

Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 1st, 2018, 5:00PM

†Souls in Purgatory by Adeline Doyle

Sunday, December 2nd, 2018, 10:30AM

Blessings for Christopher as he prepares to take his Bar Exam and for successful test results

By Maricon Martinez

†Conchita De La Cruz, †Precy Zuniga, †Gail Austin,
and † James Austin by Maria Garcia

Tuesday, December 4th, 2018, 9:00AM

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Wednesday, December 5th, 2018, 9:00AM

Souls in purgatory by Adeline Doyle..

Thursday, December 6th, 2018, 9:00AM

†Anatole Lesyk by Maria Salceda

Friday, December 7th, 2018, 9:00AM

Healing Mass for Bernard Fournier by Victoria Davantes and family..

Saturday, December 8th, 2018, 5:00PM

Healing Mass for Josie Moralidad by Victoria Davantes and family..

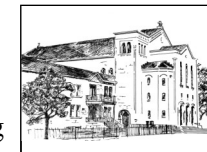
Sunday, December 9th, 2018, 10:30AM

Blessings for Alfonso Reyes and Lilia Pardo by Enrique Reyes..

When a priest celebrates Mass each day, he *offers* each celebration of the Eucharist for a particular person, or intention. By doing so he applies special graces from God upon that person or intention. Similar to how we are able to intercede for others by our personal prayers, the Church is able to intercede for us through the celebration of the Mass. However, since the Eucharist is the “source and summit of the Christian life” the Mass possess a power that our personal prayers do not.—<https://aleteia.org/2017/09/02/what-are-mass-intentions/>

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December 2, 2018—First Sunday of Advent

"Look up, your redemption is drawing near"

Meditation: How good are you at reading signs, especially signs which God sends our way? The people of Jesus' time expected that the coming of the Messiah would be accompanied by extraordinary signs and wonders. Jesus' first coming was clouded in mystery and surprising wonderment: Even though he was the rightful heir to the throne of King David, he was born in obscurity in a cave at Bethlehem, near the place where David had watched over his father's sheep some 1000 years before. A choir of mighty angels chose to announce the good news to a small band of lowly shepherds keeping their night watch nearby. Learned magi from the East, who recognized a great omen in the heavenly sky, followed the star until it led them to Bethlehem. They alone found the child with his mother and paid him homage as the newborn king of Israel. When Jesus humbly submitted to baptism at the River Jordan, the heavenly Father spoke audibly for those nearby who were willing to listen, "This is my beloved Son with whom I am well pleased."

Signs which point to the Lord's coming to reign with power and great glory

Jesus, during his public ministry performed numerous signs: turning water into wine, calming the storm at sea and walking on water, multiplying seven loaves of bread in the wilderness to feed 5000 people, healing the blind and the lame, expelling demons, and raising the dead. While many believed in Jesus, many also questioned his signs and refused to believe his claim to be the Messiah sent by the heavenly Father to suffer and die for our sake and for our salvation on the cross of Calvary. Jesus' last and greatest sign during his earthly ministry was his rising from the tomb on the third day after his crucifixion. This sign demonstrated his power to defeat death itself and to give abundant everlasting life to all who believed in him.

Jesus told his disciples that his final great sign would be his return in glory at the end of the age. He would come this second time as Judge and Merciful Redeemer to vindicate those who accepted him as Lord and Savior and to punish those who rejected him. Jesus declared that this last sign at the end of the world would be unmistakable. All would recognize and "see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory" (Luke 21:27). The title which Jesus most often used to describe his Messianic role was the expression "Son of Man". This title comes from the Book of the prophet Daniel, chapter 7. The image of a "Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory" was given in a vision where the prophet Daniel saw heaven opened before the throne of God (Daniel 7:13-14). In this vision God showed Daniel a royal investiture of a human king before God's throne. This king was invested with God's authority and was given power to judge and rule over the whole earth. His reign would last for all ages.

