

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, March 8th (9:00 a.m.) † Camille L'Heureux
(11:00 a.m.) St. Vital Parish & Parishioners
Tuesday, March 18th (9:00 a.m.) † Alfred & Emma Garneau
Thursday, March 20th (9:00 a.m.) † Kenneth Graham
Friday, March 21st (10:30 a.m.) † Alfred & Emma Garneau

TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION COMMISSION

Truth and Reconciliation Commission

The Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) will hold its final National Event at the Shaw Conference Centre in Edmonton, **March 27-30**. The TRC is documenting the history and legacy of Indian Residential Schools in Canada as a necessary step in the long-term process of healing and reconciliation with Aboriginal peoples, government, churches and the Canadian people. For information about the TRC and the Edmonton National Event, check the TRC website www.trc.ca. For information about Catholic participation in the TRC, contact Bob McKeon at the Archdiocesan Office for Social Justice, 780-469-1010, sjustice@caedm.ca.

Together We Serve

How the Parish can Benefit from *Together We Serve*

Together We Serve includes a Parish Share (rebate) Program. Parishes that exceed their goal will receive a percentage (60% in 2014) of their target overage back, to be used as determined by the parish. Possibilities might include favourite charitable projects or facilities maintenance or enhancement. For more information about the annual appeal, please visit www.caedm.ca/WeServe.

Catholicism Series (Word on Fire)

Come join us for **The Catholicism Series** (Word on Fire), with creator and host Fr. Robert Barron. This week's session is titled: "Word Made Flesh, True Bread of Heaven: The Mystery of the Church's Sacrament and Worship". Come view a documentary style video and participate in an engaging conversation.

This Wednesday (March 19th) 7:30PM- 9:30 PM in the small room of the church basement.

All are welcome! No cost.

Are you expecting a child in the near future? Consider taking **Baptism Preparation** now while you are waiting for the birth of your son or daughter. **The classes are for parents and sponsors (godparents).**

Attending now eliminates the need to find baby-sitters, rearrange feeding schedules etc. plus it adds to the joyful anticipation of your new arrival.

Parents wishing to register for the next course, which will be held **Tues, March 25th, 2014 at 7:30 pm** are asked to call the parish.

Our Lady of the Hill KC's General Meeting – Wednesday, March 12th @ 7:30 p.m.

Lapointe KC Council Meeting – March 17th at 8:00 p.m.

Day of Confessions: Tuesday, March 18

March 16 - Second Sunday of Lent

This Sunday's psalm proclaims that the Lord "loves righteousness and justice." After the Transfiguration, before the disciples went down the mountain to their ordinary lives, Jesus told them to not be afraid. Sometimes we are overcome with fear and anxiety about the times we have not been righteous or done justice. On Tuesday, March 18, we will all have the opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation), and to let go of all that hinders our relationship with God and one another.

Pope Francis reminds us that God never tires of forgiving us. Remember that on March 18, this coming Tuesday, the Sacrament of Penance (confession) will be available all day in every parish of the Archdiocese. Our parish schedule for this "Day of Confessions" is as follows:

"Called to be Holy": Who, Me?

Ladies Retreat

All ladies are invited to join us at Holy Trinity Parish for a day of prayer and reflection **on Saturday, March 29**. Vatican II awakened us to our baptismal call to 'be holy.' But we often aren't sure what that means or how it applies to us. Our ordinary, everyday lives hardly seem the place of the sacred. During our day-long retreat, we will explore what it means to be called to holiness in order that we might live it in a new way. Sandra Prather, B.Ed., M.Th. is our retreat leader. Tickets (\$20) will be sold after masses March 15-16 and 22-23, or contact Sr. Susan at 780-968-5543.

Habitat for Humanity Interfaith Build

All parishes, particularly in the Capital Region, are invited to become personally involved in helping the homeless this spring, **March 20 to June 21**, by volunteering on a Habitat for Humanity Interfaith Work project, helping to construct affordable housing units for low-income Edmonton families. Everyone is welcome, from beginners to tradespeople. Habitat for Humanity provides all equipment and tools, safety gear, safety and hands-on training for tasks. Shifts are Tuesday to Saturdays, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., and lunch is provided. Volunteers are welcome to sign up for as many or as few shifts as they like.

To volunteer either as an individual or group, please go to www.hfh.org/volunteer and follow the links. The building location is at Neufield Landing, 11621-17 Avenue, Edmonton.

