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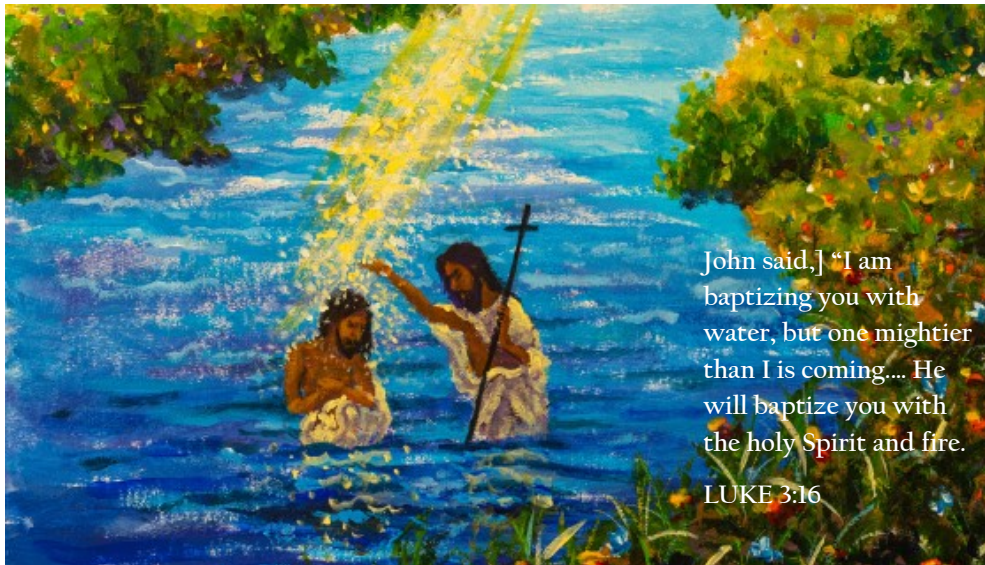
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Mission- 1861

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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



John said,] "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming.... He will baptize you with the holy Spirit and fire.

LUKE 3:16

January 12
2025

The Baptism 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.

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MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11TH

4PM † Eden Alvarez
(Alicia Stefanich)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12TH

9AM Deceased family
(D. Shillingford)

11:30AM Missa Pro Populo

8PM † Jeannine & Germaine Champagne
(Francine & Emilie Champagne)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14TH

7PM † Herbert & Margarite Harder
(Lynn Furet-Harder)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15TH

11:30AM Aileen Goos-Berard
(Cyndy Goos)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16TH

11:30AM K.E. Suri
(K.E. Suri)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17TH

11:30AM † Mercedes Urias
(Marietta Godoy)

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

Spirit-Trained

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

The Spirit that descended upon Jesus is the same Spirit with which we have been baptized. In one way or another, it calls us out into the world, into the lives of others. At times, that call is a passionate desire that burns like fire “eager to do what is good,” as Paul wrote to Titus (Titus 2:14). It shows itself as a call to the work we do in life—perhaps parenting, teaching, medical work, or creating jobs through business. The Spirit beckons us into making the world a better place in which to live.

Sometimes, however, the Spirit’s voice echoes with calls made to us by others. Teachers are urged to become principals. Employees are recognized as potential managers and supervisors. People receive requests to volunteer in community or school projects. At other times, the Spirit calls us through the needs of life. A child may need to care for an aged parent. A family may have a child with special needs. One-sided relationships may call for a listening ear that saps our patience.

Saint Paul wrote to Titus that, in all of this, we are being trained by God’s Spirit to live life as follows: temperately, with a sense of balance, perhaps between giving and receiving; justly, because life is not all about us; and devoutly, for there is a power greater than ourselves (Titus 2:12). It may help to realize that those in training do not always perform their work perfectly. It is the nature of being trained. Trust the Spirit to train you well. ●

Reflect

How is the Spirit training you to make the world a better place?

