



# Saint Vital

CATHOLIC CHURCH

**March 24th, 2019**

**Third Sunday  
of Lent**

**Mission in 1861 - Parish in 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**

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## PASTORAL LIFE

## MASS SCHEDULE

### Sacrament of Baptism

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

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

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



### Ministry Of Presence

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](mailto:fm@stvitalparish.ca) or Fr. Colin at [fc@stvitalparish.ca](mailto: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.

### Funerals

It is important when making arrangements for a funeral to be celebrated at St. Vital Parish that one of the priests be contacted prior to meeting with the funeral home.

### Monday, March 25th

7:00 p.m.

*Readings: Is 7.10-14; 8.10d / Heb 10.4-10 / Lk 1.26-38*

### Tuesday, March 26th

7:00 P.M.

*Readings: Dan 3.25, 34-43 / Mt 18.21-35*

### Wednesday, March 27th

11:30 A.M.

*Readings: Deut 4.1, 5-9 / Mt 5.17-19*

### Thursday, March 28th

7:00 P.M.

*Readings: Jer 7.23-28 / Lk 11.14-23*

### Friday, March 29th

**6:30 P.M. (Stations of the Cross)**

7:00 P.M.

*Readings: Hos 14.1-9 / Mk 12.28b-34*

## PARISH UPCOMING EVENTS

### Friday, March 29th

- Stations of the Cross - 6:30 p.m.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, March 23rd Third Sunday of Lent

4:00 P.M. (FM) - † Barbara Neumeier - req. Mr. & Mrs. C.J. Paci

### Sunday, March 24th Third Sunday of Lent

9:00 A.M. (FM) - † Benny Souyri - req. Glynis & Jo-Anne

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

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

### Monday, March 25th The Annunciation of the Lord

7:00 P.M. - † Peter Tait - req. Marcia Tait

### Tuesday, March 26th

7:00 P.M. - † Dermot Rooney - req. Clem Rooney & family

### Wednesday, March 27th

11:30 A.M. - † Leticia Roman - req. Parish staff

### Thursday, March 28th

7:00 P.M. - † Cornelio Parado - req. the family

### Friday, March 29th

**6:30 P.M. - Stations of the Cross**

7:00 P.M. - † Henriette Burdeiny - req. Simone Hebert

### Saturday, March 30th Fourth Sunday of Lent

4:00 P.M. (FM) - † Roberta Talmage

- req. Patrick & Evangeline Kostyniuk

### Sunday, March 31st Fourth Sunday of Lent

9:00 A.M. (FM) - Missa Pro Populo

11:30 A.M. (FC) - Int. of grandchildren Jacob & Dominick  
- req. grandparents

8:00 P.M. (FC) - † Dionisio Miranda Jr. - req. Violet & Angel Napoles

## PARISH NEWS

**Please Note:** - Due to Spring Break, there are no Catechism classes this Sunday & on Sunday, March 31st. There is no Confirmation Preparation this Sunday.

**Living with Christ Fundraiser** - Thank you to all those who participated in subscribing to the Living with Christ! With each subscription made through the parish, we have raised \$260.

**Young Adult and Youth Bible Study** - The young adults and youths of St. Vital will be hosting a bible study/talk on Wednesday April 3rd, 2019 from 7-9pm in the parish basement on the topic titled; " 'Grace vs works'- Is knowing about Jesus, (and not living for Him) enough?" with scriptural teaching by Fr. Colin. All young adults and youths are invited. For further inquiry, please contact Vanessa Oligbo at [oligbo@gmail.com](mailto:oligbo@gmail.com)

### **Let Us Pray For Health & Healing**

Marisa Bucciarelli, Romulo & Leah Magsino, Brenda T., Angelito & Arman Salazar, Agustina Salta, Agripino Foronda, Andrew Dias, Olive Shachtay, Gerald Shachtay, Deb M., KM, Nicole Savard, Marcel Belanger, Fran MacCoy, Katelyn Scammel, Comfort Mekwunye, Dariusz Thiral, Margaret Veitch, Simone Hébert, Michael Nieglo, Marilyn Crakewich, Rosela Francisco, Beverly Deleew, Grayson Sacco, Jos Sorin, Marvin Nielson & Lyle Cairns.

