

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 13th, 2019, 5:00PM

† Souls in Purgatory by Adeline Doyle

The students taking their final exams by Joseph D'Silva

Birthday for Chris Altura by Juliet Quiocho

Sunday, April 14th, 2019, 10:30AM

Thanksgiving Blessings for Ramil & Rowena on their 23 yrs Wedding Anniversary

By Rowena Bicomong

Thanksgiving for blessings received by the Reginales family

Healing Mass for Joseph Bulseco by Burcena family

Tuesday, April 16th, 2019, 10:30AM

Pro Populo

Wednesday, April 17th, 2019, 7:00PM

Please note that there will be no Mass celebrated at St Willibrord

You are invited to attend the Chrism Mass, 7:30PM,

at Mary Queen of the World Cathedral

(1085 Rue de la Cathédrale, Montréal, QC H3B 2V3)

Thursday, April 18th, 2019, 7:00PM

Birthday Blessings for Pepito Mendoza By Juliet Quiocho

****Friday, April 19th, 2019, 3:00 PM****

Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 20th, 2019, 8:00PM

Sunday, April 21st, 2019, 10:30AM

† Thomas Battcock by Betty Luyten-Friedman

† Conchita De La Cruz and † Juliana Penonal by Maria Garcia

**** Please note that the Friday Mass, April 19, 2019 will now take place at 3:00PM.**

There will be an outdoor Way of the Cross, on April 19, 2019, at 7:00PM,

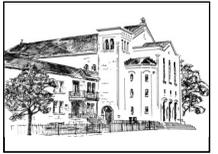
where we will be processing in the streets of Verdun

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April 14, 2019 — Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Meditation: Does the King of glory find a welcome entry in your home and heart? Jesus went to Jerusalem knowing full well what awaited him - betrayal, rejection, and crucifixion. The people of Jerusalem, however, were ready to hail him as their Messianic King! Little did they know what it would cost this king to usher in his kingdom. Jesus' entry into Jerusalem astride a colt was a direct fulfillment of the Messianic prophecy of Zechariah (9:9):

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion. Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem. Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, and riding on an donkey and upon a colt the foal of a donkey.

The colt was a sign of peace. Jesus enters Jerusalem in meekness and humility, as the Messianic King who offers victory and peace to his people. That victory and peace would be secured in the cross and resurrection which would soon take place at the time of Passover.

Augustine, the great 5th century church father, comments on the significance of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem:

"The master of humility is Christ who humbled himself and became obedient even to death, even the death of the cross. Thus he does not lose his divinity when he teaches us humility... What great thing was it to the king of the ages to become the king of humanity? For Christ was not the king of Israel so that he might exact a tax or equip an army with weaponry and visibly vanquish an enemy. He was the king of Israel in that he rules minds, in that he gives counsel for eternity, in that he leads into the kingdom of heaven for those who believe, hope, and love. It is a condescension, not an advancement for one who is the Son of God, equal to the Father, the Word through whom all things were made, to become king of Israel. It is an indication of pity, not an increase in power." (*Tractates* on John 51.3-4)

Psalm 24 is another prophetic passage which echoes this triumphal procession of the King of glory:

Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in.

Jesus Christ came to bring us the kingdom of God. He is the true King who offers peace, joy, and everlasting life for those who accept his kingship. Does the King of glory find a welcome entry in your heart and home? Do your walls echo with the praise of his glory?

"Lord Jesus, be the King and Ruler of my heart, mind, life, and home. May my life reflect your meekness and humility that you may be honored as the King of glory!"

<http://dailyscripture.servantsoftheword.org/readings/2019/apr14.htm>

Please bring your bells for Holy Thursday and Easter Vigil

Pastor
Fr. Gregory Nunez
Office Staff
Anastasia Wargachuk
Administration
March 30-31—\$682.10
Flea Market April—
\$3,012.50
April 6-7—\$1,132.45

ST WILLIBRORD PARISH
Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 10:30 am

(incl. Children's Liturgy)

Tuesday: 7:00 pm
(Rector)

Wednesday: 7:00 pm

Thursday: 9:00 am
(Rector)

Adoration Thursdays

9:30am to 11:30am
(Rector)

Friday: 6:00 pm
(during Lent)

Please note the Mass, on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday will be held in the Rectory

Sacraments



Confirmation will be celebrated on Sunday, May 26, 2019, at 10:30AM Mass

First Communion will be celebrated on Sunday, June 2, 2019, at the 10:30AM Mass

Resurrection Angel Candidates for 2019

Lexie Anne Castro, daughter of Edred Castro and Anabic Garcia
Vanessa Carbonneau, daughter of Cynthia Credito and Michel Carbonneau
Gabrielle Chloe Cawaling, daughter of John Paul Cawling and Roche Martiriez
Colin Victor Davantes, son of Marites Davantes and Silver Davantes
Vanexcel Salmon, son of Arnel Salmon and Heidi Saul
Victoria Sanglitan, daughter of Jocelyn Samulde and Victor Sanglitan

5 THINGS ABOUT PALM SUNDAY THAT REMIND US CHRIST IS KING

1. God's Word tells us the people cut palm branches and waved them in the air, laid them out on the ground before Jesus as He rode into the city. The palm branch represented goodness and victory and was symbolic of the final victory He would soon fulfill over death.

