

## MASSES THIS WEEK

### **Saturday January 27th**

St. Angela Merici  
4:30 Lydia Wong Yuk Lim by Anselem

### **Sunday January 28th**

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
10:30 Mary and Edward Cross  
by the Estate

### **Monday, January 29th**

9:00 Mary and Edward Cross  
by the Estate

### **Tuesday, January 30th**

9:00 Ferdinand George Doulton  
by the Parish Staff

### **Wednesday, January 31st**

St. John Bosco  
9:00 Anne and John Blizchuk  
by the Estate

### **Thursday, February 1st No Mass**

### **Friday, February 2nd**

The Presentation of the Lord  
World Day for Consecrated Life  
9:00 Mary and Edward Cross  
by the Estate

### **Saturday February 3rd**

St. Blaise, St. Ansgar  
4:30 Anne and John Blizchuk  
by the Estate

## IN OUR PARISH

### **Weekly Donation Envelope Boxes**

For those among you who have not already done so, please remember to collect your 2018 boxes for weekly donations at the main entrance of the church. Boxes are in alphabetical order. Some of you will note that you have a different number on your box this year. This is due to our computer system and our new printer-producer of the boxes. If you do not currently have a box for your donations, please contact the parish office and we will be pleased to organise one for you. Thank you for your comprehension and faithful generosity.

### **“For I was hungry and you gave me food”**



During these cold winter months we are reminded that hunger does not take a break. With the Christmas food drives ended, we would like to invite you to continue the new tradition started in our parish last fall to “*Feed the Hungry*” by remembering to bring 1 non-perishable

food item to Mass every weekend. Donations can be left in the special bins 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.

### **Welcome Hall Mission: our 2nd meal**

You all responded so generously for our first meal where we served 270 people and the Welcome Hall staff as well as the clients were so impressed and grateful that we have decided to do it all over again. Our next meal service will be on Sunday February 18<sup>th</sup>. Look for more detailed information on how you can participate in next week’s bulletin.

**Winter Coat Project!** The Newman Catholic Centre of McGill University is accepting donations of clean, lightly-used warm winter coats, hats, mittens, scarves, and boots.

Donations can be dropped off at the centre, 3484 Peel Street, between 10:00am and 2:00 pm Tuesday to Thursdays. (Free parking in the Newman Parking lot for winter coat drop-off.) Please mark all bags clearly as “McGill Winter Coat Project” and drop them in the Newman lobby (basement entrance).

For more info, email [morsl@mcgill.ca](mailto:morsl@mcgill.ca).

## REFLECTION

### **If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.**

God spoke directly to Moses. In the first reading God has promised the people that he will speak directly to someone from their own kin like he speaks to Moses so those people can hear and understand. They will be able to hear the word of God in their own language and within their own culture. What an amazing opportunity. I know I would love to hear directly from God. Today it seems hard to know exactly what to do and what really is God’s will. Back then God spoke directly to Moses, and he said exactly what to do. The people in the first reading have a prophet in their midst. But this opportunity comes with responsibility also. They have to listen and obey. And false prophets will not be tolerated. Actually, this helps them out too, because anyone who pretends to prophesy, but isn’t the prophet God speaks to directly will die, so the people actually know that their prophet is real. That makes it easier to trust in and follow his words.

Even the demons listen to Jesus and obey. He calls out the unclean spirit that recognizes that Jesus is the voice of God and no match for the evil spirit, which is destroyed at his words. The people are amazed at this, but the voice of God is that powerful.

It’s more difficult today to hear and understand the voice of God, but not impossible. We can read it here in the scriptures. We can sense it in our conscience. We can see it in God’s creation. We should be alert and aware for where it will express itself. God is all around us. We need to recognize his voice when we hear it. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

*Tamora Whitney, [onlineministries.creighton.edu](http://onlineministries.creighton.edu)*



## IN THE DIOCESE

**United Irish Societies of Montreal: Selection Evening** Each year since 1956 the United Irish Societies of Montreal has organized a contest to select a queen and princesses for the annual St. Patrick’s parade. Originally called the Queen’s Pageant, today the Selection Evening is a public speaking contest held on **Saturday, February 3, 7 p.m.** at Plaza Centreville (777 Robert-Bourassa Blvd., Montreal, H3C 3Z7).

Open to women of Irish descent between the ages of 18-25 who are permanent residents of Montreal and Canadian citizens. For more information contact Elizabeth Quinn at [equinn17@videotron.ca](mailto:equinn17@videotron.ca)

**Catholicism: The Pivotal Players** This film series with Bishop Robert Barron illuminates six people who not only shaped the life of the Church, but changed the course of civilization. Join guest presenters, Michael Van Dussen, Jennifer Dickson & Fr. Raymond Lafontaine, Wednesday evenings, February 21, 28, and March 7 from 7:00 to 9:15 p.m., at St. Monica’s Parish (6405 Terrebonne, Mtl.) as they help us to unlock the truth behind three influential people: St. Catherine of Siena, G. K. Chesterton & Blessed John Henry Newman. For information and to register by February 19, contact Anna at (514) 481-0267 ext. 22 or at [anna.diodati@stmonica.ca](mailto:anna.diodati@stmonica.ca).

**Fundraising Event: Benefit Performance for the Ignatian Centre** All are welcome on **Sunday, February 11, 2 p.m.** at Lakeshore Academy High School (5050 Sherbrooke St., Lachine, H8T 1H8) for a benefit performance of Calendar Girls by the Lakeshore Players Dorval! Cost is \$25. Tickets must be purchased through the Ignatian Centre by calling 514-481-1064 or by email [centre@ignatiancentremtl.ca](mailto:centre@ignatiancentremtl.ca).

**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.

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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# Ascension of Our Lord Parish



**January 28, 2018**

**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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**Friday February 2nd**

**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 (2018)  
Louise MacLellan (2018)  
Brian Weber (2019)  
Don Taddeo (2019)  
Bonnie Auger (2020)  
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**OFFICE HOURS** Monday to Thursday 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM or by appointment