



# Saint Vital

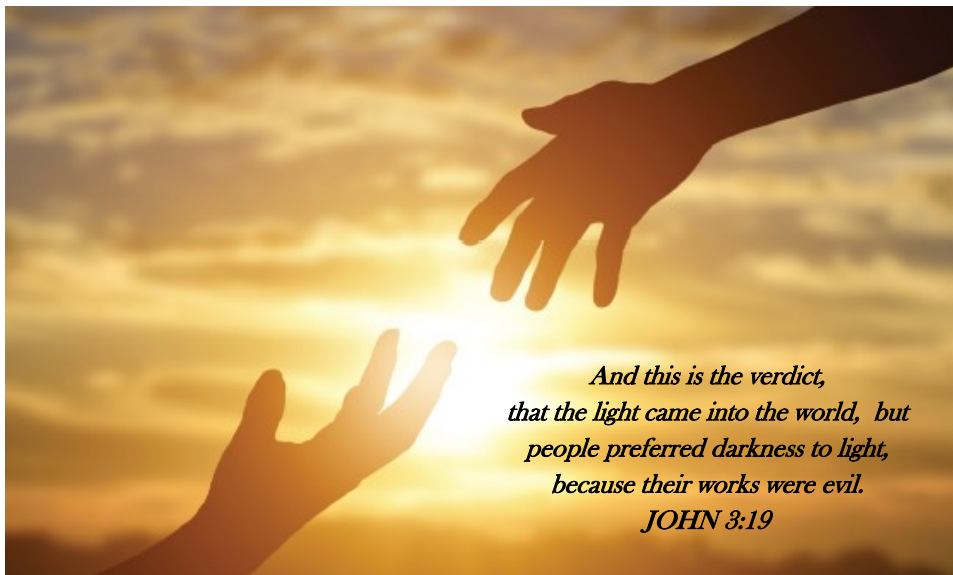
CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Mission- 1861*

*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**



*And this is the verdict,  
that the light came into the world, but  
people preferred darkness to light,  
because their works were evil.  
JOHN 3:19*

March 10  
2024

## 4th SUNDAY OF LENT

### 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.

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## MASS SCHEDULE

### SATURDAY, MARCH 9TH

4PM † Norman Toms  
(Carole & Clayton)

### SUNDAY, MARCH 10TH

9AM † Matthew Lacko  
(grandmother)

11:30AM The Sisters of the Cross  
(J & R Brasseur)

8PM Missa Pro Populo

### TUESDAY, MARCH 12TH

7PM † William Welgan  
(Isabel Martinez-Welgan)

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13TH

11:30AM † Chris & Connie Sequeira  
(Maria)

### THURSDAY, MARCH 14TH

11:30AM † Marjorie Tait  
(Marcia Tait)

### FRIDAY, MARCH 15TH

11:30AM † Arminda Vieira  
(Cordeiro family)

Please join us for stations of the Cross Tuesdays during Lent starting at 6:15pm

**SPECIAL NOTE:** TUESDAY, MARCH 26TH - Chrism Mass  
at St. Mary's Cathedral beginning at 10:30am. All are welcome.

## The Saving Game

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**A** long time ago, I came across a piece that I still remember because it's pretty much a commentary on how life is for most of us.

It goes something like this: At the age of ten, we think we can live forever. When we're twenty, we think we can save the world. When the big thirty rolls around, we think we can save the company. When the fortieth birthday arrives, we think we can save our children. Then, when we're fifty, we think we can at least save our marriage. And by the time we're sixty, we think we should just save aluminum cans.

A bit flippant perhaps, but it reminds me that even given my own best efforts, I really do not save much of anything. It is always God who does the saving, not me.

It's a conversation replayed in our heads again and

again. We find ourselves unwittingly thinking that if we do all the right things, when we die and go to heaven, then God will have to take us in. If we say the right prayers and follow all the rules, then we will have earned salvation. Yet then we will have saved ourselves and there will have been no need for God's gracious goodness. Then we will have lifted ourselves up by our own bootstraps and not by the Lord Jesus.

