

Mass Intentions

A Reflection about Mass Intentions

Giving a "Mass Card" to the family of someone who has died is a traditional, practical, and consoling custom among Catholic people. Arranging to have a Mass offered for the repose of someone's soul respects the mystery of death and pays attention to the truth that we will all be judged by God, mercifully but justly, for what we have done and for what we have failed to do.

When we die, life is changed, not ended. Do you think that everyone is ready for immediate welcome into the kingdom of heaven? Perhaps some are, perhaps very few. Upon his death, who had more prayers and Masses offered for him than Pope John Paul II? We all have need for divine mercy, and we can benefit from the prayers of our friends. When we die, we will be fortunate and blessed if we have a Mass of Christian Burial and if we have people pray for us at other Masses in the months and years to come

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Saturday, April 6th, 2019, 5:00PM

† Leona Panaganiban by Maureen Redrino

Sunday, April 7th, 2019, 10:30AM

Thanksgiving Mass by Norma Orbita..

Thanksgiving for blessings received by Rentiquiano Rapacon

Tuesday, April 9th, 2019, 10:30AM

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Wednesday, April 10th, 2019, 7:00PM

.†Ofracina Pineda by Lydia Pineda..

Thursday, April 11th, 2019, 9:00AM

Blessings by Mr. & Mrs. Pedro Quioco and family..

****Friday, April 12th, 2019, 6:00 PM****

Thanksgiving Blessings to Jason John Quioco from Melina Pasal and Angelito Quioco..

†Salvacion Pader Quioco by Juliet and Quioco family

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 Quioco

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

**** Please note that the Friday Mass will now take place at 6:00PM.**

During the season of Lent, the Mass will be followed by the stations of the Cross. **

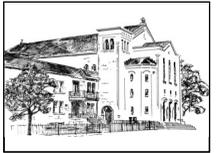
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April 7, 2019 — Fifth Sunday of Lent

"Go, and do not sin again"

Meditation: Are you ready to be changed and transformed in Christ-like holiness? God never withholds his grace from us. His steadfast love and mercy is new every day (Lamentations 3:22-23). Through the gift and grace of the Holy Spirit we can be changed and made new in Christ. He can set us free from our unruly desires and passions.

Unjust accusations against Jesus

The Gospel accounts frequently describe how Jesus had to face unjust accusations made by the Pharisees, the ruling elders of Israel. They were upset with Jesus' teaching and they wanted to discredit him in any way they could. They wanted to not only silence him, but to get rid of him because of his claim to speak with God's authority. When a moral dilemma or difficult legal question arose, it was typical for the Jews to take the matter to a rabbi for a decision. The scribes and the Pharisees brought to Jesus a woman who had been caught in the act of adultery. John writes that they wanted to "test" Jesus on the issue of retribution so "they might have some charge to bring against him" (John 8:6).

Jewish law treated adultery as a serious crime since it violated God's ordinance and wreaked havoc on the stability of marriage and family life. It was one of the three gravest sins punishable by death. If Jesus said the woman must be pardoned, he would be accused of breaking the law of Moses. If he said the woman must be stoned, he would lose his reputation for being the merciful friend of sinners.

Jesus then does something quite unexpected - he begins to write in the sand. The word for "writing" which is used here in the Gospel text has a literal meaning "to write down a record against someone" (for another example see Job 13:26). Perhaps Jesus was writing down a list of the sins of the accusers standing before him. Jesus now turns the challenge towards his accusers. In effect he says: *Go ahead and stone her! But let the man who is without sin be the first to cast a stone.* The Lord leaves the matter to their own consciences.

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ST. WILLIBRORD ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Anniversary and Birthday Blessings to

All who are celebrating this week.

Happy Birthday to

Maria Garcia and Chris Alturo

Thank you to

all the volunteers who work at the Church, in the Rectory, and in the Soup Kitchen and at the Flea Market.



Lenten/Easter Schedule

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

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 7, 2019, following the 10:30AM Mass

Choir Practice with Johanne (rescheduled)

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

Acolytes:

Meeting will be held in the rectory, on April 13, at 9:00AM.

Faith in the family:

The next faith in the family will be on April 7, 2019, at 9:00AM, in Cameron Hall

DATE(S) TO REMEMBER

Flea Market: Saturday, April 6, 2019, 9:00AM to 3:00PM

Mass in Cameron Hall Saturday, April 13, 2019, 5:00PM, followed by a light meal

Pope Francis; A Man of His Word:

Will be presented, on Saturday, April 13, 2019, following the 5:00PM Mass

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.

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

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Pardon, restoration, and new life

When the adulterous woman is left alone with Jesus, he both expresses mercy and he strongly exhorts her to not sin again. The scribes wished to condemn, Jesus wished to forgive and to restore the sinner to health. His challenge involved a choice - either to go back to her former way of sin and death or to reach out to God's offer of forgiveness, restoration, and new life in his kingdom of peace and righteousness. Jesus gave her pardon and a new start on life. God's grace enables us to confront our sin for what it is - unfaithfulness to God, and to turn back to God with a repentant heart and a thankful spirit for God's mercy and forgiveness. Do you know the joy of repentance and a clean conscience?

"God our Father, we find it difficult to come to you, because our knowledge of you is imperfect. In our ignorance we have imagined you to be our enemy; we have wrongly thought that you take pleasure in punishing our sins; and we have foolishly conceived you to be a tyrant over human life. But since Jesus came among us, he has shown that you are loving, that you are on our side against all that stunts life, and that our resentment against you was groundless. So we come to you, asking you to forgive our past ignorance, and wanting to know more and more of you and your forgiving love, through Jesus Christ our Lord." (Prayer of Saint Augustine) —

<http://dailyscripture.servantsoftheword.org/readings/2019/apr7.htm>

Stations (Way) of the Cross

Every Friday, during Lent, at 7:00PM, indoor Way of the Cross.

If you wish to sponsor an evening, please contact the rectory at 514-769-9678.

The Importance of Tithing (honoring God with the first fruits of your income)

The tithe is 10% of your income, and it should be given to God faithfully. Tithing honors the Scriptural principles of generously providing for religious leaders, giving to those in need, and laying up treasures in heaven.

Throughout Scripture, we are encouraged to give the first part of our resources to God as an expression of honor and gratitude. ***"Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with the first fruits of all thine increase: so shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine"*** (Proverbs 3:9-10).

<https://iblp.org/questions/why-tithing-important>

Pastor

Fr. Gregory Nunez

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Anastasia Wargachuk
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March 23-24, 2019—
\$875.35

March 30-31, 2019—
\$682.10

**ST WILLIBRORD
PARISH**

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 10:30 am

(incl. Children's
Liturgy)

Tuesday: 7:00 pm
(Rectory)

Wednesday: 7:00 pm

Thursday: 9:00 am
(Rectory)

Adoration Thursdays

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

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