—<http://dailyscripture.servantsoftheword.org/readings/2018/>

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Fr. Gregory Nunez

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November 4-5, 2018---
\$1,055.60
November 10-11, 2018—
\$1,274.00
November 17-18,2018—
\$704.55
2018 Annual Bazaar—
\$12,043.60 (revised)

The Giving Tree: A Tradition at St Willibrord

Every year we place a tree at the back of the Church decorated with pieces of paper, on which is written, the gender and the age of a child and we invite parishioners to pick a piece of paper and purchase a gift that would be placed in the Christmas Basket. This tradition ensures that every child will receive a gift on Christmas day. This year we will be adding groceries to the items listed on the tree.



Below is a list of some items that are needed for the Christmas Baskets...

Canned good... veggies, fruit, meat, soup
Cereal, cookies, cake mixes, puddings
Pasta and sauces
Anything that you think may brighten up someone's Christmas.

Christmas Basket Preparation

We need volunteers to help with food delivery and sorting, make the boxes, fill the boxes and deliver them.

We would also like to invite you to consider making a donation of non-perishable goods and if you would like to donate a gift that would be included

Called Home to our Heavenly Father George Oakes, Pastor of St Thomas More Parish in Verdun, passed away on Friday, November 30, 2018.

Let us join together to offer our prayers for Fr George, his family, friend and parishioners during this difficult and sad time.

*May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
Amen.*



Mass Schedule

Saturday @ 5:00 pm

Sunday @ 10:30 am

(incl. Children's
Liturgy)

Tues @ 7:00 pm
(Rectory)

Wed @ 7:00 pm

Thursday & Friday
(Rectory)

@ 9:00 am

Adoration Fridays

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

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

Anniversary and Birthday Blessings to

◇All who are celebrating
this week.

Thank you to

◇Mike, Ann, Ruth, Merly, and
all the volunteers who work
at the Church, Rectory, and
Soup Kitchen

◇all who helped to make this
Annual Bazaar a Success.

ST. WILLIBRORD ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Volunteer and Parishioner Appreciation Potluck Party—December 8, 2018, at 6:30PM, in Cameron Hall. This is an invitation to all who contributed in any way at this parish wither it be by serving in the soup kitchen, working at the flea market or bazaar, donating your time talent or treasures.

LAST Chance for Raffle Tickets: The Draw will be on December 8, 2018. Raffle Tickets are available at the rectory or after Mass. We need your assistance, in order to make it a success.

All Things Christmas Bake Sale:

Revised **Saturday December 15, 2018, from 9:00AM to 12:00PM***** Revised***

DATES FOR FAITH FORMATION AND FORMATION FOR LAY PEOPLE

Thursday Bible Study:

Every Thursday, Bible Study at 6:30PM, in Rectory,

Meeting for Lectors, Lay Ministers and Choir Members:

will be held on Sunday, December 9, 2018, following the 10:30AM Mass on Sunday

Choir Practice

will be held on Sunday, December 9, 2018, following the 10:30AM Mass on Sunday

Acolytes:

Meeting will be held in the rectory, on December 8, 2018, at 9:00AM.

Faith in the family:

The next faith in the family will be on December 2, 2018 followed by December 16, 2018

DATE(S) TO REMEMBER

Flea Market:

Saturday, January 5, 2019, 9:00AM to 3:00PM

Saturday, December 8, 2018, at 6:30PM, Parish Social Event

Mass in Cameron Hall

Saturday, December 8 2018, 5:00PM, followed by a light meal

2018 Annual Bazaar

Thank you and Blessings to all who donated, worked and shopped; it all helped to make this Annual Bazaar a great Success. It is a year long project to prepare for the Bazaar with many people contribution to it's success and with your continued support next year will be even better.

Sacred Heart School of Montreal's Annual Christmas Fair: Everyone is invited to the school's Christmas Fair on **Saturday, December 1** from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. at 3635 Atwater Ave. Vendors will be selling Christmas decorations, food items, clothing and accessories, artisan crafts, artwork, jewelry, poinsettias, and other handmade treats. There will be a raffle, and a café with homemade baked goods for sale as well.

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.