



# Saint Vital

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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*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

All were amazed and asked one another, "What is this? A new teaching with authority. He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him."□

MARK 1:27



4th 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 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.

January 28  
2024

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## Love Takes Work

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**I**f you believed your own natural death was imminent, would that affect the decisions you make? When St. Paul wrote to the church in Corinth, that was his expectation—that the Lord’s return was going to take place quickly, that the Second Coming was just about to occur and could happen at any time.

While St. Paul writes to the Corinthians that it is better to be unmarried than married, the purpose of this advice is to keep life simple and focused on what is important. Don’t make any long-term commitments like buying a field, or starting a business, or even getting married. Be ready and prepared because the end of the world could literally be tomorrow. “I should like

you to be free of anxieties,” he wrote. Much later, St. Paul realized the end was not going to happen as soon as originally expected.

Saint Paul was not against marriage. He would be the first to say that, ideally, marriage can and often does reveal the depths of human love, but he would also say that it takes work; it doesn’t happen all by itself. Just as readily, St. Paul would also note that, ideally, celibacy can and often does reveal the breadth of love given in service to others, whether the celibate person is lay, a priest, or a religious. It can seem, however, that the unclean spirit that Jesus cast out continues to roam human lives. All of us struggle to live out love as best we can, wherever we find ourselves in life. ●

### Reflect

*What in your life gets in the way of loving as well as you would wish?*

## MASS SCHEDULE

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 27TH

4PM † John & Leontine Boulanger  
(Mills family)

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 28TH

9AM † Father Louis Roy  
(Lorraine Roth)

11:30AM Thanksgiving  
(Petronilo Habon)

8PM Missa Pro Populo

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 30TH

7PM Alyssa  
(Mom)

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31ST

11:30AM † Ruby Maxwell  
(Leslie Maxwell-Joseph)

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1ST

11:30AM Deceased family  
(Lise Harding)

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2ND

11:30AM † Mona Lavallee  
(Roland Lavallee)

Please join us for the rosary on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays starting at 11:00am before the daily Mass.

# Dear Padre,

**Why is the Old Testament part of Christian worship?  
Parts of the Old Testament seem to be opposed to the  
teachings of Christ.**

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* says it best: “The Old Testament is an indispensable part of Sacred Scripture. Its books are divinely inspired and retain a permanent value, for the Old Covenant has never been revoked” (CCC 121).

The Old Testament, also referred to as the Hebrew Scriptures, is the only Bible Jesus ever knew. That is an important reason to try to understand these Scriptures. The Pentateuch (first five books), the prophets, the Book of Psalms, and the wisdom writings all had a profound impact on Jesus. His image of God as Father, his preaching, his parables, and his proclamation of the reign of God were all influenced by the Hebrew Scriptures.

It is true that Jesus’ preaching also goes beyond the Old Testament. At times he substitutes what the law has to say with an even more demanding requirement (see, for example, the Sermon on the Mount). In general, however, the Old Testament forms a context for understanding what Jesus was doing. His passion and death made no sense to his first followers except in light of the Suffering Servant of the Old Testament (Isaiah 52:13–53:12). There are many more examples like this one. Thus, the *Catechism* says “the Old Testament bears witness to the whole divine pedagogy of God’s saving love” (CCC 122). ●



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<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>SUNDAY</b>
<b>January 29</b>	<b>January 30</b>	<b>January 31</b>	<b>February 1</b>	<b>February 2</b>	<b>February 3</b>	<b>February 4</b>
Weekday	Weekday	St. John Bosco, Priest	Weekday	Presentation of the Lord	Weekday	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
2 Sm 15:13–14, 30; 16:5–13 Mk 5:1–20	2 Sm 18:9–10, 14b, 24–25a, 30–19:3 Mk 5:21–43	2 Sm 24:2, 9–17 Mk 6:1–6	1 Kgs 2:1–4, 10–12 Mk 6:7–13	Mal 3:1–4 Heb 2:14–18 Lk 2:22–40 or 2:22–32	1 Kgs 3:4–13 Mk 6:30–34	Jb 7:1–4, 6–7 1 Cor 9:16–19, 22–23 Mk 1:29–39



CHAT KAREN STUDIO / SHUTTERSTOCK

## A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

**Do we listen to Jesus’ words, which are authoritative?  
Always...carry a small copy of the Gospel...to read throughout  
the day, to listen to that authoritative word of Jesus. And  
then...let us ask Jesus: “Jesus, you are the prophet, the Son of  
God, the one who was promised to us to heal us. Heal me!”**

**ANGELUS, ROME,  
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JANUARY 27TH & 28TH!

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PLEASE CONTACT  
SALLY (204)292-6627

## Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Liturgy of the Word is when the children leave the congregation to celebrate and reflect on the Sunday Gospel reading in an age appropriate way. The children are led through prayers, songs and readings that are adapted to their level of understanding.

Sundays  
at the 9am Mass

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

If you have been away - WELCOME HOME!