



Saint Vital

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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



Behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage."

MATTHEW 2:1B-2

January 5
2025

The Epiphany of the Lord

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please contact Candace at 204-453-0933 ext. 281 or candace@stvitalparish.ca for more information.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Tuesdays from 6:00pm–6:45pm OR by appointment

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Please contact our priest at the parish office at least 6 months in advance.

FUNERALS:

Please contact our priest at the parish office prior to making arrangements with the funeral home.

PASTOR

Fr. Wayne Morrissey ext.285

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MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4TH

4PM † Gilbert & Julieta Dias
(da Costa family)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5TH

9AM Angel Memory Tree Mass
(CWL)

11:30AM Missa Pro Populo

8PM † Baby Mazie
(Carol Stewart)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7TH

7PM † John Doiron
(St. Maurice School)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8TH

No Mass

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9TH

11:30AM Frenzie Bulasco
(Carol Stewart)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10TH

11:30AM † Trevor Harder
(Lynn Furet-Harder)

Please join us on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays for the rosary starting at 11:00am before the daily Mass.

In Search of God

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

We are always in search of something or other, it seems—an intangible something that tends to shift and change over the course of our lives, like the tumbling pieces of a kaleidoscope. Sometimes, it is love we seek. Other times, meaning. Or inner peace, freedom from anxiety or guilt. Or perhaps freedom from all that ties us down. And sometimes, it is God we seek. Like the Magi, we too are on a quest for the Holy One.

One afternoon, Tom, a high-school sophomore, stopped by. He asked if we could talk about God—or, more exactly, about what God was like. He had been in a study hall, waiting for the bell to ring, when the person behind him asked, “When you die, do you think you’re going to see God?” Tom said he thought he would, but then the other student replied, “Well, you won’t, because God doesn’t have a body. There isn’t something to see.”

The bell rang, Tom said, and they never finished the conversation. Tom wondered whether God had a body or not, and, if not, then what was God like? Tom was searching for a God that made sense amidst galaxies and black holes and light years of time, but also a God who was personal and knowable and lovable. He wasn’t sure how to put the two together. He had become one of the Magi on a journey to find God. ●

Reflect

Where are you on your journey to know and discover God?

Dear Padre,

I'm into horoscopes. A friend told me that astrology is nonsense and against the Catholic faith. What do you say?

Stargazing is as old as the human race. We know with certainty that ancient Chaldea was known for its stargazers. Many of the constellations' names originated during that time. Some scholars believe that the three wise men who came from the East to pay homage to the newborn Savior were themselves Chaldean stargazers.

Astrologers believe that the zodiac signs under which we were born largely control our human destiny. The Christian objection to astrology is that it insults almighty God, who alone knows the future. God alone, in cooperation with the free will of humans, controls the future. To suppose that stars, planets, animals, or inanimate objects can, independent of God, direct or influence our lives opposes the first commandment: "I am the LORD your God.... You shall not have other gods beside me" (Exodus 20:2-3).

The Old Testament clearly spells out that it is vain to imagine "either fire, or wind, or the swift air, or the circuit of the stars, or the mighty water, or the luminaries of heaven" as "the governors of the world" (Wisdom 13:2).

Don't give credit to or blame the stars for what you do and who you are. See past them to the God who made them, and who made us, and who cares for all creation. ●



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FAITH FORMATION

January 2025

Children's Liturgy
9am Mass
Every Sunday

January
Month of the
Holy Names of Jesus

Family Session
Sun. Jan. 12th
SMS GYM
Holy Name of Jesus

Confirmation Session
Sun. Jan. 19th
Vianney Room

Regular Catechism
Sun. Jan. 26th
SMS School

Monday

January 6
Christmas Weekday
1 Jn 3:22-4:6
Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday

January 7
Christmas Weekday
1 Jn 4:7-10
Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday

January 8
Christmas Weekday
1 Jn 4:11-18
Mk 6:45-52

Thursday

January 9
Christmas Weekday
1 Jn 4:19-5:4
Lk 4:14-22a

Friday

January 10
Christmas Weekday
1 Jn 5:5-13
Lk 5:12-16

Saturday

January 11
Christmas Weekday
1 Jn 5:14-21
Jn 3:22-30

Sunday

January 12
The Baptism of the Lord
Is 42:1-4, 6-7
or Is 40:1-5, 9-11
Acts 10:34-38
or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7
Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Weekly Stewardship Report

Thank you for your donations! December 25th & 29th

Sunday Collection Dec.25th & 29th 2024	Budgeted per week	Weekly Collection +/-	Year to Date +/-
\$ 20,087.43	\$ 7692.30	\$ 12395.13	\$ 10,710.90

Parish Debt collected—Dec.25 & 29	Budgeted per week	Weekly Collection +/-	Sharing God's Gifts collected—Dec.25 & 29	Budgeted per week	Weekly Collection +/-
\$ 8859.20	\$ 1052.55	\$ 7806.65	\$ 516.00	\$1096.00	- \$ 580.00

Parish News - Catholic Women's League and Knights of Columbus bring joy to the children of Camperville parish

The Catholic Women's League and Knights of Columbus provided Fr. Sleeve with some gifts for the children of Camperville parish this Christmas season. Their gifts were deeply appreciated by the community, and their kindness inspired much gratitude and happiness in the families of Camperville.



Social Justice Fund - UPDATE

Starting in 2025, we will no longer have a restricted fund called the "Social Justice Fund". It has been determined by our Parish Finance Council that the scope of this fund is too broad to effectively meet specific objectives of our parish.

Instead we have created a new fund called "Loaves and Fishes", where all donations to this fund will go towards filling the pantry, and supporting this ministry's outreach in feeding the hungry in our community. All reserved funds still in the "Social Justice Fund" will be allocated to other funds to help us better serve our parish community's needs.

A parish to call home! If you are new - WELCOME!
If you have been away - WELCOME HOME!