

Saturday, April 6th

4:30 The McCauley & O'Donnell Families
by Constance O'Donnell

Sunday, April 7th

Fifth Sunday of Lent
10:30 Gloria Baylis by Richard Baylis

Monday, April 8th

9:00 Mr. & Mrs. Kurt and Linda Krause
by the Estate

Tuesday, April 9th

9:00 Agnes MacLellan by Louise MacLellan

Wednesday, April 10th

9:00 Agnes MacLellan by Louise MacLellan

Thursday, April 11th No Mass

Friday, April 12th

9:00 Ulric de Verteuil by Frances de Verteuil

Saturday, April 13th

St. Martin I, pope
4:30 Christian Vincent by Delfina Legaspi

**Schedule of Services
Holy Week and Easter**

Holy Thursday April 18th 7:30 pm
Good Friday, Solemn Passion Service

April 19th 3:00 pm

Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil

April 20th 7:30 pm

**Easter Sunday
Resurrection of the Lord**

April 21st 10:30 am

Share Lent 2019 Week 5 Solidarity Sunday

Share the journey with Syrian refugees in Lebanon
Since the war broke out in Syria in 2011, some 12.5 million Syrians have had to flee their homes. Development and Peace partner House of Peace (HOPe) is working to build bridges between Syrian refugees and their host communities in Lebanon. On this Solidarity Sunday, we extend a warm thank you for your generosity. Your donation will help our sisters and brothers across the world, from Colombia all the way to Lebanon, Nigeria, and elsewhere! Thank you for helping us build a world of peace and justice, where no one will be forced to flee their home!
Envelopes for your Share Lent donations are available at the back of the church which you can hand in with your donation during collection, or mail directly to Development and Peace.

Lenten Penitential Service Next Saturday, April 13th at 10:00 a.m. we will hold a communal celebration of the sacrament of Reconciliation. Three priests will be on hand to hear your confessions. Take this opportunity to prepare for the celebration of Holy Week, the Paschal Mystery
Flowers for Easter Donations are being accepted toward the purchase of flowers to decorate the church and altar for the Easter season. If you wish your donation to be made in memory of a loved one please include the names with your donation. Envelopes are available at the back of the church and should be received by April 14th in order to allow us time to organize the decor of our beautiful church during this most holy and joyous season.

Welcome Hall Mission: Thank You! Thank You
Due to your wonderful generosity, we fed approximately 250 people a wonderful, nutritious meal last Sunday at Welcome Hall. And with your continued financial support we purchased 288 soup/cereal bowls for the mission. We used them Sunday - they are perfect and really appreciated. Thank you to all you amazing cooks, servers and donors. Every contribution is important. You are amazing!

This is a powerful story of justice and mercy. Jesus is on the side of the woman who has been accused of sin and crime. It was an unjust accusation, and the people who brought her had little good in mind. Jesus offers more than forgiveness – he brings mercy. Mercy forgives with compassion and doesn't need lectures. It restores dignity to the victims of injustice like the lady in this story. It is the same in Jesus, for those who do not receive their dignity because of something they are, or something they did and are unjustly treated.

Jesus did not condemn; he turns the tables a bit. He simply says: Anyone here without sin – take the stone and throw it. Nobody does. In this atmosphere of darkness we need to hear something of the love and the mercy of God. Would light of mercy come into their darkness of condemnation? Would they leave their darkness into a personal space where they might have a change of heart? This is also about the challenge to live honestly and without sin; and to be able to take steps like this woman's life, to move on. All hear this word from Jesus – I do not condemn you. This comes to our society and to ourselves. We need to hear this word for ourselves as often we throw stones at ourselves more than others. What we condemn in others is what sometimes we do not like in ourselves.

*Lord may we enter this world of mercy wherever we need to.
May we hear these words always, 'I do not condemn you'*

Donal Neary S.J.

IN THE DIOCESE

Come, Rest in my Heart, Lenten Day Retreat In the season of Lent, we hear the call of Jesus to come spend time with Him in silence and prayer. This is a special call...to be still...to listen...to allow us to rest with Jesus and to once again become acquainted with his heartfelt love for us. You are invited to join us for a quiet day of prayer and reflection on **Friday, April 12** from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Ignatian Spirituality Centre (4567 West Broadway). Eucharist at 11:30 a.m. Bring your own Lunch (tea/coffee snacks provided). Facilitator: Irene Miller. Fee: \$20.00 or free-will donation. Registration: 514-481-1064 or centre@ignatiancentremtl.ca.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land: In the Footsteps of Jesus, Mary and Joseph Follow the footsteps of Jesus in an amazing journey to the Holy Land. Trace the roots of Christian tradition as you cross desert and mountains to the cities of Jerusalem, Bethlehem and Nazareth. Yesterday and today come together in this unique opportunity to deeply connect to the teachings of Christ through the land where he lived. This trip to the Holy Land from Nov. 16 to 27, 2019, is being organized with Voyages Inter-missions, with Fr. Francis McKee as chaplain-spiritual director. Cost: \$4200 (all included, except lunch). An information session will be held at Mary Queen of Peace Church(11075 Gouin Blvd. W.) **Saturday, April 13**, 2 p.m. Contact info@voyagesintermissions.com or 514- 288- 6077

Saint-Léon de Westmount: Gregorian Vespers for the Palm Sunday of the Passion of Our Lord, **March 14th** 4pm. Chanted before Our Lady's altar in the left hand transept of the Church. For Information : Joseph Blain :514-979-9724 All are welcome.

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 as soon as possible.

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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April 7, 2019

Fifth Sunday in Lent

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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

Brian Weber (2019)
Don Taddeo (2019)
Bonnie Auger (2020)
Pino DiIoia (2020)
Louise MacLellan (2021)
Andrea Bobkowicz (2021)

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