

Saturday, January 21st

St. Agnes
4:30 Gus O’Gorman
by Kathleen & Hugh Quinlan

Sunday, January 22nd

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:30 Sally Donohue Bobkowitz
by Andrea & Aidan Bobkowitz

Monday, January 23rd

9:00 Winnifred Dalgleish, 5th anniversary of Death
by William & Eileen Curran

Tuesday, January 24th

St. Francis de Sales
9:00 Frank Overall by the Parish Staff

Wednesday, January 25th

The Conversion of St. Paul
9:00 Angela Sorbara
by her husband Jean Lalonde

Thursday, January 26th No Mass

St. Timothy and St. Titus

Friday, January 27th

St. Angela Merici
9:00 Angela Sorbara,
1st Anniversary of Death by the Parish

Saturday, January 28th

St. Thomas Aquinas
4:30 The Kennedy family
by Kathleen & Hugh Quinlan



Election of Wardens

At a Meeting of parishioners held last Sunday January 15th, two parishioners were elected to serve as wardens Ascension. Congratulations to Tom Brady and Brian Weber who were re-elected for a second term to serve on the Board as of January 1st this year.

Mass Intentions

Please note that as we begin the new year 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.

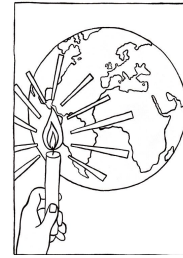
Celebrating 2017 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in Canada

Every year, Christians around the world are invited to celebrate a week of prayer for the unity of all Christians traditionally held from January 18 to 25. By coming together during this week, we join with the people around the world to pray for Christian unity – in worship, reflection, study, and fellowship. This year, we rejoice in the opportunity to pray with the Christians of Germany. They have chosen as their theme “Reconciliation – The Love of Christ Compels Us,” inspired by 2 Corinthians 5:14-20. They invite Christians around the world to celebrate God’s reconciling grace, call us to recognize the pain of the deep divisions which afflict the Church, and urge us to become ambassadors of Christ’s message of reconciliation.

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

MONDAY 6:00PM
Christian Meditation in the Church
For information call 514-931-5536

THURSDAY 7:30 PM
Choir Practice in the Choir Room



In today’s Gospel Matthew applies to Jesus the prophetic oracle of Isaiah: “The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; upon those who dwell in the land of gloom a light has shone.” In like manner, the psalmist’s assertion that the Lord is my light is echoed in Jesus’ words: “I am the light of the world; the man who follows me will have the light of life.”

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)
Gerald Darring <http://liturgy.slu.edu>

IN THE DIOCESE

Sacred Heart’s Blue & White Gala The Sacred Heart School of Montreal is hosting a fundraiser at Montreal’s Ritz-Carlton Hotel **Friday, February 3, 2017**, MC’d by Maya Johnson, CTV News Quebec City Bureau Chief. Gourmet dinner & dancing in the famed Oval Room. Cocktails with musicians start at 6pm, followed by a live auction and raffle prizes available all evening. Proceeds benefit The Future at Heart Capital Campaign & building of an auditorium. Tickets available online: www.sacredheart.qc.ca. info: 514-937-2845

Newman Centre of McGill: Marguerite D’Youville Lecture Recent discoveries have made it possible for stem cells to be used ethically for a host of applications from advancing our core understanding of cell function in health and disease to imminent advances in drug discovery, regenerative medicine and personalized approaches to treating disease. Join us at the Newman Centre (3484 Peel St) for the inaugural Marguerite D’Youville Lecture in Science, Medicine, and Christianity, **Thursday, January 26, 5:30pm**, when Dr. Hébert will discuss how we got to where we are as well as what’s coming that we should be thinking about practically and ethically as biomedical science advances. A reception will follow. Contact the office at 514-398-4106 or newmancentre@mail.mcgill.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.

Name _____
Address _____ Postal code _____
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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 (514-932-3131) 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 canadahelps.org and search for “Ascension of Our Lord Parish, Westmount”. Thank you for your generosity.

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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.

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