

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 to Friday	8:30 am
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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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2020: Fiore Egiziano, John T. Sullivan;

2021: John Issa, Kurt Reckziegel.

The theme of suppression of the poor, and swindling flows into advice on assuring peace and quiet for practicing our religion, to dealing with shrewd business practices. None of these topics has ceased to be of concern to us; they may be even more pressing today than ever before. Amos describes those who suppress the poor: they tampered with the scales; bought up the allegiance of the poor with money, and the needy with a pair of sandals. Some would even sell the sweepings of the wheat, rather than give them to the poor. Amos admonishes those who do these things: “The Lord ...will never forget a thing they have done!”

Jesus speaks to his disciples, and to us, about our inevitable conflicts when we are driven to weigh what seems to be demanded by society, and what we discern in our hearts to be the will of God. The parable of the crafty, shrewd, wasteful, cunning, tricky steward has always been a puzzle to me. He deserves the negative adjectives that we may assign him, but we meet him at a time in his life that causes an abrupt change in his actions. He essentially was accused by his master of unsound and wasteful business practices. He was a poor steward, because he could not even be trusted with small matters. Suddenly, however, he was faced with the loss of his job, his social standing, and even his future livelihood. This was no longer, in most people’s estimation, a small matter. His response was unexpected, but shrewd. He made friends with those who owed his master. While he still had the power to do so, he slashed the amounts that they owed the master. He, thereby, assured that he would be asked into their homes, and possibly, would even be employed by them; he was saved from ruin and humiliation.

Why did Jesus seem to praise the actions of this man? When I first heard this parable as a youngster, I imagined that it was because the steward saved himself, and at the same time exhibited a kind of financial kindness to the debtors. Jesus, I now believe, is telling us that this is an example of behavior that is considered to be good practice by those who are not “Children of the Light,” i.e., not yet his followers. The steward did the best that he could while in the service of money and those who control it. Jesus warns us that we cannot serve two masters. While our allegiance is divided between what pleases God, and what will merely increase our personal wealth, or social standing, we are not “in the light”. We are constantly being measured, and we measure others by what riches and property they do or do not have. It is clear from Jesus’ words that we should try to recognize by our actions, words, and thoughts, the goodness of God in each person. Discern the spirit of God in our hearts.

St Paul was aware of the affects that kings, and others in authority can have on us and our religious practices. He reminds Timothy to offer prayers, petitions, and intercessions, especially for kings and others in authority...”so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet.” God wants all of us to be saved. Pray for times of peace and quiet. Pray for times that allow us to serve just one master, God.

– Tom Quinn

Creighton University School of Medicine, emeritus

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BLESSING OF SCHOOLBAGS, STUDENTS, TEACHERS AND CATECHISTS, during Mass on September 28th and 29th.

Please drop your schoolbag in front of the altar before Mass begins.

Our traditional **PARISH BBO** will be held after Mass on Sunday September 29, following the blessing. **HELP NEEDED:** If you can help with set up, kitchen prep, cooking or clean up, please contact the

office. We are also looking for someone who can go to Costco for us.



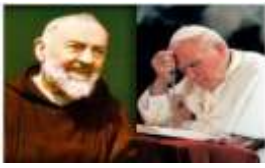
LAST CHANCE: REGISTRATION FOR CHILDREN’S FAITH EDUCATION (CFE)

PROGRAM: Parish children in Grade 1 through to Grade 6 should be enrolled in our weekly classes in order to receive the sacraments (**communion, confirmation**, etc...). Classes are held Tuesdays at 4:20 pm beginning October 1. Please contact the office as soon as possible to register your child. You can pick up a registration form at the main doors of the church or fill the form out online on the Children’s Faith Education page on our website. The fee is \$100 per child, maximum \$200 per family – no one will be refused due to a lack of funds. **RETURNING**

STUDENTS: Contact Mary to confirm your child’s return to the program. No need to fill in a few form! **CHANGE TO MANDATORY PARENT MEETING**, **Wednesday September 25** at 7:15 pm in the Parish Hall via 71 Roosevelt.

