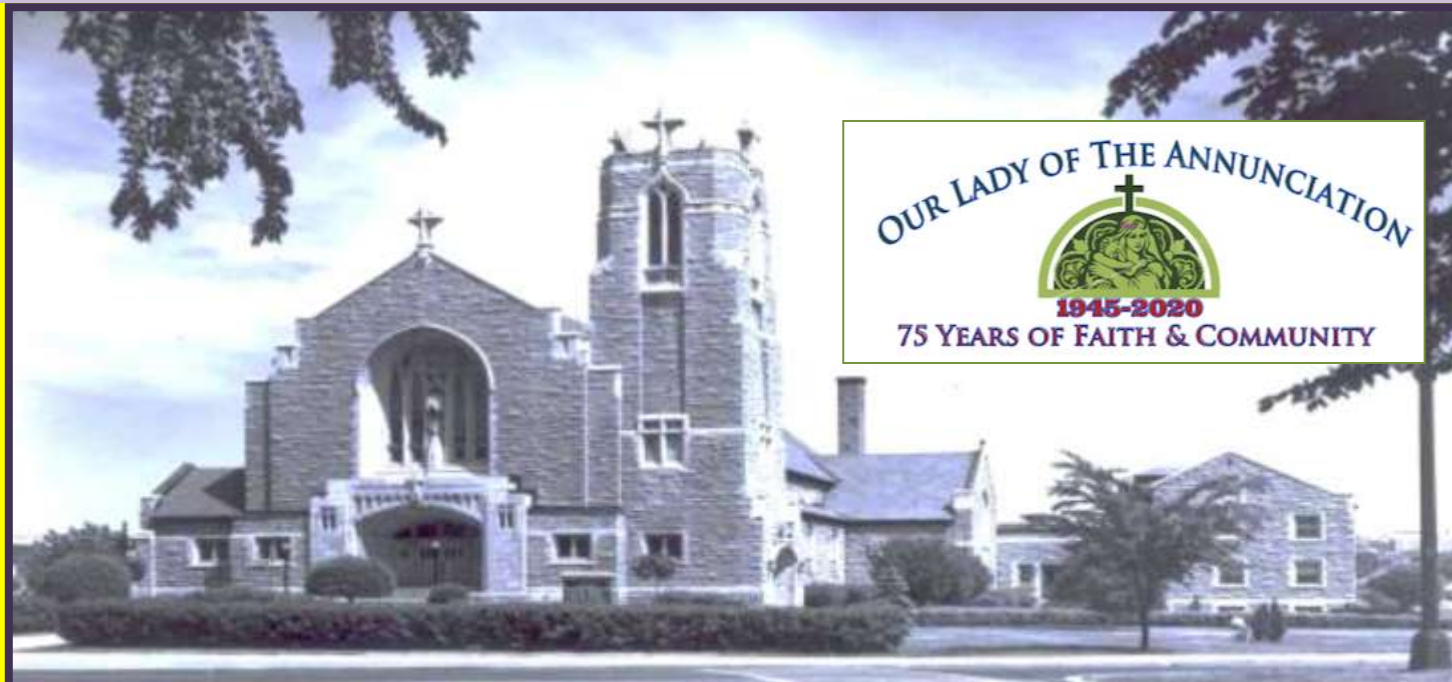


OUR LADY OF THE ANNUNCIATION PARISH MOUNT ROYAL, QUEBEC



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;
2022: Karolina Weclas, Lori-Ann Zemanovich.

FOCUS: The season of Lent calls us to humility, to an honest understanding of who we are. Humility is not false modesty, but the awareness of who we are: Sons and daughters of God, created by God. Yet we, like Adam and Eve, are often tempted to think of ourselves as more than creatures, as in control of the world. May God give us the grace to allow him to be God.

LITURGY OF THE WORD In the first reading, the woman and her husband eat fruit from the tree of life, and realize they are naked. In the Letter to the Romans, Paul reassures us that God’s grace surpasses any of our sins. In the Gospel, the devil tempts Jesus while he is in the desert, but Jesus says to him, *Get away, Satan!* and the devil leaves him.

Theme: Temptation - What would Jesus do?

Breaking Open the Word

Suggested text for faith sharing: Today’s Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11

Step One: Listen to the Word

As you listen to the familiar story of Jesus’ journey into the desert, what word or phrase did you notice? As you heard it again today, what image from this story lingers in your memory?

Step Two: Look into Your Life

Question for Children: What do you plan to do during Lent this year as a way of showing you want to grow closer to Jesus?

Question for Youth: Jesus was tempted by the devil. How are you tempted? What helps you resist these temptations?

Question for Adults: When you yourself pause to be alone with God, what distracts and prevents you from dwelling in that? Busyness? The demands of life? TV? The internet?



THANK YOU! To everyone who joined us for skating last Sunday and those who joined us for pancakes on Tuesdays, a great big thank you, thank you, thank you! Thank you for re-filling our Multicaf box!



SPRING FORWARD: Next Saturday, March 7, remember to turn your clocks ahead one hour!



