

ST. VITAL CATHOLIC PARISH

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SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday 5:00 p.m. (English) Sunday 9:00 a.m. (bilingual) 11:00 a.m. (English)

WEEKDAY MASSES

No Weekday Masses

Sacrament of Reconciliation

By appointment by contacting Fr. Les

Check out the website www.saintvitalparish.com and check it regularly for updates.

Our Condolences

Our sympathies are extended this week to the five families in our parish who have recently lost their loved ones. The schedule of funeral liturgies for this week are:

Tuesday, September 19th @ 10 a.m. for Solange Villeneuve

Wednesday, September 20th @ 11:00 a.m. for Lorraine Berube

Thursday, September 21 @ 10:30 a.m. for Madeleine Berube

Friday, September 22nd @ 11:00 for Mike O'Hara

Saturday, September 23rd @ noon for Edna Akpan

Let us remember these people in our prayers.

All of the morning masses at Place Beausejour and St. Vital Parish are cancelled for this week as well as the confession time at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 23rd.

Loan Balance July 31, 2023 \$555,926.52

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Everyone is welcome to the Knights of Columbus sponsored Pancake breakfast which is taking Sunday morning, **September 17** following the 9:00a.m. and 11:00a.m. Masses. Come out and enjoy the food and fellowship at the first Pancake Breakfast of the Fall Season.

K OF C FOOD DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus will hold its monthly food drive in support of the Leduc Food Bank the weekend of September 30/October 1, 2023. Please drop your donation in the bin in the Church vestibule. Donations not only benefit the needy of Leduc County but also help out the needy residents of Beaumont as well. Thanks to all the Parishioners who have been supporting this effort over the months

Lady of the Hill Knights of Columbus will be selling **Sobey and No Frills gift cards** after all masses on the weekend. Buy your grocery cards and support Our Lady of the Hill Knights.

First Reconciliation & First Communion:

Calling all parents of Grade 2, Grade 3, Grade 4 and Grade 5 students.

It's time to think about the sacraments of First Reconciliation & First Communion for your child.

Classes will start in October. Please plan on attending our **Registration Night on Wed. Sept. 27 @ 7pm** in the church basement. All important information will be provided.

Please bring a copy of your child's baptism certificate along with \$40.00 for the workbooks.

We accept cash, cheque or e-transfers sent to StVital.Beaumont@caedm.ca

Looking forward to seeing you all,

Your Sacramental Prep Team

ADORATION

A **meeting** to discuss the procedures regarding Adoration in St. Vital Church will be held in the Parish Hall on **Monday, September 18th at 7:00 p.m.** Everyone is welcome to attend.

St. Vital Parish Mission

Jim Murphy, a Catholic evangelist from Michigan, will be here to serve as the Retreat Master for a Parish Mission which will run from **November 12th-14th, 2023**. The theme of the retreat is entitled "Healing our Wounds". All of the services will be at St. Vital Church starting at 7:00 p.m. Please join us as we try to make this Mission a highlight of our parish year!

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

The RCIA is the Journey of Faith through which adults are received into the Catholic Church. We are presently preparing our program for the upcoming year. If you are interested in becoming a Catholic, or if you know someone who is, then please **contact Fr. Les** at the parish office.

A similar program (**RCIC**) for children who are seven years of age and older is also available. Again, please contact Fr. Les if you are interested in having your children become members of the Catholic Church.

Bible Study will resume after our summer break!

Our Bible Study is called *THE EUCHARIST Bible Study Guide For Catholics By Fr. Mitch Pacwa*

We usually gather for our Bible Study every second Monday, However due to some holiday time the schedule will be adjusted to a few different dates. These are the next few Bible Study dates: **Sept. 18, Oct. 23 @ 10:0 a.m.** . Please call or text Claire Connell 780 887-0468

RETROUVAILLE: HELP YOUR MARRIAGE

If you are struggling in your marriage relationship or looking to improve it, consider coming to Retrouvaille. This program has helped thousands of marriages improve communication and enrich their marital connection. “A Marriage program that helps couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. Primarily a practical program to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect.” There are spaces available beginning the weekend of **September 22 - 24, 2023**. This link provides an overview of the program: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rQlbVppalmc&feature=youtu.be> For confidential information about or to register for the program, call 587.598.HELP (4357) or email info@helpourmarriage.ca or visit our website at helpourmarriage.ca or helpourmarriage.com

Called to Protect training, an abuse prevention training session will be offered on Monday September 18, 2023, 7 pm to 9:30 pm. The two and half session is mandatory for all volunteers and employees of the Archdiocese. This will be an in-person session at St Michael Parish, Leduc, open for all. To register.

