

# November 25th, 2018

# Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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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

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# PASTORAL LIFE

### Sacrament of Baptism

For more information or to schedule your child's baptism please contact Candace at 204-453-0933 or candace@stvitalparish.ca

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Beginning 30 minutes before every Mass, weekdays and weekends. (No confessions after Mass).

#### Ministry Of Presence (The St. Luke Society)

If there are any parishioners who would like to have a visit and/or communion brought to them (at home, in the hospital or in a care home), please email Fr. Mark at fm@stvitalparish.ca or Fr. Colin at fc@stvitalparish.ca or call 204-453-0933. Families and friends of parishioners are welcome to call on their behalf.

#### Sacrament of Marriage

We must be notified 6 months in advance to allow for marriage preparation. Please contact the parish office.

# MASS SCHEDULE

#### Monday, November 26th

No Mass

Readings: Rev 14.1-3, 4b-5 / Lk 21.1-4

#### Tuesday, November 27th

7:00 P.M.

Readings: Rev 14.14-19 / Lk 21.5-11

#### Wednesday, November 28th

11:30 A.M.

Readings: Rev 15.1-4 / Lk 21.12-19

#### Thursday, November 29th

7:00 P.M.

Readings: Rev 18.1-2, 21-23, 19.1-3, 9a / Lk 21.20-28

#### Friday, November 30th

7:00 P.M.

Readings: Rom 10.9-18 / Mt 4.18-22

### PARISH UPCOMING EVENTS

#### Wednesday, November 28th

- Choir Practice 5:30 7:00 p.m.
- Women's Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

#### Thursday, November 29th

- RCIA - 7:30 p.m.

#### Sunday, December 2nd

- Catechism & Confirmation Prep 10:15 a.m.
- Children's Liturgy of the Word 11:30 a.m.

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### Saturday, November 24th Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

4:00 P.M. (FM) - † Jeanne Marion - req. Marcia Tait

#### Sunday, November 25th Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

9:00 A.M. (FM) - † Marguerite & Adrianus Goos - req. Goos family

11:30 A.M. (FC) - Missa Pro Populo

8:00 P.M. (FC) - † Miguela & Fidelino Carandang - req. Kalaw family

#### Monday, November 26th - No Mass

#### Tuesday, November 27th

7:00 P.M. - † Peter Bzowy - req. K.E. Suri & family



#### Wednesday, November 28th

11:30 A.M. - † Lorna Pinto - req. Vilma & Rui D'Souza

#### Thursday, November 29th

7:00 P.M.- † Jeanne Marion - reg. Fern Marion

#### Friday, November 30th St. Andrew, Apostle

7:00 P.M. - Special Intentions - req. Miguel Rodriguez & families

#### Saturday, December 1st First Sunday of Advent

4:00 P.M. (FM) - † Ireneo & Pacita Linatoc - req. Mariano family

#### Sunday, December 2nd First Sunday of Advent

9:00 A.M. (FC) - † Myrtle Josephine Barber - req. Marcia Tait

11:30 A.M. (FM) - † Edward Zalewski - req. wife & daughter

8:00 P.M. (FM) - Missa Pro Populo

#### We joyfully welcomed into the family of God:



Jacob Eli G. Lapuz, Nicholas Wishnowski & Josiah Marcus Monteclaro

who were baptized on Saturday, November 17th, 2018. Think of the love that God has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's own children; and that is what we are."

### PARISH NEWS

<u>Sunday Missals</u> - Our new Sunday Missals (2018 -2019) are now available at all entrances to the church. The Missals cost \$5.00 each. (Payment may be placed in the brown payment box at the back of the church).

Please Note: Readers may pick up their copy (labelled with their name) in the vestry. The Missal begins Sunday, December 2nd, 2018 - First Sunday of Advent. There is a limited number. First come first served.

Attention Parishioners - Beginning next weekend, the boxes of offertory envelopes for 2019 will be ready for pick up in the gathering space. Please note: If you are registered with a box of envelopes and would like to discontinue using them, or if you are new to the parish and would like a box, please notify the parish office as soon as possible.



**Little Blue Reflection Books** - The Little Blue Advent and Christmas reflection Books are **FREE!** They are now available at all the entrances to the church!

First come first served.

