MASSES THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH REFLECTION Eyes That See

Saturday, May 27th

St. Augustine of Canterbury 4:30 In Honour of the Sacconaghi family by MaryLou Sacconaghi

Sunday, May 28th

Ascension of the Lord 10:30 Kate and Ed Sampson by Ann & Louis Mallette

Monday, May 29th

9:00 Mary & Edward Cross by the Estate

Tuesday, May 30th

9:00 Thanksgiving for Valerie & Andre Joseph Cordeiro, 2nd Wedding Anniversary

Wednesday, May 31st

The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary 9:00 Myronick & Blizchuk Families by the Estate

Thursday, June 1st No Mass

St. Justin

Friday, June 2nd

St. Marcellinus & St. Peter, martyrs 9:00 Anne & John Blizchuk by the Estate

Saturday, June 3rd

St. Charles Lwanga and Companions 4:30 For a Special Intention by Ron & Maureen Blizchuk



This week the Sanctuary lamp will burn in memory of **Kristoffer Limgo** by the Family

Prayer of Thanksgiving for our Parish

Lord, we thank you for your strengthening presence
in the fellowship of our congregation
in the wonder of our children and
the wisdom of our elders
in the words and lives of our church leaders
in the deep silence of prayer
in the joyous notes of our choir
in the vibrant city that surrounds us

in the sunlight that streams through our stained-glass windows in the gentle lilacs whose blooms announce spring in the brilliance of the autumn leaves and the clean perfection of the winter snows. Grant, O Lord, that we may stay alive to your presence and aware of your will even in the darkest of times. May we in all our actions think first of you, second of others, and lastly of ourselves. Amen.

"Be My Disciples" 2017-18 Registration Registration for children grades 1 to 6 has begun. We encourage you to complete yours as soon as possible in order to help us plan for the fall. Forms are available at the back of the church or can be obtained by contacting Linda Wiltshire, Pastoral Associate email: wiltshirecl@msn.com or Tel. 514-932-3131 (Mon & Thurs)

Sacrament of Confirmation Next Saturday, June 3rd, we will welcome Most Reverend Terrence Prendergast, SJ, Archbishop of Ottawa among us who will confer the sacrament of Confirmation upon 17 young people during the 4:30pm Mass. As a parish community let us pray that the Holy Spirit will inspire them to lives overflowing with goodness and grace.

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

We often harbor the illusion that if only we were able to see the Risen Jesus with our own eyes, we would be firm believers. The brief gospel account of the Lord's Ascension should cause us to pause. As the Eleven gather on the mountain in Galilee and catch sight of Jesus, the gospel relates: "When they saw him, they worshiped, but they doubted." They actually see him, they know he is alive, yet their faith is not as firm as we might have imagined!

How striking, then, are St. Paul's words in his Letter to the Ephesians when he prays: "May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened, that you may know what is the hope that belongs to his call. . . ." St. Paul reveals that there is a different kind of seeing, leading to a deeper kind of knowing. The inner heart has "eyes" that see, a gift of the "Spirit of wisdom and revelation." These eyes give sure knowledge of the hope that is ours, the hope of sharing in the glory that is our destiny.

We who live in the post-Pentecost times have all been enlightened through that one Holy Spirit. We possess the new eyes and the certain hope that the Eleven had yet to discover when they gathered on the mountain top. Are we aware that all of us already possess these inner eyes? If so, are we exercising those inner eyes or have they become atrophied? Do we claim the hope that is ours? On this Ascension Day, let us make St. Paul's prayer our own: Lord God, enlighten the eyes of our hearts, that we may know the hope that is ours!

Rev. Richard Gabuzda, http://onlineministries.creighton.edu

IN THE DIOCESE

<u>51st World Communications Day</u> The message of Pope Francis is entitled: Fear not, for I am with you (Isaiah 43:5): Communicating Hope and Trust in our Time. To be celebrated on **May 28**, which in Canada is the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, the Pope expresses his desire "to contribute to the search for an open and creative style of communication that never seeks to glamourize evil, but instead to concentrate on solutions and to inspire a positive and responsible approach on the part of its recipients. "

<u>Patronal Feast Day</u> Join Archbishop Christian Lépine for the diocesan patronal feast day celebration on **Wednesday, May 31**, 7:30pm at the Basilica of Mary Queen of the World. The Ignace-Bourget Diocesan Merit Award, first bestowed in 1979 by Paul Cardinal Grégoire, will be presented during the Mass in recognition of individuals and/or institutions who have served the Church community with generosity, charity and social engagement. All are welcome!

<u>Annual Sacred Heart Alumnae Reunion</u> - Join us on **June 2nd** for a special reunion for ALL graduating years. Come for cocktails only (5-7 pm) or stay for dinner. Reminisce and reconnect in the familiar corridors of Sacred Heart. Please register by May 23. Contact the Alum Office at 514 937-2845 (ext. 108) or email alumnae@sacredheart.qc.ca.

Film Fundraiser: "St Ignatius of Loyola" Friday June 2 at 7 pm & Saturday June 3 at 3 pm at the Eric Maclean Centre, 2477 West Broadway (Loyola High School). Tickets: \$10 each . A modern adaptation of the life of the founder of the Jesuits as soldier, sinner, saint. To see a trailer, or for information on the cast, visit www.ignatiusmovie.com. For tickets, contact the Ignatian Centre, 514-481-1064 or centre@ignatiancentremtl.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.

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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) -click on he main page button "EVERY DOLLAR HELPS" for instructions or 2. go directly to canadahelps.org and search for "Ascension of Our Lord Parish, Westmount". Thank you for your generosity.

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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

PARISH WARDENS

Janet Macklem

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SACRAMENTAL LIFE

By appointment. Please phone the rectory at least **Baptisms**

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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