

**Saturday, April 8th**

4:30 Evarista O'Donnell  
by Constance O'Donnell

**Sunday, April 9th**

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord  
10:30 Danielle Keebler by her Family

**Monday, April 10th**

Monday of Holy Week  
9:00 Helen McCauley  
by Constance O'Donnell

**Tuesday, April 11th**

Tuesday of Holy Week  
9:00 Agnes Maclellan by Louise Maclellan

**Wednesday, April 12th**

Wednesday of Holy Week  
9:00 Barbara Ballantyne  
by Michael Ballantyne

**Paschal Triduum**

**Thursday, April 13th**

**Holy Thursday**  
7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper  
Danielle Keebler by the Family



**Friday, April 14th**

**Good Friday**  
3:00 pm The Passion of the Lord

**Saturday, April 15th**

**Holy Saturday**  
7:30 pm Easter Vigil  
Ann Craig by Maureen & Ron Blizchuk

**Sunday, April 16th**

**Easter Sunday**  
10:30 am The Resurrection of the Lord  
Jean-Claude Cardinal Turcotte by Brian & Effie Cordeiro

**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 April 9th 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 2017!**

Development and Peace – Caritas Canada wishes to thank all those who made a gift to the Share Lent campaign on the Fifth Sunday of Lent, Solidarity Sunday. Thank you! Through your generosity, the money collected in our parish will go towards meeting the needs help 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).



*This week the Sanctuary lamp will burn in memory of **Abdelkader Benabdallah** by Erlinda Vasquez*

*Our gospel today is long; it is the first of two readings of the passion and death of Jesus; we hear many sayings and notice events that are familiar to us and to all Christians. Maybe during the week we could take time to reread the gospel account, and watch what happens, going a bit behind the externals.*

*We will see Jesus being mocked, tortured, hurt, ridiculed, beaten and killed. We notice his fear in the garden of his agony, and also his willingness to go to the end for what he believes in and sees as his mission in life. We see him being treated unjustly, and a notorious thief being chosen over him for release. We see him on the cross, when he seems to feel neglected by his Father.*

*We notice also the help he received – the silent sympathy and love of his mother, Simon's help carrying the cross, the sympathy of the 'daughters of Jerusalem', and even the faith of the Roman who said he was a good man, a 'son of God'. We wonder about how he felt with the mockery and with the help he received.*

*We can identify with much of his suffering, in our own lives and the lives of people close to us. He is the one who 'has endured the cross and despised its shame' (Hebrews).*

*We can often take comfort and consolation from the fact that he identifies with the suffering of the human race, and that his resurrection is the basis of our faith, hope and love.*

*Look at or imagine a crucifix, and pray as you feel drawn.*

*Lord, by your cross and resurrection, you have set us free; you are the Saviour of the world.*

*Donal Neary SJ, [www.Columba.ie](http://www.Columba.ie)*



**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 April 14, 2017. 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.

**National Catholic Mission** The National Catholic Mission this year is inspired by the writings and teachings of Fr. Henri Nouwen. Join Sr. Sue Mosteller and Fr. Ron Rolheiser for this two part Mission that will be broadcast during Holy Week on Salt + Light TV (April 11 & 12) and on VisionTV (April 10 & 11). Each part of the Mission will be rebroadcast the following day following the Daily TV Mass. For more information e-mail the NCBC at [info@ncbc.ca](mailto:info@ncbc.ca), call 1-888-383-6277 or visit [www.dailytvmass.com](http://www.dailytvmass.com).

**Annual Way of the Cross** Our diocesan annual Way of the Cross will be held on Good Friday morning and led by our Archbishop, Msgr. Christian Lépine, in the streets and churches of Old Montreal. The event will start at **9:30 a.m. on April 14, 2017** in the Notre-Dame-de-Bon-Secours Chapel and will conclude approximately at noontime in the Marie-Reine-du-Monde Cathedral. All are welcome to this moment of prayer. Organized by Communion and Liberation Canada, for more information please contact Barbara at 514 667 5709 or [secretary@clonline.org](mailto:secretary@clonline.org).

**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 \_\_\_\_\_  
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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



**April 9 , 2017**

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

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