### OUR LADY OF THE ANNUNCIATION PARISH MOUNT ROYAL, QUEBEC



#### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

#### **Sunday Mass:**

Saturday (vigil) Sunday 5:00 pm 10:00 am

8:30 am

7:00 pm 8:30 am

4:00 pm

#### Weekday Mass:

**Reconciliation**: Saturday 4:30-4:45 pm; Sunday 9:30-9:45 am, or anytime on request.

#### **BAPTISM**

It is necessary to arrange an appointment with Fr. Robert for preparation. Baptisms are celebrated on the third Sunday of the month.

#### **MARRIAGE**

Please contact the parish before setting the wedding date.

#### VISITING THE SICK

Please contact Fr. Robert if you or a family member is homebound or in the hospital. He will gladly visit.

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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#### Wardens:

2019: Anthony Mancini, Lori-Ann Zemanovich; 2020: Fiore Egiziano, John T. Sullivan; 2021: John Issa, Kurt Reckziegel.

#### SUNDAY MARCH 31, 2019

**SENTENCING OF BRIAN BOUCHER:** Our former pastor Brian Boucher was sentenced to 8 years in prison for the sexual abuse of two minors. He was taken away from the courtroom in handcuffs. As the prosecutor mentioned, his victims will have to live with the repercussions of his behavior for the rest of their lives, but at least there is some closure for them. Let us pray for any other victims who have yet to move forward, may they find healing and strength through the love of Jesus Christ and may we as a parish do the same.

#### A PRAYER OF GRATITUDE FOR...

- ...everyone's openness to the Spirit, last Sunday, who moves through the Father, to the Son and then each of us,
- ...who moved the Concerned Parishioners to speak the truth with love at last Sunday's meeting with the Bishop,
- ... who moved Judge Compagnone to use the image of a wolf in sheep's clothing in describing Father Brian, just as the Concerned Parishioners did.
- ... who moved several parishioners to call out the hypocrisy of the Diocese and for the latter's ability to take it,
- ... who moved Bishop Dowd to echo the theme of the meeting with the Bishop, when he closed his statement to the press on Monday with: "The truth will set you free."

On this Gaudate Sunday, the fourth of Lent, we have much reason to rejoice. Show God your gratitude by participating in the following Lenten activities with others members of your parish family.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE to begin doing something a little extra for the Lord this Lent:



**TAKE OUR LITTLE STATUE OF ST. JOSEPH HOME FOR ONE WEEK:** to pray with him for vocations. A sign up sheet can be found at the main entrance of the church. Would you rather NOT be called up by Father Robert after Mass? This can be arranged by contacting the parish office.

**ONLY 2 FRIDAYS LEFT!** It is nice to see families joining in to pray the <u>WAY OF THE CROSS</u> at 3:30 pm on Fridays during Lent, before the 4 pm Mass. A signup sheet is available near the icon of Mary for Crucifix bearers and readers.



<u>A FEW LENTEN BUCKETS ARE AVAILABLE</u>: If you are fasting (ex. not eating sweets) or making some other sacrifice during Lent (ex. skipping your favorite television program), take a bucket from the communion rail or at the main doors of the church home with you this Lent (one bucket per household please). We invite you to put the money you save because of your sacrifice into the bucket.

Return your bucket to the parish office at Easter. In previous years, the money has gone to local families in need.



**ONLY 3 SESSIONS LEFT!** Try something new: Our <u>MEDITATION</u> group meets on Wednesdays during Lent at 7:30 pm, following the 7 pm Mass. This ancient form of prayer is practiced worldwide. Why not give it a try? Sessions last 30 to 40 minutes.

#### Our **<u>RECONCILIATION SERVICE</u>** will be take place **Wednesday April 10 at 7:30 pm**,

following Mass at 7 pm. Several priests will be available to hear your confession. Are you a little apprehensive? Materials will be made available to help you make the most of this sacrament of healing. Please feel free to speak with Father Robert about any concerns you may have. <u>CFE</u> **PARENTS:** All children receiving their First Communion this May along with all children who have



already made their first confession are required to attend. Please contact Mary if your child will be unable to come.



We will have <u>ADORATION</u> on Saturday April 13, from 10 am to 12 pm. Materials for meditations will be provided, along with some time for music and silence. Please plan on stopping in, even if only for ten minutes. Last fall, one parishioner ran in, genuflected, and ran out! As a parish family, we have much to be grateful for. The same can be said for many of us in our personal lives. And there remains areas that we need to pay more attention to... Bring all

these prayers to the Lord in the flesh! That is what adoration is about, worshipping Christ in the full splendor of His humility! God will be pleased you came for a visit, whether it be for one minute or a couple of hours.

