



PARISH BULLETIN
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WEEKEND MASS: SATURDAY 4:00pm and SUNDAY 9:00am & 11:00am - Livestreamed

WEEKDAY MASS: TUESDAY to FRIDAY - 8:30am

EVENING MASS: THURSDAY - 7:00pm

OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Friday 9:30am - 3:30pm *Closed 12:00pm – 1:00pm*

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IS AVAILABLE (30) MINUTES BEFORE EACH WEEKEND MASS TIME

Marriages: Contact the Parish Office 6 months in advance (514) 481-0267 - Ext. 221

Baptisms: Telephone: 514) 481-0267 - Ext. 221 or email the Parish Office: st-monica@videotron.ca

Parish Registration: Forms are located at the entrance doors. Please enter ALL your contact information and kindly give it to an Usher or place it in the collection baskets. If you want Donation Envelopes with a Registered Box number, please indicate it on your form and one will be assigned to you after you have been contacted. Year-end Tax Receipts will be mailed.

On-Line donations – Please register at: www.stmonica.ca CanadaHelps – Give



11 October 2026



Access - East Side Entrance

Thanksgiving comes at a beautiful time of the year. The colors are changing, the harvest season is coming to its completion, families are making plans to gather, and our tables become places for food, conversation, laughter, and memories.

But Thanksgiving can offer us something deeper. It can teach us how to look at life differently. Most of the year, we naturally think about what comes next: the next responsibility, the next project, the next problem to solve, the next thing we hope to achieve. Thanksgiving gives us a different direction. It allows us to look back and recognize how much has already happened, how many people have walked with us, and how many difficult moments we have somehow come through.

For people of faith, there is something sacred in that recognition. We begin to see that our lives are connected to so many others. The bread on our table carries the work of farmers, workers, drivers, store employees, and countless people we may never meet. The peace we enjoy depends upon people who serve our communities and our country. The opportunities we have today were often prepared through the sacrifices of generations before us.

Gratitude, therefore, keeps us humble.

It teaches us that we are never completely self-made or self-sufficient. We depend upon God, upon creation, and upon one another.

This is also a beautiful occasion to give thanks for Canada: for the land we share, its natural beauty and resources, its freedoms and opportunities, and the possibility of building a future together. At the same time, gratitude carries responsibility. We pray for our leaders and all who serve our country. We pray for peace, wisdom, justice, and deeper concern for those who feel forgotten or left behind. And perhaps Thanksgiving becomes most meaningful when gratitude changes the way we treat people. A thankful heart becomes more patient, more generous, less demanding, and more willing to share.

May we celebrate this Thanksgiving with full tables, certainly, but even more with full hearts—appreciating the people around us, caring for those who need us, and trusting the God who has faithfully accompanied us through another year.

May God bless our families, our communities, and our country. Wishing everyone a peaceful, joyful, and blessed Thanksgiving. *Fr. Jaison Joseph MCBS*

THANKSGIVING DAY – SPECIAL MASS (12 OCTOBER 2026)

On Thanksgiving Day, we will have a special morning Mass at St. Monica's Parish.

8:00 AM – Holy Rosary and followed by **Holy Mass**. Let us come together as a parish family to thank God for His many blessings and offer our gratitude for all that we have received. All are warmly welcome to join us!

MOMENTUM – FOR SINGLE CATHOLIC MOTHERS

Momentum is a Catholic faith community created to support and encourage single mothers through faith, fellowship, prayer, and friendship. It offers a welcoming space to connect with others and find spiritual encouragement. Momentum began in Montreal and had since expanded into Ontario and parts of the United States.

The next gathering will take place on October 18, 2026, from 2:00–4:00 p.m. at St. Monica's Parish, 6405 rue de Terrebonne, Montreal.

THANK YOU -PARISH BAKE SALE

A big thank you to everyone who helped make last weekend's Parish Bake Sale such a great success! Special thanks to Gina Yee for taking the lead, along with John Wilkinson, Maria Troli, and the entire Fundraising Team for coordinating everything so well. Thank you also to all our wonderful volunteers, everyone who baked and donated, and all who came out to buy and support the fundraiser.

A very special thank you to the family who so generously baked and donated **50 delicious apple pies** to help raise funds for our church. Your generosity and wonderful contribution are deeply appreciated. Your time, generosity, and wholehearted support made the Bake Sale which generated **\$2,688.00** towards our Fundraising efforts, a wonderful success. Thank you all!

The Office will be closed Monday, October 12th – Happy Thanksgiving

MASS INTENTIONS: OCTOBER 10 - 16, 2026

Saturday, 4:00pm – October 10, 2026 – 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ernesta & Ignazio Ciampini

Carmela Stasi-Cioffi

John Joseph Griffin

L) Jean Emmanuel, in thanksgiving on his Birthday

Children & their Family

John Cioffi & Family

Griffin Family

Marie Pascale

Sunday, 9:00am – October 11, 2026 – 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Timoteo & Presentacion Dacuyucy

Di Fazio & Iaccovone Family

Raffaele Cinelli

Angelo Perna

Family

Children

Franca D'Addio

Susan Roberts & Peggie Liederman

Sunday, 11:00am – October 11, 2026 – 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Giuseppe, Paola & Marco Pendenza

Amalia Ambrosio

The Cullen Family

James Silvestre

Filippo Navarra

Cappello Family

Family

Jane Cullen

Gina Di Ioia & Sestillio Otenzi

Family

Tuesday, 8:30am – October 13, 2026 – Weekday

Richard Griffin

L) Gratitude for blessings received

L) Gabriel Lee

Griffin Family

Gina Maurice

Gema Song

Wednesday, 8:30am – October 14, 2026 – Saint Callistus

Isa, Ivio & Mark Mazzella

Barbara Bonner

L) Gabriel Lee

Family

Beverly Bonner

Gema Song

Thursday, 8:30am – October 15, 2026 – MEMORIAL - Saint Teresa of Jesus

Wim Laarhoven & his Deceased Family Members

L) Souleymane Lenaud & Friends

Ria

Hilary & Raymond Jack

Thursday, 7:00pm

For All Parishioners Intentions

Friday, 8:30am – October 16, 2026 – MEMORIAL – St. Marguerite d'Youville

Teresa Sparapani & Angelo Caucci

Nydia

Rita Roldàn

Rosa & Luigi Savati

Grandaughter

Eduardo Brinckhaus