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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.

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The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

9 November 2014

The Temple of Stones is a Symbol of the Living Church

Today the liturgy celebrates the dedication of the Lateran Basilica, called “mother and head of all the churches of the city and the world.” In fact, this basilica was the first to be built after Emperor Constantine’s edict, in 313, granted Christians freedom to practice their religion.

The emperor himself gave Pope Miltiades the ancient palace of the Laterani family, and the basilica, the baptistery, and the patriarchate, that is, the Bishop of Rome’s residence — where the Popes lived until the Avignon period — were all built there. The basilica’s dedication was celebrated by Pope Sylvester around 324 and was named Most Holy Savior; only after the 6th century were the names of St. John the Baptist and St. John the Evangelist added, and now is typically denominated by these latter...

On this solemnity the Word of God recalls an essential truth: the temple of stones is a symbol of the living Church, the Christian community, which in their letters the Apostles Peter and Paul already understood as a “spiritual edifice,” built by God with “living stones,” namely, Christians themselves, upon the one foundation of Jesus Christ, who is called the “cornerstone” (cf. 1 Corinthians 3:9-11, 16-17; 1 Peter 2:4-8; Ephesians 2:20-22). “Brothers, you are God’s building,” St. Paul wrote, and added: “holy is God’s temple, which you are” (1 Corinthians 3:9c, 17).

The beauty and harmony of the churches, destined to give praise to God, also draws us human beings, limited and sinful, to convert to form a “cosmos,” a well-ordered structure, in intimate communion with Jesus, who is the true Saint of saints. This happens in a culminating way in the Eucharistic liturgy, in which the “ecclesia,” that is, the community of the baptized, come together in a unified way to listen to the Word of God and nourish themselves with the Body and Blood of Christ. From these two tables the Church of living stones is built up in truth and charity and is internally formed by the Holy Spirit transforming herself into what she receives, conforming herself more and more to the Lord Jesus Christ. She herself, if she lives in sincere and fraternal unity, in this way becomes the spiritual sacrifice pleasing to God.

Dear friends, today’s feast celebrates a mystery that is always relevant: God’s desire to build a spiritual temple in the world, a community that worships him in spirit and truth (cf. John 4:23-24). But this observance also reminds us of the importance of the material buildings in which the community gathers to celebrate the praises of God. Every community therefore has the duty to take special care of its own sacred buildings, which are a precious religious and historical patrimony. For this we call upon the intercession of Mary Most Holy, that she help us to become, like her, the “house of God,” living temple of his love.

— Benedict XVI, Angelus Address, November 9, 2008



PRAYERS:

For the sick: Jean-Pierre Belair, Madeleine Coté, Madeline Cummings, Patricia Lemieux, Maria da Luz Madeira, Carmel MacDonald, Miguel Madeira, Lolita Matheson, Sammy Sinnett, Trudi Stanley, Father Joseph P. Sullivan, His Eminence Jean-Claude Cardinal Turcotte, Jacques Viau

For vocations: Oil and time: light and patience – requirements for discipleship. Keep your eyes open! In time, you will see what you are called to do. (Matthew 25:1-13)

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEK: Our second collection today is for our parish's Helping Others Fund and money collected will go toward Christmas baskets for needy families in the Montreal area.

PARISH ADVENT/CHRISTMAS SUPPER: The Parish Advent/Christmas Supper will take place in the Social Hall on Saturday, December 6th, following the 5:00PM Mass. Tickets are \$10.00 per adult and children 12 years and older and \$5.00 for children from 5 to 11 years of age. Children under 5 will need a ticket but there will be no charge. Tickets will be sold after all masses starting next weekend. Tickets will also be sold at the Parish Office during office hours beginning November 18th. Table reservations are required and can be made at the time of purchase by one person representing the group. This traditional community event would not be possible without the efforts of hard-working volunteers. Sign-up sheets for volunteers are posted at the main entrance of the church. On the evening of the supper, please do not forget to bring a gift for the young or the elderly.

MULTICAF'S ANNUAL HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE: MultiCaf needs drivers to accompany and supervise high school students as they go door to door in TMR to pick up non-perishable food donations for the local food bank. The food drive will take place on Saturday, December 6th from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. If you are interested but want to know more or if you want to confirm your participation, please contact Katy at MultiCaf at 514.733.0554 (ext. 206) or by e-mail at info@multicaf.org

THE PILLARS TRUST FUND: Through the generosity of our English-speaking Catholics, the Pillars Trust Fund provides financial support for over twenty organizations and projects that benefit and provide service to all members of our English-speaking Catholic community. Pillars is fortunate to have had a great legacy of donors who have been consistently supporting us with time, talent and treasure since Pillars was founded over forty-two years ago. Our ability to maintain support for our beneficiaries is dependent on the continued revitalization of our donor group. We are most grateful to have you with us on this journey of helping others. *"As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."* (Joshua 24:15)

ENGLISH CATHOLIC COMMUNITY RALLY: Over forty community organizations will be participating in this event. Archbishop Christian Lépine will be in attendance. Admission to the Rally is free. The Rally takes place on Friday, November 14th beginning at 7:00 p.m. The hotel is near the Guy Metro station and parking is also available.

MOUNT ROYAL UNITED CHURCH BAZAAR: Crafts, jewellery, home baking, used books, La Boutique (ladies gently used clothing) frozen casseroles, collectibles. Lunch served from 11:30 to 1:00 pm (\$10.00) Saturday, November 15, 2014 from 9:30 am to 2:00 pm.

TOWN ADULT CENTRE: On November 13th at 2:00 p.m., join Gilles and Virginia St-Cyr as they travel through Southeast Asia. No charge.

MASS INTENTIONS		
<u>Saturday, November 8 – Dedication of Lateran Basilica</u>		
5:00PM	Pro Populo	Father Robert
<u>Sunday, November 9 – Dedication of Lateran Basilica</u>		
10:00AM	Raphael Harb	Jeannette Harb
<u>Tuesday, November 11 – Saint Martin of Tours</u>		
8:30AM	Evelyn McMenamin	The Estate
<u>Wednesday, November 12 – Saint Josephat</u>		
8:30AM	Florence Evans	The Estate
<u>Thursday, November 13</u>		
8:30AM	Maureen Hayes	Bernadette Shams
<u>Friday, November 14</u>		
8:30AM	Coleman & McMenamin families	The Estate
<u>Saturday, November 15 – Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time</u>		
5:00PM	Ernie Rochon	Teresa Rochon & family
<u>Sunday, November 16 – Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time</u>		
10:00AM	Pro Populo	Father Robert

STEWARDSHIP: Our collection last weekend was \$2,337.00. Thank you for your offerings in support of our parish as a place of Christian worship, instruction and mission.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION: *"For we are God's fellow workers..." – 1 Corinthians 3:9* We are called to help God build His kingdom on earth. We are His eyes, ears, hands and voice on Earth. By giving of our "first fruits" of our time, talent and treasure we help fulfill God's call. Are you doing all you can to help? Do you spend time in prayer every day? Do you participate in one of the many parish ministries? Do you give generously in the offertory collection each week?

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.

This week the Sanctuary Lamp burns for Pacita Sueño Kent, requested by Mila Aquino.