

MASS TIMES

Saturday @ 5:00 pm
Sunday @ 10:30 am
(incl. Children's Liturgy)
Tues @ 7:00 pm (Rector)
Wed @ 7:00 pm
Thursday & Friday
@ 9:00 am
Adoration Fridays
9:30am to 11:30am

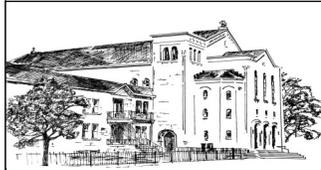
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August 7, 2016

Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Announced Masses

Saturday, August 6th

†**John Doyle**

By Adeline Doyle

Thanksgiving Mass

By Jorge & Sheila Reginales
& Family

†**Jovita Nunez Baldesco**

By Aida Baldesco Galan
& Lilia Baldesco

Sunday, August 7th

Int of Francisco Meirelles

†**Benita Meirelles**

By Francisco Meirelles

Tuesday, August 9th

Pro Populo

Wednesday, August 10th

Thanksgiving Mass

By Jorge & Sheila Reginales
& Family

Thursday, August 11th

†**Maria Salome Hosana**

By Marissa, Jun
and Juliana Nool

Friday, August 12th

†**Dorothy Wakefield**

By Adeline Doyle

Saturday, August 13th

†**Souls in Purgatory**

By Adeline Doyle

"The Lord knocks at the door - Who will answer?"

Meditation: What is the greatest joy and treasure we could possibly possess? The Lord Jesus promises that those who seek God and his kingdom first will not be disappointed (Luke 12:32, Matthew 6:33). The Lord Jesus offers us the greatest treasure possible - but we must first seek it and make it our true joy and possession above all else. We naturally want to have and keep whatever we think will bring us happiness, peace, and security. Jesus offers a priceless treasure and source of abundant joy and security that is worth selling all else for.

The priceless exchange and everlasting reward

Jesus tells his followers to not be fearful or anxious about their present lives and future security (Luke 12:32). He urges them to sell their possessions and to give their money to those who need it most - especially those who have nothing to provide for their present needs and welfare (Luke 12:33). This seems to go against our natural instinct to hoard and save for the future. Why would anyone want to sell their possessions and give away their money - unless they wanted to exchange these goods for something far more precious and of greater value than all the money and possessions they could ever hope to acquire in this present life.

Jesus warns that money and possessions will not last and can be taken away at any moment by a thief or by death itself. But there is one treasure which can never be lost or destroyed because it is kept secure by God himself. What is that treasure? It is the Lord himself and his kingdom of righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit (Romans 14:17). This treasure is worth far more than anything we could possibly acquire on our own. If you make the Lord your treasure, then you will have in your possession the greatest source of joy and lasting peace and security. The wisdom of Scripture tells us, *If the Almighty is your gold and your precious silver, then you will delight yourself in the Almighty, and will turn your face toward God* (Job 22:25-26). Do you know the joy and happiness of making God your one and only true treasure and security?

The Lord knocks at our door - will we answer him?

What is the meaning of the parable of the master who returns from a wedding feast to his home in the middle of the night (Luke 12:35-40)? The door to one's house in the ancient world was usually bolted from the inside, especially at night to keep out thieves and troublemakers. It was not possible to enter from the outside without help from someone inside. Household attendants (domestic servants) who knew their master's voice were expected to be always vigilant and prepared to unbolt the door and let him in without a moment's delay. This required an attentive watchfulness and listening ear for any sign of the master's approach. No distraction, not even sleep, could be allowed to interfere with the preparation for the master's return. If the servants failed to hear the voice of their master's return, they literally shut him out since he could not unbolt the door from the outside - only they could open the door from within and allow him to enter. Their failure to welcome and serve the master on his return brought shame and dishonor.

If the Lord Jesus knocked on your door today would you be ready and eager to receive him? He wants us to be prepared for his coming - today, tomorrow, at the hour of our departure from this life (our death), and when he comes again at the end of this present world to judge all living and dead. The Lord will reward those who have believed in him. The Lord Jesus knocks on the door of our heart each and every day. Do we listen to his word and receive it with trust and joy. The Lord calls to each of us and he says, "Listen! I am standing and knocking at your door. If you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in and we will eat together" (Revelations 3:20). Do you hunger for the Lord and for the treasure of his kingdom?

"Lord Jesus, you alone are my treasure and the joy of my heart. May there be nothing in this world that holds me back from giving you my all - you are my all, my life and joy now and forever." *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.

