

MASSES THIS WEEK

Saturday, November 18th

Dedication of the Basilicas of St. Peter & St. Paul
4:30 Anna and Giuseppe Romano
by Christina Maurizio

Sunday, November 19th

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:30 Kate and Ed Sampson by the Mallettes

Monday, November 20th

9:00 Lorraine Cley
by Maureen & Gordon Pallett

Tuesday, November 21st

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
9:00 Mary and Edward Cross by the Estate

Wednesday, November 22nd

St. Cecilia
9:00 Philip Griffin by his Wife

Thursday, November 23rd No Mass

St. Clement I; St. Columban

Friday, November 24th

St. Andrew Dūng-Lac and Companions
9:00 Mary and Edward Cross by the Estate

Saturday, November 25th

St. Catherine of Alexandria
4:30 Iola, Antonio & Gino Romano
by Cristina Maurizio

The Book of Remembrance

is available throughout the month of November at the back of the church. You are invited to inscribe in it the names of all family and friends whom you would like remembered in prayer by our parish community during this month.



IN OUR PARISH

Ascension Choir Christmas Concert



The members of our Parish Choir would like to invite all parishioners to join us for an afternoon concert featuring choral music for the Christmas season, under the direction of our Music Director, David Szanto. The concert will take place on **Sunday, December 3rd, at 3:00pm** in the church. A reception will follow. Proceeds from the concert will go towards helping cover the cost of refurbishing our beautiful Casavant organ.

Welcome Hall Mission: Thank You!

Last Sunday we served Shepherd's pies & apple crisps 270 cold and hungry people. We received many compliments on the wonderful home cooking done with love and so appreciated! Your generosity also allowed us to buy the added food (soup, juice, bread etc.) as well as provide needed long johns & some toiletries. A heartfelt thanks to all of you who cooked, donated and volunteered. A special thank you to Aletha Thompson, Damon Smith and all of the Ascension volunteers who met this challenge with such success- so successful that we look to doing this again in February.

Election of Wardens

On Sunday **December 10th** immediately following the 10:30 Mass a meeting of all parishioners will be held in the Parish Room for the purpose of electing two wardens to replace the two who are completing their term of office on December 31, 2017. Any parishioner, 18 years of age, who lives within the parish boundaries, can be nominated to serve as a warden. The term of office is 3 years, and can be renewed once. The role of the warden is to assist the Pastor in managing the financial and temporal affairs of the parish. If you would like to submit your name to serve our parish in this way please speak with Fr. MacEachen. Nominations will be received up until the meeting for the election.

Sunday Missals 2018 are available for sale at the back of the church. The cost is \$5 each. As we have a limited supply, you are encouraged to purchase your copy as soon as possible and write your name in your book

REFLECTION

We may long to hear the Lord say to us, "Well done, good and faithful servant," as He does with the first two servants mentioned in the Parable of the Talents in today's Gospel from Matthew. However, although the third servant did not squander or waste the gifts (talents) he had received, the Master's reaction was not the same.

As we have often stated, stewardship is an active way of life. There is nothing passive about it. The Lord expects us to do things, to take the gifts we receive and to share them and multiply them, as was the case in the first two servants cited in the parable.

If we really wish to hear the Lord say, "Well done, good and faithful servant" to us when we are finally judged, we need to do something to earn that praise. The key word in that sentence is "do." There is nothing spiritual or abstract about being ready for Jesus' return and judgment of us. God has gifted us in a multitude of ways. We need to recognize those gifts; acknowledge those gifts; be grateful for those gifts; and most of all use those gifts to benefit the Church and others.

What have we done with our time, our money, and our abilities? In our Church we recognize and point to sins of omission — that is, things we did not do, but should have. Like the first two servants in the parable, it is not just a case of preserving what God has given us, it is a case of using it, increasing it, and returning it to the Lord.

<http://www.catholicsteward.com/blog/>



IN THE DIOCESE

Loyola High School's 48th Annual Mothers' Guild Wine and Cheese Fundraiser.

Loyola High School's social event of the year is just a few weeks away! **Sunday November 26th** 2-5pm Please join us for games, silent auction, our famous Balloon Pop, wonderful food, beverages and more! Tickets may be purchased on-line at www.loyola.ca 2477 West Broadway Adults Only, Admission \$25 All proceeds benefit the Loyola High School Bursary Fund. For further information, please do not hesitate to contact the Mothers' Guild at mothersguild@loyola.ca

Christmas Fair- Father Dowd Home Will be held at the Home, 6565 Hudson Road, Cote-des-Neiges (behind Kent Park), **Saturday, November 25th**, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Bake Table, Knitted Goods, Christmas Table, 50/50, Books, Toys, Jewelry, White Elephant and Tea Room with sandwiches & desserts. Hope to see many of you there. ALL proceeds go to the purchase of Christmas presents for the residents.

The Sacred Heart Christmas Fair - Saturday, Dec. 9th Get an Early Start to Your Christmas Shopping: We have an exciting line up of exhibitors, artisans & artists, as well as handmade Christmas cards, and the ever popular Sacred Heart Café! Tickets for raffle prizes will be sold on site. Saturday, December 9 from 10 am to 5:00 pm. Free parking. 3635 Atwater Avenue, Montreal. Info: www.sacredheart.qc.ca or call 514-937-2845.

Being Pro-Religious, Low Religious, and No Religious in Montreal: A Mirror of Canada & the World. Sponsored by the ESCC and the OEPS, noted sociologist of religion Reginald Bibby will deliver a public lecture Thursday, **November 30th**, 7:00 p.m. at Loyola High School, 2477 (West Broadway) A wine & cheese reception will follow. There will also be an opportunity to purchase signed copies of Dr. Bibby's books, including Canada's Catholics. R.S.V.P. by November 23rd at escc@bellnet.ca or 514-937-2301, ext. 252. More info. can be found on the ESCC website: www.catholiccouncil.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 _____
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) -click on the 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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November 19, 2017

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Love not in word
but in deed
2017

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