***"The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up." James 5:15***

Please contact the parish office at (204) 453-0933 or [office@stvitalparish.ca](mailto: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!

### **March 16th & 17th, 2019**

Regular Offertory	\$ 7,391.31	Sharing God's Gifts	\$ 358.00
Parish Debt	\$ 603.20	Social Justice	\$ 149.00
Children's Treasure Box	\$ 23.25		

# PARISH NEWS

## **Knights of Columbus News**



Thank you for continuing to support your local Knights of Columbus. A special thanks to those that attended our latest pancake breakfast on St. Patrick's Day. We are now in a position to purchase rosaries for all of the children who will be receiving their First Communion in May. Once again, thank you so much for your continued support.

***Captain Miles MacDonell Assembly #0370 of the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus is sponsoring the 43rd Annual Dinner & Draw for Catholic School Education.***

- **When:** Wednesday, May 1st, 2019.
- **Social Hour:** 6 PM
- **Dinner:** 7 PM
- **Draw:** to follow at 8:30 PM.
- **Where:** Saint John XXIII Parish Auditorium, 3390 Portage Ave.
- **What:** A full course dinner. Complimentary bar. Up to 14 cash prizes as listed on the reverse side of the ticket and the final \$1,000.00 prize.
- **Beneficiary:** Entire net proceeds awarded to St. Maurice Catholic School.
- **Cost:** Dinner and Draw Ticket - \$60.00 of which \$25.00 is tax deductible.
- **For tickets:** Tickets may be purchased from our parish office.

***If you are unable to attend the Dinner & Draw, you can participate in the Draw portion of the event by buying a "Draw Only" Ticket for \$30.00. You get a chance at the prizes plus a tax receipt for \$25.00.***

## **Attention Communion Ministers and Readers!**

Sign-up sheets for Holy Week and Easter are posted in the vestry. Please sign up as soon as possible. **Schedules will include the months of May and June**, 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.

## **Let us pray for the recently deceased**

† Florence Albi

***May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in the peace.***

## **Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord**

On this solemnity, we remember when the angel brought to Mary the amazing news that she would be the mother of God's Son. On this day, as in Christmas Time, we contemplate the wonder of the Incarnation: in Jesus, God took on our flesh, becoming like us in all things but sin. The Annunciation is a Solemnity of the Lord, but it is also a day to give thanks to and for Mary. The Gospel account of the Annunciation in Luke reveals a great wonder: God sought the free consent of a young girl to carry out his plan for us. God asked for help! No wonder so many artists throughout the ages have chosen to depict this moment of decision that changed the world for ever. The Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord reminds us of the supple heart of Mary who welcomed the gift of God's indwelling and new life in Christ. In Mary we behold our capacity for hospitality for God and humankind. 2019 Sourcebook LTP

**Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, March 25th.**



**CWL Corner** - The Catholic Women's League of Canada's national theme for 2019-2020 is ***"Care for our Common Home"***. In keeping with this theme and the Season of Lent, as we make commitments to praying, fasting and alms giving, we encourage our parish community of St. Vital to assist in looking after our local Parish Food Bank. Marked purple boxes are located in the lobby of the church (Pembina Hwy doors), and in the hall in front of the conference room (across the bulletin board). Please help keep our food bank well supplied with non-perishable items. Our great need this time includes: cereal, canned soups and canned fruit. **Thank you and God bless!**



# THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



## Patience and Mercy

God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob,  
you rescued your people and led them  
to a land of milk and honey.  
Throughout history,  
you have patiently allowed your people  
time to repent.

