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



#### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

#### **Sunday Mass:**

Saturday (vigil) Sunday 5:00 pm 9:00 am 11:00 am

#### Weekday Mass:

Tuesday	8:30 am
Wednesday	4:00 pm
Thursday & Friday	8:30 am

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

#### **BAPTISM**

Please call to make an appointment.

#### 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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Office Hours: Please see inside for details

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Music Director: Lavrenti Djintcharadze

#### Wardens:

2020: Fiore Egiziano, John T. Sullivan;2021: John Issa, Kurt Reckziegel;2022: Karolina Weclas, Lori-Ann Zemanovich.

The angel Gabriel had a beautiful message for Mary. She would conceive by the power of the Holy Spirit and give birth to Jesus, who would be the Son of the Most High. God has an invitation for us also. Just as Mary was Jesus' feet, breath, and shelter during his first nine months, we are invited to give shelter to Jesus by allowing him into our lives and our homes. Just as Mary took Jesus with her everywhere she went during those first nine months, we are invited to take Jesus with us everywhere we go so that it will be Christmas for everyone we encounter. The angel Gabriel reassured Mary, telling her that nothing is impossible to God, and as a sign, told her that her cousin Elizabeth, though old, was now six months pregnant. Mary responded, "You see before you the Lord's servant, let it happen to me as you have said." Mary did not have to do anything; she just let God do the action. It is the same for us. All that is necessary for us is to allow God dwell in us.

Father Robert



**ELECTION OF WARDENS RESCHEDULED:** We did not have enough participants to have a quorum and , therefore, could not hold the election. The election will be held **SUNDAY JANUARY 10 at 10:00 AM in the church proper.** Please use this **Eventbrite link** to confirm your presence – maximum capacity 25 due to Covid. If we do not have quorum again, that is 10 participants including candidates, the Diocese will choose 2 people who may come from outside the parish as wardens. If you want to keep complete control of our finances in the hands of

parishioners, please attend the meeting. If you are considering running for warden and would like more information, please speak with Father Robert or a current warden – see front cover of the bulletin for their names.

**MASSES THIS CHRISTMAS:** HAVE FILLED!!! If you were unable to reserve a seat, please watch Mass on television or live stream and pray the Act of Spiritual Communion - see below. **DO NOT COME** to the parish if you do not have a reservation. **DO NOT ADD** people to your party. Only people with reserved seating will be permitted to enter. The police will be visiting parishes and handing out fines for noncompliance. We thank you for your understanding.

**<u>REASON TO CELEBRATE:</u>** Adamo is receiving his First Communion this weekend!

**DONATIONS THROUGH PAYPAL:** Did you know you could use the Donate button on our website to contribute to the parish? Quite a few parishioners use this option to make monthly contributions. Almost \$3,000 have come in for Christmas donations already.

#### AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

<u>OUR SECOND COLLECTIONS</u> in November and December are for our Helping Others Fund. All donations received go to local food banks, including Multicaf. Please use the blue envelope included in your box for this purpose or a separate envelope labeled Helping Others. Thank you for your consideration.

If you know of someone who would like to receive our **WEEKLY EMAILS**, please have them call or email the office to be added to our email list.

**OFFICE HOURS:** Next week Tuesday, 9 am to 3 pm. The office will be closed from December 23<sup>rd</sup> until January 11 or longer, depending on government restrictions during Covid.



We are looking for a parish secretary as well as a parish catechetical leader (PCL). If you or someone you know is interested in either position, please contact Father Robert at 514-738-1080 or <u>fr\_robertclark@hotmail.com</u>.

**<u>CONFESSION</u>**: Advent is traditionally a time of reconciliation. This year, because of Covid restrictions, the Diocese is advising parishes not to hold reconciliation services. That being said, Father Robert is available before and after Masses for confession. If this schedule does not suit you, please contact the office to schedule an appointment.

> HELP DECORATE THE SANCTUARY by making a donation towards our Christmas flowers in memory of a loved one or for a personal intention. Include your donation in an envelope marked "Christmas flower donations" along with your intention and your name for tax receipt purposes. Drop your envelope in the collection basket along with your regular donation. Names of loved ones and other intentions will be included in upcoming bulletins.

**2020 WEEKLY DONATION ENVELOPES:** If you used our donation envelopes in 2019, your 2020 box is ready for pick up on the communion rail as you exit the church. Boxes are in alphabetical order. Please note that your number may be different from last year. Need more information about envelope usage? Please feel free to contact the office or speak directly with Father Robert. Tax receipts will be issued in February. Please note that the envelopes will not be available for pick up during the Christmas and New Year celebrations.

> The **2021 CALENDARS** are in! Please be sure to take one on your way out of church today! One per household for now! You will be able to take more in the new year.