GIVE JESUS 5! During Lent, we are asked to add a little more prayer time to our routine. This could mean morning or evening prayer, grace before meals, practicing the Examen, or praying the Stations of Cross Friday mornings or the rosary on Sunday mornings with us before Mass. There are many **APPS** available to help: Hallow; Pray as you go; Reimagining the Examen; Laudate, etc...



HAVE YOU NOTICED...? Since we began celebrating ‘Children’s Masses’ the youngest members of our parish family have been participating more during our regular Masses. We have three new altar servers, more children helping with collection, etc... and last week one child offered to take St Joseph home. Thank you for welcoming our children wholeheartedly! Enjoying the music selections during the children’s Masses? Listen to Family :Life Radio on your computer, phone, etc...



LOOKING FOR A WAY TO CONTRIBUTE TO OUR 75TH ANNIVERSARY?

You can make a donation using our 75th anniversary envelopes found in the pews or bring in some prosecco which we will share during our Anniversary brunch on April 19th. Tickets for our **75TH ANNIVERSARY FESTIVE SACRED MUSIC CONCERT** in the Church on

Wednesday, March 25th at 7 pm. Concert sung by “What a Choir!” directed and accompanied by Manuel Blais.



ADULT FAITH EDUCATION: Book Club meets again this Thursday after Mass in the boardroom. Everyone is welcome even if you haven’t attended previous meetings or read the book. Coffee will be served.

Preparing for Easter

Like John the Baptist, we are each meant to prepare the way for the Lord, each in our own way and together as a community. Our three traditional Lenten practices – fasting, praying and almsgiving – help purify our souls, making a welcome home for the Holy Spirit.



RECONCILIATION SERVICE: Wednesday March 18th at 7:15 pm

Open to all. Come support the children who will be making their first confession! After a short Liturgy of the Word, several priests will be available to hear your confession. Been a while since your last confession? A little nervous? Don't let that stop you from receiving

God's love through this sacrament! A step by step guide through confession is available on the communion rail.

GET YOUR BUCKET Lenten buckets are available again this year. If you are fasting (ex. not eating sweets) or making some other sacrifice during Lent (ex. skipping your favorite television program), take a bucket from the communion rail home with you this Lent (one bucket per household please). We invite you to put the money you save because of your sacrifice into the bucket. Return your bucket to the parish office at Easter. In previous years, the money has gone to local families in need. **RATHER NOT TAKE A BUCKET HOME?** You can still contribute by throwing your contribution into our big blue bucket



TAKE ST JOSEPH HOME! As part of this year's vocation theme, we invite parishioners to pray for vocations in their home with a small statue of St. Joseph, provided by the parish. Sign-up sheets are available at the back of the church.

WAY OF THE CROSS Please join us on Fridays during Lent at 8 am as we pray the Stations of the Cross together. Please enter by 71 Roosevelt.

CELEBRATING MARY OUR MOTHER: Please join our very own Greg Doyle as he leads a rosary before Sunday Mass during the season of Lent. We will meet in front of the icon of Mary at 9:30 am. Bring your favorite rosary or use one of ours! A signup sheet is available if you would like to lead us in this prayer.

OFFICE HOURS NEXT WEEK
Tuesday, 9 am to 4 pm.
Friday, 9 am to 12 pm.

STEWARDSHIP: Our collection last week was for \$1450. **Thank you** for your offerings in support of our parish as a place of Christian worship, instruction and mission.

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, Hilda Rejwan, Nevine, Jacques Viau, Marina Zogalis.

For the recently deceased:

Pam Chiricosta.

For vocations: Through the obedience of Christ comes acquittal from sin. Through our obedience to Christ, we can be a conduit of Grace to this world. (Romans 5:17-19) If you feel that God is calling you to the priesthood, please contact the Diocesan Vocations Office at 514-903-6200 for information.

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*"It is written: The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve."
(Matthew 4:10)*

Tempted between the riches and power of this world and service to God, Jesus chose service to His Father. If we wish to truly follow Jesus, we, too, must decide to turn away from worldly power and riches and put God at the center of our lives. Lent is our time to prune ourselves of earthly things. Ask God how he is calling you to serve.

Mass Intentions

Saturday February 29, 2020 – First Sunday of Lent

5:00 pm Pro Populo

Sunday March 1, 2020 – First Sunday of Lent

10:00 am Marcella Magrin, Giovanni Volpato & Giancarlo Volpato *the family*

Tuesday March 3, 2020

8:30 am Coleman and McMenamin families *the Estate*

Wednesday March 4, 2020

8:30 am Pam Chiricosta *Giovanna Martinez*

Thursday March 5, 2020

8:30 am Coleman and McMenamin families *the Estate*

Friday March 6, 2020

8:30 am Evelyn McMenamin *the Estate*

Saturday March 7, 2020 – Second Sunday of Lent

5:00 pm Patsy Rochon *Teresa Rochon and family*

Sunday March 8, 2020 – Second Sunday of Lent

10:00 am Georges Gharib *Leila El-Hage Gharib*



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 the repose of the soul of Pam Chiricosta.




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Holy Father's Prayer Intention for March

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