

## MASSES THIS WEEK

### **Saturday, February 4th**

4:30 The Quinlan family  
by Kathleen & Hugh Quinlan

### **Sunday, February 5th**

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
10:30 Germaine and Leonard Mallette  
by Ann & Louis Mallette

### **Monday, February 6th**

St. Paul Miki and Companions  
9:00 Yvonne Gould  
by William & Eileen Curran

### **Tuesday, February 7th**

9:00 Anne & John Blizchuk by the Estate

### **Wednesday, February 8th**

St. Jerome Emiliani  
St. Josephine Bakhita  
9:00 The Myronick & Blizchuk Families  
by the Estate

### **Thursday, February 9th No Mass**

### **Friday, February 10th**

St. Scholastica  
9:00 Joseph Finn by Patrick Finn

### **Saturday, February 11th**

Our Lady of Lourdes  
World Day of the Sick  
4:30 Art & Eileen O'Connell by the Estate

### **Mass Intentions**

Please note that we have quite a few Masses without intentions, particularly on weekdays. If you would like to remember a loved one, we invite you to contact the parish office to book a Mass time or the Sanctuary Lamp.

## IN OUR PARISH

### **The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick**



Developed from the practice of the apostles and of the early Church, this sacrament has been renewed in recent years and is a sacrament for the living. It is a ritual of healing appropriate not only for physical but also for mental and

spiritual sickness. During the reception of the sacrament, the priest lays his hands on the sick person's head and then rubs blessed oil on the person's forehead and hands, saying a brief prayer.

Who can be anointed? The Church offers the sacrament of anointing to those who are seriously ill or who are feeble because of old age. This includes those who suffer from serious chronic illnesses; patients before serious surgery; elderly people who are weak; sick children old enough to understand and be comforted by the sacrament. Those who have a serious mental illness and who would be strengthened by the sacrament may also be anointed. **To mark the World Day of the Sick, the Sacrament of the Sick will be offered in our parish at Saturday Mass next weekend (February 11th).** All who feel they are in need of the graces and strength of this sacrament are invited to receive it.

### **2016 Tax Receipts**

The 2016 Donation Tax Receipts are ready. You can pick them up at the back of the church, arranged in alphabetical order. If your family is registered under two names, you should check under both names if you can't find your receipt. For any queries email: ascensionaccounts@yahoo.com or call the Parish Office on a Tuesday or Wednesday morning. Thank you.

## ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

MONDAY	6:00PM	<b>Christian Meditation</b> in the Church For information call 514-931-5536
THURSDAY	7:30 PM	<b>Choir Practice</b> in the Choir Room
SATURDAY	4:30 PM	Mass <b>Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick</b>

## REFLECTION

*Christianity is about light. Just as Jesus is light to the world, so his church is to be light in a world of darkness. Light enables the beauty of things to be seen, and we are called to make the beauty of the world shine. But we are not to call attention to ourselves: if you are aware of the light in a room, it is too bright. Our vocation is for others, not ourselves. Surrounded by discrimination, oppression and war, Christians are challenged to "be united in mind and judgment," and they are directed by God's love to "bring mankind to unity and peace." The light we bring to the world should lead in time to an end of all the world's darkness: the alienation and oppression of peoples, the attacks on human life and dignity, and disrespect for God's creation. "A people living in darkness has seen a great light." The Church ... serves as a leaven and as a kind of soul for human society as it is to be renewed in Christ and transformed into God's family. ... The Church not only communicates divine life to men, but in some way casts the reflected light of that life over the entire earth. (Vatican II, Constitution on the Church in the Modern World, 1965: 40)*

**Ascension Parish Refugee Project** Our refugee project has taken an unexpected turn. The application of our two young candidates for entry to Canada as refugees was rejected by the Immigration authorities. As an alternative, and on the recommendation of the Archdiocesan refugee coordinator, we have partnered with Visitation Parish, whose candidates had already been accepted, but with insufficient funds for a full year's support. The refugees are a Mother and her two adult daughters. We are happy to report that the mother and younger daughter arrived in January and we have met them. They speak both French and English. The younger daughter came ahead of her sister, in order to get into Concordia University where she is continuing her education. They are settled in an apartment and the elder girl is expected to join them shortly. Visitation Parish has sufficient funds to cover the rent, and we shall take care of their other needs for their first year. Once the family is reunited, we plan to introduce them to our parishioners, and will advise you when we have settled on a date.

## IN THE DIOCESE

**St. Monica's Parish: The Holy Spirit Within Mother Earth...Our Common Home** led by Sr. Maura McGrath, CND. Three sessions will offer us an opportunity to listen together to Jesus' call to heal the Earth through the lens of "Laudato Si' – Care for our Common Home." Join us **Wednesday February 8, 15 & 22** 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the parish hall(6405 Terrebonne, Mtl) . Pope Francis' book, Laudato Si' is available to purchase for \$10 upon request at registration. For info. and to register by February 6, contact Anna at (514) 481-0267 ext. 22 or anna.diodati@stmonica.ca.

**Celebrate World Marriage Day** All married couples are invited to celebrate World Marriage Day, which honours married couples as heads of the family, the basic unit of society, and salutes the beauty of their faithfulness, sacrifice and joy in daily married life. Join us **Saturday, February 11**, 5pm for a bilingual mass presided by Archbishop Christian Lépine at Mary, Queen of the World Cathedral. (1085 de la Cathédrale). A reception at 7pm and dinner with wine will follow at La Plaza (420 Sherbrooke West, Montreal). Cost is \$150.00 per couple. For more information regarding the reception, please contact: Mary & Len at 514-809-7556 or Daisy & Tino at 514-327-9962 or marriageencounter@hotmail.com

**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](http://www.ascensionofourlord.ca)) -click on he 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



**BULLETIN February 5, 2017**

**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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*Light Your  
World!*

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