

St. Vital Roman Catholic Church
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& St. Jean Baptiste de la Salle, Delmas

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Parish Office Hours:
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday:
9:30 am – 12:30 pm & 1 pm – 3:30 pm
Closed Monday & Friday

Mass Times:
Daily: 9 am unless otherwise noted
Weekend:
Saturday: 5 pm Sunday: 10:30 am



CONFESSIONS: 30 minutes before Saturday or Weekday Mass
or call Fr. Sebastian to make an appointment

December 19, 2021: 4th Sunday of Advent

Luke's Gospel offers again the story of Mary's going to visit her cousin.
Elizabeth understands immediately Mary's situation and praises God saying,
"How does this happen to me that the mother of my Lord should come to me?
For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy."

Mass Intentions

Date:	Time:	Requested for:	Requested by:
Mon. Dec 20	9:00 am	+ Brian Wappel	The Family
Tue. Dec 21	9:00 am	+ Armand Lacoursiere	Ray & Rozalie Lacoursiere
Wed. Dec 22	9:00 am	Special Intentions	Dianne Michaud
Thur. Dec 23	9:00 am	+ Wilbert Basler	Joan & Family
Fri. Dec 24	7:00 pm	Parishes of St. Vital &	St. Jean Baptiste de la Salle
Sat. Dec 25	10:30 am	In Thanksgiving for Fr. Sebastian	St. Vital Parishioners
Sun. Dec 26	10:30 am	+ Ben & + Mary Beckman	Beckman Family
	5:00 pm	Fr. Sebastian's Intention	
Sun. Dec 26 Delmas:	9:00 am	Parishes of St. Vital &	St. Jean Baptiste de la Salle

Our Prayers and God's Healing Hand to all who are ill at home, in hospital, to those taking treatments & those recovering from surgery:
Floyd Andersen, Ron Studney

Bishop's Annual Appeal
THEME: "To Serve and Give His Life"
OUR PARISH GOAL: \$22,551.00
Pledges as of December 13, 2021: \$13,560

*Every contribution counts!
The Appeal Office would like all pledges received by December 31, 2021.
If you have already sent in your pledge, we thank you for your generosity!*

Weekend Collection:
December 11th & 12th: \$
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Auto Deposits for November: \$

CHRISTMAS / NEW YEARS MASS SCHEDULE

ST. VITAL

Christmas Eve - Friday, Dec. 24: 7 pm
Christmas Day - Saturday, Dec. 25: 10:30 am
**** No 5pm Mass this day ****
Boxing Day – Sunday, Dec. 26
10:30 am & 5 pm

New Year's Day - Saturday, Jan. 1: 10:30 am
Holy Day of Obligation

Jan. 1 Mass @ 5 pm is the
Sunday Mass for Jan. 2
Sunday: Jan. 2: 10:30 am

DELMAS

Christmas Eve - Friday, Dec. 24: 5 pm
Boxing Day – Sunday, Dec. 26: 9 am
New Year's Eve – Friday, Dec. 31: 5 pm
Sunday: Jan. 2: 9 am

ADVENT SEASON

The Advent Wreath is very symbolic.

The evergreens used for the wreath itself are a reminder of **continuous life**.

The shaping of them into a circle reinforces that meaning. The circle is also a sign of everlasting life as well as the eternity of God.

The four candles used: three purple and one pink, mark the Sundays of Advent before Christmas.

Advent Candles & Their Meaning

Advent candles are a part of Christian traditions that serve as a reminder that Jesus came as Light into our dark world.

Each one represents something different:

Candle of Hope (Prophet Candle/ God's People Candle)...purple

The first candle symbolizes hope and is called the "Prophet's Candle." The prophets of the Old Testament, especially Isaiah, waited in hope for the Messiah's arrival.

Candle of Faith (Bethlehem Candle)...purple

The second candle represents faith and is called "Bethlehem's Candle." Micah had foretold that the Messiah would be born in Bethlehem, which is also the birthplace of King David. This candle reminds of the journey of Joseph and Mary to Bethlehem.

Candle of Joy (Shepherd's Candle)...pink

The third candle symbolizes joy and is called the "Shepherd's Candle." The angels announced to the shepherds in the field, "good news of great joy to all people." This candle is pink because, in Christian history, the color rose signifies joy.

Candle of Peace (Angel's Candle)...purple

The fourth candle represents peace and is called the "Angel's Candle." The angels announced that Jesus came to bring peace—He came to bring people peace with God and with each other again.

Light & Purity (Christ Candle) may be used

The fifth candle is white and it represents light and purity and is called "Christ's candle" as it represents Christ coming into the world. It is placed in the middle as a reminder of the preeminent place of Christ.

***Dave McQuaid will be singing Christmas carols for a half hour before 7 pm Mass on CHRISTMAS EVE
Come early and enjoy***

**CONGRATULATIONS
TO SHANNON BAILEY
OUR NEW
ST. VITAL CWL PRESIDENT**

**SPECIAL THANK YOU
TO MARILYN O'DRISCOLL
FOR 12 YEARS
OF EXCELLENT SERVICE
& LEADERSHIP
AS PREVIOUS PRESIDENT**

St. Vital Parish thanks both of you!

**2022 Sunday Collection Envelopes
ready for pick-up
in the church entrance!
Or if you prefer....Auto-Deposit forms
are also available there.**

**CWL Catholic Calendars
for sale in church entrance or office
\$5 each**

**Donations of Poinsettias
to decorate our Christmas altar
would be greatly appreciated!
Please drop off at the office
by December 22.**

**PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL
Effective December 7, 2021
Dave McQuaid - Chairperson
Sonja Pellerin - Vice-Chairperson
Ron Sack - Treasurer
Chris Bajak Curtis Simon
Garrett Francais Jennifer Picard**

St. Vital Catholic Parish
is seeking a skilled, ethical, confident individual to provide comprehensive clerical and pastoral care duties in our Parish Office, on a part-time basis (12 hours per week, 2 – 6 hour days). For further information on responsibilities and how to apply, please contact Fr. Sebastian at the Parish Office. Applications close January 17, 2022.