

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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WARDENS:

2017: Winston Redman, John T. Sullivan;

2018: Emidio De Carolis, Scot Diamond;

2019: Anthony Mancini, Lori-Ann Zemanovich.



NATIVITY PLAY: Please bring a sweet treat to share Saturday December 16 at 10:30 am, as we gather to witness the faith of the younger members of our parish as they present the nativity play.

NOTE TO PARENTS: All children aged 4 and up are welcome to participate. Rehearsals will be held **Tuesdays December 5 and 12, at 5:30 pm**, for 30 minutes. We will also meet at 9:45 am the day of the show for a quick rehearsal.

Breaking Open the Word

Suggested text for faith sharing: Today's Gospel: Mark 13: 33-37.

Step One: Listen to the Word

As you hear this reading, what words or phrases strike you? What in this reading touches your heart? What words are repeated over and over again?

Step Two: Look into Your Life

Question for Children: What special things do you do to get ready for a visitor at your house? What things can you do like that to get ready for Jesus?

Question for Youth: What is one thing that you can do this week to help you remember that Jesus is coming?

Question for Adults: When you're getting ready to receive a guest, what are some things you do? How do you apply this to receiving Christ?

Active waiting

RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Thursday December 7, beginning at 7:30 pm after the 7 o'clock Mass, several priests will be available to hear your confession

At our last parish meeting, we discussed the shame we often feel when considering going to confession. This is something you can bring up with your confessor. *A Primer for Confession*, which includes an Examination of Conscience, is available on the communion rail and at the main entrance. All children in CFE who have made their First Confession must attend.



World community for Christian Meditation Tuesday Dec. 5th at 7 pm in the boardroom - 71 Roosevelt. Spiritual meditation leads from the mind to the heart, in silence and stillness. Intrigued? Unsure? Come see for yourself. No commitment required.

On Tuesday December 12, from 4:15 pm to 5:30 pm join us in the Parish Hall for a viewing of **Dr. Seuss' "How the Grinch Stole Christmas,"** followed by a short discussion on the Mass. Everyone is welcome. Popcorn will be served!



PARISH CHRISTMAS DINNER:

Our annual Christmas dinner will take place on **Saturday, December 9th**, following the 5:00 pm Mass. The cost is \$15 per adult (age 12 and up), \$10 per child (age 5-11). Children under 5 are free. **Tickets** are on sale this weekend, **December 2-3**, after Mass.

As always, the success of the event depends on all of our volunteers! Sign-up sheets are available at the back of the church. If you have items for the **raffle**, please drop them off as soon as possible.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER

MEMORIAL: Help us make our sanctuary beautiful for Christmas. We invite you to make a donation towards our Christmas flowers in memory of a loved one. Include your donation in an envelope that is clearly marked "Christmas flower donations". Write on the envelope: name of your loved one (memorial) along with your name (donor). Please include your parish envelope number if applicable. Drop your envelope in the collection basket along with your regular donation. Names of loved ones will be included in upcoming holiday bulletins.



FUNDSCRIP forms are available this weekend. Gift cards make great gifts for Christmas! Forms are due next weekend, Dec. 8 & 9.



Concert
de
Noël

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Concert

TMR SINGERS
Manuel Blais
Music Director

Mardi, 19 décembre 2017, 19h30
Tuesday, December 19, 2017, 7:30
Our Lady of the Annunciation Church
1020 boul. Laird
Entrée libre - Free admission

Mass Intentions



Saturday December 2, 2017 – First Sunday of Advent

5:00 pm Pro Populo

Sunday December 3, 2017 – First Sunday of Advent

10:00 am Edgar Sarmiento Jr.

Ritzel Sarmiento

Tuesday December 5, 2017

8:30 am Frances Farrell

Virginia and Gilles St-Cyr

Wednesday December 6, 2017

8:30 am Jane Flores Bright Tassy

the Bozzato-Fumai family

Thursday December 7, 2017 – St. Ambrose

7 pm Evelyn McMenamin

the Estate

Friday December 8, 2017 – The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 am Souls in Purgatory

Rita Heddo

Saturday December 9, 2017 – Second Sunday of Advent

5:00 pm Pro Populo

Sunday December 10, 2017 – Second Sunday of Advent

10:00 am Marija, Anton, Elisabeth and Bianka Simek *the Mahmet-Simek family*

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: At the beginning of Advent, watch and wait; be attentive to the ways in which God comes into your life. Be willing to be surprised. (Mark 13: 33-37). 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



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 Vincenzina Mazza Greco, as requested by her family.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE THROUGH DECEMBER 2017

Tues/ Wed/ Fri: 8:30 am; Thurs: 7 pm.
Please note: only the 71 Roosevelt door will be opened. The main doors will remain closed until next spring.

STEWARDSHIP:

Our collection last week was for \$1,450. Thank you for your offerings in support of our parish as a place of Christian worship, instruction and mission.

"Take heed, watch and pray; for you do not know when the time will come." Mk. 13:33

We all take things for granted. In particular, we take time for granted. Our lives are so busy, many of us are planning our time - our days, weeks, months, even years in advance. Remember, our time on earth is a gift. None of us knows how long we will be here. Start today and begin thanking God for each and every day. Take time in silence, every day, and listen to what God is saying to you.

Election of Wardens: **Sunday December 10, following Mass.**

If you are 18 years old, Roman Catholic, and are living within the parish boundaries, come vote for our next wardens. If you would like to serve the parish as a warden, come to the meeting with someone who will nominate you.

ADULT FAITH EDUCATION (AFE) CONTINUES!

Haven't made it to a session yet? Haven't read the book yet? No problem! Please feel free to join us this Tuesday December 5 at 9:15 am as we discuss chapters 12, 13 and 14 of Peter Kreeft's *How to be Holy*.



This year we will collect small gifts for the 143 residents of the Father Dowd Residence in the Côte des Neiges area. Beginning next weekend, **December 2 & 3**, the Angel Tree will be placed in the Sanctuary, near the icon of our Blessed Mother. Our goal is to 'undecorate the tree.' All the gifts are intended to be under \$10 and can easily be purchased at local stores or pharmacies, so everyone can participate.



DECEMBER

Parish Project: **Angel Tree** for the Father Dowd residence.

5 AFE, 9:15 am, Boardroom.
Please enter through
71 Roosevelt

Christian Meditation, 7pm
Boardroom, 71 Roosevelt.

7 Reconciliation Service,
7:30 pm.

9 Christmas Dinner,
following Mass.
Details inside.

10 Election of Wardens,
11 am.

12 How the Grinch Stole Christmas, followed by a short discussion on the Eucharist, Parish Hall,
4:15 to 5:30 pm.

13 AFE, 7 pm, Boardroom.
Please enter through
71 Roosevelt.

16 Nativity Play at 10:30 am
30 minute rehearsals held
December 5 & 12 at 5:30
pm. All children 4 and up
are welcome to participate.

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for December

The Elderly

That the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.

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