

## MASSES THIS WEEK

### **Saturday, October 7th**

Our Lady of the Rosary  
4:30 Elizabeth McMahon Wilkins  
by Robert & Maura Wilkins

### **Sunday, October 8th**

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
10:30 Adele Wells by Joanne Kelly Rudy

### **Monday, October 9th**

Thanksgiving Day  
St. Denis, St. John Leonardi  
9:00 Anne & John Blizchuk by the Estate

### **Tuesday, October 10th**

9:00 Lorraine Hart Cleyn by Patsy Harris

### **Wednesday, October 11th**

St. John XXIII, Pope  
9:00 Mary and Edward Cross by the Estate

### **Thursday, October 12th No Mass**

### **Friday, October 13th**

9:00 Mary and Edward Cross by the Estate

### **Saturday, October 14th**

St. Callistus I, Pope  
4:30 Peter McLoughlin  
by Kathleen & Hugh Quinlan



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

## IN OUR PARISH

**Fall Catch-Up Campaign** Our Fall Catch-Up campaign is underway and you may have already received, or will shortly receive a letter from our pastor and wardens. This appeal assists us in replenishing our coffers and also provides you with an opportunity to catch up with your contributions, or increase your donation to our parish. As always we rely upon your generous support in order provide for all the needs of the parish.

You may place your Fall Catch-Up envelope in the collection plate at Mass, drop it into the mail slot at the rectory or mail it at your convenience. In addition, donations to the campaign can be made online through Canada Helps at [www.Canadahelps.org](http://www.Canadahelps.org).

**Thanksgiving Food Drive** Our Thanksgiving Food Collection continues throughout the month of October. Please remember to bring nonperishable food items to church every weekend. Donations can be left in the special bin located to the right of the main Altar & at the back of the church and will be delivered to St. Willibrord's Food Bank. We appreciate your consideration and generosity.

### **Feeding the Hungry: Benedict Labré to Welcome Hall**

The numbers of patrons of Benedict Labré has been falling and so, to ensure our efforts continue to reach those most in need we have decided to change the venue for our "Feed the Needy" program from Benedict Labré to Welcome Hall Mission. Welcome Hall Mission operates one of the largest food banks in Canada. It offers many services ranging to a boutique, job & other counselling, accommodations for the homeless and meal service 7 days a week to all who require it- approximately 200 persons per meal. So, as you'll be pleased to know, we will be responding to a greater need than in the past! This move to Welcome Hall necessitates some changes: the meal time will be 6PM on Sunday – and both more food & more volunteers (18 years of age and over) will be needed. We will continue to accept cash donations as we will still need to buy soup, bread, vegetables, ketchup and juice. Our first meal is planned for Sunday November 12. The details will be given closer to that date.

### **Be My Disciples Children's Gathering & Family Mass**

SATURDAY OCTOBER 14th 2:45PM ( 4:30PM Mass)

## REFLECTION

*One of St. Paul's favorite topics was prayer, and today's reading from his letter to the Philippians is no exception to that. He says, "Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God." For Paul all topics are appropriate for prayer because we need to share and consult with the Lord about everything.*

*God knows what is on our minds already, of course, but He also desires that we make a conscious effort to communicate with Him on these subjects. In addition, Paul points out that our prayers need to be infused with thanksgiving. We should not just petition the Lord and make requests. It is equally important that we thank Him about, identify, and acknowledge our blessings.*

*We have often pointed out that stewardship is a life of gratitude, a way of living which encourages us to focus on gifts, not on problems and challenges all the time. If we strive to have grateful hearts, our prayers come much more easily, and we tend to be much happier and more upbeat in our lives.*

*The noted author, philosopher, journalist, and theologian G. K. Chesterton is well known in Catholic circles because he converted to Catholicism during his life, and was an excellent conveyor of the faith. In terms of living grateful lives he said, "I would maintain that thanks are the highest form of thought; and that gratitude is happiness doubled by wonder." That includes thanks to God.*

## IN THE DIOCESE

**Pastoral Home Care (SASMAD) Visitors Listeners wanted!** ? We are currently looking for volunteers to visit persons who are unable to connect to the community due to immobility or illness. Visits would take place in the person's home or senior's residence and can be arranged according to your own schedule. Formation will take place **Friday, October 20 (7-9pm) & Saturday, October 21(9am-2pm) and Friday, November 3 (7-9pm) & Saturday, November 4 (9am.-2pm.)** at St. Monica's Parish. Basic skills of listening and spiritual accompaniment will be explored. If interested, please contact Cathie Macaulay at 514-925-4354; [cmacaulay@diocesemontreal.org](mailto:cmacaulay@diocesemontreal.org).

**St. Monica's Parish Faith Sharing Groups** meet for 14 sessions throughout the year at different times and locations. The 2017-18 program is based on reflections from the book *That You Might Have Life* by David Haas – helping readers see that holiness is the key to searching for the something "more" that gives our lives meaning and offers simple spiritual practices to help grow closer to God and one another. Join one of the groups: Tuesdays & Thursdays at St. Monica, Mondays at St. Ignatius of Loyola and Fridays at Manoir Westmount. For information and to register, contact Anna at 514-481-0267, ext. 22 or Email her at: [anna.diodati@st.monica.ca](mailto:anna.diodati@st.monica.ca). Cost for book and printed materials is \$25.

**Euthanasia: A Question of Compassion?** Two years into the legalization of euthanasia in our province, where are we now? All are welcome to hear three speakers discuss the social, political and spiritual impact of the new law in daily life. Archbishop Christian Lépine will address the spiritual meaning of death, suffering and compassion. Join them at Mary Queen of the World Cathedral (René-Lévesque & de la Cathédrale) **Tuesday, October 17, 7:30 pm.**

**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 \_\_\_\_\_  
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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](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



**October 08, 2017**

**Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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