

# 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	8:30 am
Wednesday	7:00 pm
Thursday & 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.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## WARDENS:

2018: Emidio De Carolis, Scot Diamond;

2019: Anthony Mancini, Lori-Ann Zemanovich;

2020: Fiore Egiziano, John T. Sullivan.

**GOD'S LOVE FOR US IS LIMITLESS:**

Today, we hear the familiar passage from Saint Paul when he says, *If God is for us, who can be against us?* Since we have been called by name, by virtue of our baptism, we know that we are God's children; we are his instruments in the world.

In the first reading, Abraham is willing to make the ultimate sacrifice of surrendering his son to the Lord. Saint Paul reminds the Romans that having God with them will allow them to face any challenge. In the Gospel, the disciples realize that Jesus is the fulfillment of the law after he is transfigured before them.

**Theme:** Seeing Jesus

**Breaking Open the Word**

Suggested text for faith sharing: Today's Gospel. Mark 9: 2-10.

**Step One: Listen to the Word**

As you hear this familiar story today, what words or phrases strike you? What in this reading touches your heart? What image from Mark's Gospel lingers in your memory?

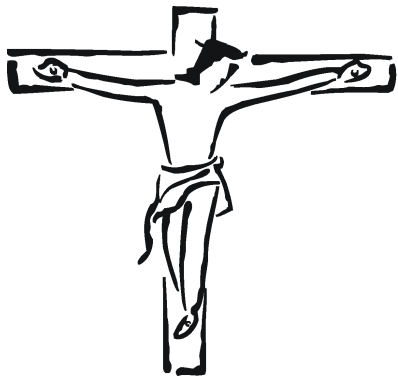
**Step Two: Look into Your Life**

**Question for Children:** Name or draw a picture of a time you knew that Jesus was with you.

**Question for Youth:** The disciples had a very intense experience of Jesus on the mountain. Have you ever had a "mountain top" experience? What was it like for you?

**Question for Adults:** In what ways does Jesus speak today, ways in which you can truly "listen to him?"

# Lenten check-up



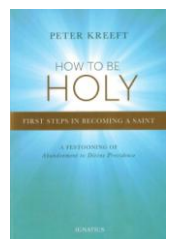
Why do we pray the **STATIONS OF THE CROSS?** As a means of making sense of suffering. The question of why suffering exists finds its answer in Christ's transformation of suffering through love. Christ's cross makes sense of our own, hence the universal appeal of this devotion. The reality of suffering makes meditation on the passion and death of Jesus particularly relevant in Christian life. "If you really want to love Jesus, first learn to suffer, because suffering teaches you to love" (St. Gemma Galgani). How do we know if we are suffering well? If we remain joyful throughout our suffering. **Every Friday during Lent, join us at 8 am** as we pray the Stations of the Cross together. Readers and Crucifix bearers needed! Signup sheet available on the communion rail.

**GRAB A BUCKET PLEASE!** Only three remain! If you are fasting (ex. not eating sweets) or making some other sacrifice during Lent (ex. skipping your favorite program), take a bucket from the communion rail home with you (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. This year, the proceeds will go to making Blessing Bags for the homeless – details to come. Buckets can be found on the communion rail. Donations without buckets are also appreciated!



**MEDITATION GROUP** meets this **Tuesday February 27<sup>th</sup>** at 7 pm in the boardroom via 71 Roosevelt. Everyone is welcome – feel free to bring a friend! No prior experience required, just a desire to be with the Lord!

**ADULT FAITH EDUCATION CONTINUES THIS WEEK!** Haven't read the book? Not one to share? No problem! Please join Father Robert in the boardroom – via 71 Roosevelt - for discussion of chapters 29 – 33 of Peter Kreeft's book *How to be Holy*, on Tuesday February 27 at 9:15 am or Wednesday March 7 at 7:30 pm, following the 7 pm Mass.. Coffee will be served. You are welcome to bring a friend!



