

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 18th, 2020. 5:00PM
Thanksgiving and blessings for Joel Davantes
by Victoria Davantes and family..

Sunday, January 19th, 2020, 10:30AM
†Guisippina Gisondi
Birthday Blessings to Angelito Quiocho by Melina Pasal and family

Tuesday, January 21st, 2020, 7:00PM
Pro Populo

Wednesday, January 22nd, 2020, 7:00PM
†Domingo B. Garlando by Cora Garlando and family..

Thursday, January 23rd, 2020, 9:00AM
For the intentions of Mrs. Elisabeth Langenbach

Friday, January 24th, 2020, 9:00 AM
†Domingo B. Garlando by Cora Garlando and family

Saturday, January 25th, 2020. 5:00PM
†Juana Bravo by Cleofe Nicolas Bulan and Family

Sunday, January 26th, 2020, 10:30AM
†Myrna Bolofer Go
Jessica Jane Quiocho by Melina Pasal and family
†Teresita (Tess) Abalos By Janis Carlin

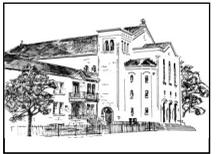
Anniversary and Birthday Blessings Let us include in our intentions prayers for all anniversary and birthday celebrants.

Happy Birthday to Christina Parsons, Isabe McKeever, Angelito Quiocho, Marilyn Scott, Tony DiLallo, Bernard Burcena

Thank you to Mike, Maria G., Ann, Ruth, Beng, Jackie, Alfie, Cora, Ogaga, all of our volunteers and benefactors who support our parish.

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January 19, 2020 — Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday (January 19): "**Behold the Lamb of God!**"

John points to Jesus' saving mission - to offer up his life as the atoning sacrifice for our sins

It is significant that John was the son of Zachariah, a priest of Israel who participated in the daily sacrifice of a lamb in the temple for the sins of the people (Exodus 29). John recognized that Jesus was the perfect unblemished lamb offered by the Father in heaven as the one and only sacrifice that could cancel the debt of sin, and free us from death and the destruction of body and soul in hell.

The Holy Spirit reveals who Jesus truly is - the Son of God and Savior of the world

When John says he did not know Jesus (John 1:31,33) he was referring to the hidden reality of Jesus' divinity. But the Holy Spirit in that hour revealed to John Jesus' true nature, such that John bore witness that this is the Son of God. How can we be certain that Jesus is truly the Christ, the Son of the living God? The Holy Spirit makes the Lord Jesus Christ known to us through the gift of faith. God gives us his Spirit as our helper and guide who opens our hearts and minds to receive and comprehend the great mystery and plan of God - to unite all things in his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ (Ephesians 1:10).

Do you want to grow in the knowledge and love of Jesus Christ? Ask the Lord to pour his Holy Spirit upon you to deepen your faith, hope, and love for God and for the plan he has for your life.

"Lord Jesus Christ, fill me with the power of your Holy Spirit and let me grow in the knowledge of your great love and truth. Let your Spirit be aflame in my heart that I may know and love you more fervently and strive to do your will in all things."

"No longer does John need to 'prepare the way,' since the one for whom the preparation was being made is right there before his eyes... But now he who of old was dimly pictured, the very Lamb, the spotless Sacrifice, is led to the slaughter for all, that he might drive away the sin of the world, that he might overturn the destroyer of the earth, that dying for all he might annihilate death, that he might undo the curse that is upon us... For one Lamb died for all (2 Corinthians 5:14), saving the whole flock on earth to God the Father, one for all, that he might subject all to God." (excerpt from the *COMMENTARY ON THE GOSPEL OF JOHN 2.1*)

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Pastor
Fr. Gregory Nunez

Office Staff
Anastasia
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Dec 24-25—
\$2,479.25
Dec 28-29—
\$511.70
Dec 31-Jan 1—
\$692.80
Jan 4-5—\$1,096.15
Jan Flea Market—
\$2,023.80
Jan 11-12—\$268.90

ST WILLIBRORD
PARISH

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 10:30 am

(incl. Children's
Liturgy)

Tuesday: 7:00 pm
(Rector)

Wednesday:
7:00 pm

Thursday: 9:00 am
(Rector)

Friday: 9:00am
(Rector)

Adoration
9:30am to 11:30am
(Rector)

**Please note the
Mass, on Tuesday,
Thursday and Fri-
day will be held in
the Rector**

History of St. Anne

The Basilica is a Sanctuary dedicated to Saint Anne. It is only natural then, that the first images which attract our attention would be about Saint Anne.

Even if we know very little about the life of Saint Anne, the simple fact of being the mother of Mary and the grandmother of Jesus, is sufficient for the Church to recognize and venerate her for centuries.

The entire ceiling mosaic of the Basilica describes the life of Saint Anne. It tells the story of her life, the life of a Jewish woman of that era. It speaks of her virtues, which by the way should be ours too. The vault also illustrates her glorification to us.

At the heart of the apse, just above the main altar, we see Saint Anne, the Virgin Mary and the child Jesus. Saint Anne is giving a fruit to Jesus; which is not just a treat from a grandmother to her grandson, it is a marvelous symbol of His Mission as the Redeemer and Saviour of Humanity. It is not a Fruit of Death, like the fruit that Adam and Eve ate, but a Fruit of Life saving us from original sin.

In this glorification, these three people are surrounded by the many Blessed of our church, as well as Saint Joseph, Saint Joachim and Saint John the Baptist. In the background, one can see a large orchestra of elegant musical angels.

<https://sanctuaire saintanne.org/en/saint-anne/history>



ST. WILLIBRORD ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

DATE(S) TO REMEMBER

Sacramental Preparation: Sunday, January 26, 2020, at 9:00AM in the Church (enter side door)

Acolytes Meeting: Saturday, January 25, 2020, at 9:00AM, in the rectory

Flea Market: Saturday, February 1, 2020, 9:00AM to 3:00PM



Our prayers go out to the people effected by the Taal Volcano, in The Philippines, as they face this natural disaster and deal with its effects that they be strengthened in faith and courage.

Compassionate Lord, we pray for those who have been devastated by recent natural disasters. ... Surround them with our prayer for strength. Bless those who have survived and heal their memories of trauma and devastation. May they have the courage to face the long road of rebuilding ahead.

Save the date: **Saturday, May 30, 2020**

Marian Pilgrimage to Ste-Anne-de-Beaupré,

We are in the planning stages of a day long pilgrimage to Ste-Anne-de-Beaupré with a tour of various attractions in Quebec City and Ste Anne Canyon. Box lunch will be provided, please advise if you have any dietary restrictions.

If you are interested please rsvp by contacting the rectory as places are limited.

Montreal Challenge Weekend Retreat for Young Adults

The Challenge Weekend is a retreat for youth aged 18 to 30 that offers participants the chance to learn more about Christ and themselves. Whether you're a practicing believer or seldom go to church, Challenge will provide you with an opportunity to learn, to share and to grow in faith. You'll make new friends and participate in worship music, prayer, youth testimonies, discussions, and games.

When? February 28th to March 1st (Friday 7PM to Sunday 5PM)

Where? Loyola High School, 7272 Sherbrooke St W (in NDG)

Cost? \$60 (includes all meals and snacks; for those in real financial need, assistance can be arranged by contacting the Registration Coordinator).

For more information, please visit montrealchallenge.ca, email outreach@montrealchallenge.ca, or look us up on Facebook or Instagram.

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.