Registration - <https://forms.gle/hGRgSmtt1mB2nB5ZA>

Evaluation - <https://forms.gle/gYT1Ev5UFX3uHALw7>

Meeting ID: 817 2918 8708

Passcode: 79119

Called to Protect training, an abuse prevention training session will be offered on Monday September 25, 2023, 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm. The two and half session is mandatory for all volunteers and employees of the Archdiocese. This will be a zoom session open for all. Please register.

Registration link - <https://forms.gle/DfQJDQvCjoaGsgXs9>

Evaluation link - <https://forms.gle/MXuqxRaLSjh6a2oGA>

BREATHE: A CATHOLIC MARRIAGE CONFERENCE On September 22 - 23, 2023, Holy Trinity Parish (200 Veterans Blvd, Spruce Grove) will be hosting Breathe: A Catholic Marriage Conference. This two-day retreat and getaway for married couples will be facilitated by Fr. Paul Moret, along with Gerald & Denise Montpetit, and John & Tracy Connelly. This conference will provide an opportunity for you to invest in your relationship by stepping away from the busyness of life in order to recharge, refresh and journey deeper into the sacrament. Registration is now open. For more info and to register: catholicmarriageandfamily.com

Stewardship Corner Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekend of September 16/17

Today's Gospel reading continues Jesus' instructions on being good stewards of others - the direction that if we love Jesus Christ, we must forgive an individual 77 times. The reading compels us to consider one of the most difficult practices of Christian discipleship. Forgiveness is the way of Jesus, the way of the cross. Vengeance, bitterness and hatred seem so much easier and certainly more desirable. Forgiveness is a hard road to travel, but it is the only road that leads to life in Christ. Consider this week who you need to forgive

GRIEF AS A JOURNEY: OUR WALK TO EMMAUS This fall, three parishes within the Archdiocese will be hosting weekly seminars/support groups for those who are trying to cope with the troubling effects of grief. Participants learn valuable information that will help them heal and be with others who are able to empathize. Please contact the parish for more information and to register:

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish (13 Brower Drive, Sherwood Park) - 780.467.5470:
Starts Monday, September 18, 6:30 pm

St. Thomas More Parish (210 Haddow Close NW, Edmonton) - Dcn. Randy -
780.435.5070: Starts Tuesday, September 26, 7:00 pm

Holy Trinity Parish (200 Veterans Blvd., Spruce Grove) - Bonnie - 780.960.0135: Starts
Tuesday, October 3, 1:00 pm

CATHOLIC RENEWAL SERVICES FALL CONFERENCE

"Come, for all things are NOW ready!"

Join the Catholic Renewal Services for our Fall Conference, Sept. 29 - Oct. 1, 2023 at St. Thomas More Church located at 210 Haddow Close NW, Edmonton, starting at 6:30 pm. Father Trevor Nathasingh and Maria Vadia will be our keynote speakers. Father Trevor comes from Trinidad and Maria from Florida. Both are powerful speakers who have international ministries. On Saturday, Sept. 30 at 7:00 pm there will be a Mass with Healing Service open to the public, a love offering will be taken. Registration cost is \$40 (includes a pizza lunch on Saturday). For more information and registration, visit www.crsedmonton.ca

Prayer for Our Priests

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests.

Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments.

Help our priests to be strong in their vocation.

Set their souls on fire with love for your people.

Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need

to follow in the footsteps of Jesus.

Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom.

Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel.

Allow them to experience joy in their ministry.

Help them to become instruments of your divine grace.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal

Priest.

Amen.

Prayer for Vocations

*Heavenly Father, bless your Church in the Archdiocese of Edmonton
with an abundance of holy and zealous priests, deacons, religious, and seminarians.*

*Give those You have called to the married state and those You have chosen
to live as single persons in the world, the special graces that their lives require.*

*Form us all in the likeness of Your Son so that in Him, with Him, and through Him
we may love You more deeply and serve You more faithfully, always, and everywhere. With the
virgin mother Mary, we ask this through Christ your Son.*

Amen.