

MASS TIMES

Liturgy)

Tuesday & Wednesday
@ **5:00 pm**

Sunday @ **10:30 am**

(inc. Children's day

@ **7:00 pm**

(Devotions) - **Wednesday**
6:30pm

Thursday & Friday

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January 25, 2015

3rd Sunday in Ordinary time

Announced Masses

Saturday January 24

† **Maria Menezes**

By Cheryl Misquith

† **Mary Jordan**

By Her Son Jack

Sunday January 25

† **Maria Menezes**

By Vera, John, Nicholas & Sascha Pinto

† **Marjorie Lopez**

By Marcela Ellasos

Tuesday January 27

Wednesday January 28

† **Pedro Quiocho Sr**

By Mr & Mrs. Pedro Quiocho jr,

Thursday January 29

Friday January 30

Saturday January 31

† **Souls in Purgatory**

By Adeline Doyle

Sunday February 1

† **Leonard Walsh**

By Suzanne

**Mass of Thanksgiving
For Dale Parsons**

By the Family

Meditation:

What is the *Gospel of God* which Jesus came to preach? The word "gospel" literally means "good news". When a king had good news to deliver to his subjects he sent messengers or heralds throughout the land to make a public announcement - such as the birth of a newborn king or the victory over an invading army or occupied force. God sent his prophets to announce the coming of God's anointed King and Messiah. After Jesus was baptized in the River Jordan and anointed by the Spirit he begins his ministry of preaching the Gospel - the good news that the kingdom of God was now at hand for all who were ready to receive it.

God rules over all

What is the kingdom of God? The word "kingdom" means something more than a territory or an area of land. It literally means "sovereignty" or "reign" and the power to "rule" and exercise authority. The prophets announced that God would establish a kingdom not just for one nation or people but for the whole world. The Scriptures tell us that God's throne is in heaven and his rule is over all (Psalm 103:19). His kingdom is bigger and more powerful than anything we can imagine because it is universal and everlasting (Daniel 4:3). His kingdom is full of glory, power, and splendor (Psalm 145:11-13).

In the Book of Daniel we are told that this kingdom is given to the *Son of Man* (Daniel 7:14,18,22,27). The *Son of Man* is a Messianic title for God's anointed King. The New Testament word for "Messiah" is "Christ" which literally means the "Anointed One" or the "Anointed King". God sent us his Son not to establish an earthly kingdom but to bring us into his heavenly kingdom - a kingdom ruled by truth, justice, peace, and holiness. The kingdom of God is the central theme of Jesus' mission. It's the core of his gospel message.

As soon as John the Baptist had finished his testimony, Jesus began his in Galilee, his home district. John's enemies had sought to silence him, but the gospel cannot be silenced. Jesus proclaimed that *the time is fulfilled and the kingdom of God is at hand*. Jesus takes up John's message of repentance and calls disciples to *believe in the gospel - the good news he has come to deliver*. What is the good news which Jesus delivers? It is the good news of peace (restoration of relationship with God - Ephesians 6:15), of hope (the hope of heaven and everlasting life - Colossians 1:23), of truth (God's word is true and reliable - Colossians 1:5), of promise (he rewards those who seek him - Ephesians 3:6), of immortality (God gives everlasting life - 2 Timothy 1:10), and the good news of salvation (liberty from sin and freedom to live as sons and daughters of God - Ephesians 1:13).

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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 pre-requisite. Godparents must be baptized and confirmed in the Catholic Faith to be eligible.

ST. WILLIBRORD ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

UPCOMING EVENTS

Bible Study

Last Thursday we kicked off our Bible Study with great success! Join us for the next session on *January 22 at 6:30 in the Evening* with Dr. Nathan Gibbard as our facilitator. This is an opportunity for all our parishioners to engage with the Bible so they can be more active in their faith. Please bring your own Bible. Everyone is invited. Free babysitting is available to those with children.

Pastoral Home Care Formation

Cathie Macaulay will continue to give the **last three sessions**. If you still want to attend the sessions to develop your skills in taking care of the elderly, you can join us on *January 22 at 6:30 pm* at Cameron Hall. Free Babysitting is also available.

On February 14 Worldwide Marriage Encounter will be hosting their first Montreal "World Marriage Day".

With the support from Father Robert Gendreau who has been supporting WWME for many years, our Archbishop Christian Lépine has agreed to celebrate a bilingual mass at Mary, Queen of the World Cathedral on Feb. 14 @ 5.p.m. After mass, there will be a reception with a sit down 4 course meal with wine (\$150.00 per couple) .

For reservations please contact:

Daisy & Tino (514) 327-9962 / Anna & Vic (514) 494-2688
Cristina & Rick (450) 967-8290 / Mary & Len (514) 809-7556
marriageencounter@hotmail.com

First Friday Fellowship (of Youth and Young Adults)

Friday February 6 @ 7pm

Youth and young adults of St Willibrord are invited to join us for an evening of fellowship and learning on the first Friday of February. Our theme on Feb 6 will be "Who is God?". After Mass we will split up the group between young adults and youth, to socialize and explore our theme. And of course, there will be food!!! Please come and invite your friends!!!!

Faith in the Family Adult Faith Enrichment

The Eucharist & Mass

Sunday Jan 25 & Sunday Feb 8

9:00am to 10:30am (with breakfast)

The Eucharist is described as the source and summit of the Christian life. However, surveys show that many Catholics in Canada are unclear about what the Eucharist really is, and how the Mass is relevant to their lives. For the next two Sundays at Faith in the Family, we will explore that which is at the heart of Catholic Christian worship and spirituality. The Eucharist and the Mass.

Thank you!

Jorge Reginales, Greg Bardon & Alex laxina for painting the rectory.

Pastor

Fr. Gregory Nunez

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Evening Soup Kitchen
Angele LaFleche -
Christmas Baskets
Dan Ormsby
Flea Market

Let us pray for the immediate recovery of:
Dale Parsons, Dan Boyer,
Mary Paul and Joe Brisindi

Thank you!

To **Lilly Cavanagh** for donating the fabric and for your time in making the piano cover.

To **The Salinggawi Father's** for cleaning the newly renovated living room at the rectory.

To **Benir Oasnon, Greg Bardon & Alex Laxina** for transporting the chairs & tables from Lachine &

To **Tony & Peter** for helping organize the basement and faithfully taking out the garbage and recycling