May we be grateful for your mercy  
and regard this season of Lent  
as a time to be cultivated in your ways  
so that we may bear fruit in the future.  
We look to your Word  
to guide us on our journey  
as we seek to know your will.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

Sunday, March 24, 2019

Repentance



*Today's Readings: Exodus 3:1–8, 13–15; Psalm 103:1–2, 3–4, 6–7, 8–11; 1 Corinthians 10:1–6, 10–12; Luke 13:1–9.* The word “repent” is usually equated with being sorry or seeking forgiveness. During Jesus’ time on earth, people would understand repentance to mean a change of life, a total transformation. Change is difficult, even when it is small.

In today’s Gospel, we hear a parable about a fig tree that has produced no fruit during three years. Now the time has run out, and the owner wants to cut the tree down. However, the gardener requests that he be allowed to care for the fig tree for one year, cultivating the ground and fertilizing it, so that it will bear fruit in the future.

During Lent, we pray and fast so that we can live out our life in Christ better. These forty days offer an opportunity to reexamine our lives and to seek what God desires of us. This is our chance to be fertilized and cultivated in God’s ways so that we can bear fruit in the future. How are you making small changes in your life so that God can transform you? Are there habits of prayer or reading Scripture that you are trying to form? How can you integrate these habits into your life even after Lent? Take some time today to reflect on what in your life is in need of repentance. Remember, Lent will soon be half over.





## THIS WEEK AT HOME

### Monday, March 25

#### Handmaid of the Lord

Mary responds to the angel Gabriel, “Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord, may it be done to me according to your word.” In describing herself as the handmaid of the Lord, Mary is claiming her role as a humble servant before God. Mary models for us how we are to respond to God, with a humble heart that is ready to assist and to serve. How can you surrender yourself to God’s will? How are you called this week to be of service to others? *Today’s Readings: Isaiah 7:10–14; Psalm 40:7–8, 8–9, 10, 11; Hebrews 10:4–10; Luke 1:26–38.*

### Tuesday, March 26

#### Forgive from Your Heart

Do you find forgiveness to be difficult in your life? Is it easier for you to ask for forgiveness or to be the one who offers pardon to another who has wronged you? Forgiveness can lead to healing and peace. This is our hope: to be restored to one another and to God. Find out when your parish community is offering the Sacrament of Reconciliation and plan to attend. *Today’s Readings: Daniel 3:25, 34–43; Psalm 25:4–5, 6–7, 8–9; Matthew 18:21–35.*

### Wednesday, March 27

#### Fulfillment of the Law

The law and the prophets were guides for the Chosen People. Jesus comes to fulfill the law, and the law he shares is the law of love. When it comes to living our faith, we must do so with a sincere heart. How often do you do something because it is required? Today strive to lift up one of your obligatory tasks and embrace it with a new heart of love and humility for the Lord. *Today’s Readings: Deuteronomy 4:1, 5–9; Psalm 147:12–13, 15–16, 19–20; Matthew 5:17–19.*

### Thursday, March 28

#### Unfair Judgment

Those who witness Jesus casting out a demon were amazed, but they also were skeptical about the source of his power and even tried to test him by demanding a sign from heaven. Have you ever been in a situation in which there seemed to be no good options to take? Have you ever been judged unfairly? Jesus invites us to follow him and in doing so, we need to pray for one another. It can be difficult to pray for those who are unkind and causing division. Ask God to heal them and for the courage to follow Jesus. *Today’s Readings: Jeremiah 7:23–28; Psalm 95:1–2, 6–7, 8–9; Luke 11:14–23.*

### Friday, March 29

#### Loving God

Jesus summarized the Commandments into loving God completely and loving neighbor as ourselves. Do you find it more difficult to love God or others? What does it mean to love God with all of your heart, soul, mind, and strength? How will you show your love of God today? *Today’s Readings: Hosea 14:2–10; Psalm 81:6–8, 10–11, 14, 17; Mark 12:28–34.*

### Saturday, March 30

#### Right Attitude

Through a parable about two men praying in the Temple, Jesus calls us to a right attitude of ourselves before God and others. The posture, gestures, and words of the two men reveal much about their relationship with the Lord. Which man’s life was changed because of his prayer that day? Do you open yourself to be changed through prayer? As you continue to journey through Lent, consider a new prayer form, such as journaling, centering prayer, or adoration, to enrich your relationship with God. *Today’s Readings: Hosea 6:1–6; Psalm 51:3–4, 18–19, 20–21; Luke 18:9–14.*