"O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?" 1 Cor. 15:55

2. Jesus chose to ride in on a donkey, which directly fulfilled Old Testament prophecy of Zech. 9:9. In Biblical times, it was common for kings or important people to arrive by a procession riding on a donkey. The donkey symbolized peace, so those who chose to ride them showed that they came with peaceful intentions. Jesus even then reminded us that He is the Prince of Peace. *"Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey." Zech. 9:9*

3. When the people shouted "Hosanna!" they were hailing Christ as King. That word actually means "save now," and though in their own minds they waited for an earthly king, God had a different way in mind of bringing true salvation to all who would trust in Him.

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD!" Ps. 118:26
"If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved." Rom. 10:9

4. The Bible says that Jesus wept for Jerusalem. In the midst of the praise of the moment, He knew in His heart that it wouldn't be long that these same people would turn their backs on Him, betray Him, and crucify Him. His heart broke with the reality of how much they needed a Savior.

"As he approached Jerusalem and saw the city, he wept over it, and said, "If you, even you, had only known on this day what would bring you peace--but now it is hidden from your eyes." Luke 19:41-42

5. Palm Sunday reminds us that the reign of Christ is far greater than any the mind of man could ever conceive or plan. Man looked for someone to fight their battles in the present day world. Yet God had the ultimate plan of sending His Son to fight the final battle over death. This is the greatness of why we celebrate this week. Because of Christ's ultimate sacrifice, we can be set free of death.

"Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in Me will live even if he dies,'" John 11:25

—<https://www.crosswalk.com/blogs/debbie-mcdaniel/5-things-about-palm-sunday-that-remind-us-christ-is-king.html>

ST. WILLIBRORD ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Resurrection Angel (Salubong) Celebration

This celebration is the re-enactment of the first meeting between the resurrected Jesus and His Mother Mary, will be held on Sunday, April 21, 2019, at 9:00AM

Easter Flowers: Donation for flowers for the sanctuary would be greatly appreciated. Money can be placed in an envelope with the notation of Easter flowers or flowers can be brought to the Church during at scheduled Mass times.

Anniversary and Birthday Blessings to all who are celebrating this week.

Happy Birthday to Johanne Patry, Nonong Comodero and Pepito Mendoza

Thank you to, Jorge, Jonas, Pedro, Bong, Bernard, Virgilio, for their work preparing for the Resurrection Angel (Salubong) celebration and to all of our volunteers and Mike, Cora, Maria, Ogaga, the parishioners who stayed after the stations of the Cross to prepare the palms for us.

Thank you to the parents and candidates of the Resurrection Angel (Salubong) celebration

Lenten/Easter Schedule

Chrism Mass, Wednesday, April 17, 2019, 7:30PM, at Mary Queen of the World Cathedral (1085 Rue de la Cathédrale, Montréal, QC H3B 2V3)

Holy Thursday, April 18, 2019, 7:00PM

Good Friday, April 19, 2019, 3:00PM (Stations of the Cross), 7:00PM (Outdoor Way of the Cross (weather permitting))

Easter Vigil, April 20, 2019, 8:00PM

Easter Sunday, April 21, 2019, 10:30AM

Triduum



DATES FOR FAITH FORMATION AND FORMATION FOR LAY PEOPLE

Meeting for Lectors, Lay Ministers and Choir Members:

will be held on Sunday, April 28, 2019, following the 10:30AM Mass

Choir Practice with Johanne (rescheduled)

will be held on Sunday, April 14, 2019, following the 10:30AM Mass.

The next meeting will be held on May 14, 2019

Acolytes:

Meeting will be held in the rectory, on May 11, at 9:00AM.

Faith in the family:

The next faith in the family will be on April 28, 2019, at 9:00AM, in Cameron Hall

DATE(S) TO REMEMBER

Flea Market: Saturday, May 4, 2019, 9:00AM to 3:00PM

Mass in Cameron Hall Saturday, May 11, 2019, 5:00PM, followed by a light meal

CONFESSIONS will be heard 15 minutes before each Mass weekdays and on weekends.

BAPTISM 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 Church.

MARRIAGE Please contact the Parish Office or Father Gregory well in advance, as it is important to reserve the church before the Hall.