

Saturday, April 28th

St. Peter Chanel; St. Louis Grignon de Monfort
4:30 James Hall by Martha & David Barrington

Sunday April 29th

Fifth Sunday of Easter
10:30 Frank H. Carlin by the Family

Monday, April 30th

St. Marie de l'Incarnation
9:00 Recovery to Health of Friends
by Eileen & Bill Curran

Tuesday, May 1st

St. Joseph the Worker; St. Pius V, pope
9:00 Anne & John Blizchuk by the Estate

Wednesday, May 2nd

St. Athanasius
9:00 Mary & Edward Cross by the Estate

Thursday, May 3rd No Mass

St. Philip and St. James, apostles

Friday, May 4th

Bl. Marie-Léonie Paradis
9:00 Miss Madeline McCauley
by Constance O'Donnell

Saturday, May 5th

4:30 Christian Vincent by Delfina Legaspi

*This week the Sanctuary lamp
will burn in memory of*

Alex Ang
by the Family



Are you continuing to support the “Good Works” of our Parish?

> **Food for the Hungry:** With the warm weather finally making an appearance, it is important to remember that hunger does not take a break. Don't forget to bring at least 1 non-perishable food item to Mass every weekend. Donations can be left in the special bins located to the right of the main Altar & at the back of the church.

> **Used Stamps:** bring them to church where we collect them for reuse. They are given to a community of religious Sisters who prepare them for re-sale and use the money earned to support their missionary activities in foreign countries. Be sure to leave a border around the stamps when you cut them out of the envelope.

> **Collection of Eyewear:** These glasses receive a second life and are donated to two organizations that reuse them by giving them to the needy here in Montreal and to those in the missions. Please make a difference by bringing your used eyewear to church and placing them in the marked container at the back of the church.

> **Help End Plastic Pollution:** the theme of Earth Day which we celebrated last weekend. Help make a difference by taking an inventory of your home to find out how many plastic items you consume every year and making concrete plans to reduce the amount.

Special Collection: Pope's Pastoral Works

Next Sunday, May 6th there is a collection to support the Pastoral works of Pope Francis. This collection provides an opportunity for Catholics to make a financial offering to assist the Holy Father, in the name of the Church, with his charitable contributions to those most in need.

Please note that there is an envelope for the collection in your box, however, it was mistakenly labelled as the “Parish Charities” instead of “Papal Charities”.

Today's first reading addresses us as children. We are given some advice...Let us love not in word or speech but in deed and in truth. Translation: Actions speak louder than words. It's pretty easy to talk about doing the right thing, but acting on it can be a challenge.

However, John goes on to share some tips to help us do this:

Love one another

Keep His commandments and do what pleases Him

Sounds simple right? I can easily think of a couple of people who present huge challenges to me personally when I try to practice the

“love one another” idea. No matter what I do, or how hard I pray for

patience in dealing with them, things are difficult! However, I must persevere and love them. So, here's my trick...I stop and think of how difficult I might be to deal with, and how it may be difficult to love me—this can be painful. I tend to spend more time thinking of the shortcomings of those I am trying to love than my own faults, but perspective is gained.

Today's gospel is the story of the vine and the vine grower. “I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit because without me you can do nothing”

The story starts with a description of our Father, the vine grower. The vine grower very carefully works in the vineyard caring for the individual branches daily. Those branches that are not bearing fruit are removed; the fruit bearing branches are pruned so as to produce more fruit. The vine grower wants nothing more than to have a fruitful crop, and spends great time and care in achieving that. He will do whatever is needed to that end. The Father spends great time and care in watching over each of us. If we remain in Him and His words remain in us, we are told to ask for whatever is wanted and it will be done.

Angela Maynard, onlineministries.creighton.edu



IN THE DIOCESE

Recognizing Holy Ground: The Sacred Space Between Us A workshop with marital and family therapist, Anne Macaulay. Join us Saturday, **May 5th** 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the parish hall of St. Monica's Parish(6405 Terrebonne) for a time to reflect together on HOW we can honor our relationship to self and others. Practical strategies for communication and boundary keeping will be explored. For information and to register by May 2, contact Anna at (514) 481-0267 ext. 22 or anna.diodati@stmonica.ca.

Montreal Directed Retreats Be refreshed in mind, body and spirit. . .Silent directed weekend retreat at the Cistercian Abbey, Rougemont. Friday evening, **May 25th** to Sunday afternoon May 27th. Cost \$140. Registration deadline May 11th .To register, or for more info, call 514-626-9462 or visit www.montrealretreats.org

“The Joy of Marriage: Embracing God's Vision. Humanae Vitae at 50.”

Conference sponsored by the Catholic Organization for Life and Family (COLF) **May 31-June 1**, will examine the profound implications of blessed Paul VI's encyclical. Guest speakers include our Archbishop, Most Rev. Christian Lépine. Held at the Infinity Centre, Ottawa with simultaneous translation provided. Cost: \$195 For more info. visit www.colf.ca All are welcome.

PARISH SUPPORT We encourage all parishioners to use the Sunday envelopes. To obtain your envelopes please call the parish office (514-932-3131) or complete this form and place it in the collection plate. We extend a warm welcome to new parishioners. Please take a moment to introduce yourself to Father MacEachen after Mass.

Name _____
Address _____ Postal code _____
Email _____ Telephone _____

You are not forgotten If you, or a loved one, are not able to come to church, we would be happy to pay you a visit and bring you Communion. We can also send you a copy of our Parish bulletin. Let us know by calling the parish office and we will get to you ASAP.

Parish Donations can be made ONLINE through Canada Helps using major credit cards, PayPal or Interac. You obtain a Tax e-receipt immediately. There are 2 ways to access the site:
1. Via the parish website (www.ascensionofourlord.ca) -click on the main page button “EVERY DOLLAR HELPS” for instructions **or 2.** go directly to canadahelps.org and search for “Ascension of Our Lord Parish, Westmount”. Thank you for your generosity.

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April 29, 2018

Fifth Sunday of Easter

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MASS HOURS

Saturday	4:30 PM
Sunday	10:30 AM
Monday	9:00 AM
Tuesday	9:00 AM
Wednesday	9:00 AM
Thursday	NO MASS
Friday	9:00 AM

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Baptisms By appointment. Please phone the rectory at least one month before.

Confessions Saturday from 4:00 to 4:15 PM
Sunday from 10:00 to 10:15 AM

Marriages Please give six months notice.
Marriage preparation course required.

Sick calls Please notify us at anytime if someone in your family is ill, in order to arrange for Anointing of the Sick.

PARISH WARDENS

Janet Macklem (2018)
Louise MacLellan (2018)
Brian Weber (2019)
Don Taddeo (2019)
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OFFICE HOURS Monday to Thursday 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM or by appointment