



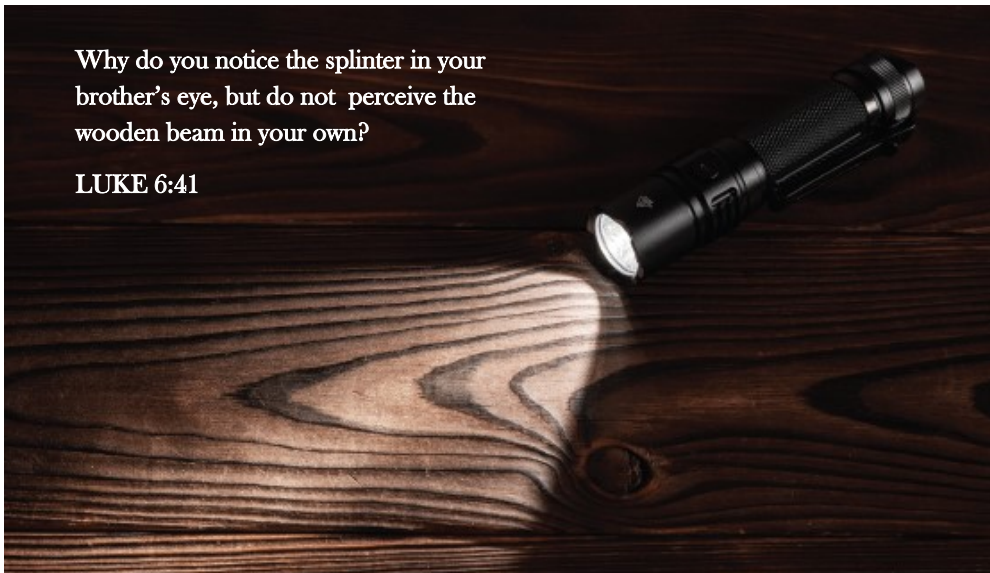
# Saint Vital

CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Mission- 1861*  
*Parish-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



Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye, but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own?

LUKE 6:41

March 2  
2025

## 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### 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 one of our priests at the parish office at least 6 months in advance.

### FUNERALS:

Please contact one of our priests at the parish office prior to making arrangements with the funeral home.

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## MASS SCHEDULE

### SATURDAY, MARCH 1ST

4PM † Edward Zalewski  
(wife & daughter)

### SUNDAY, MARCH 2ND

9AM † Isabelle Muehlbour  
(Roth family)

11:30AM † Onofre Gatchalian Placido  
(family)

8PM Missa Pro Populo

### TUESDAY, MARCH 4TH

7PM Natalie Schilling  
(Peter Schilling)

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5TH - Ash Wednesday

9AM (Mass with School) Missa Pro Populo

10:45AM (Mass with School) † Jeanne Sinclair  
(Doris Cormier)

7PM † Zheng Ruisheng  
(Charles & Yi family)

### THURSDAY, MARCH 6TH

11:30AM Dec'd grandparents  
(da Costa family)

### FRIDAY, MARCH 7TH

11:30AM † Humilta Stewart  
(Carol Stewart)

## Blindsided

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**T**here are days when the darker side of who we are rises up and slaps us in the face. One evening, I decided to go to see a film. I bought a ticket, made my way into the theater, and found a seat that would give me an unobstructed view of the screen, one that had patrons on either side of the open seat in front of me. Fairly sure that no one would sit in front of me, I felt good about my maneuver. A few minutes before the film began, a group of four walked down the aisle, looking for a string of open seats in the crowded theater. One of them stopped at my row and asked if I would move down a seat. Immediately, I realized my predicament. If I moved, I'd be behind someone tall, with my vision of the screen blocked.

