

**Saturday, March 24th**

4:30 Albert Baillargeon  
by Beverly & Myles Redmond

**Sunday March 25th**

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord  
10:30 Marguerite Trudeau by Jean Sexton

**Monday, March 26th**

Monday of Holy Week  
9:00 Rita de Garcia-Quevedo  
by her Grandchildren

**Tuesday, March 27th**

Tuesday of Holy Week  
9:00 Ulric De Verteuil  
by Frances De Verteuil

**Wednesday, March 28th**

Wednesday of Holy Week  
9:00 Thomas McCauley  
by Constance O'Donnell

**Paschal Triduum**

**Thursday, March 29th  
Holy Thursday**

7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper  
All Deceased Priests  
by Father MacEachen



**Friday, March 30th  
Good Friday**

3:00 pm The Passion of the Lord

**Saturday, March 31st  
Holy Saturday**

7:30 pm Easter Vigil  
All Deceased Parishioners of Ascension  
by Father MacEachen

**Sunday April 1st  
Easter Sunday**

10:30 am The Resurrection of the Lord  
Margaret King Struthers by Sonia Struthers

**Flowers for Easter**

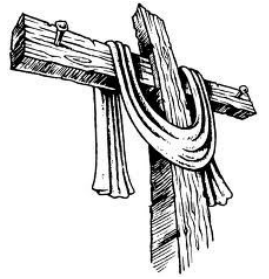


You are invited to make a donation in the name of loved ones toward the purchase of flowers to decorate the church and altar for the Easter season. Donation envelopes are available at the back of the church and should be received by March 25th in order to allow us time to organize the decor of our beautiful church during this most holy and joyous season.

**Thank you for supporting Share Lent 2018!**

Thank you for your generous support of the 2018 Share Lent campaign! Development and Peace – Caritas Canada thanks you for your Share Lent donation. Thanks to your generosity, the money collected in our parish will help support the actions of our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Middle East. If you did not have a chance to make your donation, you can still place your Share Lent envelopes (available at the back of the church) in the collection or donate directly at [devp.org/give](http://devp.org/give). Thank you for continuing to pray for all those who are working to build a world of peace and justice.

In his letter to the Philippians, our Second Reading on this Palm Sunday, St. Paul writes, "...he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness; and found human in appearance, he humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross." Everything we hear today and during Holy Week relates to this statement.



For some 2,000 years scholars and theologians have debated what the phrase "emptied himself" means. As is sometimes the case, in the midst of these debates and discussions they lose focus of what is really Paul's point and teaching perhaps. One of the things Paul might be trying to get us to think about is emptying ourselves to a certain extent. If you have ever been a retreat or been part of a spiritual exercise, you may be encouraged to "empty yourself" so you are prepared to in reality add something.

Jesus gave much up to be the Son of Man. At this point in our Lenten journey, we need to grasp that He gave up His life so that we might have life. That is what should be on our minds as we hear the Passion today and as we continue and complete our own preparation for Christ's resurrection on Easter. Have you ever heard someone say about someone else "He (or she) is so full of himself (or herself)?" Jesus was not "full of Himself." He emptied Himself, and that is something we, too, must strive to do to be His disciple.  
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**IN THE DIOCESE**

**Holy Land Commissariat in Canada Pontifical Collection of Good Friday**

The Pontifical Collection for the benefit of the Holy Places is scheduled this year on Good Friday March 30, 2018. Our parish, once a year on Good Friday, is called to support Christians in the Holy Land. Many Christians in the Holy Land depend on the collection for their lives. As a Pontifical collection requested by Pope Francis, the annual Good Friday Collection helps to maintain not only the Holy Places above all, but also the pastoral, welfare, educational and social works that the Church carries out to the benefit of the Christian brothers and sisters and the local population.

**Chrism Mass** Everyone is cordially invited to celebrate the Chrism Mass at Mary Queen of the World Cathedral on **Wednesday, March 28 at 7:30 pm**. During this mass, the priests, deacons and representatives of the entire diocesan community gather around their Bishop, who blesses the Holy Oils for use in the coming year. These are: Oil of the Sick, Oil of Catechumens and Sacred Chrism. The Chrism Mass reminds us of our oneness in Christ through Baptism and its holy anointing, made possible by the ministry of the Bishop and his priests.

**Good Friday Blood Drive** Donating blood is an act of solidarity that costs nothing, takes only a few minutes of your time and helps save lives. Archbishop Christian Lépine invites you the annual Good Friday Blood Drive on **Friday, March 30 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.** at Mary Queen of the World Cathedral (1110 Mansfield St., Montreal, H3B 2Y3). Members of the Héma-Québec team and volunteers will be there to welcome donors. For more info contact the donor 1-800-343-7264 or visit [www.hema-quebec.qc.ca](http://www.hema-quebec.qc.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



**March 25, 2018**

**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

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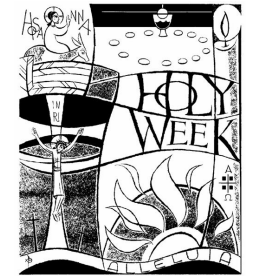
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## MASS HOURS

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