

PARISH BULLETIN
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Baptisms: Call for an appointment soon after birth (514) 481-0267 - Ext. 221



Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and other upcoming Mass times

Please register for <u>Mass at 10am on Thursday, December 17th for our Christmas Eve, Christmas Day</u> and other upcoming Mass dates as follows :

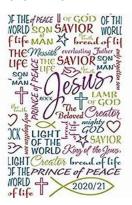
- Christmas Eve, 24 December (Thursday) <u>2 Masses</u> 4pm & 7:30pm
- Christmas Day, 25 December (Friday) 2 Masses 9am & 11am
- There is no Mass (Saturday) 26 December
- Regular Mass on (Sunday) 27 December at 11am



New Year's Eve, New Year's Day Mass times

Please register for Mass at 10am on Thursday, December 17th for our New Year's Eve, New Year's Day Mass dates as follows:

- New Year's Eve, 31 December (Thursday) 1 Mass 4pm
- New Year's Day, 1st January 2021 (Friday) 1 Mass 11am
- Regular Mass on (Saturday) 4pm Epiphany of the Lord
- Regular Mass on (Sunday) 11am Epiphany of the Lord



Reconciliation – 2 Occasions

There will be two Reconciliation occasions during Advent: 11 December, daytime visit to the Church with possibility of Sacrament of Reconciliation. 1pm - 4pm, 1 priest. 16 December, evening full Reconciliation service with the possibility of the Sacrament. 7pm - 8pm, 2 priests. Registration is not required.

Crèche

Regarding the Crèche inside the Church, it will be composed gradually over five Sundays from the first Sunday of Advent to Epiphany.

Petition regarding COVID Vaccines

Big Pharma giants currently control the patents for the life-saving COVID vaccines, thus driving up prices and restricting the supply. Within days, governments will vote on a plan to suspend patents so that the whole world can benefit from the vaccines. We can help influence their decision by signing a petition. For more information or to sign the petition, please use the following link:

Sign now: Share the vaccine with the world!

Pastoral Home Care

Since March our Pastoral Home Care ministers have been sadly unable to visit the sick or elderly in their homes or residences. Now visits are by phone or video only. Should you know of anyone who would like a call from one of the members of the PHC team or require information about resources please contact the church office. There are initiatives to support those dealing with grief, anxiety and life transitions. The Diocesan Spiritual support line is available 7 days a week from 10 to 4 at 1-888-305-0994. Services in English, French, Spanish and Arabic. If you have any prayer requests, please contact the Friends of Mercy at misericorde.mercysasmad@gmail.com.

Widow and Widower Support Group

Every first Monday of the month -9:30am -11:00am. Losing a spouse impacts every part of life. Join us to be with others who are also journeying through grief. We are a faith-based group. You are welcome to share or just listen. Open to all: those whose losses are many years past or very recent. We are meeting online for now, in person whenever possible. For more information, please contact Anne Parsons at 514-457-2183 or parasoa2003@yahoo.com.

St. Monica's - Food for our Community

St. Monica's Food Pantry was unable to receive people since March due to COVID but we are still striving to make this Christmas a feast of food to feed and to fill the hungry.

We are asking if you could please bring non-perishable food (only) either to the Rectory from Monday to Friday (10am-4pm) or directly in the Church entrance area on Saturday (4pm) or Sunday (11am). We are so grateful to everyone for your heartfelt kindness. Thank you!

Missals - 2021

Missals are \$5.00 each. Please place your donation in the basket when leaving Church and an Usher will give you a book. Thank you for your generosity!

Montreal Directed Retreats

(Pray with Scripture online)

Are you in need of some quiet time with God for meditation and reflection? Montreal Directed Retreats offers us the opportunity to do so each day from 10:30 am -11:15am. You can also join in any day or every day. To find out more information click on the link below:

https://montrealretreats.org/

or if you have any questions, you can email: Montreal.Directed.Retreats@gmail.com

MASS INTENTIONS: 5 – 13 December, 2020

Saturday, December 5: Our Lady's Saturday – 4:00pm

IN LOVING MEMORY: Leonard & Terry Winslade & Peter Duffy

George Wong by Bob & Dolores Parsons

Lee Chang Kyu Rafael by Stella Park Lee Kyung Hwa by Stella Park

Sunday, December 6: Second Sunday of Advent – 11:00am

Dr. Jean Luc Ringue et famille Ringue-Vos by Françoise et Michel Ringue

Loreto & Paolina Ciambella by Daughter, Gabriela

Miriam Brunelli by Ida & Family Ettore Lanni by Virginia & Family

Vincenza Fiori by Agnese Zilli

Monday, December 7: Second Week of Advent – MEMORIAL – Saint Ambrose

For All Parishioners Intentions

Tuesday, December 8: SOLEMNITY - The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

For the Forlini Family by Luisa Forlini

Wednesday, December 9: Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin

Lee Chang Kyu Rafael by Stella Park Lee Kyung Hwa by Stella Park

Thursday, December 10: Our Lady of Loreto

For All Parishioners Intentions

Friday, December 11: Saint Damasus I

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Saturday, December 12: FEAST – Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patron of the Americas

National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples 4pm

Alessandro Palladini by Wife & Kids

Gerry Oliver by Lucy, Ken, Josée Nadine, Philippe & Simon

Angelo Caucci by Teresa Caucci & Family Flora Chioda by Ursulene Farmer Mora

Fr. Adelchi Bertoli by Franca D'Addio

Sunday, December 13: Third Sunday of Advent – 11:00am

IN LOVING MEMORY: Emma & Colombo Salvati & Alba & Luigi Paliotti

George Wong by Stella & Gil Lee Maria Lonardo Aiello by Husband, Carmelo

Leonardo Ricciardi by Wife, Maria Carmela Ricciardi

by Virginia & Family Natalina Colasurdo Nizzola Anne Lassance Kiss by Kathleen Gray