

MASSES THIS WEEK

Saturday, March 16th

4:30 Alex and Roy Myronick by Ron & Maureen

Sunday, March 17th

Second Sunday of Lent

10:30 Frank Baylis by his son Richard

Monday, March 18th

St. Cyril of Jerusalem

9:00 Terence James Finn by Patrick Finn

Tuesday, March 19th

St. Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Principal Patron Of Canada

9:00 The Doulton and D'Cruz Family Souls

Wednesday, March 20th

9:00 Hon. Frederick Collins & Mrs. Irene Collins
by their family

Thursday, March 21st No Mass

Friday, March 22nd

9:00 Fintin and Derek O'Grady
by Joyce MacNamara

Saturday, March 23rd

St. Turibius of Mogrovejo

4:30 For a Special Intention by Ron & Maureen

2:45 *Children's Gathering & Family Mass*



*This week the
Sanctuary lamp
will burn in memory of
Uy Kin
by the family*

IN OUR PARISH

Meal at Welcome Hall Mission On Sunday March

31st, we will be providing and serving food for approximately 250 people less fortunate than us at the Welcome Hall Mission. We do this by pre-preparing a meal and dessert accompanied by soup, bread and juice. Next weekend we will be handing out pans & recipes. If you are unable to be here next weekend but would like to prepare a recipe, please contact Aletha Thompson at 514-482-5660. We also gladly accept cash donations to buy the other items.

In the past you responded so generously for our meals where we served over 250, that both the Welcome Hall staff & clients have been most impressed and grateful.

Share Lent 2019 Week 2 For this year's Share Lent, Development and Peace – Caritas Canada and Pope Francis invite us to reach out and encounter migrants and refugees. This week share the journey with members of the Umuechem community in Nigeria. In 1990, a peaceful community in the south of Nigeria became the victim of what has been recognized as the first crime committed by an oil company. Traumatized by a massacre of unparalleled violence, a large majority of the members of this community fled to neighbouring communities, never to return home again. To make sure that their story is never forgotten and to combat impunity, Development and Peace's partner Social Action is supporting the Umuechem community in their legal action against the oil company. Discover the story of people forced to flee their homes and ways for each one of us to act in solidarity with them: devp.org/lent.

Multiple Chemical Sensitivity Exposure to scented products such as perfume and cologne can aggravate health problems for some people. We have a number of parishioners who are extremely sensitive to scented products to the point that they are unable to attend Mass or must leave before the end of Mass. We ask you to be thoughtful of the needs of these members of our parish community and invite you to refrain from wearing artificially scented products at Mass. Thank You! Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated.

REFLECTION

In last week's Gospel, we followed Jesus into the desert where He fasted and prayed. This week, He leads us up a mountain to witness His Transfiguration. Why both of these experiences? He is preparing us to go with Him in a few short weeks to a hilltop – Golgatha – where He will lay down His life for our sake, and then finally to take us to an empty cave where He triumphed over sin and death once and for all.

Jesus perfectly understands our humanity. He knows we need desert experiences – times of self-denial and testing – in order to arrive at mountain-top moments when we see and feel His glorious presence in our lives. The purpose of these two types of experiences is summed up in the description of the Apostles who were with Jesus at that mountain-top experience in today's Gospel: "Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep, but becoming fully awake, they saw his glory..."

The reason for all of our fasting and prayer and almsgiving during lent is to be reawakened to all God has done for humanity, and to all that He has done for each of us personally. It is all too easy to get lulled into complacency in our daily routines, to "sleepwalk" through life, getting up and getting ourselves out the door, going to work, returning home for dinner and dishes, meetings or sports activities, and finally flopping on the couch to watch TV until bedtime. While there is nothing inherently sinful in this routine, as Christian stewards, we are called to so much more!

This lent, let us train ourselves, or more precisely, allow Him to train us to say "Yes" to His will and to offer our lives back to Him in gratitude. In so doing, we, too, will become "transfigured." This is what it means to live fully awake; this is a stewardship way of life and it is glorious indeed.

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

IN THE DIOCESE

Diocesan Lenten Mission 2019 Come join Fr. Raymond Lafontaine, Episcopal Vicar, and the members of his diocesan team as together we explore what it means to be missionary disciples: living out Jesus' call to be holy, to bear witness, and to serve generously. The Mission will include the screening of the film Pope Francis: A Man of His Word (2018) on **Friday March 22nd** 7:00pm, followed by 3 evening sessions **Monday March 25 – Wednesday, March 27**, 7 to 9 p.m., featuring elements of teaching, witness, praise, and worship. Place: St. Monica's Parish Hall (6405 de Terrebonne). For more info. or to register by March 19th contact Rita Maisonneuve (514-925-4300 ext. 229). All are welcome!

Montreal Directed Retreats *Be refreshed in body, mind and spirit...* Silent directed weekend retreat at La Maison de Prière Notre-Dame (180 De Normandie Blvd., Longueuil). Friday evening, **March 22nd** to Sunday afternoon. Cost \$150. To register, or for more info, call 514-626-9462 or 514-633-1172 or visit www.montrealretreats.org

Women's Day Retreat will be held **Wednesday, March 20th** at Villa Saint-Martin(9451 Gouin Blvd, W., Pierrefonds) .Registration: 9:15 a.m.. Animator; Sr. Pat O'Neill, SNJM. Thought-provoking presentations; quiet time for personal reflection & prayer; Eucharistic celebration; sharing for those who wish to participate. ALL women welcome. Please bring a brown bag lunch; coffee and tea provided. Suggested donation: \$15. Pre-registration not required. Info.: (514) 696-8188.

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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March 17, 2019

Second Sunday in Lent

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MASS HOURS

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| 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 Diloia (2020)
Louise MacLellan (2021)
Andrea Bobkowitz (2021)

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