

## MASS TIMES

Saturday @ 5:00 pm

Sunday @ 10:30 am

(incl. Children's Liturgy)

Tuesday & Wednesday

@ 7:00 pm

(Devotion to Our Lady of  
Perpetual Help every Wed.)

Thursday & Friday

@ 9:00 am

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April 12, 2015

**2nd Sunday of Easter**

### Announced Masses

Saturday April 11

† **Leona Panganiban**

By Maureen Redrino

† **Lenka Zselenak**

By Jozsef & Maria Zselenak

Sunday April 12

† **Peter Terrio**

By Maria Sadnier

† **Yolande Fortin Suprenant**

By Diane and Bruno Baron

**Thanksgiving Mass**

Michelle Abinal

Tuesday April 14 **Pro Populo**

Wednesday April 15

**Thanksgiving Mass**

Michelle Abinal

Thursday April 16

† **Lenka Zselenak**

By Jozsef & Maria Zselenak

Friday April 17

† **Yolande Fortin Suprenant**

By Diane and Bruno Baron

Saturday April 18

† **Ken Smith Coombs**

By Adrienne Coombs

Sunday April 19

† **Emmett Cavanagh**

By the Family

**Meditation:** Do you know the joy of the resurrection? The Risen Lord Jesus revealed the glory of his resurrection to his disciples gradually and over a period of time. Even after the apostles saw the empty tomb and heard the reports of Jesus' appearance to the women, they were still weak in faith and fearful of being arrested by the Jewish authorities. When Jesus appeared to them he offered proofs of his resurrection by showing them the wounds of his passion, his pierced hands and side. He calmed their fears and brought them peace, the peace which reconciles sinners and makes us friends of God.

Jesus did something which only love and trust can do. He commissioned his weak and timid apostles to bring the good news of the Gospel to the ends of the earth. This sending out of the disciples is parallel to the sending out of Jesus by his heavenly Father. Jesus fulfilled his mission through his perfect love and obedience to the will of his Father. He called his first disciples and he now calls each one of us to do the same. Just as he gave his first disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit, so he breathes on each of us the same Holy Spirit who equips us with new life, power, joy, and courage to live each day as followers of the Risen Lord.

The last apostle to meet the resurrected Lord was the first to go with him to Jerusalem at Pass-over time. The apostle Thomas was a natural pessimist. When Jesus proposed that they visit Lazarus after receiving news of his illness, Thomas said to the disciples: "*Let us also go, that we may die with him*" (John 11:16). While Thomas deeply loved the Lord, he lacked the courage to stand with Jesus in his passion and crucifixion. After Jesus' death, Thomas made the mistake of withdrawing from the other apostles. He sought loneliness rather than fellowship in his time of trial and adversity. He doubted the women who saw the resurrected Jesus and he doubted his own fellow apostles.

When Thomas finally had the courage to rejoin the other apostles, the Lord Jesus made his presence known to him and reassured him that he had indeed overcome death and risen again. When Thomas recognized his Master, he believed and exclaimed that Jesus was truly Lord and truly God! Through the gift of faith we, too, proclaim that Jesus is our personal Lord and our God. He died and rose that we, too, might have new life in him. The Lord offers each of us new life in his Holy Spirit that we may know him personally and walk in this new way of life through the power of his resurrection. Do you believe in the good news of the Gospel and in the power of the Holy Spirit to bring you new life, hope, and joy?

"Lord Jesus Christ, through your victory over sin and death you have overcome all the powers of sin and darkness. Help me to draw near to you and to trust in your life-giving word. Fill me with your Holy Spirit and strengthen my faith in your promises and my hope in the power of your resurrection."  
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**CONFESSIONS** will be heard 15 minutes before each Mass ~ weekdays, as well as on weekends.

**BAPTISM INFORMATION** Parents wishing to have their child baptized are asked to contact the Parish Office at 514-769-9678. A meeting with Parents and Godparents is a pre-requisite. Godparents must be baptized and confirmed in the Catholic Faith to be eligible.