#### Let Us Pray For Health & Healing

Marisa Bucciarelli, Romulo & Leah Magsino, Brenda Tarrant, Angelito & Arman Salazar, Agustina Salta, Agripino Foronda, Andrew Dias, Olive Shachtay, Gerald Shachtay, Deb M., KM, Nicole Savard, Marcel Belanger, Fran MacCoy, Jeannette Goodridge, Katelyn Scammel, Comfort Mekwunye, Mary Evans, Dariusz Thiral, Norm Zebrynski, Margaret Veitch & Mario Mance.

#### May they be comforted and given hope!

Please contact the parish office at (204) 453-0933 or office@stvitalparish.ca to add a name to our list.



# Stewardship of Treasure Financial Gifts to God

(Includes Visitor envelopes and pre-authorized contributions)
Thank you for your stewardship!

#### November 17th & 18th, 2018

Regular Offertory \$ 9.083.59 Sharing God's Gifts \$121.25

Parish Debt \$ 480.75 Social Justice \$ 101.25

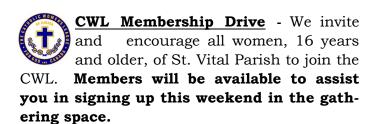
Children's Treasure Box \$ 25.70

# PARISH NEWS

<u>Please Note:</u> There is <u>no</u> Children's Christmas Choir practice on **Dec.2**<sup>nd</sup>.

**Readers' Workshop** - We will be holding a workshop on **Saturday**, **December 8th at 10:00 a.m.** for anyone who is interested in becoming a reader. If you would like to register, please contact the parish office.

Attention Readers and Ministers of the Eucharist! The sign up sheets for Christmas and New Year's liturgies are posted in the Vestry. We ask that ministers sign up as soon as possible. (Schedules include months of January and February, if you are not available during those months, please notify the parish office.) Reminder: Once you are scheduled and become unavailable, it is your responsibility to find a replacement.



No experience needed – come share your faith, ideas, talent and time commitment that you can give. We would love to meet you! Come talk to us after mass or talk to someone you know who is already a member. If you can't make it to either of the membership drive Sundays, please contact: Jo-Anne Souyri in the parish office at 204-453-0933 or you may reach her at home at 204-284-5293 Membership fee is \$30 and good for the year of 2019 starting in January. When you sign up, you are welcome to join us at our next CWL meeting on December 11. The CWL meet on the 2nd Tuesdays of the month.

CHRISTMAS HAMPERS! - Thank you to all who have volunteered to help us with Christmas hamper responsibilities. We now have all the help needed. If you would like to donate wrapping paper, Christmas cards and scotch tape, please drop them off to the parish office.

Do you know a parishioner or parish family who are in need of a Christmas hamper? Please contact the parish office.

Thank you for helping brighten the Christmas season for those less fortunate.

#### Christmas Cakes and Cards for Sale!

Gourmet round fruitcakes will be sold after the following Masses (4:00 p.m., 9:00 a.m. & 11:30



a.m.) next weekend, December 1st & 2nd and on the weekend of December 15th & 16th. These cakes make an excellent Christmas gift. The cost is \$22.00 for boxed larger cake and \$15.00 for the cellophane wrapped smaller cake. As well, Christmas cards (10 cards per package) will be sold, 1 pkg/\$7.50 ea., or 3 pkgs/\$20.00 ea.



#### Congratulations to

### Jevon Weisensel & Stephanie Bryant

Who were joined in marriage at Saint Vital parish on Saturday, November 17, 2018.

May you be witnesses to God's presence in your lives by the love you show each other.

Young Adult Ministry Christmas Initiative - Our Young Adult Ministry Group is looking to collect gifts and other items to be taken to the Children's Hospital. All items must be brand new. (for infant to teens): Art supplies (pencil crayons, sketch pads, adult coloring books, activity books, fine markers), Playdough and accessories Items for the Children's Sewing Club - Flannel pajama bottoms (all sizes), Fleece blankets, Receiving blankets, Plain pillow cases, Crocheted slippers (all sizes), Knitted sweaters (all sizes), Body Wash Sets for youths (AXE, Bath & Body works, etc). Donation boxes can be found at all entrances to the church.

