

Please support our Advertisers

BYRON JONES Assurance & Financial Group
Serving Quebec and Ontario
Superior Claims Assistance
3600 Avenue Parc, Suite 201 • Brossard, Québec • J2W 1S2
Tel: (438) 499-4772 • Fax: (438) 499-4803

50
Kane Fetterly
Funeral Services
Contact Bridget Fetterly
(514) 481-5301
www.kanefetterly.com

E3W Dr. Angela Issa, O.D.
Dr. Susan Issa, O.D.
Optometrists
ROCKLAND EYE CLINIC
Complexe Santé RocklandMD
100 Rockland Road, Suite 120
T.M.R., Qc H3P 2V9
514.759.6560
www.rocklandeyeclinic.com

McKENNA Fleuriste
DE LA VILLE • TOWN FLOURIST
John Lewis
514 739-3337
1950 Graham Blvd., Ville Mont-Royal

T♦G♦O Orthodontie
Orthodontics
Donald Taylor, D.D.S., M.C.D., F.R.C.D. (C)
Claudia Giambattistini, D.D.S. Dip. Ortho.
Claudia Giambattistini
D.D.S. Dip. Ortho.
4896 DeMaisonneuve St. W. 17112 Chemin Ste. Marie
Westmount, Qc H3Z 1M8 Kirkland, Qc J9P 2K9
Tel: 514 484 7225 Tel: 514 497-3833
Fax: 514 484 1225 E-mail: claudiatgo@bell.ca

KAUFMANN de SUISSE
2195 Crescent Street - 514.848.0595
www.kaufmanndesuisse.ca

L'ESPRIT NEW ADDRESS
5311 de Maisonneuve Ouest
3^e Floor
Montreal, QC H4A 1Z5
514-483-1213
rehab.ca
Monica Kosciuk

Kelly Trihey, B. Comm., C.F.A.
Harry J. Trihey, B.B.A., C.L.U., ChFC
Investment Advisors - Industrial Alliance Securities Inc.
Financial Security Advisors
Trihey Financial Group Inc.
1255 University Street, Suite 811, Montreal
Tel: 514 876-3616
Fax: 514 876-3615
www.triheyfinance.com

Andrea Neoff O.C.M.A.
Courtier immobilier / Real Estate Broker
514-974-9993
Bur: 514-735-2281
Telec: 514-735-7291
andrea@maison-montreal.ca

growing OUR FAITH THROUGH Generosity

PARISH OFFICE

Office Entrance: 1125 Alexander Road
Pastor: Father Robert Clark
Email: fr_robertclark@hotmail.com
Administrator: Mrs. Regina Farrell
Email: info@annunciationparish.ca
Administrative Assistant: Mrs. Mary Sinnett
Choir Director: Ms. Sandra D'Angelo
Maintenance Manager: Mr. Jean Grignon
Sacristan: Mr. Emilio Fontanilla
Office Hours: Tuesday 9:00-12:00, Wednesday and Thursday 9:00-16:00, Friday 9:00-12:00

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Saturday Vigil: 17:00
Sunday: 10:00
Monday: No Mass
Tuesday to Friday: 8:30

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS: It is necessary to arrange an appointment with Fr. Robert for preparation. Baptisms are scheduled on an individual basis.
RECONCILIATION: Saturday 16:15-16:45; Sunday 9:15-9:45, or anytime on request.
MARRIAGE: Contact the office before setting the wedding date. Marriage preparation course and meetings with Fr. Robert are required.
ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please contact Fr. Robert if you or a family member is ill at home or in the hospital. He will gladly visit.

WARDENS

Emidio De Carolis, Scot Diamond, David Flood, Anthony Mancini, Winston Redman, John T. Sullivan.

Our Lady of the Annunciation Parish
75 Roosevelt Avenue, Town of Mount Royal, Quebec
Phone: 514-738-1080 Fax: 514-738-1493
Website: www.annunciationparish.ca

Fourth Sunday of Lent

15 March 2015

THOSE WHO DO WHAT IS TRUE COME TO THE LIGHT

Many Catholics experience some reticence over the Sacrament of Confession. Today it is more often called Penance and Reconciliation, reflecting different aspects of the sacrament, and perhaps different pastoral emphases over the years. *Reconciliation*, however, seems most apt, as that is its purpose and effect. Catholic writer Joseph D. White describes the Sacrament of Reconciliation as “a tangible sign of God's desire to reach out to us throughout our lives, even in our sinfulness, and help us reconcile ourselves with him and with [others].”

God has reached out to us, invited us to have a heart-to-heart, to renew our relationship with Him. He already knows all the hows and whys of our having fallen short and His forgiveness is there, waiting for us in the confessional, if only we have the humility to acknowledge our sins and accept it.

A good confession begins well before we approach the priest in the confessional. We should start by taking an honest account of ourselves by making an “examination of conscience.” There are many helpful examples online to guide us or we can read through the Ten Commandments or Beatitudes, reflecting on how we apply them to our lives and the choices we make. Perhaps we think that we do our best and that, although not perfect, we are not “sinners.” If we look a little deeper, however, most of us tend to fall into certain patterns of sin, having a particular weakness for one or more of the “seven deadly sins”: pride, greed, anger, lust, gluttony, jealousy, and sloth. We struggle sometimes throughout our lives to master them and it hurts to return to confession and admit defeat time and again. Other times, we’ve had an epic fail, and wince at the very thought of it. Examining our conscience might uncover things we would rather not see, but as Jesus says in today’s Gospel,

“...The light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.” *Jn 3:19-21*

Turning that light on ourselves is necessary for our ongoing conversion. Once we face our sinfulness head-on and have remorse and a desire to turn away from darkness and live in the light of Christ, we are ready to make our confession. The priest is there, *in persona Christi*, to help us and to give us absolution. Let us put our trust in Jesus and accept His beautiful gift of forgiveness and renewal.

