

SONNET TO THE HOLY TRINITY (Malcolm Guite)

*In the Beginning, not in time or space,
 But in the quick before both space and time,
 In Life, in Love, in co-inherent Grace,
 In three in one and one in three, in rhyme,
 In music, in the whole creation story,
 In His own image, His imagination,
 The Triune Poet makes us for His glory,
 And makes us each the other's inspiration.
 He calls us out of darkness, chaos, chance,
 To improvise a music of our own,
 To sing the chord that calls us to the dance,
 Three notes resounding from a single tone,
 To sing the End in whom we all begin;
 Our God beyond, beside us and within.*



Today's celebration of Trinity Sunday invites us to acknowledge the mystery of Divine Love as **gift**: the **Father's** love takes on human flesh in the **Son**, and is poured into our hearts through the **Holy Spirit**. Our God **is** relationship: because God's very being is self-giving, overflowing love, then we are not alone. Look upon creation and behold the reflection of the Trinity: dynamic, expansive, giving, radiant; extraordinarily diverse, yet a finely differentiated unity.

Faith in the Holy Trinity grounds our belief in the dignity of the human person. Our God embraces us, stands in solidarity with us, dwells within us. Created by a loving Father, we are children of God; redeemed by the Son, we are brothers and sisters of Jesus, and thus of one another; sanctified by the Holy Spirit, we are Holy Ground, God's own dwelling place. The Trinity is no dry, dusty dogma, a theoretical construct without practical application. It is the core truth at the heart of Christian faith: God is love. God is relationship. God is unity in diversity. God is a communion of equals. And if this is who *God* is, then *all of us*, created in the divine image and likeness, are also called to reflect this love, harmony and unity in our own lives.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
 world without end. Amen.**

FAITH FIRST REGISTRATION: Registration forms for 2016-17 Season are available at the entrances of the church, church hall, and rectory. **PLEASE NOTE: All new, as well as, returning students must fill out a form before August 15 (so that we know how many books to order) and return it the rectory to guarantee a spot.** The cost of program is \$80 for one child, \$105 for 2 children, and \$125 for 3 or more **if you register by Sunday, June 26 (after that date, \$20 will added on: \$80-\$100, \$105-\$125, \$125-\$145).** Please note that your child will not be denied access to the program if you are unable to pay the fee. For further info or an electronic copy of the registration form, please contact Jennie Parsons-Armstrong at (514) 481-0267 or by email at jennie.armstrong@bell.net.

THE PASTORAL COUNCIL AT ST. MONICA'S PARISH

Parish Council is a planning committee which is representative of the whole parish community. The council seeks to promote a community of faith and Christian fellowship and takes concrete actions to the meet the needs of the parish community.

Nominations for council members for the upcoming term beginning in September 2016 are being solicited. All Catholics who are members of the parish are eligible for membership on the council. If you have talents that you would like to share or know of someone who you'd like to nominate, please contact the parish office at 514-481-0267 before May 31, 2016.



PARISH COUNCIL

MASS INTENTIONS MAY 21 TO 29, 2016

Saturday, May 21: St. Eugene de Mazenod

4:00 Antonio Bei By his wife Gabriella Bei
 Ermando Giuseppie Nudo By wife Elvire Nudo
 Carlo Scarsella By Serafino Ciambella

Sunday, May 22: The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

8:30 Ursula Lafontaine By Rosa & Luigi Salvati
 Cruciano Nardinocchi By his Mother
11:00 In Loving Memory: Deceased members of the Cullen Family,
 Fioravante Rotiroti, Beatrice Gagnon, Charles Corner.

Monday, May 23: Weekday Mass

8:00 Lina & Armando Turini By Pietrina Turini

Tuesday, May 24: Weekday Mass

8:00 Giovanni Petosa By Maria & Raffaele Cinelli

Wednesday, May 25: St. Bede the Venerable

8:00 Ursula Lafontaine By Maria & Alfredo Diodati

Thursday, May 26: St. Philip Neri

8:00 Pasquale & Rosa Ferrara By Michele & Vincenzina Ferrara

Friday, May 27 St. Augustine of Canterbury

8:00 Ignazio Buscemi By his wife Grace & Family

Saturday, May 28: Our Lady's Saturday

4:00 In Loving Memory: Aniello d'Addio, Ignazio Ciampini,
 Danny Dupont, Pasquale D'Addio, Pietro Di Meglio.

Sunday, May 29: Corpus Christi

Solemnity of Body & Blood of Christ Trinity

8:30 Aldo Brocca By his Daughter
 Patrick Owen Dowd By Rosa & Luigi Salvati
 Deceased members of the By the Guerin Family
 Guerin Family
11:00 Louise Smith By Smith-Supino Family
 Lorne Glenn Munday By Thelma Murphy & Family
 Deceased members of the By Pasquale Coccia
 Coccia Family

Your Generosity...

Thank you for your on-going support of our parish... Collection for the weekend of May 14/15, 2016 totalled \$3,366.55. Special collection for the Archdiocese of Montreal totalled \$767.00.

YES WE CAN...WE SURE DID!

The Confirmation kids and The Food Pantry would like to thank everyone who participated in the can and bottle drive. Through your generosity, we were able to collect \$158.25.

DO YOU FEEL CALLED TO MINISTER TO YOUNG PEOPLE?



**Join the
Youth Group**

If anyone is interested in helping out or getting more information about youth ministry for 2016-2017 please contact Claire Brown, clairebrown514@gmail.com, 514-677-7493. Participation could be with the COOL youth group (ages 12-15) or new activities for young people ages 15-25.

MATRIMONY MASS

Are you celebrating a special wedding anniversary this year? Please consider participating in the **Matrimony Mass on Saturday, June 11th at 4 p.m.** Couples married at St. Monica's over the past year are also invited. There will be a small reception after the mass. **To participate, please sign up at the back of the church or call or email the parish office before June 8th.** 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

couple after the mass.

CORPUS CHRISTI

Thursday, May 26, 2016

Mass: Mary Queen of the World Cathedral at 7:00 p.m.

Presided by: Archbishop Christian Lepine

Eucharistic Procession: On St. Catherine Street

Benediction at: St. Patrick's Basilica

In this Jubilee Year of Mercy, this will also be an



opportunity for everyone to pass through the **Door of Mercy** at Mary Queen of the World Cathedral. Candles and holders will be available at the main doors of the Cathedral for the modest sum of \$3 for one or \$5 for two. You may also bring your banners of Saints, parishes, movements or groups.