

OUR LADY OF THE ANNUNCIATION PARISH MOUNT ROYAL, QUEBEC



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sunday Mass:

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

Weekday Mass:

Tuesday & Wednesday	8:30 am
Thursday	7:00 pm
Friday	8:30 am

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 scheduled on the third Sunday of the month at noon.

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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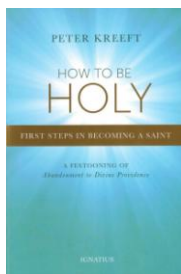
Music Director: Mr. Lavrenti Djintcharadze

WARDENS:

2017: Winston Redman, John T. Sullivan;

2018: Emidio De Carolis, Scot Diamond;

2019: Anthony Mancini, Lori-Ann Zemanovich.



ADULT FAITH EDUCATION continues!

We are looking at Peter Kreeft's book *How to be Holy*. The book and e-book are available for purchase online or through Theologia Book Ministry at (514) 694-

3564 or www.theologia.ca. We encourage you to read the book even if you cannot attend meetings, which continue this Tuesday October 10 at 9:15 am, or Wednesday October 11 at 7 pm. We will be looking at chapters 2 & 3. All are welcome!



Join us **October 14 at 10 am** at our first **PARISH MEETING** as we discuss how our feelings of shame and pride, amongst

others, can affect our attitude towards the sacrament of confession. Have questions about the sacrament: Why can't Catholics receive general absolution during Mass? Why do I have to confess to a priest? Father Robert will be available to address these and other issues you may have with the sacrament. The meeting lasts 45 minutes.



CHILDREN'S CHOIR: One suggestion from the questionnaire was to start a children's choir. If you have children who would like to participate or if you would like to help lead the group, please sign up at the main doors of the church.

The celebration of Thanksgiving in Canada makes an interesting counterpoint to the holiday celebrated by our American neighbours. While Americans remember the Pilgrims settling in the New World, Canadians give thanks for a successful harvest. At the heart of our Thanksgiving celebration is the idea of giving thanks for the goodness of the season past. And yet how often do we simply give thanks to God for who we are and what we have when things are going well in our lives?

Thankfulness is much more than saying "Thank you" because we have to. Thankfulness is a way to experience the world, a way to perceive, a way to be surprised. Thankfulness is having open eyes and a short distance between the eyes and the heart.

In the New Testament, so much of Jesus' ministry took place at table. So many meals punctuate the New Testament — meals with Levi and his friends, meals with Simon the Pharisee, meals with crowds on the hillsides, meals with disciples, the ideal meals described in his parables. You can eat your way through the gospels! It is ultimately during the final meal that Jesus leaves us with his most precious gift in the Eucharist.

What are the features and qualities of grateful people? Remembrance is the most precious feature of the virtue of gratitude. One of the most important qualities is the ability to say "thank you" to others and to take no one and nothing for granted. Those who possess the virtue of gratitude are truly rich. They not only know they have been blessed, but they continuously remember that all good things come from God. To acknowledge others, to say thank you, is a mark of greatness. If our colleagues and volunteers are dispirited and unmotivated, might it have something to do with the fact that we have never expressed our gratitude to them for who they are and what they do? The courage to thank — that is, the courage to see the gifts and experiences of this world all together as a gift — changes not only the person who gains this insight. It also changes the environment, the world, and those who surround that person.

Gratitude is creative. People bound together by gratitude are always discovering and awakening abundant sources of strength. The more thankful a person is, the richer he or she is within. Thankful people store up in their grateful memory all the good experiences of the past, just as the French proverb states: "Gratitude is the heart's memory."

- Fr. Thomas Rosica CSB



FAMILY FALL FAIR

A great big THANK YOU...to everyone who helped organize, set up, sort, solicit, serve and clean up...to everyone who baked and donated items... to everyone who came to buy or browse!



COME AND SEE EVENING

Friday, October 20th, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

These gatherings are intended for men who are discerning a **vocation** to follow Jesus as a priest. These evenings are an excellent opportunity for those who are discerning a call to the **priesthood**, to share in fellowship, and to explore their **call** together. Gatherings take place at **Our Lady of the Annunciation Parish**. For information: **Fr. Robert Clark at (514) 903-6200** mtlvocations@hotmail.com.

