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 8:30 am
Friday 4:00 pm

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 celebrated on the third Sunday of the month.

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:

2019: Anthony Mancini, Lori-Ann Zemanovich;

2020: Fiore Egiziano, John T. Sullivan;

2021: John Issa, Kurt Reckziegel.

FOCUS: The fulfillment of the Scriptures is found in the person of Jesus.

We spend a lot of time waiting. Waiting for people; waiting for events; waiting for time to pass; waiting for the cable guy to show up. One thing we do not have to wait for is for God to fulfill his promise. That promise – of forgiveness and union – came in the person of Jesus Christ. And from the time of those who physically surrounded him to today, the message has been simple: repent and believe. And that seems a lot more fruitful than waiting around.

A GUILTY PLEA: Last Monday, Father Brian pled guilty to the second set of charges laid against him. In so doing, he confessed that everything that this second victim testified to in the first trial was true. Sentencing for both cases will be held March 25th. Please continue to keep the victims and their families, Father Brian (for your conversion), and all those involved in the legal proceedings in your prayers. Some parishioners have been wondering when we will stop calling Father Brian father. The answer: only after the ecclesial trial has run its course, which Bishop Lépine mentioned in the Diocesan press release. Privately, we may do as we wish, but publically, in bulletins, parish emails, etc., we must continue to use the title Father. As soon as the ecclesial trial is done, we will let you know. Thank you for your understanding and patience in this matter. Please feel free to contact the office or Father Robert directly if you wish to discuss this or any other matter.

STRENGTHENING OUR FAMILY TIES: It is essential that we continue to come together as a parish family. Here are some ways we will be getting together this month. Please pencil us into your schedule:

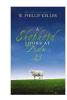
1) IN CELEBRATION:



Please join us for our second annual **International Potluck Supper** Saturday February 2nd following the 5 pm Mass. Time to show off your cultural roots! Please bring a traditional dish to share with our parish family. Dessert and beverages provided. Families welcome. Is there a traditional dance, song, or story that you, or your children, would like to share, very informally? You can also come in traditional dress. Want to attend but cannot bring something? Please let us know! Another parishioner would be happy to bring a little extra.

2) IN PRAYER:

Our **Adult Faith Education** group will be continuing with *A Shepherd Looks at Psalm 23*. No need to have attended prior sessions to participate. Meetings resume Thursday January 31st in the boardroom following Mass. Coffee will be served. Our next book is The Fourth Cup by Scott Hahn. Copies can be purchased through the internet or your favorite bookstore.





Consider joining our **Meditation Group.** This simple worldwide practice has been a staple of Christian spirituality. Sitting together in stillness and silence, we repeat a simple mantra, *Come Holy Spirit*, praying together/alone. Sessions resume in February. You needn't come to every session to benefit from this practice.

HELP PLEASE! After next week, Saint Joseph is homeless! Could you take him home for one week? He is available for most of February! A prayer sheet accompanies the small statue. See how a simple 30 second prayer can enrich your life. A sign up sheet can be found at the main entrance of the church. This is a simple devotion to practice with children, and a fun way to pray as a family.



3) IN SERVICE:



Fundscrip forms are available this weekend. Fundscrip is a passive form of fundraising. You buy gift cards to your favorite stores and the parish receives 2 to 7 % of your purchase, at no cost to you! For example you order \$100 from Provigo. You receive a \$100 gift card; the parish receives \$3. Last year, your purchases provided the parish with nearly \$500 in donations! Need more information? Feel free to ask Father Robert or Anthony Mancini.

Last year, **your returnable soda and beer cans and bottles** brought over \$300 to our Helping Others fund. The money was divided between the St. Vincent de Paul society and a local family in need. This year, we have already collected over \$50! Please leave your rinsed empties with Wayne or near the 71 Roosevelt entrance.





As you are most likely aware, our **YOUTH GROUP** has suffered the hardest blow because of the Father Brian affair. It is going to take a communal effort for our teens and young adults to trust again. How can you help? First and most importantly through prayer: ask for God's help and guidance for parents, youth and group leaders; if you are a parent of a high

school student, please consider attending a family pizza and movie night. Details to come. If you have any suggestions or concerns, please speak with Father Robert or contact the office.



CHILDREN'S CORNER: (1) John Issa offers Children's Liturgy on Sundays. Your child can join him for Father's blessing after the opening rites. The children return to Mass during the Liturgy of the Eucharist. Running a little late? Your child can still join in. The classroom is located up the stairs at the parking lot entrance. We always need an adult to accompany John; (2) If your child is acting up, you can make use of the

playroom, located to the left as you enter the main doors of the church; (3) Mass books are available on the back of the pew at the main entrance of the church for your child to follow along; (4) **Pflaum sheets** are available where the Mass books are kept. A few copies can also be found in the playroom; (5) Would your child like to help with **collection**? Please see Wayne or Emilio.

Thank you, to all members of our parish family, for making our parish a welcoming home for our youngest members.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesdays: 8:30 am; Wednesdays: 7 pm; Thursdays: 8:30 am; Fridays: 4 pm.

OFFICE HOURS:

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Saturday January 26, 2019 – Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm Maria and Giovanni De Stefani the De Stefani family

Sunday January 27, 2019 – Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am Joseph Mahmet

Ludmila, Robert and Natalie, Noah, Alec, Kristopher and Cassandra

Tuesday January 29, 2019

8:30 am Mme. Madeleine Patenaude Rita and Gaston Beauregard

Wednesday January 30, 2019

7:00 pm Coleman and McMenamin families The Estate

Thursday January 31, 2019 - Saint John Bosco

8:30 am Barbara Demers Josephine Vaupshas

Friday February 1, 2019 4:00 pm Pro Populo

Saturday February 2, 2019 – Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm Pro Populo

Sunday February 3, 2019 – Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am the deceased members of the Harb family Jeanette Harb



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. The 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 Vincenzina Mazza Greco, as requested by her family.

Prayers:

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

For vocations: The Spirit of God is upon you! Through baptism and confirmation, God sends you "to bring glad tidings to the poor and to proclaim liberty to captives; to announce a year of favour from the Lord." Are you called to be a priest, deacon, brother, or sister? (Luke 1: 1-4, 14-21). If you feel that God is calling you to the priesthood, please contact the Diocesan Vocations Office at 514-903-6200 for information.

STEWARDSHIP: Our collection last week was for \$1360. Thank you for your offerings in support of our parish as a place of Christian worship, instruction and mission.

"Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared..." (Nehemiah 8:10)

Ezra's instructions to the people show us that God does not forbid us from enjoying the good things in life. He wants us to be happy! However, God expects us to be grateful for all that He has given us and to generously share our blessings with those who are in need without expecting anything in return.



JANUARY

31 ADULT FAITH **EDUCATION** continues.

FEBRUARY

2 INTERNATIONAL POTLUCK.

17 COFFEE SUNDAY,

Please bring something to share.

Details for all of these events and more inside.



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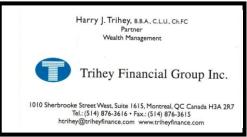




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