

MASS TIMES

Saturday @ 5:00 pm

Sunday @ 10:30 am

(incl. Children's Liturgy)

Tues @ 7:00 pm (Rectory)

Wed @ 7:00 pm

Thursday & Friday

@ 9:00 am

Adoration Fridays 9:30-11:30

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April 24, 2016

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Announced Masses

Saturday April 23rd

Sunday April 24th

† **Vicente Cortez**
By Family

† **Ursula Lafontaine**

† **P. Owen Dowd**

Int of Francisco Meriales

Birthday Blessings

for Lily Cavanaugh

Birthday Blessings

For Isla Lambert

Tuesday April 25th

PRO POPULO

Wednesday April 26th

† **Dale Parsons**

By the Family

Thursday April 27th

Friday April 28th

Saturday April 30th

In Thanksgiving and

† **for the souls of Santos**

Dara Baldesco and Jovita

Nunez Baldesco By Aida

& Lilia Baldesco

Sunday May 1st

† **Ursula Lafontaine**

† **P. Owen Dowd**

Int of Francisco Meriales

Meditation: *The love of Christ conquers all*

The Father has glorified his Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, by raising him from the dead. And the Lord shares his glory with us and with all who believe in him as their Lord and Savior.

Augustine of Hippo wrote, *God loves each one of us as if there were only one of us to love.*

God's love is direct, personal, and wholly oriented to our good welfare and happiness. What can hold us back from loving the One who suffered and died for us and who offers us abundant joy and happiness with him forever? Nothing can separate us from that love except our own stubborn pride, envy, and self-deception. Satan rebelled out of pride and envy - he wanted to be God's rival. Adam disobeyed because he listened to Satan's lie and deceptive promise to glory apart from God. We sin because we love ourselves more than we love God and our neighbor. Only the cross can break the curse of sin and bring full restoration of body, mind, and soul.

We are called to love as Christ loves us

We were made for glory - the glory which comes from God and which lasts forever. That glory can only be obtained in the cross of Jesus Christ. And the price for that glory is the total offering of our lives for the One who loved us first and who died on the cross to save us from everlasting death and destruction. God offers us the free gift of faith which enables us to believe in his only begotten Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, who frees us from slavery to sin so we can live as sons and daughters of God. The distinctive mark of the followers of Jesus is love - a love not bound by fear, greed, or selfishness - but a love full of compassion, mercy, kindness, and goodness.

God's love has been poured into our hearts

How can we love one another as Christ has loved us? Paul the Apostle tells us that "God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us" (Romans 5:5). Jesus poured out his Holy Spirit on his disciples at Pentecost and he pours out his Spirit today on all who believe in him. If we yield our hearts to Jesus and submit to his will for us, then the Holy Spirit will purify all that is unloving, unkind, and unforgiving in us. The Lord wants to transform our minds so we can understand his word of truth and life which has power to set us free from ignorance, unbelief, deception, and prejudice.

The distinctive mark of every disciple and follower of Jesus Christ is love - a love that is ready to forgive and forget past injuries, to heal and restore rather than inflict revenge and injury. The cross of Jesus is the only way to pardon, peace, forgiveness, and reconciliation. Every other way will fail or fall short of the glory and victory which Jesus Christ has won for us through his death and resurrection. If we embrace his love and truth and allow his Holy Spirit to purify and transform our hearts and minds, then we will find the inner freedom, joy, and strength we need to love without measure and to forgive without limit - **rc.net**

CONFESSIONS will be heard 15 minutes before each Mass ~ weekdays, as well as 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.

Pastor

Fr. Gregory Nunez
Office Staff

Julian Paparella

Administration and PCL

Collections

Holy Week & Triduum—
\$4736.90

Apr 2-3/2016—\$1341.00

Flea Market—\$2328.00

Apr 9-10/2016—\$703.95

Apr 16-17, 2016—\$1285.00

Donation for Father Nonito's
Parish in Jamaica \$330.70

JOHN PAUL II ON THE GOOD SHEPHERD

New Auxiliary Bishop Appointed for Montreal



(**CCCB**) His Holiness Pope Francis today appointed Reverend Monsignor Alain Faubert, C.S.S., Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Montreal.

At the time of his appointment, the Bishop-elect was Pastor of Saint-Germain Parish in Montreal. Msgr. Faubert will join the Most Reverend Thomas Dowd as Auxiliary Bishop of Montreal. Bishop-elect Alain Faubert was born on April 4, 1965, and ordained priest on June 9, 1995, for the Archdiocese of Montreal. He served as an assistant pastor for five years before undertaking studies in theology at the *Institut*

catholique de Paris and at Laval University in Quebec City. In 2004, he returned to studies fulltime and resumed pastoral work in Outremont, Montreal, while also teaching at the *Institut de formation théologique de Montréal*, as well as serving as Assistant to the Director of the Diocesan Office for Faith Education.

In January 2011, he was appointed Episcopal Vicar of the eastern region of the Archdiocese of Montreal. In May 2011, he was named a monsignor (Chaplain of His Holiness). Since 2012 Bishop-elect Faubert has been Pastor of Saint-Germain Parish, Outremont.

We pray for the healing and peace of all our sick, Flo Davies, Adeline Doyle, Adrienne Coombs, Sterling Smith, Joe Brisindi, Dan Boyer, Rita Riley, Marie-Paul, Rickie Walsh, Muriel Boutin, and Joey Walsh. God is with you always.

FAITH & FUN DAY on Saturday, April 30th

On Saturday, April 30th, Saint Willibrord's is organizing a **FAITH & FUN DAY** for children and families. We will be going to **Saint Joseph's Oratory!** Stay tuned for more details. Please join us!



BIRTHDAYS

To Joshua Bolofer
April 19th

Gloria Mamangun
April 21st

Lilly Cavanaugh
April 21st

Isla Lambert
April 23rd

Derick Cade
April 22nd

THANK YOU to
Evelyn &
Arthur Gilchrist
and Mike for cleaning the Church.
To Jonas, Pedro,
Bernard, Bong, for painting the rectory

BAZAAR 2016—Looking for Good Cheer Donations!

We are pleased to announce that this year's Annual Bazaar will be held **Friday, October 21st** and **Saturday, October 22nd**. We are looking for donations of alcohol for our **Good Cheer Table** during this month of April! They can be brought on Sunday or to the Office.

WARDENS ELECTIONS

In the coming weeks Saint Willibrord's Parish will be organizing elections for our Wardens. Wardens are the financial overseers of the Parish. Saint Willibrord's has six Wardens. If you are interested in serving Saint Willibrord's as a Warden, please contact Father Gregory or the Parish Office.

ST. JOHN BRÉBEUF PARISH: PUB NIGHT FUNDRAISER

Our popular pub night fundraiser evening will be Friday, April 29, 7 pm—10 pm., in the parish hall. Stop in for a pint, a glass of wine or a soft drink, a light meal or snack. There are games, such as darts, table soccer, cards, cribbage, Wii., or just relax and chat!

THE SOCIAL JUSTICE CONNECTION

The SJC will be holding an *Art For Social Action* fundraiser on Saturday, April 30 from 10:30am-3pm at Centre le Manoir (5319 ave. Notre-Dame-de-Grâce, Montreal), corner Decarie Blvd. Items for sale include: bridal jewellery and accessories, wood and soap stone carvings, quilts, henna art, crafts from recycled material, embossed pewter, painted glass, handmade soaps, paintings by LaSalle local Susan Nimbley, chemical free natural beauty products, organic cotton baby clothes, fudge and much more! Thirty-five beautiful raffle prizes also to be won! Contact Diane at 514-652-2208.