



# 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**

The two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of the bread. - LUKE 24:35



April 19  
2026

## 3rd 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:

Tuesdays from 6:00pm-6:45pm

### 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.

#### PASTOR

Fr. Wayne Morrissey ext. 270

#### SACRAMENTAL ASSISTANT

Fr. Michel Nault

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## MASS SCHEDULE

### SATURDAY, APRIL 18TH

4PM † Mary, Joseph, Germain & Aubert  
(Ulysse & Elaine Poirier)

### TUESDAY, APRIL 21ST

7PM K.E. Suri  
(K.E. Suri)

### SUNDAY, APRIL 19TH

9AM † John Swift  
(Roger & Joan Brasseur)

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22ND

10AM Natalie Schilling  
(Peter Schilling)

11:30AM † Veronika Tralic  
(parents)

### THURSDAY, APRIL 23RD

10AM † dec'd members of Kalaw & Carandang family  
(family)

8PM Missa Pro Populo

### FRIDAY, APRIL 24TH

10AM Michelle & Deepak Bhayana  
(K.E. Suri)

Please join us for the rosary starting at 9:30am  
on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday before the daily Mass.

## Three Basic Rules

FR. THOMAS M. SANTA, CSSR

**T**he Emmaus story is about two disciples walking seven miles from Jerusalem to a village called Emmaus and their encounter with Jesus, whom they did not recognize. The story is rich in both symbolism and meaning. In a nutshell, it teaches us three basic rules for the formation of Christian community: *Welcome the stranger. Break open the word. Celebrate the Eucharist.* When we are faithful to these practices, we are faithful to the promise of the kingdom in our midst. If we choose to ignore these basic rules, we should not be surprised that we seem to be struggling.

Three out of three rules set the baseline. We cannot congratulate ourselves if we follow one or two of them

well enough and ignore the third. We cannot pick and choose. It is the Lord who sets the parameters; our mission is only to respond positively in faith to what he directs us to do.

How are we doing? An honest appraisal probably suggests that improvement is needed. Each of our local communities, and indeed even the wider Church, sometimes struggles to form an Emmaus community of faith. We know we can do better. The good news is that we are not uninformed, and we know where we need to place the most effort. The Holy Spirit of God will show us how we need to apply this renewed effort. ●

### Reflect

**Where does my family and parish need improvement to form a genuinely faithful Emmaus community?**

# Dear Padre,

## Why are there different stories about Jesus' resurrection?

As a whole, the New Testament is a testimonial to the resurrection. About twenty years after Jesus' death, St. Paul offers the earliest written reference to the resurrection. (See 1 Thessalonians 1:10.) All four gospels tell the story of Jesus, who was crucified, rose from the dead, and appeared to his disciples. However, the evangelists incorporated elements that were handed on orally, and they presented them in their own style to address the particular needs and cultural backgrounds of their readers. Each author attempted to express the inexpressible resurrection within the limits of language, and they selectively highlighted or omitted material for theological purposes. If minor details vary among the writers—such as the number of women or angels at Christ's tomb—these variations are consistent with the nature of eyewitness accounts and recorded events as they are remembered. Divergent accounts are not false accounts. Despite discrepancies, the objective of the authors remained uncompromised: the identity of the historical Jesus of Nazareth is now the risen Lord of All. (See Acts 10:34–43.) Moreover, the authors wanted to convey this fundamental truth: Jesus Christ's defeat of death by his resurrection is central to our Christian hope and is the assurance of our own resurrection! Guided by the Holy Spirit, the gospels' resurrection accounts have inspired believers for 2,000 years—for “if Christ has not been raised, then...empty, too, your faith” (1 Corinthians 15:14). ●



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**Fr. Byron J. Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org**

**FAITH FORMATION**

**APR 1 - 5** **HOLY WEEK**  
JOIN US FOR THE HOLY MASSES

**APR 12** **FAMILY SESSION #7**  
CELEBRATE EASTER WITH US!

**APR 19 & 26** **LESSON #13 & 14**  
REGULAR FAITH FORMATION

**APR 26** **FIRST COMMUNION**  
PARENTS SESSION #3

**APRIL 2026**



### A NEW WAY TO GIVE!

Check out the display board in the gathering space of the church. You can now donate with the tap of your card. Tax receipts can be issued by scanning the QR code with your phone and registering your card. Please be sure to follow instructions on the board.



# Weekly Stewardship Report

Thank you for your donations! April 12, 2026

Sunday Collection	Budgeted per week	Weekly Collection +/-	Year to Date +/-
\$ 7156.50	\$ 7636.00	- \$ 479.50	\$ 5918.37

Parish Debt collected—Apr.12'26	Budgeted per week	Weekly Collection +/-	Sharing God's Gifts collected—Apr.12'26	Budgeted per week	Weekly Collection +/-
\$ 952.75	\$ 1053.00	- \$ 100.25	\$ 492.50	\$ 1106.67	- \$ 614.17

## Novena for World Day of Prayer for Vocations - April 26th, 2026 -

Our Vocations Ministry would like to take this opportunity to invite you to pray a novena for an increase of vocations, particularly to the priesthood. Our archdiocese needs more priests, and with faith we can ask the Lord to provide for us in this great need. A novena is a devotion of praying a specified pray for nine consecutive days, often said for a special intention. To have our novena end on World Day of Prayer for Vocations, we will begin praying it on April 18<sup>th</sup>, and pray it each day leading up to and including April 26<sup>th</sup>. We hope we can unite as a faith community in petitioning the Lord for this great cause.



*Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, place those whom you are calling to be priests next to Your Heart. May they find refuge in Your Heart, and there, hear your invitation to love and serve. May their hope in Your Heart empower them to cast away all fears and worries. May this hope assist them to brighten lives of the faithful. May their love within Your Heart grow to serve You with great desire in every detail, and release this love with the open-hearted purpose of service for souls, seeing Christ in all, despite any sins or weaknesses.  
O most Sacred Heart, increase their faith, hope and love. O Lord of the harvest, send many faithful workers into your vineyard. Amen.*

## Message from the Archdiocese Office for Vocations

To raise awareness of the need for vocations and to gather our prayers into one, Archbishop Chatlain will host an Archdiocesan Holy Hour for Vocations on April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026 - World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

This event will take place at St. Anthony of Padua Parish WK (250 Burrin Avenue, Winnipeg) from 7 PM to 8 PM. Come to the event, spread the word, and personally invite your fellow parishioners.

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