Then we will proclaim ourselves as the light to overcome darkness, and it will not be the death and resurrection of the Lord which does so. ●

### Reflect

**How have you been saved and  
how do you need saving now?**

# Dear Padre,

***In the Church's eyes, what constitutes pornography? Art museums have statues of nude men and women, some of which are quite explicit. Is the only difference the respectability of the venue?***

The “respectability” of the location or publisher doesn’t matter. A product is pornographic if it was created to sexually arouse users of the product regardless of the venue. Michelangelo’s intention in carving his famous statue of David was not to arouse the people who look at it, so the Church does not call it pornography.

Pornography has existed for centuries, but it didn’t arrive in our homes uninvited until recently. People with internet access are regularly confronted by pornographic images and literature, and many find it a very powerful temptation. In response, the US bishops issued a helpful document, which is available online at [usccb.org](http://usccb.org): *Create in Me a Clean Heart: A Pastoral Response to Pornography*.

From this document: “Using and/or producing pornography is a sin against chastity and against human dignity... The sin of pornography needs the Lord’s forgiveness and should be confessed in the sacrament of penance. Pornography objectifies people and brings hurt and pain. It is an illusory substitute for real relationships and intimacy, which in the end bring true joy. Many good people struggle with the sin of pornography and [strive] to cultivate chastity. You are not alone. Jesus is with you, the Church offers you love and support. Trust in the Lord’s mercy and his power to free and heal you.” ●



MICHELANGELO'S DAVID / SHUTTERSTOCK

**The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org**

**Faith Formation**  
**within Lent**

*March Dates*

**Faith Formation**  
Unit 4 - March 3rd  
Unit 5 - March 17th

**Confirmation Session**  
March 10th

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
Scheduling via Email

## ARCHDIOCESE OF WINNIPEG-SOUTH DEANERY LENTEN RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, MARCH 12TH: St. Jean Brebeuf	7pm
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13TH: Holy Rosary	10am - noon 1pm - 2:30pm 7:30pm - 9pm
<b>THURSDAY, MARCH 14TH: St. Vital Parish</b> <b>**Note we will have some visiting priests also in attendance to hear confessions**</b>	7pm
SATURDAY, MARCH 16TH: St. Ignatius	9am - 5pm
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20TH: Our Lady of Perpetual Help Our Lady of Victory	10:30am-noon 7pm
THURSDAY, MARCH 21ST: St. Gianna's	7pm



Stewardship of Treasure - Financial Gifts to God  
Thank you for your stewardship! March 3, 2024

Regular Offertory \$ 6429.20

Sharing God's Gifts \$ 221.00

Parish Debt \$ 250.00

Social Justice \$ 165.00

The Archdiocese of Winnipeg 35th  
*Public Way of the Cross*



Jesus carries His Cross Inspired by Christ the King Chapel's Stations of the Cross II  
Stained Glass Window artist: M. Gabriel Loire of Chartres, 1958

"Rejoice in hope, be patient in affliction, faithful in prayer."  
- Romans 12:12

**Good Friday, March 29, 2024**

Gathering 9:00 AM

**Christ the King Chapel**

St. Paul's College, University of Manitoba

70 Dysart RD, Winnipeg

Parking in Q lot on the north side of St. Paul's College.

Opening and closing prayers will be streamed live on St. Paul's College Facebook.



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St. Paul's College



DANIELLE SAVARD

Join us for a Lenten In-House Retreat  
featuring Danielle Savard's upcoming album  
MARCH 15TH, 7PM, ST. VITAL PARISH

\*Please register - call 204-453-0933 or email  
office@stvitalparish.ca

\*Free-will Offering taken at event

St. Patrick's Day  
Fellowship &  
Philanthropy Event

Come join us for hot chocolate and some  
Irish treats after the 11:30am Mass  
Sunday March 17th.

Test your "luck of the Irish"  
We will also be having another raffle  
event.

Tickets can be purchased before and  
after both the 9am and 11:30am Masses.  
Prize winners will be drawn at the event  
March 17th.

Proceeds go towards Renovation Fund.

A parish to call home! If you are new - WELCOME!  
If you have been away - WELCOME HOME!