



Saint Vital

CATHOLIC CHURCH

July 24th, 2022

Seventeenth Sunday
In Ordinary Time

Mission in 1861 - Parish in 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

Pastor/Director..... Fr. Mark A. Tarrant
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Administrative Assistant Lynne Pelland
Parish & Cemetery Custodian Leo Fernandes
Director of Sacred Music Danielle Savard

MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, JULY 23RD

4:00pm † Maureen O'Rourke
(Irene O'Rourke & family)

SUNDAY, JULY 24TH

9:00am † Lilian Gan
(Gan & St-Jean families)

11:30am † John Mascarenhas
(Maria Mascarenhas)

8:00pm Missa Pro Populo

TUESDAY, JULY 26TH

7:00PM † Eutropia F. Gobenciong
(the family)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27TH

11:30am † Mona Lavallee
(Roland Lavallee)

THURSDAY, JULY 28TH

11:30am † Dora, John & Peter Bzawy
(K.E. Suri)

FRIDAY, JULY 29TH

11:30am † Angelo da Costa
(Francis & Gemma Soares)

FAREWELL TO FR. MOÏSE

Please join us this weekend to celebrate the good works Fr. Moïse has accomplished here at St. Vital, and to wish him well in his new journey.

Fr. Moïse will be at all masses, and there will be some fellowship and refreshments following the 9:00am Mass.



"He sent me to preach the good news to the poor." We also ought to have the same spirit and imitate Christ's actions, that is, we must take care of the poor, console them, help them, support their cause.
— Saint Vincent de Paul, March 8, 1658



The Power of Prayer

“I’ll pray for you.” What a simple promise. When we make this promise, what do we expect it will accomplish? The sentence is really a statement of faith. It assumes a caring relationship between us and those for whom we pray. It presumes the other person trusts that we do care. Most importantly, it acknowledges there is so much we humans cannot achieve by ourselves, and so we turn in confidence to God that our needs are the concern of God as well.

Today’s first reading is the startling account of Abraham’s prayer for two sinful cities. He pleads with God to spare them for the sake of any righteous citizens found there. God is willing to do that if righteous citizens can be found. Abraham prays for people who do not deserve God’s mercy. But there it was. God’s mercy outstrips the most horrendous crimes. Abraham kept pleading, and God kept saying, “All right.”

The same persistence in prayer is found in the Gospel passage. The message there? Keep at it. We don’t know whether the praying will end as Abraham’s did or like that of the determined friend in the Gospel. That’s not our concern, because the way prayer is answered belongs to God, not to us. So then why pray if we can’t be confident about the answer? Because we believe we are connected to each other, and together we stand in need before a loving God who wants the best for us.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

A Message From Fr. Moïse

I am overwhelmed with an experience of gratitude as I recall the three wonderful years I have spent at Saint Vital Church, ministering alongside Fr Mark and the dedicated joyful staff of our parish. We always have “good meetings”. It has been a source of joy, fulfillment and great moments of laughter. As one may expect, I must say the last few weeks have been an emotionally tough for me: fear, apprehension, excitement and mixed feelings as I am about to take leave. However, in the midst of these feelings the one thing that has remained constant is your love, your affection, your generosity, your encouragement, your cards and your support. The whole community has been so good and so kind to me these few years. I am so very thankful for the relationships I have formed.

At this point, I would like to offer heartfelt thanks to all parishioners, to all liturgical groups, associations, and ministries. To the Principal, the staffs and the teachers of SMS School and Saint Maurice Daycare. Thank you for your friendship and prayers. You all are friendly and welcoming people.

Thank you for leaving your mark upon me. In so many ways I have learned. I will take this with me as I begin this new assignment in the Mission Lands of Saint Rose; Toutes-Aides, Rorketon, Meadow Portage, Crane River, Mallard Waterhen and Ebb and Flow. However, know that you will not be forgotten. Saint Vital, SMS School, and Saint Maurice Daycare on Pembina highway will always have a place in my heart.

The kids and youth of St Vital, Saint Maurice school and St Maurice Daycare fill me with great hope for the future as I see them respond in faith with smiling faces and openness during my homilies. Stay close to Jesus and always remember how special you are.

I would like to close with one of my favorite Scripture passages from 2 Thessalonians 3:16:

“Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in every way.”

Dear Padre,

My good friend is converting to Catholicism and learning things that I, a cradle Catholic, never knew. Why wasn't I taught these things? I'm embarrassed that a convert knows more than me.

Catholics receive most of their religious education as children. Even at the high school level, teachers are not able to explore religious topics with the same breadth and depth that occurs during the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) formerly known as RCIA. The Bible, for instance, is taught to children as stories, but adult faith requires us to read and understand Scripture as more than a story.

Adults learn differently from children; adults ask different questions. The facts and contents remain the same, but it's not possible for your early religious education to have the same content and depth as that of an adult who is converting to Catholicism.

Most Catholic parishes need a faith-formation program for adults who want to take their faith to a deeper level. If yours doesn't offer adult-education programs, many publishers offer programs that can be used for individual study. Let your own interest and curiosity be your guide.

Fr. Rick Potts, CSSR
Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

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



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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

Is your faith, is my faith tired? Do you want to reinvigorate it? Look for God's gaze: sit in adoration, allow yourself to be forgiven in confession, stand before the Crucified One. In short, let yourself be loved by him. This is the starting point of faith: letting oneself be loved...by he who is Father.

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Calendar

Monday

JULY 25

St. James, Apostle

2 Cor 4:7-15

Mt 20:20-28

Tuesday

JULY 26

Sts. Joachim and Anne,

Parents of the
Blessed Virgin Mary

Jer 14:17-22

Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday

JULY 27

Weekday

Jer 15:10, 16-21

Mt 13:44-46

Thursday

JULY 28

Weekday

Jer 18:1-6

Mt 13:47-53

Friday

JULY 29

Sts. Martha, Mary,
and Lazarus

Jer 26:1-9

Jn 11:19-27

or Lk 10:38-42

Saturday

JULY 30

Weekday

Jer 26:11-16, 24

Mt 14:1-12

Sunday

JULY 31

Eighteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Ecc 1:2; 2:21-23

Col 3:1-5, 9-11

Lk 12:13-21

PASTORAL LIFE

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.

Stewardship of Treasure - Financial Gifts to God

Thank you for your stewardship! July 17th, 2022

Regular Offertory \$ 7816.60

Sharing God's Gifts \$ 181.00

Parish Debt \$ 366.20

Social Justice \$ 125.00

A Parish to call home! If you are new—

WELCOME!

If you have been away—

WELCOME HOME!

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ARCHBISHOP

On Friday, August 5, 2022, Oliver Omega will be ordained to the Transitional Diaconate at St. Mary's Cathedral. The celebration will begin at 7:00pm. All are invited to attend this important event in the life of our local church.



**WALKING
TOGETHER**

POPE FRANCIS CANADA
24 - 29 JULY 2022

**MARCHER
ENSEMBLE**

PAPE FRANÇOIS CANADA
24 - 29 JUILLET 2022