

# St. Willibrord Roman Catholic Church

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**Saturday @ 5:00 pm**

**Sunday @ 10:30 am**

(inc. Children's Liturgy)

**Tuesday & Wednesday**

**@ 7:00 pm**

(Devotions) - Wednesday 6:30pm

**Thursday & Friday**

**@ 9:00 am**

(Adoration) Friday 9:30-11:30am

## Announced Masses

Saturday April 5

† **Shelia Carrega**

By Adeline Doyle

Sunday April 6

† **James Whitton**

By Bob & Marion

† **George Reith**

By Beverly Fender

Tuesday April 8

**Pro Populo**

Wednesday April 9

† **George Reith**

By Shirley Reith

Thursday April 10

† **Donnelly & Cavanagh Families**

By The Cavanagh Family  
Friday April 11

Saturday April 12

† **All Souls in Purgatory**

By Adeline Doyle

Sunday April 13

† **George Reith**

By Shirley Reith



**April 6, 2014**

**Fifth Sunday of Lent**

St. Paul is very clear in today's second reading. Because of our baptism, Jesus lives in us through the Holy Spirit. Because the Spirit dwells in us, even though our bodies are subject to death as a consequence of sin, our spirit lives. The same Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead will raise our mortal bodies to life beyond death. This is the sure promise made to all of us who choose to live, animated by the Spirit. Today's Gospel calls us to a deeper faith and trust in Jesus who tells us: **"I am the resurrection and the life: whoever believes in me, though he should die, will come to life."**

"Do you believe this?"

No one seemed to be prepared for Jesus' next words and actions. "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" Then he shouts: "Lazarus, come out!" And Lazarus comes out, still bound in his linen shroud. Jesus has to tell them to "untie him and let him go free."

What is your response, my response, as we listen to the events recounted for us? The glory of God revealed in Lazarus' new life calls us to faith and trust. Physical death only ends our earthly life; there is life beyond the grave - eternal life, resurrection of our bodies! The Spirit who dwells in us will give us a share in Jesus' glorious risen life.

But before that promise comes true, however, we have an earthly life to complete. Reality must break through the marvelous events we have witnessed.

We know that this miracle hastened the tragic events of Jesus' arrest, suffering and eventual death on the cross. As we listen today, we are reminded that there are daily deaths to self and sin that we must endure in order to share in Jesus' rising. People and events in our daily living will challenge our faith and trust in Jesus as resurrection and life. How we handle these daily deaths to self and sin is often a good indication of how we will handle our final, earthly death. Seeing them as our opportunities to share in Jesus' suffering and death gives us the courage to accept them gracefully.

Let us resolve, then, to use these challenges to deepen our decision to follow Jesus more closely each day. Jesus has told us that our daily deaths to self and sin, and our eventual physical death, will bring us to our promised share in his glorious risen life. May the grace of God and our faithfulness bring us to the fullness of life Jesus has promised us.

~taken from catholicsermons.com

**Collections March 29 - 30 - \$1,158.00**

**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.

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Lenten Services Schedule**

Come pray the Way of the Cross at St. Willibrord Parish Friday, April 4 and Friday, April 11 at 6 p.m. Like going on a pilgrimage united with the ultimate love of Jesus, come pray for your own intentions and for those of our Holy Father Pope Francis. The text being used was written by Pope Francis in 2013. Following the devotion, stay for talks by Nathan Gibbard, director of the Newman Centre at McGill University, at 7 p.m. both nights. This is a good opportunity for spiritual growth this Lent.

**Holy Week Schedule**

Palm Sunday	April 13th	10:30am
Holy Thursday Mass	April 17th	7:00pm
Good Friday Service	April 18th	3:00pm
Good Friday Outdoor Way of the Cross	April 18th	6:45pm
Easter Vigil	April 19th	7:00pm
Easter Mass	April 20th	10:30am

**CatholadoVerdun Events**

On **Saturday April 12**, Archbishop Christian Lépine is inviting all the teens and young adults of Montreal to join him in **celebrating the 29th World Youth Day**. The celebration will **begin at 12:30pm at Santa Cruz Catholic Mission** (60 rue Rachel W metro Mont-Royal) for a Teen festival and a young adult festival happening simultaneously. At 3pm we will all process through the streets of Montreal from Santa Cruz to St Patrick's basilica with our palm branches (it is also Palm Sunday weekend!). The procession will end at Mary Queen of the World Cathedral for Palm Sunday Mass at 5pm with Archbishop Lépine (1085 rue de la Cathédrale metro Bonaventure). The annual diocesan celebration of World Youth Day was started in 1985 by Pope John Paul II. In Montreal, this event usually draws approximately 400-500 young people! For more info, please contact Terrel Joseph @ 514-578-2134 or [stwillibrordyouth@gmail.com](mailto:stwillibrordyouth@gmail.com)

**Be My Disciples Meeting**  
**April 13 at 8:30 a.m.**

The Be My Disciples meeting has been moved up one week to Palm Sunday, April 13 at 8:30 a.m. We will have breakfast together with the kids and the parents and we will celebrate World Youth Day together and prepare for Holy Week. The BMD meeting that had been scheduled for Easter Sunday April 20 is cancelled.

**Major volunteer mobilization starts now! We need you!**

**All St. Willibrord's parishioners, friends and neighbours are needed to make the 2014 Fall Fair a success.** This is the **biggest fundraiser of the year** and our goal is \$50,000. We need everyone to be on our Procurement Team and go out to your networks, businesses you frequent, your contacts to ask for donations of new merchandise, prizes (tickets, gift certificates, etc) and donations. For more information, help "making a pitch" or to offer help or ideas, talk to any member of the committee: Joe Brisindi, Chair; Angela Choi, Patrick, Dan Ormsby, Christina Parsons, Father Greg.

**International Fall Fair**

**2014 Theme: Celebrating a world of cultures**

**What happens at the Fall Fair:**

Fall Fair Café serving homemade meals, coffee and desserts. Come for lunch and supper on both days.  
Raffle and hourly draws for cash prizes  
Homebaked goods including our famous pies and banana bread; Preserves and Jams; Fudge and Treats  
House Plants; Knitted goods, Vintage Table; Christmas Table, Home Décor; Religious Articles Table  
Children's Village featuring games, animation, crafts  
Surprises and entertainment

**Save the date:** Friday, Oct. 24 (1 p.m. to 9 p.m.) and Saturday, Oct. 25 (9 a.m. to 5 p.m.)