 12	May 13	May 14
Easter Weekday	Easter Weekday	Easter Weekday	Easter Weekday	Easter Weekday	Weekday	Sixth Sunday of Easter
Acts 14:5–18	Acts 14:19–28	Acts 15:1–6	Acts 15:17–21	Acts 15:22–31	Acts 16:1–10	Acts 8:5–8, 14–17
Jn 14:21–26	Jn 14:27–31a	Jn 15:1–8	Jn 15:9–11	Jn 15:12–17	Jn 15:18–21	1 Pt 3:15–18 Jn 14:15–21



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

[Jesus] knows that, in life, the worst anxiety, anguish, arises from the sensation of not being able to cope, of feeling alone and without points of reference when faced with events. We cannot overcome this anguish alone...and this is why Jesus asks us to have faith in him, that is, to lean not on ourselves but on him.

REGINA CAELI, ST. PETER'S SQUARE, MAY 10, 2020

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Stewardship of Treasure - Financial Gifts to God

Thank you for your stewardship! April 30, 2023

Regular Offertory \$ 6992.35

Sharing God's Gifts \$ 66.00

Parish Debt \$ 226.20

Social Justice \$ 30.00

Our Place / Chez Nous - Help Needed!

Our Place/Chez Nous drop-in centre provides food, clothing and fellowship to those in need. They would like to thank all those who have contributed to their mission either through donation of time or treasure.

At this time they are in need of more volunteers to help come and serve.

If you would like more information please contact Larry Stewart at 204-475-1247

There is also a wonderful article on the work they do at Chez Nous in this month's copy of "On the Way" magazine. You can pick up a copy in the gathering space of the church.

CWL - News

May is the month of our Blessed Mother Mary. CWL will be selling rosary bracelets on May 7 during Coffee Sunday at 10am, and after the 11:30 am mass.

First Communion - 2023

Please keep in your prayers the 52 young people who will be receiving their First Communion in the upcoming weeks.

"I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never go hungry, and he who believes in me will never be thirsty." - JOHN 6:35

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

If you have been away - WELCOME HOME!