If you are a high school, Cegep or University student, a parent or grandparent, a couple or a single person, we need your help with:

Youth Group and Coffee Sunday (set up and clean up). You needn't commit to attending every session to volunteer. Signup sheets are at the main doors of the church.



Mass Intentions

Saturday October 7, 2017 – Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm Pro Populo

Sunday October 8, 2017 – Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am Emidio Farias *the Farias family*

Tuesday October 10, 2017

8:30 am Coleman and McMenamin families *the estate*

Wednesday October 11, 2017

8:30 am Evelyn McMenamin *the estate*

Thursday October 12, 2017

7 pm Edmundo Aguzzi *the Aguzzi family*

Friday October 13, 2017

8:30 am Souls in Purgatory *Rita Heddo*

Saturday October 14, 2017 – Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm Pro Populo

Sunday October 15, 2017 – Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am George Geertsens *his 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 \$20.00. Please contact the office to arrange a memorial for the Sanctuary Lamp. **This week** the Sanctuary Lamp burns for Rick Auclair, as requested by parishioners.

TAKE ST JOSEPH HOME!

We invite parishioners to pray for vocations in their home with a small statue of St. Joseph, provided by the parish. Sign-up sheets are available at the main entrance of the church.

ROSARIES are available under the icon of Mary, along with a pamphlet describing the steps to follow. Father Robert will be happy to bless your rosary and you as well, after Mass.

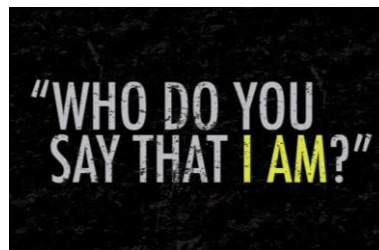
Please pray for the children in our faith education program who will be taking Mary home with them to pray with during the month.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE THROUGH DECEMBER 2017

Tuesdays : 8:30 am
Wednesdays: 8:30 am
Thursdays: 7 pm
Fridays: 8:30 am

W O R S H I P

Our theme for this pastoral year is **relationship**. The quality of our relationship with Jesus is the foundation of all of our interpersonal interactions; it's where the vertical arm of the cross meets the horizontal.



Who is this Jesus who unites us to the Father? **Join us at 11:15 on Sunday October 15** as we come to know Christ more deeply through the Gospel. All are welcome. Sharing is not required! Gatherings last 45 minutes.

PRAYERS:

For the sick: Rick Auclair, Jean-Pierre Belair, André and Marie Coupal, Patricia Paul, Nevine, Jacques Viau, Judith and Marina Zogalis. Please call the parish office to add your name or that of a loved one to our prayer list.

For vocations: Dismiss all anxiety from your minds. Let us present our needs to God in the form of prayer and petitions full of gratitude. Let us pray for an increase in vocations to priesthood and religious life (Philippians 4:6-9). If you feel that God is calling you to the priesthood, please contact the Diocesan Vocations Office at 514-903-6200 for information.

THIS WEEK'S OFFICE HOURS

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

STEWARDSHIP:

Our collection last week was for \$1,800. Thank you for your offerings in support of our parish as a place of Christian worship, instruction and mission.

"The stone the builders rejected has become the corner stone..." – Mt. 21:42

Jesus was the corner stone and He was rejected by the religious and political leaders of his day, as well as ordinary citizens. Living a stewardship lifestyle may cause you to be "rejected" by others in today's society. For example, saying grace before a meal in a restaurant may attract some strange looks from some. But to others it is sign that God is alive and well!



OCTOBER

Take St. Joseph home: signup sheets at the main entrance.

We need your help with youth ministry, coffee Sundays and a children's choir! Signup sheets in the main entrance.

Rosaries available at the icon of Mary.

Adult Faith Education:
"How to be holy"
chapters 2 & 3.

10 at 9:15 am or
11 at 7:30 pm.

14 Parish Meeting, 10 am.
We

will be discussing
relationship &
reconciliation.

15 "Who do you say that I
am," 11:15 am.

Please see inside for
complete details.

HAPPY
THANKSGIVING!!!

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for October

Workers and the Unemployed:
That all workers may receive
respect and protection of their
rights, and that the unemployed
may receive the opportunity to
contribute to the common good.



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