

## MASSES THIS WEEK

### **Saturday, May 6th**

St. François de Laval  
4:30 Jean Rowen  
by Kathleen & Hugh Quinlan

### **Sunday, May 7th**

Fourth Sunday of Easter  
10:30 Bartholomew Blain by Joseph Blain

### **Monday, May 8th**

Catherine of St. Augustine  
9:00 Anne & John Blizchuk by the Estate

### **Tuesday, May 9th**

9:00 Mary & Edward Cross by the Estate

### **Wednesday, May 10th**

9:00 Ken Verdoni by Dana Massaro

### **Thursday, May 11th No Mass**

### **Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup>**

St. Nereus & St. Achilleus, St. Pancras  
9:00 Bartholomew Blain by Joseph Blain

### **Saturday, May 13th**

Our Lady of Fatima  
4:30 Nora Quinlan  
by Kathleen & Hugh Quinlan

## 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 10:00 AM

### **Confirmation Retreat**

in the Parish Hall & Church

## IN OUR PARISH

### **Celebrating**

#### **First Communion**

Congratulations to these young people from our Parish who are celebrating their First Holy Communion this Sunday. Guided by their parents and with the support of volunteer catechists they have grown in their love for God and understanding of our faith.



**Sonya-Liboria Bastiaans**

**Mara Cacciola**

**Gabriela Cocco-Veltri**

**Rocco Della Santina**

**Matteo Dimora**

**Beatrice Donadel**

**Clara Guillot**

**Alexandra Langtôt**

**Sarah Leasure**

**Kylegaylord Malagad**

**Massimo Piccirilli**

**Karina Remai**

**Magdalena Thibodeaux**

*May they always be blessed with the peace of Jesus, the light of his love and the joy of his life within them.*

**Sophie Bergevin**

**Luca Capotosto**

**Adriano Cuffaro**

**Cesare Della Santina**

**Logan Doherty**

**Jack Fortier**

**Fiona Kelly**

**Stefania Lazzara**

**Victoria Lee**

**Ariane Ouellet**

**Danika Pistacchio**

**Eva Verrillo**

#### **Memorial Service Frank Overall**

All parishioners are invited to share in a Memorial Service for our former caretaker and sexton, Frank Overall. The service will take place on **Saturday May 20<sup>th</sup> at 11am.**

#### **Archdiocesan Annual Collection**

The Annual Collection of the Archdiocese of Montreal is currently underway. This collection provides funds to support projects which assist the diocesan Church in our mission to proclaim God's love. Envelopes are available at the back of the church for your donations.

## REFLECTION

*Shepherds and sheep were so much a part of life for Jesus and those from Galilee. Galilee was, after all, largely a rural area and raising sheep and shepherding was an intricate part of their lives. That is why the image of a shepherd with his sheep was so often used during biblical times. It was a connection with which people could identify.*

*It is equally important for us today to understand this important cultural connection for them. Shepherding was all about feeding the lambs and the sheep (recall that Jesus tells Peter "Feed my sheep."), bringing them to good pasture lands and water ("The Lord is my shepherd...He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside quiet waters; he restores my soul."); going after lost lambs ("Does he not leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it?"); and protects the sheep in the field and the fold ("The watchman opens the gate, and the sheep listen to his voice.").*

*Our Gospel reading today comes from St. John 10: 1-10. In St. John 10: 11, the next verse, Christ declares "I am the good shepherd; the good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep."*

*As Catholics and Christians, we, too, are called to be Good Shepherds to all those with whom we come in contact. It may be from another culture than ours, but we should understand full well the implications of that.*

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## IN THE DIOCESE

### **The New Evangelization Summit ~ Inspiring Catholics**

This conference will bring together world-class Catholic speakers who are leaders in the New Evangelization to provide inspiration, encouragement, training, practical wisdom and resources on how Catholics can effectively evangelize. All Catholics will benefit immensely from this opportunity. The NES will be held in Ottawa **May 12-13** and streamed to up to 24 host-sites, including St. John Brébeuf Parish (7777 George St., LaSalle). Tickets are \$35 each and includes Saturday lunch and refreshments both days. For details please contact the office(514-366-0131 x223), Prem & Bob (514-366-8553) or Cory (514-799-1907).

### **Planning some spring cleaning? Think of the Ignatian Centre Yard Sale**

Please note that the Ignatian Centre is collecting items for the next yard sale which will take place **May 12 & 13** from 9 am to 4 pm, rain or shine. Donations and volunteers are needed! Please contact the Centre to arrange to drop off items or if you would like to help with the many tasks. The address is 4567 West Broadway in NDG, 514-481-1064. The funds raised at the sale will enable continued service to the community, free of charge, as St. Ignatius intended.

### **Diocesan Mass Celebrating Montreal's 375th**

This is a day to mark on your calendar....**May 17....**in celebration of the founding of Montreal. Archbishop Lépine will be presiding at a special Mass at 9:00am at Notre Dame Basilica. The bells of Montreal churches will ring at 8:45am to mark this special celebration.

### **Daily Mass ~ Week of Prayer for Vocations**

The National Catholic Broadcasting Council (NCBC) is hosting a Week of Prayer for Vocations from **May 6th - May 13th**. Each Mass during that week will focus on the call to religious life. You can join the Vocations Prayer Circle by visiting the NCBC website at [www.dailytvmass.com](http://www.dailytvmass.com), by e-mail at [info@ncbc.ca](mailto:info@ncbc.ca), or call toll-free at 1-888-383-6277 to have your name added to the Circle.

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 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



**May 7th, 2017**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

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