# Keep Christ in Christmas

# Knights of Columbus - Poster Contest

The Bishop Grandin Council of the Knights of Columbus are inviting children and teens to submit entries for the Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest. The aim is to allow young people to engage their creative talents and imaginations while understanding the true, spiritual meaning of Christmas. The contest is open to all young people between the ages of 5 and 14, with age groups divided into 5 different age categories. Prizes will be awarded for the winning entries from each category.

- Each poster should be the original work of the child (including concept, layout, slogan and any visual images)
  - Poster must be 11x17 inches in size
- Entries are *due December 14*<sup>th</sup> and can be dropped off at the parish office
- Please include the following on the back of the poster:

# Manitoba State Council "Keep Christ in Christmas"

Name	
Address	
School	
	_Bishop Grandin
Council Number	r:15257
Age	Grade



### November 25, 2018 Jesus Christ, King of the Universe By Carolyn A. Wright

In the mid-90s, I viewed a film entitled, "The Englishman who Went up a Hill but Came down a Mountain," a story about Ffynnon Garw, a fictional Welsh village and its people. Set during the time of World War I, it recounts the visit of two English cartographers, who come to measure the mountain at the outskirts of the village, only to find it is just a hill measuring 1,000 feet short of the required height to be considered, by definition, a mountain. Needless to say, this "fact" or "truth" shocks and infuriates the villagers who see their mountain being diminished before their eyes.

It seems to me that is what is happening — of course, at a more profound level — during the whole of the scene with Jesus before Pilate. We hear the entirety of the story on Good Friday but today we hear just a piece of it: Pilate trying to diminish Jesus in rank and stature. We might surmise it is to keep the peace or perhaps, to secure his own place as prefect of Judaea. Whatever the reason, he fails to diminish the truth: Jesus' kingdom is not of this world; Jesus' kingdom is now and not yet. "His dominion," as we hear in the first reading, "is an everlasting dominion that shall not be taken away" (Daniel 7: 14b).

The Book of Revelation proclaims Jesus as the faithful witness, firstborn of the dead, ruler of kings. In that same passage, in case we need a reminder at this time of year, the word proclaims, "Jesus loves us." Present tense, in the here and now, Jesus loves us. The word proclaims today, "Jesus freed us." It is a done deal that we are saved. All we need do is accept the gift. Sounds simple ... and yet.

Finally, the word proclaims, "Jesus made us to be a kingdom." This is our work; to be a kingdom and all that entails. Jesus' reign is present in "Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to [his] voice" (John 18: 37c). Jesus' reign is present in you, in me, in the one who lives, loves, hopes, cares and believes in a world that cannot be diminished — ever — despite those who work to diminish, isolate, separate and destroy out of fear and ignorance.

Yes, there is truth in the statement: "It takes a village to raise a child." It also takes a village to be a village. It takes a village to stand up to the diminishing rhetoric which divides and separates. It takes you and me and him and her to belong to the truth and listen and be the kingdom.

Told that their hill was not a mountain, the people of Ffynnon Garw stood up and acted. They formed a bucket brigade — young and old and in-between — and literally carried buckets of dirt up the "hill" to increase its height and, in turn, its visibility.

After living among the villagers for a bit, Anson, one of the cartographers, experienced a conversion. His idea of a mountain transformed as he came to know he villagers. He grew to understand the value that this 'mountain' held for the community. Anson literally got his hands dirty by helping to lug buckets of dirt to the top of the hill to grow it to the height 1,000 feet — in a sense, to build a mountain out of, perhaps, a mole-hill.

Today the word proclaims: Jesus loves us. Jesus freed us. Jesus made us to be a kingdom. Will we participate? Do we experience ongoing conversion? Will we pick up our buckets and do the work not to diminish his reign but to make it visible? Let us hope, love and live the truth of Jesus' reign in the now, today, as the word proclaims.

# St. Maurice School News



Here are the happenings around St. Maurice School for the week of Nov. 26-30 Monday - The Campus Ministry Team for gr. 9-12 meets in room 104 at lunch Tuesday – Reconciliation in the church for gr.3-6 from 1-3 p.m. Thursday – Parent-teacher conferences for K-6 from 4-8 p.m.



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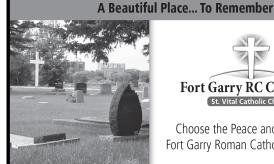
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