St. Monica's Parish

Many Gifts ... One Spirit!

Today, the Church celebrates its "birthday" with the feast of Pentecost. It is a scene of great drama – rushing wind, tongues of fire, communicating in many languages. It is also a story of inner transformation: a community of disciples empowered to speak in such a way that no matter what religious, cultural, and linguistic differences exist, each hears the message in a way that person can understand. Such is the power of God's Holy Spirit: to break down the walls of division and create the unity that is the Father's desire for all creation.

Here at St. Monica's, we too form a richly diverse community. We come from many lands. We speak different languages. We express our faith in a variety of devotions and spiritualities. Yet in the Spirit, we form one Body, as we gather around the Lord's table. This Sunday, after the 11 a.m. Mass, the parish is sponsoring a luncheon in appreciation of the many volunteers who, in a broad variety of ministries – liturgy and worship, faith formation and evangelization, pastoral care and social outreach, material and organizational support – share their gifts with competence and generosity to make our community stronger. Special thanks to all of you!

As we give thanks to God for pouring out his Holy Spirit on those who were confirmed this year, we pray that the same Spirit will awaken **every** member of our parish to the call to live their

Christian vocation with generosity, bearing the **fruits of the Spirit** in their lives: *love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control*. Each and every one of us has been graced and gifted by the Holy Spirit. How is the Spirit calling YOU to make a difference – at home, at work, here in the parish, out in the world? Like Mary and the disciples gathered in the Cenacle, let us pray for a new Pentecost, in which each member of our community is gifted and empowered by the outpouring of God's Holy Spirit:

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful,



Kindle in us the fire of your love! Send forth your Spirit, and they shall be created, And you will renew the face of the earth. Amen! Alleluia!



WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Married couples will be celebrated in a special way next Saturday, the 14th of June at the 4:00 p.m. Mass. This Mass is dedicated to ALL married couples but especially to those celebrating special anniversaries this year (5, 10, 15... and 50+). Couples married at St. Monica's over the past year are also invited. There will be a small reception after the Mass. *To participate in the Mass, please sign up at the back of the church or call the parish office (514-481-0267) before June 10.* We also ask participating couples to please bring a photo of themselves. This will be put on display at the back of the church and returned to the couples after the Mass.

FAITH FIRST REGISTRATION

Faith First registration forms for the 2014-15 season are now available at the entrances of the church, church hall, and rectory. All new and returning students must fill out a form **before August 15** and return it the rectory to guarantee a spot. The cost of the program is (**\$80**) for one child, \$100 for 2 children, and \$125 for 3 or more. Please note that your child will not be denied access to the program if you are unable to pay the fee. For further information, please contact Jennie Parsons-Armstrong at (514) 481-0267 or by email at jennie.armstrong@bell.net.

MASS INTENTIONS JUNE 7 TO 15, 2014

Saturday, June 7: Weekday Mass

4:00 In Loving Memory: Natalina Donati Ceccucci, Deceased Members of the Charles McDonald Family, Luigina Cicciarelli, Mike Kilbertus, Edgardo Poce, Alessandro Palladini, Gertrude Fitzgerald, Lucille Wong.

Sunday, June 8: Pentecost Sunday

8:30 Antonio Ricci11:00 John Caporicci

By the Family By the Giangaspero Family By Nicole & Family

- Angelina DiPietro Monday, June 9: St. Ephrem
- 8:00 Pietro, Giovanna, By Vincenzina & Michele Americo & Argeo Forlini Ferrara

Tuesday, June 10: Weekday Mass

8:00 Peter & Mary McManus By Thomas McManus and Connie Quinn

Wednesday, June 11: St. Barnabas

8:00 Italo & Anna Mariani 50th By Luisa & Angelo Falcone Annv. & Italo Falcone

Thursday, June 12: Weekday Mass

8:00 Anna & Lorenzo Forlini By Louise Forlini

Friday, June 13: St. Anthony of Padua

8:00 Isa Mazzella By her Daughter

Saturday, June 14: Our Lady's Saturday

4:00 Nicola & Teresa Pitaro The Rotiroti Family

Sunday, June 15: The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

- 8:30 In Loving Memory: Leona Clarke, Deceased members of The Cullen Family, Alba & Luigi Paliotti.
- 11:00Cristina Caringi
Angelo D'AmicoBy Ida & Family
By wife Caterina & Family

Your Generosity...

Thank you for your on-going support of our parish...Collection for the weekend of May 31/June 1, 2014 totalled \$3,496.00 and collection for Maintenance totalled \$1,378.00

POPE'S PASTORAL WORKS COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND JUNE 14-15

A disastrous flood or earthquake strikes a nation at the other end of the world. Immediately, many countries rush in food, money, medicine, blankets, and trained people. Prominent among such aid is the financial help offered by the Holy Father to people in need. In the name of Catholics everywhere, he displays Christ's love and compassion for those who suffer.

CORPUS CHRISTI CELEBRATION & PROCESSION

This year's Corpus Christi celebration will take place on Thursday, June 19 at 7:30 p.m.; beginning with Mass at Mary Queen of the World Cathedral, followed by the Eucharistic Procession to St. Patrick's Basilica for Benediction.

FAIR TRADE PRODUCTS

ON SALE AFTER ALL WEEKEND MASSES. LOONIES and SPARE CHANGE WILL ALSO BE COLLECTED.

<u>GRADE 7-9</u> <u>CATECHISM/YOUTH GROUP</u>

Would you be interested in being on the core team for a new Grade 7-9 Catechism/Youth Group starting in the Fall? Parents, young adults, and anyone who is interested in being involved are asked to call Claire at 514-482-749 for more information.

PASTORAL HOME CARE GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday, June 10, after the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Meeting -- Rectory basement.

CATHOLIC TIMES NEWS

The next edition of the Catholic Times will be out for the 15th of June. However, the newspaper is no longer free for the Parishes and will cost us more than \$1.00 per copy. For now, we have ordered 200 copies. Based on the number of taken and paid for, we will adjust the order in the Fall. Suggested donation is \$1.00 to \$2.00 for each copy. Specially marked boxes (in the shape of a church) will be situated at both entrances for your donation.



FEAST OF ST. JOSEMARIA SCRIVA

(Founder of Opus Dei <u>www.opusdei.ca</u>) All are cordially invited to a Solemn Mass presided by Bishop Thomas Dowd on Monday, June 9, at 7:30 pm. at Marie-Reine-du-Monde Cathedral. Confessions will be heard starting at 7:00 p.m.