

MASSES WEEK of March 12th**MASSES WEEK of March 19th****REFLECTION****Saturday, March 11th**

4:30 Lacasse and Cross Families by the Estate

Sunday, March 12th

Second Sunday of Lent

10:30 Frank Baylis by his son Richard

Monday, March 13th

9:00 Gray Donald Family

by Janet & Dick Macklem

Tuesday, March 14th

9:00 Myronick and Blizchuk Families

by the Estate

Wednesday, March 15th

9:00 Hon. Frederick Collins & Mrs. Irene Collins

by their family

Thursday, March 16th**No Mass****Friday, March 17th**

St. Patrick

9:00 Edgar Abesamis, 1st Anniversary of Death

by Renee Prendergast

Saturday, March 18th

St. Cyril of Jerusalem

4:30 Art & Eileen O'Connell by the Estate

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Sunday, March 19th

Third Sunday of Lent

10:30 Germaine and Leonard Mallette

by Ann & Louis Mallette

Monday, March 20th

St. Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church

Principal Patron of Canada,

9:00 Chyka and Lange Families by Norma Chyka

Tuesday, March 21st

9:00 Mary and Edward Cross by the Estate

Wednesday, March 22nd

9:00 Marc Gratton by Eileen and Bill Curran

Thursday, March 23rd**No Mass****Friday, March 24th**

9:00 Danielle Keebler by her family

Saturday, March 25th

The Annunciation of the Lord

4:30 Valentina Blusanovics

by Diana & Peter Blusanovics

ACTIVITIES**MONDAY 6:00PM Christian Meditation**
in the Church- For info. call 514-931-5536**THURSDAY 7:30 PM Choir Practice**
in the Choir Room**SATURDAY (March 25th) 2:45 PM**
"Be My Disciples" **Children's Gathering & Family Mass** (4:30 PM)

During Lent, while we prepare to commemorate the death and resurrection of Christ and celebrate the everlasting life he shares with us at Easter, we are invited to review our lives in the context of our Christian faith and the teachings of his Church. Also, we are encouraged to repent of our sins and to do penance for them so that we can renew our relationship with Christ. These penitential aspects of Lent are not intended to discourage us even if they challenge us severely. Indeed, the example of the Church's saints teaches us that those who are most disciplined and faithful to Christ are those who display the greatest joy. It is a mistake to connect penance with unhappiness. The opposite is true. In fact, our society is full of people who are pursuing hedonistic pleasure, which they mistake for happiness, and who are miserable in the pursuit of false happiness.

Lent is meant to be fundamentally a good experience because the established Lenten practices facilitate our ongoing conversion to the Gospel. Our prayer during Lent needs to be enthusiastically similar to the words spoken by Peter to Jesus during the Transfiguration: 'Lord, it is wonderful for us to be here' (Mt 17:4). However, as we know, Lent is quite demanding and requires considerable spiritual discipline, especially if we are not in the habit of fasting and doing penance. It would be impossible for us to embrace wholeheartedly the challenges of the Gospel while depending on our own resolve alone. For that reason, we need to remember Jesus' consoling words to his close friends when they were frightened on the mountain: 'Stand up, do not be afraid' (Mt 17:7). We are never alone.

John Litterton, www.Columba.ie

Benedict Labré House

On **Sunday March 19th**, Ascension will be providing and serving food for approximately 150 people less fortunate than us. We do this by pre-making a meal and dessert. Along with this we serve soup, bread and juice. This weekend (March 11/12) we are supplying pans and recipes for the meal and dessert. If you are unable to prepare something, we gladly accept cash donations to buy the other items. For additional information, please contact Aletha Thompson at 514-482-5660 or see a volunteer at the back of the church.

IN THE DIOCESE

Women's Day Retreat Wednesday, March 15th at Villa Saint-Martin (9451 Gouin Blvd, W., Pierrefonds). Registration: 9:15 a.m.. Animator; Sr. Pat O'Neill, SNJM. Thought-provoking presentations, quiet time for personal reflection and prayer; Eucharistic celebration; sharing for those who wish to participate. All women welcome. Bring a brown bag lunch; coffee & tea provided. Suggested donation: \$15.00. Info. (514) 684-1290.

St. Monica's Parish: Discerning The Spirit At Work In Our Common History Join us on **Wednesday evenings, March 15, 22, and 29** from 7 to 9 p.m. in the parish hall for presentations inspired by the BBC video series "A History of Christianity". Led by Fr. Raymond Lafontaine, Jennifer Dickson, & Robert Assaly, this series will consider the Protestant Reformation & the rise of Evangelical Christianity, seeking to discern where the Spirit is moving the Church in a post-modern, secular age. For info. & to register by March 13, contact Anna (514) 481-0267 ext. 22 or anna.diodati@stmonica.ca.

The week of **March 12th** the Sanctuary lamp will burn in memory of **Uy Kin** by the Family



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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.

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1. Via the parish website (www.ascensionofourlord.ca) -click on the main page button "EVERY DOLLAR HELPS" for instructions
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March 19, 2017

Second Sunday of Lent
Third Sunday of Lent

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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

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