Lori-Ann Zemanovich will be presenting the **<u>2018 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS</u>** following Mass this weekend. A copy of the financials are available on the communion rail and at the main entrance, and can be accessed using our website.

Fundscrip forms are available this weekend, on the communion rail and at the main entrance of the church. Please consider using this passive means of fundraising to support the parish. Need more info? Please contact the parish office or speak directly with Father Robert.





**EXPERIENCE HOPE**, a modern Christian Contemporary concert which will appeal to all ages, will take place on Friday June 7, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. in our church. Songs from artists like Chris Tomlin, Lauren Daigle, Britt Nicole, Mercy Me, Casting Crowns,

etc...will be featured. We need performers, singers and support staff to coordinate this exciting and innovative project. If you know anyone who may be interested in this event please feel free to extend the invitation outside of our parish. Tickets for this event will be sold and profits will benefit our parish. Tickets are 15\$ for adults and 10\$ for children. Refreshments will be served. Through music, we can bring our community together to share the love of Christ, live intentionally and offer hope to all who believe in his love. If you have any questions or concerns, you may contact Linda Morrone at 514-814-5554 or at lynmorrone27@gmail.com. Thank you for your consideration.



**EMPITIES RETURN**: We have already collected over \$80 by returning your empties! Please leave your rinsed empties with Wayne or near the 71 Roosevelt entrance.

# Mass Intentions

<u>Saturday March 30, 2019 – Fourth Sunday of Lent</u>	
5:00 pm Pro Populo	
Sunday March 31, 2019 – Fourth Sunday of Lent	
10 am Georges Gharib	Leila El-Hage Gharib
<u>Tuesday April 2, 2019</u>	
8:30 am Marc Chassé	the Chassé family
Wednesday April 3, 2019	
7:00 pm Evelyn McMenamin	the Estate
<u>Thursday April 4, 2019</u>	
8:30 am Fouad, Michael, Milad and Violette Hodhod	Laurice Hodhod
<u>Friday April 5, 2019</u>	
4:00 pm Mariam and Rophael Harb	Jeanette Harb
<u>Saturday April 6, 2019 – Fifth Sunday of Lent</u>	
5:00 pm Pro Populo	
<u>Sunday April 7, 2019 – Fifth Sunday of Lent</u>	
10 am Angela De Stefano	the family



The Sanctuary Lamp signals the Presence of the Lord Jesus in the Tabernacle and burns for seven days. We invite you to have the Sanctuary Lamp memorialized in the name of a sick person, a deceased loved one, or a special intention for a donation of \$20. The amount is eligible for a tax receipt. Please contact the office to arrange a memorial for the Sanctuary Lamp. **This week**, the Sanctuary Lamp burns in gratitude, for this parish family, as

requested by Father Robert.

#### Prayers:

**For the sick:** Rick Auclair, the Beauregard family, Jean-Pierre Belair, André and Marie Coupal, Marchita Obregon, Patricia Paul, Nevine, Jacques Viau, Judith and Marina Zogalis.

**For vocations:** Like the Like the father in the Gospel, God welcomes us home in spite of our sinfulness, and calls us to a life of holiness. Where are you at home? Are you being called to the priesthood or the consecrated life? (Luke 15: 1-2, 11-32). If you feel that God is calling you to the priesthood, please contact the Diocesan Vocations Office at 514-903-6200 for information.

#### **OFFICE HOURS**:

Tuesdays: 9 am to 4 pm. Fridays: 9 am to 12 pm.

**STEWARDSHIP:** Our collection last week was for \$2,390. Thank you for your offerings in support of our parish as a place of Christian worship, instruction and mission.

"No longer was there manna for the Israelites, who that year ate of the yield of the land of Canaan." (Joshua 5:12)

Over the forty years that the Israelites journeyed through the desert, God provided them with manna to eat. As soon as they were able to enjoy the fruits of the Promised Land the manna ceased. Likewise, God's blessings to us may change over the years but it is important to trust that God will always provide us with all that we need.



#### APRIL

#### **PARISH PROJECT -LENTEN BUCKETS:** Collect the money you save from your sacrifices for the needy!

**3 MEDITATION GROUP** meets at 7:30 pm.

**5 STATIONS OF THE CROSS,** on Fridays during Lent at 3:30 pm before the 4 pm Mass.

**7 COFFEE SUNDAY**, please bring something to share.

## 10 RECONCIALIATION SERVICE, 7:30 PM.

13 ADORATION, 10 AM TO 12 PM.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADVERTISE IN THE BULLETIN, PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE.

#### Holy Father's Prayer Intention for March

Recognition of the Right of Christian Communities That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.



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