

MASS TIMES

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

St. Willibrord Roman Catholic Church

351 Willibrord Ave., Verdun, Qc. H4G 2T7

Tel: 514-769-9678 Fax: 514-761-1717

Email: stwillibrordparish@videotron.ca

Website: www.stwillibrordparish.org



December 7, 2014

2nd Sunday of Advent

Announced Masses

Saturday December 6

† Souls in Purgatory

By Adeline Doyle

Sunday December 7

† Daisy Levangie

By The Pinto Family

† Margaret Luyten

By Betty Luyten Friedman

Tuesday December 9

Pro Populo

Wednesday December 10

Healing Mass for

Tony Hu

By Pilar Baculo

Thursday December 11

Healing Mass for

Vilma Kelly

Friday December 12

Healing Mass for

Vilma Kelly

**2nd anniversary of
Ordination**

Most Rev. Paul Terrio

By Maria Saulnier

Saturday December 13

Healing Mass for

Vilma Kelly

Sunday December 14

† Daisy Levangie

By Carmen & Joe Antenucci

Meditation: Do you make good use of your money and possessions? Jesus seemed to praise a steward (a manager entrusted with his master's goods) who misused his employer's money. What did the steward do that made Jesus praise him? The steward was responsible for managing his wealthy landowner's property. The steward very likely overcharged his master's tenants for their use of the land and kept more than his fair share of the profit. When the landowner discovered the steward's dishonest practice he immediately removed him from his job, leaving him penniless and ashamed to beg or do manual work.

The necessity of prudent foresight to avert disaster

Before news of his dismissal became public knowledge, the shrewd steward struck a deal with his master's debtors. In discounting their debts he probably was giving up his generous commission. Such a deal won him great favor with the debtors. Since the steward acted as the landowner's agent, such a deal made his master look very generous and forgiving towards those who owed him money. Surely everyone would praise such a generous landowner as the town hero! Since the master could not undo the steward's cancellation of the debts without losing face and making his debtors resent him, he praised the steward for outwitting him and making him appear as a generous and merciful landowner. Jesus obviously thought that the example of a very clever steward would be a perfect illustration for a spiritual lesson about God and how God treats those who belong to his kingdom. What's the point of Jesus' parable? The dishonest steward is commended not for mishandling his master's wealth, but for his shrewd provision in averting personal disaster and in securing his future livelihood. The original meaning of "shrewdness" is "foresight". A shrewd person grasps a critical situation with resolution, foresight, and the determination to avoid serious loss or disaster.

Faith and prudent foresight can save us from moral and spiritual disaster

Jesus is concerned here with something more critical than a financial or economic crisis. His concern is that we avert spiritual crisis and personal moral disaster through the exercise of faith and foresight. If Christians would only expend as much foresight and energy to spiritual matters, which have eternal consequences, as they do to earthly matters which have temporal consequences, then they would be truly better off, both in this life and in the age to come.

God loves good stewardship and generosity

Ambrose, a 4th century bishop said: *The bosoms of the poor, the houses of widows, the mouths of children are the barns which last forever.* True wealth consists not in what we keep but in what we give away. Possessions are a great responsibility. The Lord expects us to use them honestly and responsibly and to put them at his service and the service of others. We belong to God and all that we have is his as well. He expects us to make a good return on what he gives us. God loves generosity and he gives liberally to those who share his gifts with others. The Pharisees, however, had little room for God or others in their hearts. The Gospel says they were lovers of money (Luke 16:14). Love of money and wealth crowd out love of God and love of neighbor. Jesus makes clear that our hearts must either be possessed by God's love or our hearts will be possessed by the love of something else. What do you most treasure in your heart?

~www.rc.net

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 prerequisite. Godparents must be baptized and confirmed in the Catholic Faith to be eligible.

Pastor

Fr. Gregory Nunez

Board of Wardens

- Joseph Brisindi
- Angèle LaFlèche
- Paul Moreau
- Dan Ormsby
- Nicholas Pinto
- Jonathan Trabajada

Office Staff

- Yvonne Pelling
- Administration*
- Terrel Joseph
- Youth Ministry*
- Julian Paparella
- Youth Ministry*

Coordinators

- Tess Allonar -
- Daytime Soup Kitchen*
- Mary Anne Levasseur -
- Evening Soup Kitchen*
- Angele LaFleche -
- Christmas Baskets*
- Dan Ormsby
- Flea Market*

Please pray for the Eternal Repose of

Sr. Mary Walsh R.S.M

who was the sister to one of our dedicated parishioners:

Denise Fox .

Please pray for the Eternal Repose of

Kaye and Sal Azzarello

Sr. Marie Azzarello's brother and sister-in-law who passed away in Langley, B.C.; this week

Prayers for the Sick

A book will be available at the back of the church for names of those who need prayer.

Please note that the names will remain on the list for one month.

Should prayers continue to be needed please make sure to re-new their names after one month.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Christmas Carolling!

Bring your family and friends on **Sunday December 14th at 4:00-6:00pm.**

Please meet here at the parish.

Warden's Elections

Let us all thank **Dan Ormsby** and **Nicholas Pinto** for their dedication and service to the Parish as a Warden.

The Warden's elections will take place on Sunday December 14th 2014 after the 10:30am Mass. A quorum of 10 Parishioners **living within the Parish boundaries** is legally required to hold the election. Please make an effort to fulfill this stipulation. Should you wish to be a Warden please speak with Fr. Gregory or call the Rectory.

Drivers needed!

Do you have a truck, a van or a car?

We will need volunteers with vehicles to help us delivery

Christmas Baskets on Friday December 19 starting at 9 am until we are all done! Rain, Snow or Sunshine! Feel free to volunteers your driving, we can partner you up with helpers for the heavy lifting!

Please contact Angele LaFleche at : aj.angele@gmail.com

Family Day for Volunteers

Saturday Dec 13 11am - 3pm and Sunday Dec 14 1:30pm-5pm

(after the warden's election)

An occasion for kids and teens to help with our Christmas Basket Project!

You're invited!!

Please contact Angele LaFleche at : aj.angele@gmail.com

Christmas Mass Schedule

Simbang Gabi—Tuesday Dec. 16-Wed. Dec. 24		7:00pm
Wednesday, December 24 th	Christmas Carols	7:10 pm
	Mass	7:30 pm
Thursday, December 25th	Solemn Mass	10:30 am
Sunday, December 28th	Family Mass	10:30 am
Wednesday, December 31 st	Mass	7:00 pm
Thursday, January 1st 2015	Solemn Mass	10:30 am

Please join us in our Christmas celebrations at a dinner and dance party here at the Parish on

Saturday December 20, 2014 at 7:30pm.

There is no entrance fee, though we encourage you to please bring your own wine as well as a dessert.

A non-perishable food donation box will be available to anyone who wants to bring an item for the Food Pantry.

We hope to see you all!

Please RSVP by calling the office—514-769-9678.

