

## MASSES THIS WEEK



### **Saturday January 20th**

St. Fabian; St. Sebastian  
4:30 Anne and John Blizchuk  
by the Estate

### **Sunday January 21st**

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Week of Prayer for Christian Unity  
10:30 Sally Donohue Bobkowicz  
by Andrea & Aidan Bobkowicz

### **Monday, January 22nd No Mass**

St. Vincent

### **Tuesday, January 23rd No Mass**

### **Wednesday, January 14th No Mass**

St. Francis de Sales

### **Thursday, January 25th No Mass**

The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

### **Friday January 26th No Mass**

St. Timothy and St. Titus

### **Saturday January 27th**

St. Angela Merici  
4:30 Lydia Wong Yuk Lim by Ansellem

## IN OUR PARISH



**“For I was hungry and you gave me food”** During these cold winter months we are reminded that hunger does not take a break. With the Christmas food drives ended, we would like to invite you to continue the new tradition started in our parish last fall to **“Feed the Hungry”** by

**remembering to bring 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 and will be delivered to St. Willibrord’s Food Bank. We appreciate your consideration and generosity.

**Weekly Donation Envelope Boxes** For those among you who have not already done so, please remember to collect your 2018 boxes for weekly donations at the main entrance of the church. Boxes are in **alphabetical** order. Some of you will note that you have a different number on your box this year. This is due to our computer system and our new printer-producer of the boxes. If you do not currently have a box for your donations, please contact the parish office and we will be pleased to organise one for you. Thank you for your comprehension and faithful generosity.

**Winter Coat Project!** The Newman Catholic Centre of McGill University is now accepting donations of clean, lightly-used warm winter coats, hats, mittens, scarves, and boots. Donations can be dropped off at the centre, 3484 Peel Street, between 10:00am and 2:00 pm Tuesday to Thursdays. (Free parking in the Newman Parking lot for winter coat drop-off.) Please mark all bags clearly as “McGill Winter Coat Project” and drop them in the Newman lobby (basement entrance). For more info, email morsl@mcgill.ca.

**Our Lady of Fatima Late Sunday Mass** Are you sometimes away from the city (and our parish) during the weekend? To better serve the Catholic community of Montreal, a late evening Mass is held every Sunday at 7 p.m. throughout the pastoral year. Everyone is most welcome to celebrate the Eucharist each week at Our Lady of Fatima Parish, 875 Marcel-Laurin Blvd., St-Laurent (Côte-Vertu Metro station). Visit [www.latesundaymass.com](http://www.latesundaymass.com)

## REFLECTION

“Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.” With these words, Jesus invites Simon (Peter) and his brother Andrew to follow Him and be His disciples. We often speak of the subtleties of translation. In the original Greek in which St. Mark wrote his Gospel, a better translation would be, “Come after me, and I will make you become fishers of men.” It is the beginning of a process.

We are called to that same process. It is not as if it happens quite suddenly. It happens over time, and it is a progression. If we are to be “fishers of men,” we are to be evangelizers and disciples of the Lord, and we are to represent what it means to be part of the Kingdom of God.

Of course, Simon and Andrew “abandoned their nets and followed him.” It may be more difficult for us to “abandon our nets” so to speak, but it does prompt us that we need to make major changes in our lives if we are going to follow Jesus. Simon and Andrew, and then James and John, were common men, normal people. They had no theological credentials nor did they have any special status in the world.

Most of us are similar. Jesus did not select them (or us) for who they were. He called them for what He could do through them. It is the same with each of us. Yes, we are called, but in order to really fulfill our calling we need to follow and trust in Jesus.

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## IN THE DIOCESE

**The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** Every year from January 18-25, Christians around the world are invited to celebrate a Week of Prayer for the unity of all Christians. The Theme for this year, prepared by an ecumenical team from the Caribbean is "Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power" (Exodus 15:6)- the song of Moses and Miriam - a song of triumph over oppression. We are invited to reflect on scripture together, participate in jointly-organized ecumenical services and to share fellowship. In Montreal an Ecumenical Prayer Service organised by the Canadian Centre of Ecumenism will be held this **Sunday January 21<sup>st</sup>** at 3PM at Union United Church (2007 Delisle St.)

**Judaism: Sacred Spaces and Objects**, A workshop led by Catherine Cherry will be held on **Wednesday, January 24** from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the parish hall of St. Monica’s Parish (6405 Terrebonne) An opportunity to get in touch with the Faith Tradition of our heritage – Judaism, we will explore God’s loving and active presence in their Sacred Spaces and Objects. For those who attend this presentation, a visit to a Synagogue will follow on Sunday afternoon, February 4. For information and to register by January 21, contact Anna at (514) 481-0267 ext. 22 or [anna.diodati@stmonica.ca](mailto:anna.diodati@stmonica.ca)

**United Irish Societies of Montreal: Selection Evening** Each year since 1956 the United Irish Societies of Montreal has organized a contest to select a queen and princesses for the annual St. Patrick’s parade. Originally called the Queen’s Pageant, today the Selection Evening is a public speaking contest held on Saturday, February 3, 7 p.m. at Plaza Centreville (777 Robert-Bourassa Blvd., Montreal, H3C 3Z7). Open to women of Irish descent between the ages of 18-25 who are permanent residents of Montreal and Canadian citizens. For more information contact Elizabeth Quinn at [equinn17@videotron.ca](mailto:equinn17@videotron.ca)

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.

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**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](http://www.ascensionofourlord.ca)) -click on the main page button “EVERY DOLLAR HELPS” for instructions **or 2.** go directly to [canadahelps.org](http://canadahelps.org) and search for “Ascension of Our Lord Parish, Westmount”. Thank you for your generosity.

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# Ascension of Our Lord Parish



**January 21, 2018**

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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**Week of Prayer  
for Christian Unity**

**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)  
Bonnie Auger (2020)  
Pino DiIoio (2020)

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**OFFICE HOURS** Monday to Thursday 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM or by appointment