Please join us on Wednesday evening at 7:15 for our Parish Lenten Reconciliation Service. Several priests will be present to hear individual confessions.

Regina Farrell
Director of Religious Education

PRAYERS:

For the sick: Jean-Pierre Belair, Madeleine Coté, André and Marie Coupal, Patricia Lemieux, Estella Lim, Maria da Luz Madeira, Carmel MacDonald, Miguel Madeira, Lolita Matheson, Gaston Schwarz, Sammy Sinnett, Trudi Stanley, Father Joseph P. Sullivan, His Eminence Jean-Claude Cardinal Turcotte, Jacques Viau.

For vocations: *God so loved the world that he gave us his only Son.* What can we give in return? (Jn 3:14-21)

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: The Stations of the Cross is a devotion following the events leading to Jesus' crucifixion. Prayers accompanying it allow time to reflect on the mystery of His Death. During Lent, you are invited to join us on Fridays at 8:00 am for the Stations of the Cross, followed as usual by Mass at 8:30 am.

PARISH LENTEN PENANCE AND RECONCILIATION SERVICE: Our Parish Lenten Penance and Reconciliation service will take place on Wednesday, March 18th at 7:15PM. Several priests will be available to hear individual confessions. Please visit our website for a [video](#) and other [materials](#) to help prepare for this sacrament.

MARRIAGE JUBILEE: *Tables for Two* is a night to rekindle, enliven, and celebrate each other! We invite married couples celebrating multiples of 5-year anniversaries for a candlelit, intimate and reflective evening of good food and wine. If you were married in a year ending in 5 or 0, please save the date, Saturday, June 6th, beginning with Mass at 5:00 pm. Cost to be determined. To reserve your place, please use the signup sheet in the main entrance of the church. For more information, please contact the Parish Office.

ST. JOSEPH'S ORATORY: NOVENA TO ST. JOSEPH: All are welcome from Tuesday, March 10 to Tuesday, March 17. Bilingual Masses will be held at 7:30 pm on March 10, 12 and 17. English Masses will be held on March 15 at 11:15 am. Our theme schedule is as follows: March 10- Faith; March 11- Holiness; March 12- Thankfulness; March 13- Care for others; March 14-Life; March 15-Fidelity; March 16-Honesty; March 17-Truth. Contact the office at 514-733-8211.

DIOCESAN-WIDE LENTEN MISSION – THIS WEEK! Join us for the Diocesan-wide Lenten Mission The Catholic Faith and You! With Bishop Thomas Dowd being held THIS Tuesday-Wednesday-Thursday, March 17, 18, 19 at Transfiguration of Our Lord church (11775 Filion, Montreal H4J 1T4). It promises to be a great refresher series for us all. For more info: Corey Jolly 514-931-7311 ext .251 or cjolly@diocesemontreal.org

MISSION REDEEMER: HOW CAN I SHARE MY FAITH WITH OTHERS? With guest speaker Michael Dopp, co-founder of Mission of the Redeemer Ministries. To hear Michael Dopp and learn more about his ministry visit <http://missionoftheredeemer.com/>. All are welcome on Thursday, March 26 from 10:00 am-11:30 am followed by Mass at the Catholic Centre (1857 de Maisonneuve Blvd. West, Montreal) OR on Friday, March 27 from 1:00 pm-3:30 pm at St. John Brébeuf Parish (7777 George St., LaSalle). There is no cost but registration is necessary. Please register before Friday, March 20. Contact Cynthia at 514-931-7311 x229 or cpaginado@diocesemontreal.org

CONFERENCE FOR SENIORS AND THEIR FAMILIES ON THE IMPORTANCE OF A MANDATE: With Notary Suzanne Bolduc on Thursday, March 19 in Schofield Hall at the Town Hall. The conference begins at 1:00 p.m. in English and 10:30 a.m. in French. There is lunch served at 11:30, price is \$4. Registration for both conference and lunch is obligatory. For information: Jan Lauer at 514-734-2943 or Recreation Offices: 514-734-2928.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 14 – Fourth Sunday of Lent

5:00PM Patricia Rochon Teresa Rochon & Family

Sunday, March 15 – Fourth Sunday of Lent

10:00AM Pro Populo Father Robert

Tuesday, March 17

8:30AM Maria Amelia Alvarez Santullano & Javier Alvarez Santullano Adolfo Perez de Leon

Wednesday, March 18

8:30AM Evelyn McMenamin The Estate

Thursday, March 19

8:30AM Coleman & McMenamin Families The Estate

Friday, March 20

8:30AM Florence Evans The Estate

Saturday, March 21 – Fifth Sunday of Lent

5:00PM Pro Populo Father Robert

Sunday, March 22– Fifth Sunday of Lent

10:00AM Miles McElrone Mary Burke

STEWARDSHIP: Our collection last weekend was \$1405.00. Our second collection was \$995.00. Thank you for your offerings in support of our parish as a place of Christian worship, instruction and mission.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION: *“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son...” – John 3:16* Of all the wonderful gifts that God has given to us, the gift of His own Son is truly the greatest. How can we ever thank God for a gift like that? God does not ask us to sacrifice our own precious firstborn, but He does ask that we be generous in making some sacrifices for Him.

SANCTUARY LAMP:



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 weekly donation of \$20.00. Please call the office to arrange a memorial for the sanctuary lamp.