SUNDAY MISSAL 2021: Copies of the Sunday Missal are on sale for \$5 for you to take home, as covid restrictions prevent us from leaving the missals in the pews, as we are accustomed to. You can purchase a copy from Wayne as you enter the church for Mass or call the office to make arrangements. Please write your name on your copy so that we can return it to you if you leave it behind.

> **<u>REVAMPED ANGEL TREE:</u>** COLLECTION ENDS: THIS WEEKEND DECEMBER **20<sup>TH</sup> AT 12 PM.** WAYNE WILL BE DROPPING THE SOCKS OFF AFTER MASS ON SUNDAY. The residents of the Father Dowd home have a great need of socks, either non-skid or warm pairs. If you can afford more than one pair, they need warm pairs 2 to 1 over non-skid. Please drop your new pairs of socks in the boxes in front of the Angel tree, near the icon of Marv. Thank you for your generosity.

# **THE CFE BLOG...**

A place where families grow, live and walk by faith in JESUS!

Click **<u>HERE</u>** to access the CFE Blog!

Lynda would love to hear from you! Please email the parish with your impressions and comments. Thank you.







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## Mass Intentions

#### Saturday December 19, 2020 – Fourth Sunday of Advent 5:00 pm Dr. John Neemeh Marie Neemeh Sunday December 20, 2020 – Fourth Sunday of Advent 9:00 am Pro Populo 11:00 am Gaetano Martinez his family **Tuesday December 22, 2020** 8:30 am Pro populo Wednesday December 23, 2020 4:00 pm Evelyn McMenamin the Estate Thursday December 24, 2020 – Christmas Eve 7:00 pm Irma Samaniego Regina Ambayec 9:00 pm Sophie and Peter Hetz and Miron Macyshyn Anne Macyshyn Friday December 25, 2020 – Christmas Day 9:00 am Karolina and Stanislaw-Michal Balicki their children 11:00 am Vincenzina Mazza Greco the Martinez family Saturday Decemb<u>er 26, 2020 – The Holy Family</u> 5:00 pm Maria and Giovanni de Stefani the family Sunday December 27, 2020 – The Holy Family 9:00 am Pro Populo 11:00 am In thanksgiving NO MASS CELEBRATIONS DECEMBER 29 & 30. Thursday December 31, 2020 - Mary, Mother of God 7:00 pm Coleman and McMenamin families the Estate Friday January 1, 2021 – Mary, Mother of God 10:00 am Pro Populo Saturday January 2, 2021 - Epiphany 5:00 pm Giovanni de Stefani his twin brother Umberto Sunday January 3, 2021 - Epiphany 9:00 am Pro Populo 11:00 am In thanksgiving NO MASS CELEBRATIONS JANUARY 5 to 8 INCLUSIVE. Saturday January 9, 2021 – Baptism of the Lord 5:00 pm Coleman and McMenamin families the Estate Sunday January 10, 2021 – Baptism of the Lord 9:00 am Pro Populo

11:00 am In thanksgiving

#### PRAYERS:

<u>For the sick</u>: the Beauregard family, Jean-Pierre Belair, Mike Callard, André and Marie Coupal, Chuck Lawton, Nona Moussa, Marchita Obregon, Patricia Paul, Hilda Rejwan, Jacques Viau, Marina Zogalis.

**For vocations** Mary was called to be open to the extraordinary. What do you need to say "let it be" in response to God's call to you? Trust that the Lord is with you and will guide you always. (Luke 1:26-38)

If you feel that God is calling you to the priesthood, please contact the Diocesan Vocations Office at 514-903-6200.



**SANCTUARY LAMP**: The Sanctuary Lamp signals the Presence of the Lord Jesus in the Tabernacle and burns for seven days. 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.

**DECEMBER 20**: The sanctuary lamp burns in loving memory of Karolina and Stanislaw-Michal Balicki, as requested by their children.

JANUARY 3: The sanctuary lamp burns on the third anniversary of the passing of Fr. Dariusz Bembkowski, OFM conv.

STEWARDSHIP: Our collection last week was for \$415. Thank you for your offerings in support of our parish as a place of Christian worship, instruction and mission.

"Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you!" – Luke 1:28

After Jesus, we look to Mary as an ideal steward. Her entire life was lived in obedience to God's call. Mary teaches us to live with joy for all we have been given. Just as the moon reflects the light of the sun, Mary reflects the light of Christ. Like Mary, we are called to reflect Christ's light to the world through our gratitude and generosity. On a lighter note:

How do trees go online?

They log in.

#### Pope Francis' Payer Intention for December

**For a Life of Prayer** We pray that our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God and a life of prayer.

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