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DURING THE LENTEN SEASON, BEGINNING FRIDAY MARCH 4TH, AND EVERY FRIDAY FOLLOWING THE 8:30AM MASS, ST. MONICA'S WILL BE PRAYING THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS. ALL ARE WELCOME. ANYONE WISHING TO RECEIVE RECONCILIATION, THIS IS AVAILABLE ON SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS, HALF AN HOUR BEFORE EACH WEEKEND MASS. YOU CAN ALSO CONTACT THE PARISH TO HAVE RECONCILIATION DURING THE WEEK, BY APPOINTMENT.

We at St. Monica's would like to have our opinions voiced at the Synod now in progress. Our parishioners can be part of this process that requires a minimum commitment. The time involved would be two meetings of 2-hour duration. If you are interested and need more information, please phone the Parish Office (514) 481-0267 and leave your name and number and you will be contacted.

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Share Lent 2022

Message of Bishop Raymond Poisson, CCCB President

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

In 2015, Pope Francis published a letter addressed to all of us entitled *Laudato Si'*. In this letter, he tied the protection of the environment with love of neighbour, particularly by casting light on the fact that the poorest nations are generally the main victims of ecological degradation: "a true ecological approach always becomes a social approach; it must integrate questions of justice in debates on the environment, so as to hear both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor", he tells us. The upcoming Lenten period is a time for a call to conversion, in order to bring us closer to the Lord, to go out to encounter our neighbour and to care for Creation, our common home.

Recent international gatherings have highlighted the direct impacts of the climate crisis; at a time when our Canadian communities are just starting to experience them, our brothers and sisters in the Global South have suffered them for a long time. For us Christians, in order that our faith in Jesus might be expressed in action, I encourage you to respond enthusiastically to the invitation of *Share Lent 2022*, which is being organized by Development and Peace – *Caritas Canada* under the theme "People and Planet First". This campaign is an expression of the Gospel message and of the Church's social teaching, both of which take into consideration the integral development of the human person.

Despite the difficult ecological situation of those communities where Development and Peace's partner organizations are active, those communities are finding ways to adapt so as to live in harmony with their environment. This coming Lent, Development and Peace will highlight their efforts in order to encourage Canadians to fast sincerely and to pray that we may all work together as one family in caring for Creation.

Every year, Development and Peace also invites the Catholics of Canada to practice almsgiving by donating to the collection taken up on Solidarity Sunday (3 April 2022). The funds that are gathered then will allow Development and Peace to fulfill its mission and to transform lives in almost 30 countries around the world. Therefore, I invite you, in Christ's name, to support the *Share Lent 2022* campaign by spreading its message in your communities (especially by means of a letter of support), by participating actively in the activities in which you will be invited, and by encouraging fundraising in order to place people and the planet at the heart of our priorities. "For the kingdom of God depends not on talk but on power" (1 Cor. 4:20).

Fraternally in our Lord,

+ Raymond Poisson
Bishop of Saint-Jérôme and of Mont-Laurier
President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops



This year, **Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's People and Planet First** campaign calls you to support our sisters and brothers in the Global South in defending their rights and the planet. Do this by:

1. **Donating** online at devp.org/give or during the Solidarity Sunday collection on April 3, the fifth Sunday of Lent. Your generosity helps support over 85 projects in 27 countries around the world!
2. **Learning more by reading the Mini-magazine** and other resources available at devp.org/lent/resources.
3. **Signing the petition** for strong laws to control Canadian corporations' behaviour abroad at devp.org/act.

WARDEN'S ELECTION

Due to several recurring changes with the closing and reopening of churches as well as the limited numbers, there was no in-person warden's election. Please note that with the recent changes, our election for new Wardens will be held next **Sunday, March 6th** after the **11:00am Mass**.

MASS INTENTIONS: 26 February to 6 March, 2022

Saturday, 4:00pm - February 26, 2022: Our Lady's Saturday

Michele Giangaspero

Francesco & Teresina Supino

Leonard & Terry Winslade

from his Wife

from their Daughter

by Bob & Dolores Parsons

Sunday, 9:00am – February 27, 2022: 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Antoinetta & Biagio Libertini

by Luisa & Angelo

Sunday, 11:00am – February 27, 2022: 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Livestreamed

Lionello Paoli

Joana Liatukas

Alessandro Fiori

from Pietrina Turini

from Lina

from his Children

ASH WEDNESDAY March 2, 2022:

8:30am – Isa, Ivio & Mark Mazzella

7:00pm

from the Family

for All Parishioners Intentions

Thursday, 7:00pm – March 3, 2022: Weekdays after Ash Wednesday

Ignazio Ciampini

Giovanni & Norina Onesi

Pietro Di Meglio & Feni Coppa

Isolina De Angelis

from Ernesta & Family

from Agnese & Family

from Elena & Family

from the De Angelis Masella Family

Saturday, 4:00pm – March 5, 2022:

Silvano Zilli

Vitto Caucci

Christine Blackette

from his Wife & Family

by his Wife Iride

from the Raphael Family

Sunday, 9:00am – March 6, 2022: 1st Sunday of LENT

for All Parishioners Intentions

Sunday, 11:00am – March 6, 2022: 1st Sunday of LENT - Livestreamed

Luis S. Meriales

Solomon Kebede

Tina Vincelli

from Drex Meriales & Raquel Galvan

by Widat & Family

from Elena Bertoldi