



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



Christ also suffered
for you, leaving you
an example that you
should follow in his
footsteps.

1 PETER 2:21

April 30th
2023

4th 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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MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, APRIL 29TH

4PM Thanksgiving
(Agnes Shillingford)

SUNDAY, APRIL 30TH

9AM † Oliver Figuerado
(the da Costa family)

11:30AM † Romal Cairo
(Josephine & family)

**Father Mark will be away on
retreat May 1st - May 5th**

No weekday Masses

The following Mass intentions will be brought with Father Mark to be offered during his retreat:

- † Gerald Cormier
- † Cornelio Parado
- † Florence Schaubroeck
- Andrea

Saved by Love, Not by Suffering

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

I'm not sure there is any value in suffering in and of itself. Nor do I think God wants us to suffer. That would make him sadistic. Nor is it, then, Jesus' suffering and death that saves us, but rather his love even to the point of suffering and death that saves us. It is his love that reveals the greatness of God's love for us that is so unbelievable. The basis of our faith is Jesus' trust in God, who would bring about life even through death. We also hear the wisdom of St. Peter today: "...If you are patient when you suffer for doing what is good, this is a grace before God" (1 Peter 2:20). Such is the shepherd's voice that teaches us and leads us.

Does anyone ever choose to suffer for doing what is good? Yes. Every day. Spouses become caregivers for husbands or wives robbed of their memories. Each day people go to jobs that are pure drudgery, and they do so because they love their families. Some choose to live simply, to be countercultural in a consumer society. Others help their community by living in neighborhoods many avoid. Some parents willingly postpone a career in order to be present to their growing family. Teachers often go beyond expectations for students who need extra help. It is never the suffering of these people that captures and reflects the image of Jesus, but the love even to the point of suffering. ●

Reflect

**When are you patient in
suffering for the sake
of doing good?**

Who has done the same for you?

Dear Padre,

In the Apostles' Creed, we profess that Jesus "descended into hell." Is there any biblical reference to this? Do we know what he did when he was there?

Jesus Christ—who experienced death completely—descended to the realm of death. By his resurrection from the dead on the third day, he conquered death and the devil, “who has the power of death” (Hebrews 2:14). Other scriptural references include Acts 3:15, Romans 8:11, 1 Corinthians 15:20, and Hebrews 13:20. An ancient homily for Holy Saturday also attests to this belief: “God has fallen asleep in the flesh and he has raised up all who have slept ever since the world began....Greatly desiring to visit those who live in darkness and in the shadow of death, he has gone to free from sorrow Adam in his bonds and Eve, captive with him....I order you, O sleeper, to awake. I did not create you to be a prisoner in hell. Rise from the dead, for I am the life of the dead.”

According to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, “Jesus did not descend into hell to deliver the damned, nor to destroy the hell of damnation, but to free the just who had gone before him” (CCC 633). His descent was to proclaim the Good News to the spirits imprisoned there, bringing “the Gospel message of salvation to complete fulfillment” to all people of all times and all places (CCC 634). Thus, “the gospel was preached even to the dead” (1 Peter 4:6). ●

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org



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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

It is not always easy to discern the Good Shepherd's voice. Be careful. There is always the risk of being distracted by the din of so many other voices. Today we are invited not to let ourselves be distracted by the false wisdom of this world, but to follow Jesus...the one sure guide....

REGINA CAELI, ST. PETER'S SQUARE, MAY 7, 2017

MONDAY

May 1
Easter Weekday
Acts 11:1–18
Jn 10:11–18

TUESDAY

May 2
St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Acts 11:19–26
Jn 10:22–30

WEDNESDAY

May 3
Sts. Philip and James, Apostles
1 Cor 15:1–8
Jn 14:6–14

THURSDAY

May 4
Easter Weekday
Acts 13:13–25
Jn 13:16–20

FRIDAY

May 5
Easter Weekday
Acts 13:26–33
Jn 14:1–6

SATURDAY

May 6
Weekday
Acts 13:44–52
Jn 14:7–14

SUNDAY

May 7
Fifth Sunday of Easter
Acts 6:1–7
1 Pt 2:4–9
Jn 14:1–12

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Thank you for your stewardship! April 23, 2023

Regular Offertory \$ 7561.00

Sharing God's Gifts \$ 151.00

Parish Debt \$ 136.20

Social Justice \$ 85.00

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.

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

If you have been away - WELCOME HOME!