TRANSFORMED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT: COFFEE AND CONVERSATION – THE WILD GOOSE!

A perennial question we ask here at St. Monica's is: "How can we reach out more effectively to the spiritual needs of the parents and families of our Faith First children?" In response, for several years now, Anna Diodati and Monika Berintan have been animating "Coffee and Conversation", which meets every second Sunday, between the 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Mass. This year's program will make use of a video series by Franciscan Father Dave Pivonka: "The Wild Goose", an ancient Celtic title for the Holy Spirit! Let's hear from Fr. Dave:

"The Wild Goose is a work of the Holy Spirit, who awakens in the hearts of all people God's love and transforming power. This love has been revealed to us by Jesus Christ and leads us to our heavenly Father. As you walk through this series, I will continually be praying that you will encounter the Holy Spirit and that the Spirit will breathe life into your very being.

If you allow him, the "Wild Goose" will lead you on an adventure greater than you can imagine. The Spirit will lead you to a place of mercy, healing, peace, and presence. The Holy Spirit has been given to us not as a possession to be tamed or controlled, but rather as a Person that will lead us to the Heart of God. The Wild Goose series will help you experience a deeper relationship with the Person of the Holy Spirit, and as you come to experience God's presence and power this very same Spirit will transform you and bring you freedom.

The Wild Goose Series is fourteen segments dealing with different experiences of the Holy Spirit. Each segment has a study guide that provides a brief synopsis, key texts, discussion questions, and prayer and reflection ideas. We need to make ourselves available to God's Spirit if we are going to be able to more fully experience his loving presence. Consider watching and discussing the contents of an episode with friends, family, or members of your parish. I am so excited about what God is going to do in your life through the Wild Goose. For more information, please visit our website: **TheWildGooseisLoose.com!**"

So please come and join us in the rectory next Sunday, October 23rd at 9:45 a.m. for session 1, "God's Love Poured Out." Come, Holy Spirit!

DEVELOPMENT & PEACE FALL CAMPAIGN "AT THE HEART OF THE ACTION"

Over the last 50 years D&P, has had many achievements: \$600 million invested in 100 countries; 15,000 projects in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East; more than 3.5 million signatures sent to the Canadian Government for greater justice; committed members across the country working for change; and, a worldwide presence through national and international networks such as Kairos and Caritas. **Join the action by signing the action card that will be available on the weekend of Oct. 29-30.**



FAITH & JUSTICE BAZAAR SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2016

We are in need of **bakers**, **crafts** and **workers** for our bazaar. There are sign-up sheets on the tables at the back of the church. We also encourage you to come and support us and to enjoy a delicious lunch which will be served on Saturday & Sunday. All proceeds will go to buy food at Christmas for our twin parish in

Zamoran. For more information, please call Sharon at 514-481-2981.

Friday: Helpers needed to set up between 2:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Saturday: Helpers needed from (9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.) and (1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.)

Sunday: Helpers needed (from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.)

ST. MONICA'S SKATE-A-THON

The 6th Annual Skate-A-Thon in support of the Food Pantry will be taking place on Saturday, October 29th from 10:00 am until 11:30 am at the Loyola Arena. Pledge sheets are available at the doors of the church. For further information please contact Jennie Parsons-Armstrong at 514 481-0267.

MASS INTENTIONS OCTOBER 15 TO 23, 2016

Saturday, October 15: St. Teresa of Jesus/Avila

4:00 Angelo Caucci By Teresa Caucci Antonio & Vincenzo La Posta By Concetta la Posta Deceased members of the Charles By Mary McDonald J. McDonald Family

Sunday, October 16: Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 Mirella Trocehia By Sylvia & Tony Supino Frank Supino By Tony Supino

11:00 In Loving Memory: Beatrice Gagnon, Deceased members of the Cullen Family, Antonia Tarantino.

Monday, October 17: St. Ignatius of Antioch

Michele & Concett Lalla By their daughter Giuseppina Lalla 8:00

Tuesday, October 18: St. Luke

8:00 Giovanni, Maria & Elena Piccolino By Piccolino Family By their Niece & Family Mr. & Mrs. G. Miconio By Emma & Family Amado Budy

Wednesday, October 19: St. Paul of the Cross

Padre Pio, Madonna Della Libera & By Giuseppina Lalla 8:00

Santo Antonio

Ruth Collinson By Terry Laberge By John Nunes Albertina Nunes

Thursday, October 20: St. Margaret Mary Alacoque

By Arthur & Jennifer Dickson 8:00 Joan Dickson Anita Mathieu By son Jay & daughter Louise

By John Nunes Albertina Nunes

Friday, October 21: Weekday Mass

8:00 Beatrice Gagnon By Glen Clairmont & Family

Saturday, October 22: St. John Paul II

4:00 In Loving Memory: Italo & Anna Mariani, Italo Falcone, Leonard & Terry Winslade, Charles J. McDonald Family, Pietro Di Meglio, Adamo Francescangeli, Maria Raco Troiano.

Sunday, October 23: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

By Angela, Patrick & Ida Onesi 8:30 Antonia Tarantino

By Susanne Kuhn Elizabeth & Frank Horrath Stephen Kuhn By Susanne Kuhn **11:00** For all her brothers & sisters By Berardina Fiori Fioravante Rotiroti By Rotiroti Family

> Ursula Lafontaine By Peter, Anne & Sarah Wilkinson

Your Generosity...

Thank you for your on-going support of our parish... Collection for the weekend of October 8/9, 2016 totalled \$2,657.00

MASS OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The annual Mass of the Anointing of the Sick will take place next Saturday, October 22 at 4:00 p.m. Those wishing to receive this sacrament are strongly urged to sign up ahead of time. Sign-up sheets have been placed at the back of the church. Transportation will be provided, if needed. In addition, volunteers are needed to drive parishioners who will be attending the Mass. If you are able to help, please sign up at the back of the church or call the parish office.

> SPECIAL COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY **OCTOBER 22/23, 2016** WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Adult Faith Enrichment Upcoming events

Coffee and Conversation: Join us on Sunday, Oct. 23, from 9:45 to 10:45 am, in rectory dining room for an opportunity to experience a and more meaningful deeper relationship with the Holy Spirit. Our video series this year is The Wild Goose (ancient Celtic term for the Holy Spirit) with Fr. Dave Pivonka. Our 1st session is God's Love Poured Out. If you require our free babysitting service, please make arrangements with Anna no later than Wed., Oct. 19. Please note that **The Wild Goose** is for all the adults of our parish to enjoy, and registration by Oct. 21 is requested.

Video Divina: This year, Fr. Raymond's film series, "Stories of Transformation: Looking at Life through the Lens of The Spirit", will look at movies and life through the lens of the Holy Spirit! Join him on Friday, Oct. 28 at 7 p.m. in the parish rectory for the first movie of the series, Bagdad Café. Free admission and popcorn, and stimulating discussion to follow! All are welcome!

The Examen: Holding What Gives You Life: Have you ever wondered how you can follow the Spirit more closely in the midst of your busy, everyday life? Please join Cathie Macaulay on Sat., Nov. 5, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the parish hall to learn how a centuriesold spiritual practice called "The Examen" can be used as a simple tool to help us become more attentive, more discerning, more in step with the Holy Spirit. Please register by Nov. 2.

Please refer to our website and the posters at the Church entrances for additional info. If registration is required, kindly use the appropriate sign-up sheets at the main church entrance or call Anna at the office.