

**Saturday, March 30th**

4:30 Catherine and Nicholas Myronick  
by Ron & Maureen

**Sunday, March 31st**

Fourth Sunday of Lent  
10:30 John Pozza by Gloria and Family

**Monday, April 1st**

9:00 For a Special Intention

**Tuesday, April 2nd**

St. Francis of Paola  
9:00 For a Special Intention  
by Kathleen Toomey

**Wednesday, April 3rd**

9:00 For a Special Intention

**Thursday, April 4th No Mass**

St. Isidore

**Friday, April 5th**

St. Vincent Ferrer  
9:00 Tony Hamel-Smith  
by Frances deVerteuil

**Saturday, April 6th**

4:30 The McCauley & O'Donnell Families  
by Constance O'Donnell  
10:30 *Be My Disciples Celebration of First Reconciliation*

**Share Lent 2019 Week 4**

*Share the journey with those forcibly displaced in Colombia*

In Colombia, over 6.5 million people have been forcibly displaced due to conflict, violence, natural disasters, and development projects. With your support, Development and Peace's partner the National Agrarian Coordination (NAC) is working with Indigenous women, many of whom are victims of forced displacement, to help them gain the skills and confidence to be intermediaries with the authorities. By promoting inclusive and participatory democracies, we are addressing one of the root causes of forced migration!

Next week is Solidarity Sunday, when the Share Lent collection in support of the work of Development and Peace will take place. Your generosity has a real impact on the lives of our sisters and brothers in the Global South!

**Lenten Penitential Service**

On Saturday, April 13th at 10:00 a.m. we will hold a communal celebration of the sacrament of Reconciliation. Three priests will be available to hear your confessions. Take this opportunity to prepare for the celebration of Holy Week, the Paschal Mystery



**Flowers for Easter**

You are invited to make a donation 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.



This is a real family story about breakups and reconciliation, about love that covers all sorts of happenings and about love to the end. It is about a father who loved all the time, and many a parent identifies with it.

Look at a few things... the son had wanted him dead... 'give me the legacy Father'. Everyone knew that. He had shamed the family. And the old man waited for years, hoping that his beloved son would return.

Look at what happened when he came home – mercy took over – the run, robe, ring and the sandals. He was welcomed as a son. The father doesn't even say once that he forgives. He loves totally and that includes forgiveness.

It's mercy all the time. That repairs the loss. The son wanted to be a hired servant and that would have kept the old man at a distance. He was brought back as a son.

The story is also a call on us to have mercy. People all do wrong – often great wrong. We need a lot of mercy in our country now, but we can't hold bitterness forever. The gospel today encourages us to love as we have been loved with the love that is merciful. And even when we can't do this – like the elder son – we are still loved. The father says – All I have is yours. God gives his love all the time and waits for our response. Mercy may take time. And God has all the time in the world.

*Lord have mercy, on me and on all, today and every day. Amen.*

*Donal Neary, SJ*

**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 is being organized with Voyages Inter-missions, with Fr. Francis McKee as chaplain-spiritual director. The trip is from Nov. 16 to 27, 2019. Cost: \$4200 (all included, except lunch). An information session will be held at Mary Queen of Peace Church(11075 Gouin Blvd. West, Pierrefonds) **Saturday, April 13, 2 p.m.**

For more info, contact info@voyagesintermissions.com or 514- 288- 6077

**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 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](http://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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# Ascension of Our Lord Parish



**March 31, 2019**

**Fourth Sunday in Lent**

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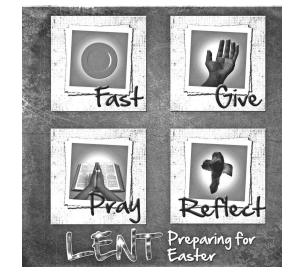
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**MASS HOURS**

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