I'd spend the film gazing through someone's head. I said no. The woman who had asked was taken aback, said so, and then moved on. Just as quickly, I found myself shocked by my own selfishness. Where had that come from? Was I really not who I thought I was? I discovered that there are hidden pieces of who we are that seldom come to light, and when they do, we cringe. If we are fortunate, the Lenten journey we begin on Ash Wednesday might reveal to us what it is that lives in our hearts. ●

### Reflect

***What can I do for Lent that may help me see myself more clearly?***

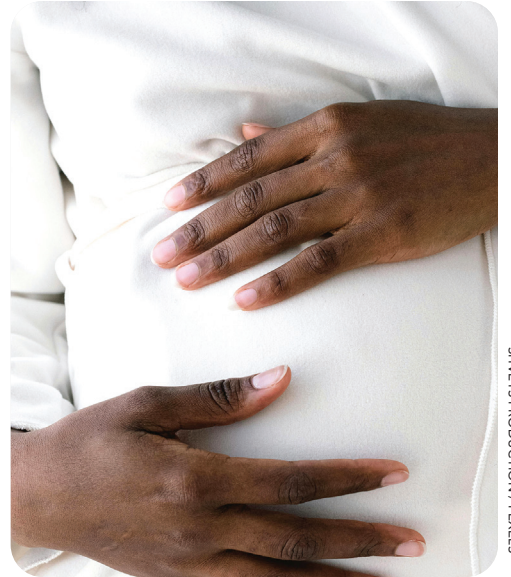
# Dear Padre,

## ***Does pregnancy qualify as an exemption from abstinence and fasting in Lent?***

Yes, it does. Just to be clear, abstinence is not eating meat on the Fridays of Lent and applies to Catholics over the age of fourteen. On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, Catholics between the ages of eighteen and fifty-nine are obligated to fast, that is, eat only one full meal and two smaller meals that do not add up to a full meal. In addition to children and elders, exemptions from these disciplines include pregnant or nursing women and the physically or mentally ill, including those with chronic illnesses, like diabetes.

It is presumed that mature Catholics will seek balance and integration in the practice of the faith and will routinely make careful, informed decisions and apply them to spiritual practice. Obviously, being informed and aware of what the Church teaches, why the Church teaches something, and how it is to be applied and understood will only enhance a person's discernment.

The health of an unborn baby is a clear responsibility and of the utmost importance. Maintaining a healthy and balanced diet during pregnancy and adjusting any habitual practices that may endanger the health of the baby should be a primary concern. While exempt from fasting and abstinence, a pregnant woman may want to observe Lent by adopting another penitential discipline, something that would do no harm to the baby but would still be in the spirit of Lent. ●



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**Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org**

*Stations of the Cross*

**PLEASE JOIN US  
FRIDAYS DURING LENT  
7:00pm**

**Faith Formation**  
**March 2025**

**Faith Formation**  
Family Session - March 9th  
Session #8 - March 23rd

**Confirmation Sessions**  
Session #6 - March 2  
Session #7 - March 16

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
Level 6 to 8 - March 23rd  
10:15 to 11:15 in Church

First Communion Group  
Scheduling via Email



## Weekly Stewardship Report

Thank you for your donations! February 23, 2025

Sunday Collection February 23, 2025	Budgeted per week	Weekly Collection +/-	Year to Date +/-
\$ 7281.63	\$ 7307.69	- \$ 26.06	- \$ 592.33

Parish Debt collected—Feb.23'25	Budgeted per week	Weekly Collection +/-	Sharing God's Gifts collected—Feb.23'25	Budgeted per week	Weekly Collection +/-
\$ 247.75	\$ 1052.55	- \$ 804.80	\$ 618.75	\$1106.67	- \$ 487.92

## Discovery - CCO Faith Study Series

Have you ever wondered what our faith is really all about? Discovery is a small group faith study that cuts to the heart of Christianity. It's a place to discuss what a personal relationship with Jesus could mean for you. This experience is designed to transform your life, no matter where you are at in your faith journey.

**When:** Every Monday from 7-8 pm, from March 10, 2025, to April 14, 2025.

**Where:** St. Vital Parish Vianney room (use parking lot doors)

*Limited spots available (4), first come first serve. Use QR code to sign up.*



**Note:** This small group is a weekly commitment, not drop-in.

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and Knights of Columbus  
present

## St. Vital Parish TRIVIA NIGHT

\$25 PP

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AS A TEAM OF UP TO 8

March 15 | 6 PM Doors Open  
7 PM Games Begin  
St. Maurice School Gymnasium

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St. Vital Parish  
TRIVIA  
NIGHT

TRIVIA NIGHT RAFFLE - MARCH 15'25

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If you have been away - WELCOME HOME!