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# CATHOLIC FAMILY CONFERENCE



With Guest Speaker & Author:  
Leah Perrault

SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 2019

9 AM-4 PM

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Theme: Listening to the Gospel  
- Renewing the Family Bond



Free Event - Lunch provided (Donations gratefully accepted)

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Please register by: March 27, 2019

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Nadine Fetherston [mfl2@archsaintboniface.ca](mailto:mfl2@archsaintboniface.ca) 204-594-0295





## Tri-Diocese Catholic Family Conference

### Listening to the Gospel – Renewing the Family Bond

**Saturday, April 6, 2019**

9:00- 9:15 am	Registration		
9:15 - 9:30 am	Welcome/Introductions		
9:30 - 10:30 am	“Tending the Fire of Faith in Our Families” – Guest Speaker: Leah Perrault – (Families)		
10:30 - 10:45 am	BREAK		
10:45 - 12:15 pm	<b>Adults</b> <b>“Theology of the Body... Beyond the Bedroom”</b> -With Leah Perrault (15 years – Adult)	<b>Youth</b> <b>“Listening to God’s Voice in my Life”</b> (9 – 14 years)	<b>Kids</b> <b>“Hearing God Speak to Me”</b> (4 – 8 years)
12:15 - 1:00 pm	LUNCH (Provided)		
1:00 - 1:20 pm	Praise & Worship Music		
1:20 - 2:40 pm	<b>Adults</b> <b>“Leaning on Faith &amp; Family”</b> -Testimonials & Discussions	<b>Teens</b> <b>“So What God?!”</b> - With Leah Perrault (12-17 years)	<b>Kids</b> <b>“Growing in God’s Family”</b> - Youth Testimonials & Praying in Colour (4 - 11 years)
2:40 – 2:55 pm	BREAK		
2:55 - 3:20 pm	“God’s Story Continues in our Stories” – Leah Perrault (Families)		
3:20 - 3:50 pm	“What now?! ... Answering the Burning Questions!” – Leah Perrault		
3:50 - 4:00 pm	Children’s Presentation for Parents		

### Psalm 119:105 “Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path”

- **“Tending the Fire of Faith in our Families” – with Leah Perrault**  
Faith is something we talk about and something that changes our lives. Come as a family and practice three small ways to tend the fire of faith in your family - no matter how messy
- **“Theology of the Body... Beyond the Bedroom” – with Leah Perrault**  
Explore how our creation connects us to God and each other so that every moment of our lives can be a participation in the work God is doing in our families and in the world
- **“Listening to God’s Voice in my life” & “Hearing God Speak to Me”**  
Separate activities, games and music for youth and children with a focus on listening to God’s word in our lives
- **Live Praise and Worship Music**
- **“Leaning on Faith & Family” – Testimonials – For adults**  
Hear testimonials and sharing from families having overcome difficult circumstances and ignited their faith in the process
- **“So What God?!” – with Leah Perrault – For Teens**  
Choosing God as a teenager is a courageous choice. So, what? We’ll talk about why faith is a gift even if other people don’t think so, how to grow confidence in hearing God speak, how we can find and follow Jesus in relationships and dating, and how to find the path God has for you
- **“Growing in God’s Family” – Testimonials & Activities (Praying in colour) – For children**  
Special testimonials on faith and family (from young people) specially for children. Activities teaching a unique and creative way to pray... praying in colour!
- **“God’s Story Continues in Our Stories” – with Leah Perrault**  
God’s story has been written for us in the Bible, but you may be surprised to discover that God’s story isn’t over yet. Every day, God’s story continues in our lives and we will practice listening to God’s story so that we can hear it in our own stories.





## **St. Maurice School News**

Have a safe and wonderful spring break!

Please keep our students going to Europe in your prayers.



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