CELEBRATING MARY OUR MOTHER: Please join our very own Greg Doyle as he leads a rosary before Sunday Mass during the month of October, in honour of the Marian month and our Marian parish! We will meet in front of the icon of Mary at 9:30 am beginning October 6. Bring your favorite rosary or use one of ours!





VISIT OF RELICS of St. John Paul II and Saint Padre Pio, St Kevin's Parish, September 24, beginning at 6:30 pm. Join us in the Rosary, Conference, celebration of the Holy Eucharist and take the opportunity to receive the sacrament of reconciliation during this occasion. This is a rare opportunity of spiritual nourishment with the relics of two of the church's beloved saints. For more details, you may contact the parish office at 514-733-5600.

FUNDSCRIP: Fundscrip forms are available this weekend on the communion rail and at the main doors of the church. Fundscrip is a passive means of fundraising. You purchase gift cards to your favorite stores; you receive the full amount you paid for in cards and the parish gets 2% to 7% of your purchase – without any cost to you! Please see Anthony Mancini or Father Robert for more information. Orders are due the weekend of October 5 and 6.



WHY NOT TAKE ST JOSEPH HOME! Seriously, why not? Please let us know if there is a reason you haven't taken our little statue home to pray for vocations in our community. If there isn't one, please sign up for one week with him.

NEW: COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM: Interested in volunteering? Do you have to complete a certain number of community service hours per year? We can help! Contact the parish office to register for the volunteer group. Depending on the interest of the group, we will volunteer together at different places and activities. First eligible activity: PARISH BBQ! See blurb on facing page for details.



Prayers:

For the sick: Rick Auclair, the Beaugard 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 vocations: We cannot serve two masters. Which one are you willing to follow? (Luke 16: 1-13) If you feel that God is calling you to the priesthood, please contact the Diocesan Vocations Office at 514-903-6200 for information.

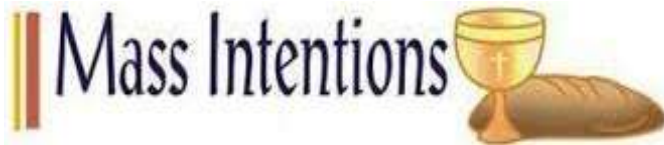
OFFICE HOURS

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

STEWARDSHIP: Our collection last week was for \$1,820. Thank you for your offerings in support of our parish as a place of Christian worship, instruction and mission.

"No servant can serve two masters. He will hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon (wealth)." (Luke 16:13)

Is money a "god" that you put before God? Giving money to support the Church and other charity is a pillar of our faith, just like attending Mass every Sunday and participating in parish ministry. Giving money frees us from being a slave to money. It increases our dependence on God and our trust that God will provide all that we need.



Saturday September 21, 2019 - Twenty-Fifth Sunday in OT

5:00 pm Pro Populo

Sunday September 22, 2019– Twenty-Fifth Sunday in OT

10:00 am Francesco Martinez

the family

Tuesday September 24, 2019

8:30 am Thanksgiving and birthday blessing s for Maria Carmela Fatima

the family

Wednesday September 25, 2019

8:30 am Estella Lim

Mila Aquino

Thursday September 26, 2019

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

Friday September 27, 2019 – St. Vincent de Paul

8:30 am Fouad, Michael, Milad Hodhod

Laurice Hodhod

Saturday September 28, 2019 - Twenty-Sixth Sunday in OT

5:00 pm Pro Populo

Sunday September 29, 2019– Twenty-Sixth Sunday in OT

10:00 am Julian Vaupshas

the Vaupshas 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 lamp burns for Raymond, as requested by a parishioner.




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St. Joseph needs you! A sign-up sheet is available at the main doors of the church.

LAST CHANCE: CFE REGISTRATION: Forms are available at the entrances of the church or on our website.

SEPTEMBER

25 MANDATORY PARENT MEETING for CFE families, 7:15 pm.

28 -29 Blessing of the Schoolbags, after Mass.

29 Parish BBQ, following Mass.

Please see inside for details and more!



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