ST. WILLIBRORD ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

UPCOMING EVENTS

**Pastor**  
Fr. Gregory Nunez  
**Board of Wardens**  
Joseph Brisindi  
Angèle LaFlèche  
Paul Moreau  
Marcellina Daniel  
Emilia Gohing  
Jonathan Trabajada

**Office Staff**  
Bernadette Roach  
Yvonne Pelling (mat. leave)  
*Administration*  
Terrel Joseph  
*Youth Ministry*  
Julian Paparella  
*Youth Ministry*

**Mass Intentions**  
There are many Masses available for intentions, weekday and weekends. For your convenience please fill out a Mass intention envelope found at the back of the church and return to the office or Fr. Gregory.

**PREX**

St. Willibrord's is holding the first *Parish Renewal Experience (PREX)* in North America in three sessions: *Friday, April 17th* beginning at 6pm, *Saturday, April 18th* beginning at 9am, and *Saturday, April 25th* beginning at 9am. All parishioners are welcome to join us as we **grow deeper in faith** and **unite more closely as a parish family**.  
*Please speak to Father Gregory or call the Office for more information.*

**The Passing of Cardinal Jean-Claude Turcotte**

This past Wednesday, April 8th, the Archdiocese of Montreal was saddened to learn of the passing of its former chief shepherd, Cardinal Jean-Claude Turcotte, who led the Catholic Church in Montreal with devotion, joy, a common touch, and a pastor's heart from 1990-2012. Let us pray with gratitude for the eternal peace of his soul. His funeral will be celebrated this Friday, April 17 at 2pm at Marie-Reine-du-Monde Cathedral.

**Bible Study with Nathan Gibbard**

Our weekly Bible Study continues this Thursday, April 16 at 6:30pm with Dr. Nathan Gibbard. Join us as we learn more about God's Word!

**Triduum Offertory**

April 2nd-5th  
\$4762.77  
**THANK YOU!!!**

**St. Thomas More Women's Club O.K.O. this Wednesday**

St. Thomas More Women's Club will hold their **Annual O.K.O.** on *Wednesday, April 15th at 12:00pm* in the Parish Hall, 978 Moffat Ave (corner of Bannantyne & Moffat), Verdun. Admission is \$5.00 and delicious refreshments will be served. Early Bird Prize will be drawn at 12:30pm sharp.

**Women's Day Retreat this Wednesday**

This *Wednesday* at *Villa Saint-Martin* (9451 Gouin Blvd W., Pierrefonds), Sister Pat O'Neill, SNJM will be leading a retreat for women featuring reflections, music, time for quiet and personal prayer, Mass, and sharing for those who wish to participate. All women are welcome. Please bring a lunch. Registration at 9:30am. Suggested donation of \$15.00. Contact: (514)684-1290

**Thank you to:**

Thank you to **Cora Garlando** and **Norma** for cleaning the Rectory!

Thank you to **Peter, Doherty, Tony Di-lallo, Dan Ormsby** and to **all the volunteers at the recent Flea Market.**

*Thank you to all our donors and volunteers!*

**Ste-Catherine-Laboure Grand Bazar next weekend**

A wide variety of clothing for the whole family, as well as a vast selection of dishes, books, games, furniture, bedding, art, and baked goods at very affordable prices! Parking available. All are warmly welcome. Come and take advantage of our deals! April 17 and 18 from 10am-4pm and April 19 from 10am-1pm.  
Paroisse Ste-Catherine-Laboure: 448 Rue Trudeau (at Clement), Lasalle.

**Benefit Concert for the Ignatian Centre**

A benefit concert for the Ignatian Centre will be held next Saturday, April 18 at 7pm in the Parish Hall of St. Ignatius of Loyola Parish (4455 West Broadway). Be sure not to miss this evening of high energy popular music, including praise and worship songs! Light refreshments, prizes, and more. Tickets are \$25.00 in advance, to purchase call (514)481-1064 or email [centre@ignatiancentremtl.ca](mailto:centre@ignatiancentremtl.ca)