Dear Padre,

We are told that we are baptized into Jesus' death and resurrection, and that baptism is necessary for our salvation. But why was Jesus baptized?

Jesus was baptized, not because he needed saving, but so that others might be saved. By accepting baptism, he established this act as the normative path for salvation. Saint John Chrysostom addressed this question: "Though [Christ] needed not baptism for his own sake, yet carnal nature in others had need thereof." Or as St. Gregory

Nazianzen said more poetically: "Christ was baptized that he might plunge the old Adam entirely in the water."

Another reason Jesus accepted baptism is suggested by St. Augustine. He said our Lord was baptized "because he wished to do what he had commanded all to do." This is true servant leadership—not asking of others what one is not willing to do oneself. Or as St. Ambrose said, "This is justice, to do first thyself that which thou wishest another to do, and so encourage others by thy example."

Perhaps as we launch into a new year, we might try to remember our baptismal promise to "put on Christ" and imitate Jesus in this way: to not ask of anyone—our children or parents; employers or employees; teachers or students; principals or pastors; or even presidents—what we do not ask of ourselves, especially when it comes to honesty, dedication, civility, and charity. ●

The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to **DearPadre.org** to send your question and to learn more about **Dear Padre**.

Monday

January 13

Weekday

Heb 1:1–6

Mk 1:14–20

Tuesday

January 14

Weekday

Heb 2:5–12

Mk 1:21–28

Wednesday

January 15

Weekday

Heb 2:14–18

Mk 1:29–39

Thursday

January 16

Weekday

Heb 3:7–14

Mk 1:40–45

Friday

January 17

*St. Anthony,
Abbot*

Heb 4:1–5, 11

Mk 2:1–12

Saturday

January 18

Weekday

Heb 4:12–16

Mk 2:13–17

Sunday

January 19

*Second Sunday
in Ordinary Time*

Is 62:1–5

1 Cor 12:4–11

Jn 2:1–11



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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Let us thank the Lord for baptism. Let us also thank him for the parents who brought us to the font, for those who administered the sacrament...for the community in which we received him.... Do I acknowledge, in my life, the light of the presence of God, who sees me as his beloved son, his beloved daughter?

ANGELUS, ROME, JANUARY 7, 2024

Weekly Stewardship Report

Thank you for your donations! January 1st & 9th , 2025

Sunday Collection Jan. 1st & 9th	Budgeted per week	Weekly Collection +/-	Year to Date +/-
\$ 9411.13	\$ 7307.69	\$ 2103.44	\$ 2103.44

Parish Debt collected—Jan.1st & 9th	Budgeted per week	Weekly Collection +/-	Sharing God's Gifts collected—Jan.1st & 9th	Budgeted per week	Weekly Collection +/-
\$ 202.75	\$ 1052.55	- \$ 849.80	\$ 511.25	\$1106.67	- \$ 595.42

Thank You - Message from Fr. Wayne, Fr. Chris & Parish Staff

Dear St. Vital Community,

Fr. Wayne, Fr. Chris, and the parish staff would like to thank you very much for your generosity and kindness over this Christmas season. We truly appreciate all the gifts, baking, and goodies that you gave to us throughout this time. Your outpouring of appreciation and kindness is a gift in itself and we are so blessed to be part of such a loving and supportive community. May God be with you throughout 2025 and bless you abundantly in your homes and families and thank you once again. And as we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord may the light of Christ, ignited within you at your own baptism, shine brightly to the whole world.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Wayne

Fr. Chris




Update - Sharing God's Gifts

We would like to thank you for your donations towards the Archdiocesan Sharing God's Gifts Appeal. We have raised \$44, 274.26 towards our expected target of \$57, 547.00. That still leaves us a bit short. The good news is that Finance Canada has extended the charitable contribution deadline from Dec.31'24 to Feb.28'25. Those who wish to make a difference by contributing towards Sharing God's Gifts can still get a tax receipt to reduce their 2024 taxes. Envelopes are available. Please consider making a donation.

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