**DID YOU KNOW...** Our parish subsists on your donations! We do not get any grants or subsidies from the Diocese or from any Catholic or governmental organizations. We rely solely on contributions by parishioners. You have kept our doors open over the last 70+ years. If you use our envelope system, you will receive a receipt for income tax purposes at the beginning of the new year.

**Are your kids driving you crazy during Mass?** You have options! John Issa breaks open the Gospel for those children who do not need their parent with them; younger parishioners can make use of the library off the vestibule where you will find toys, books and worksheets. Another option for those registered in CFE is to bring your books to Mass. If you have other suggestions, please contact the office.



Through word, prayer and song we will follow a path well-trodden by holy women and men throughout the centuries. Drinking deeply at the sources of our faith and hope, we come to know Christ, to love Christ and

to follow Christ more closely in every aspect of our lives.

“Sinners, loved and forgiven” - **Monday, March 12** – Fr. Gerry Westphal

“Called into the Lord’s friendship” - **Tuesday, March 13** – Elizabeth Koessler

“Dying and rising with Christ” - **Wednesday, March 14** – John Carey

Join us from 7 p.m.-9 p.m. each evening (6405 de Terrebonne St., Montreal, H4B 1A8).

Freewill offerings will be greatly appreciated. For more info, contact the office at 514-481-0267 or st-monica@videotron.ca.



**Saturday February 24, 2018 – Second Sunday of Lent**

5:00 pm Pro Populo

**Sunday February 25, 2018 – Second Sunday of Lent**

10:00 am Frances Farrell

**Tuesday February 27, 2018**

8:30 am Evelyn McMenamin

**Wednesday February 28, 2018**

**7:00 pm** Coleman and McMenamin families

**Thursday March 1, 2018**

8:30 am Evelyn McMenamin

**Friday March 2, 2018**

8:30 am Souls in Purgatory

**Saturday March 3, 2018 – Third Sunday of Lent**

5:00 pm Pro Populo

**Sunday March 4, 2018 – Third Sunday of Lent**

10:00 am Georges Gharib

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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. The full amount is eligible for a tax receipt. Please contact the office to arrange a memorial for the Sanctuary Lamp. **This week** the Sanctuary Lamp burns for Senator Tobias C. Enverga Jr. as requested by the Pelausa family.

**PRAYERS:**

**For the sick:** Rick Auclair, the Beauregard family, Jean-Pierre Belair, André and Marie Coupal, Patricia Paul, Nevine, Jacques Viau, Judith and Marina Zogalis.

**For those who have died :** Joseph Mahmet.

**For vocations:**

Peter, James and John saw the Lord transfigured before their eyes and heard, “This is my son, my beloved, listen to him.” Are you listening? (Mark 9: 2-10). If you feel that God is calling you to the priesthood, please contact the Diocesan Vocations Office at 514-903-6200 for information.

**WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

Tues/Thurs/ Fri: 8:30 am;

Wednesday: 7 pm.

Please use 71 Roosevelt.

**STEWARDSHIP:**

Our collection last week was for \$1,885. Thank you for your offerings in support of our parish as a place of Christian worship, instruction and mission.

“‘Here I am!’ he answered.” - Genesis 22:11

It is easy to say, “Here I am, Lord,” when we are kneeling in church. But how easy is it to say “Here I am, Lord,” when a neighbor needs our help, when we are invited to join a parish ministry, or when we are asked to provide financial support? Often times we are called when it’s not convenient for us. Discipleship is not always easy, most of the time it will make us uncomfortable and vulnerable.





## WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

- see inside for details.

## FEBRUARY

**27 Adult Education,**  
9:15 am, chapters 29 - 33.

**Meditation group, 7 pm.**

## MARCH

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**  
Fridays, 8 am during Lent.

**PARISH PROJECT:** Lenten Buckets. See inside for details.

**7 Adult Education,**  
7:30 pm, chapters 29 - 33.

Please see inside the bulletin for more details.

## Holy Father's Prayer Intention for February

**Evangelization:** Say "No" to Corruption

That those who have material, political or spiritual power, may resist any lure of corruption.



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