OUR LADY OF THE ANNUNCIATION PARISH MOUNT ROYAL, QUEBEC



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sunday Mass: Saturday (vigil) Sunday

5:00 pm 10:00 am

Weekday Mass: Tuesday to Friday

8:30 am

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

BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated on the third Sunday of the month at 12 pm. It is necessary to arrange an appointment with Fr. Robert for preparation.

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.

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

OCTOBER 27, 2019

What Do We See?

I am drawn by a detail in today's gospel. It has to do with eyes, with what the main characters are seeing. It is striking that the Pharisee sees the tax collector. His eyes are roving about as he prays in the temple. By contrast, the tax collector sees nothing, certainly not the Pharisee, since we are told that the tax collector "would not even raise his eyes to heaven."

This detail raises the of question what one sees, how one sees, and reminds us of the haunting phrase spoken by the Lord in 1 Samuel 16, 7. As the sons of Jesse are presented before him, he is sure that the number one son is the Lord's choice. But here the Lord trains and corrects Samuel's sight: "Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance, but the Lord looks into the heart."

How do we acquire such sight, eyes that see as the Lord sees? One only begins to see with God's eyes when the heart has been humbled. Knowing our own sinfulness, our identity as loved sinners, gives us new eyes so that we look out on the world and, especially on other people, the way God does. When we see others from such a heart, we see brothers and sisters who are "like me," in contrast with the eyes of the Pharisee, who does not see from the heart and can only observe that "I am not like the rest of humanity."

Such a humble heart is the key to everything: "Humility is the foundation of all the other virtues hence, in the soul in which this virtue does not exist there cannot be any other virtue except in mere appearance" (St. Augustine). *Lord, humble our hearts. Give us your eyes!*

Rev. Richard Gabuzda Creighton University's Institute for Priestly Formation

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THANK YOU: Although few in number, our volunteers did a wonderful job of decorating the hall for our annual Halloween party.

FAMILY MASS: Feedback has been very positive! A common favorite was having the children sing after communion. It was great to hear how many joined in! It is wonderful to see the community coming together to support our youngest members as they grow in faith. Next Family Mass: December 1, the first Sunday of Advent. One comment: one child asked that more families sit up front.





<u>CHILDREN'S CHOIR</u>: as mentioned in the blurb above, the singing was one of the favorite moments of the family Mass. It seems right to make another attempt at a children's choir, with Linda and Mel. First practice, Friday November 1 at 7 pm.

LAST CHANCE: ROSARIES are available to all parishioners during the month of October, under the icon of Mary, along with a pamphlet describing the steps to follow for adults and for children.. Father Robert will be happy to bless your rosary and you as well, after Mass. A selection of rosary apps are available at https://catholicapptitude.org/2016/10/06/rosary-apps-for-phones-and-tablets/



NEXT SUNDAY: FALL BACK: Next Saturday November 2 before going to bed, turn your clocks back one hour. Daylight Saving Time ends!

REMEMBRANCE DAY CELEBRATIONS will take place Sunday November 10 at 1 pm in the Peace Park, corner Laird and Churchill.



During the month of November, the **<u>BOOK OF LIFE</u>** will be displayed near the icon of Mary. If the name of your beloved dead is not yet inscribed, please feel free to add it to the pages at the back of the book.

EMPTY BOTTLE AND CAN COLLECTION: We have collected just over \$260 thanks to your donations of empties! We hope to reach \$500 by Christmas. Please continue to bring in your rinsed empty soda and beer bottles and cans. Items can be left at the main entrance or at 71 Roosevelt, near the Multicaf boxes.



SAVE THE DATE: Annual Christmas Dinner, Saturday December 7th following Mass. **RAFFLE ITEMS** needed! If you have anything we can use in our gift baskets, please leave them with Father Robert, Emilio or Wayne. Thank you!





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ADULT FAITH FORMATION BOOK CLUB continues this Thursday morning, following Mass. We will look at Peter Kreeft's *Making Sense Out of Suffering*, chapter 2. Everyone is welcome!

<u>COFFEE SUNDAY</u>: Please join November 3, after Mass, in the parish hall. Bring something sweet to share. Coffee and juice provided. If you can help with clean up afterwards it would be greatly appreciated.





Saturday October 26, 2019 - Thirtieth Sunday in OT

5:00 pm Pro Populo
Sunday October 27, 2019– Thirtieth Sunday in OT
10:00 am Peach Beims
Tuesday October 29, 2019
8:30 am Giancarlo Volpato

Josephine Vaupshas the family

Berthe Farese

Anne Macyshyn

Friday November 1, 2019 – All Saimts

Wednesday October 30 2019

Thursday October 31, 2019

8:30 am Miron Macyshyn

8:30 am Roberto Farese

8:30 am In the names of Jesus and Mary, for an interior resurrection and all the graces needed to pursue my mission and to serve my brothers and sisters. *Mina Aro* **Saturday November 2, 2019 – Thirty-First Sunday in OT**

5:00 pm Pro Populo

Sunday November 3, 2019– Thirty-First Sunday in OT 10:00 am Rophael et Miriam Harb

Jeanette Harb

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 lamp burns for a sick friend, as requested by a parishioner. Prayers:

For the sick: Rick Auclair, the Beauregard family, Jean-Pierre Belair, Mike Callard, André and Marie Coupal, Chuck Lawton, Marchita Obregon, Patricia Paul, Winston Redman, Hilda Rejwan, Nevine, Jacques Viau, Marina Zogalis.

For those who have died:

Dorothy Brisebois, Dorothy Delorme.

For vocations: Wanted: humble sinners who know the forgiveness of God. These make good servants of the Gospel.. (Luke 18:9-14) 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

Tuesday, 9 am to 4 pm Friday, 9 am to 12 pm

STEWARDSHIP: Our

collection last week was for \$1531. Our second collection was for \$570. Thank you for your offerings in support of our parish as a place of Christian worship, instruction and mission.

"...for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted." (Luke 18:14) Pride and ego is the root cause of most of our sins. Thinking your time is so valuable, your talent is better than anyone else and your money gives you status is another way of making those things "gods" before God. Remember all those gifts were God-given. Instead we should be humbled by God's abundant generosity and our hearts should overflow with gratitude.



OCTOBER

31 AFE continues, following Mass, in the boardroom. Reading selection: *Making Sense out of Suffering* by Peter Kreeft.

NOVEMBER

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE, during the month of November.

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3 COFFEE SUNDAY
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