ST. WILLIBRORD ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Pastor

Fr. Gregory Nunez
Office Staff
Anastasia Wargachuk
Administration

July 2-3, 2016 —\$1,069.30
Flea Mkt July 2, 2016—
\$1,700.00
July 9-10, 2016—\$894.20
July 16-17, 2016—
\$1,053.00
July 23-24, 2016—\$993.55
July 30-31, 2016—
\$1,012.35

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, Johnny Palisoc. God is with you always.

SPAO and St Willibrord Parish, Joint Fundraiser.

August 20, 2016 at 7:00pm, the Salinggawi Philippine Arts Organization will be holding a Filipino cultural show which is being held at the Vanier College Auditorium, 865 Sainte-Croix Ville St Laurent. The price of tickets is \$15 per person. To commemorate the event, a souvenir program is being prepared which will include advertisements from business establishments, organizations, families and individuals. Thank you to all who supported by sponsoring or purchasing ad space in the Souvenir Book, it will be made available at the Filipino Show of August 20, 2016 and at the rectory. The proceeds from both the show and the souvenir book will be divided between the SPAO and St Willibrord Parish. Tickets and sponsorship forms can be obtained at the rectory. **Tickets are still available.**

THE PETER’S CHORD: A group of 12 “Singing Parish Priests” of the Archdiocese of Palo, Leyte, Philippines will be having a thanksgiving mini-concert, **“Moments of Grace”** on August 19 and 20, 2016 at **St. Willibrord Parish**, 351 Willibrord St., Verdun, QC, H4G 2T7 The purpose of this benefit concert of THE PETER’S CHORD is to help the ongoing construction of the St. John Evangelist School of Theology (SJEST), Palo, Leyte. During the super typhoon Haiyan (Yolanda), the seminary was badly damaged and submerged in water brought by the storm which made it unusable. Hence, the Archdiocese of Palo, Leyte clergy is appealing to your generous hearts. You can help and support, this worthwhile endeavor and the continuing rehabilitation project and the formation of seminarians in the Archdiocese of Palo, Leyte, by buying concert tickets at 20\$ each or through your sponsorship. **Tickets are still available.**

Important dates to mark on your calendar!

Every Thursday: Bible Study at 6:30pm followed by Symbolon at 7:30pm

Flea Market : Saturday, September 3, 2016, from 9:00am to 3:00pm



Pilgrimage: Notre-Dame-des-Sept-Douleurs to walk through The Holy Door of Mercy:

August 14, 2016, following the 10:30 am Mass.

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Retreat to Notre-Dame-des-Sept-Douleurs (4155 Wellington Street, Verdun, QC):

During this jubilee year of mercy, we are invited to experience and share in the Divine Mercy of our Heavenly Father. Walking through a Holy Door of Mercy, which is a special door, allows the faithful to fully experience the Heavenly Father's Mercy.

On August 14, 2016, after the 10:30 am Mass, we will be processing from St Willibrord Parish to Notre-Dame-des-Sept Douleurs Parish, where we will be walking through a Holy Door of Mercy, asking for and receiving God’s Mercy.

Pope Francis has announced that passing through a Holy Door of Mercy is an opportunity for Catholics to obtain a plenary indulgence during the Year of Mercy,

St. Luke’s Parish will host a **Multicultural Festival** in the church Parking Lot (corner of Anselme Lavigne and Westpark, Dollard-des-Ormeaux) on Sunday, September 11, 2016 EVERYONE is invited to join us for a day of fun and fellowship. Admission is free. Entertainment, snacks and beverages available from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.. Tickets are required if you wish to sample a variety of sumptuous ethnic dishes and participate in a draw for door prizes. Cost: \$10 for adults; \$7 for children under 12 and seniors 65 and over; and \$30 for a family of two adults and any number of children under 12. Tickets may be purchased at the parish office (514-684-6488) weekdays, 8:30-12:00 / 1:00 – 4:00 or at the parking lot entrance to the church following weekend Masses. More details to follow. Info.: Rosa Lam, (514) 908-7658.



BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

Birthday Blessings to Imelda Estigoy and Jolina Reginales And Blessings to all Parishioners who are Celebrating a birthday or an anniversary this week.

THANK YOU

◇ **Judith Ritchie** for helping at the rectory
◇ **To Mike** for cleaning the Church.
◇ **To Ruth, Terri, Marissa, and Cora** for cleaning the rectory.