

# 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.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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### Wardens:

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

Jesus critiques a wisdom that is not the basis for holiness: *unless your holiness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees...* A head-wisdom that knows the long list of **dos** and **don'ts**, but ignores the disposition of the heart, yet *it is from the heart that sin comes, not from external non-compliance*. Jesus' own stance does not aim to abolish the law and the prophets, but is rather a disposition to fulfill them.

And he applies this disposition to three particular instances by saying: *You have heard... but I say to you...* First instance: *you shall not kill; whoever kills will be liable to judgment*, which Jesus expands into *whoever is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment*. Anger in the heart is at the root of both murder and insult and *it is from the heart that sin comes*. Second instance: *you shall not commit adultery*, which Jesus expands into *everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery in his heart*, because lustful desires come from the heart and *it is from the heart that sin comes*. Third instance: *do not take a false oath*, which Jesus expands into *do not swear at all*. Swearing is prompted by mistrust—a mistrust that resides in the heart—and *it is from the heart that sin comes*.

The one specific injunction about being reconciled may have made more sense in the religious scene of that time, when one could perhaps walk away from the sacrifice and return later, but the letter of it is clearly impractical for our own religious/liturgical scene. If, as presider at the Eucharist, I am praying the offertory prayers and remember that someone legitimately has “something against me,” I am not going to leave the altar and perhaps even the church and go to be reconciled with that person before I return to the altar. If people in the congregation were to do likewise, I could be looking at empty pews. I need to go beyond the letter of the injunction and have in my heart the desire to be reconciled with that person as soon as feasible. Just as *it is from the heart that sin comes*, so it is from the heart that the move toward reconciliation comes.

Luis Rodriguez, S.J

Creighton University's Jesuit Community



**FUNDSCRIP FORMS** are available this weekend. Fundscrip is a passive means of fundraising; you purchase gifts cards for your personal use and Fundscrip donates 2 to 5 percent of your purchases to the parish. Last year we made about \$350. Forms are available on the communion rail and at the main entrance. Father Robert will be happy to address any questions you have.

**ADULT FAITH EDUCATION:** The Book Club continues this week on Thursday February 20<sup>th</sup> following Mass. You needn't have attended previous sessions to participate. Coffee will be served.



**PANCAKE SUPPER:** Lent is around the corner and we will end Ordinary Time with our traditional Pancake Supper, on Tuesday February 25<sup>th</sup>, from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Drop in to feast on pancakes and sausages before beginning our Lenten fast. Admission: non-perishable food items for our Multicaf boxes. Donations of maple syrup and dessert are much appreciated. Please let us know if you have time earlier in the afternoon to flip pancakes. **CFE FAMILIES**, class is

cancelled.

**ASH WEDNESDAY:** Please join us the next day as Lent begins with the distribution of ashes on Wednesday February 26 at 8:30 am or 7 pm. The Mass is only 30 minute long so please make attendance a priority. CFE families: Attendance required



**COME AND SEE EVENING** - for the Call to the Priesthood The next 'Come and See' Evening will be taking place on Friday, February 21st from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. These gatherings are intended for men who are discerning a vocation to follow Jesus as a priest. These evenings are an excellent opportunity for those who are discerning a call to the priesthood to share in fellowship and to explore their call together. Gatherings take place at Our Lady of the Annunciation Parish. For information or to reserve a spot, please contact Fr. Robert Clark at 514-903-6200 or [mtlvocations@hotmail.com](mailto:mtlvocations@hotmail.com).



**SKATING PARTY** Several parents have expressed a desire to get to know other families in the community and suggested a skating party! Join us next Sunday February 23<sup>rd</sup> in the parish hall after Mass. We will make our way together to the Rec Centre. **Don't care to skate?** Help prepare hot chocolate and cookies for everyone! Please contact the office if you can help. **CFE PARENTS:** This activity counts!





**THANK YOU!!!**

Thank you to everyone who participated in our first event of our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary! Our International brunch was a great success with 20 countries represented and 120 eager tasters. A special thank you to Karolina and Nadine, our charming hostesses, who attended to all the details with grace and ease.



This coming April 19th will be our commemorative Anniversary Mass followed by a celebration reception in the Parish Hall. All our parishioners, Mount Royal community, political dignitaries, outreach mission partners, an array of present and past clergy and our Archbishop Lépine will be present and we are welcoming all and inviting everyone to the reception following the Mass in the Parish Hall. As no tickets are being sold and only voluntary offerings are anticipated from that day's Mass collection, we could use some help gathering some supplies for the event. If you can help us accumulate some prosecco, bubbly or sparkling white wine by dropping off a bottle from now till April, that would be greatly appreciated. The catered meal is being fully paid by the Parish but we need to raise some funds to supplement the costs of the celebration so if you want to donate some funds, please don't forget the 75TH Anniversary donation envelopes which are always in the pews and can be used anytime.

**Prayers:**

**For the sick:** Rick Auclair, the Beaugard family, Jean-Pierre Belair, Mike Callard, André and Marie Coupal, Chuck Lawton, Nona Moussa, Marchita Obregon, Patricia Paul, Winston Redman, Hilda Rejwan, Nevine, Jacques Viau, Marina Zogalis.

**For vocations:** 'You have heard that it was said . . .' Jesus challenges His disciples to a deeper embrace of His teachings. Embrace His teachings with your whole heart, mind and soul. (Matthew 5:20-37) 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 NEXT WEEK**

Tuesday, 9 am to 4 pm.

Friday, 9 am to 12 pm.

**STEWARDSHIP:** Our collection last week was for \$1850. Our Second Collection was for \$735. **Thank you** for your offerings in support of our parish as a place of Christian worship, instruction and mission.

*“For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.” (Matthew 5:20)*  
The scribes and Pharisees lived according to the letter of the law, and they used this to elevate themselves above the other people. Jesus is clear – it's the love that you have in your heart that will get you to heaven. Simply following church rules out of obligation, not love, does not put you on the path to heaven. Attending Mass on Sunday and then gossiping about a fellow parishioner on the parking lot is an example of a modern day Pharisee.

**Mass Intentions**



**Saturday February 15, 2020 – Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

5:00 pm Lucille Lawson Rochon *Teresa Rochon and family*

**Sunday February 16, 2020 – Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

10:00 am Robert Joseph Fowlie *Anne Macyshyn*

**Tuesday February 18, 2020**

8:30 am Pierre Chassé *the Chassé family*

**Wednesday February 19, 2020**

8:30 am Pro Populo

**Thursday February 20, 2020**

8:30 am Gaetano Martinez *the Martinez family*

**Friday February 21, 2020**

8:30 am François Seewaldt and Irma Samaniego Sylvestre *Regina Ambayec*

**Saturday February 22, 2020 – Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time**

5:00 pm the Arzt-Seeberger families *Hannelore Siewke*

**Sunday February 23, 2020 – Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time**

10:00 am Robert Joseph Fowlie *Anne Macyshyn*



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. This week the lamp burns for Catalina Daniel Antonanzas, as requested by her family.




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**FEBRUARY**

**20 ADULT FAITH EDUCATION: BOOK CLUB**

**23 SKATING PARTY**

**25 SHROVE TUESDAY: PANCAKE SUPPER**

**26 ASH WEDNESDAY 8:30 AM AND 7 PM**

**MARCH**

**1 COFFEE SUNDAY**

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**Holy Father's Prayer Intention for February**

**Listen to the Migrants' Cries**

We pray that the cries of our migrant brothers and sisters, victims of criminal trafficking, may be heard and considered.

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