

Please welcome Fr. Stephen Hero who is celebrating mass with St. Vital's this weekend.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Feb. 21st 5:00 p.m. † Marcel Maisonneuve
Sun. Feb. 22nd 9:00 a.m. † Francis Berube
11:00 a.m. St. Vital Parish & Parishioners
Wed., Feb 25th 7:00 p.m. † Francis Berube
Thurs. Feb 26th 9:00 a.m. † Lenore Hukalo
Fri. Feb 27th 9:00 a.m. † Kay Demonte

PLEASE pick up your 2014 Tax Receipts at the back of the church.

There will be **Stations of the Cross on Wednesday evenings** during the season of Lent. Immediately after the **7:00 Mass.**

2015 Weekly Budget to Actual Collection (February 15th)

	Regular Collection	Maintenance Fund	Pay Down the Debt
Weekly Budget for 2015	3,923.00	115.00	1,000.00
Contribution Feb. 15 th	2,135.00,	212.50	1628.00
	-1,788.00	97.50	628.00

Sunday, February 22 – First Sunday of Lent

The Road to Discipleship: Testing

Sunday's brief Gospel from Mark tells a familiar story: of Jesus being tested in the desert. Mark mentions wild beasts and 40 days to draw parallels between Jesus and Adam, and between Jesus and the Israelites in the desert. Both Adam and the Israelites badly failed their tests. Jesus succeeds, however. Jesus shows us that when we commit ourselves to fasting, waiting patiently upon the Lord, and forsaking things we do not need, God will provide for us. Ask the Holy Spirit to fill you with more patience, faithfulness, and self-control for these 40 days of Lent. Try to pray, be patient, fast from what you do not need, and simplify your wants.

World Day of Prayer is observed annually on the first Friday in March. It is an invitation for Christians to pause and pray together ecumenically and recalls our Christian responsibility to be sensitive to the signs of the times so that we might bring a more authentically Christian dimension to the concerns of our world, our country, our community. It is celebrated in approximately 165 countries. The World Day of Prayer Service, written by the women of the Bahamas, will be held at **St. Vital's on Friday, March 6 at 6 p.m.** Everyone is invited to attend.

Our Lady of the Hill K of C

Selling Sobeyes and No Frills Grocery Cards at the back of the church after all masses.

Make a date with mercy! On **Tuesday, February 24**, all priests in all parishes across the Archdiocese will devote the entire day to celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation during our annual Day of Confessions. This does not replace our annual Lenten penitential service, but is an added opportunity to drop in to any convenient parish and receive the great grace of God's healing.

Fr. Len will be in the parish office from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. and the church 6:00 p.m. – 6:45 p.m. for the Sacrament of Reconciliation..

LIBRARY is now opened during office hours in the parish office.

The **St. Vital CWL** is **looking for volunteers** who would be interested in assisting us in our Funeral Hospitality ministry. This includes provision of hostessing, in the church basement, following funeral services. Duties include; setting up tables, receiving food from caterer, serving coffee and clean up. You do not need to be a CWL member. If you have some time and are able to join our list of volunteers, please contact Bonnie Fleming 780-929-1248 or Marguerite Attlebery 780-929-1450.

Together We Serve is the name of the annual charitable appeal in the Catholic Archdiocese of Edmonton. This appeal, which begins with Lent each year, has replaced the separate special collections that were previously been taken up in parishes at various times throughout the year. Your gift to *Together We Serve* will be transformed into blessings for many, through charities that address a variety of needs here at home, in Canada, and abroad -- all with the common purpose to serve the missionary outreach of the Church. This year, we are pleased to add Catholic Social Services to the list of charities that will be supported by *Together We Serve*. For more details about this year's appeal, check out this video message from Archbishop Smith at <https://vimeo.com/119076710> . For more information about the appeal, or to see how each charity benefited from the *Together We Serve* collection in 2014, visit us online at www.caedm.ca/WeServe.

“Look Back to Go Forward.”

Join us for the **Western Canadian Catholic Home School Conference, March 12-14** at Providence Renewal Centre, 3005-119 Street, Edmonton. This conference is geared for home schooling families, but all Catholic parents will enjoy. Our guest speakers are Jim Morlino and Father Leonard Revilla. For more information, contact Veronica at 780-467-8410 or email wcchscreg@shaw.ca, or visit us online at www.wcchsc.net.