

## MASS TIMES

Saturday @ 5:00 pm

Sunday @ 10:30 am

(incl. Children's Liturgy)

Tues @ 7:00 pm (Rectory)

Wed @ 7:00 pm

Thursday & Friday

@ 9:00 am

Adoration Fridays 9:30-11:30

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**January 31, 2016**

**FOURTH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**

### Announced Masses

*Saturday January 30th*  
**75th Birthday Blessings for  
Arthur Gilchrist, Sr.**

*Sunday January 31st*  
**Birthday Blessings for:**  
**Bernard and Bernice Burcena**  
**Christian Galan**  
**Jessica Quiocho**  
**In Thanksgiving By Angelito**  
**Quiocho & Melina Pasal**  
**Wedding Anniversaries of Jonas**  
**& Beng Bolofer and Nonong &**  
**Marilou Comodero**

† **Irene Donovan**  
By the Gilchrist Family  
† **Victoria Gander**  
By Fely Gander  
**For the Intentions of the**  
**Nuevo Family**

*Tuesday February 2nd*  
**PRO POPULO**

*Wednesday February 3rd*  
† **Irene Donovan**  
By the Gilchrist Family

*Thursday February 4th*  
**Suffering Souls in Purgatory**  
By Thomas Battcock

*Friday February 5th*  
**Suffering Souls in Purgatory**  
By Thomas Battcock

*Saturday February 6th*  
† **Marie Briffett**  
By David Briffett

*Sunday February 7th*  
† **Leonard Walsh**  
By Suzanne and Family

### ***Meditation: Confronting the sin of indifference and unbelief***

When Jesus first proclaimed the good news of God's kingdom to his own townspeople at Nazareth (Luke 4:23-27), he did not hesitate to confront them with their sin of indifference and unbelief. He startled his listeners in the synagogue at Nazareth with a seeming rebuke that no prophet or servant of God could receive honor among his own people. He then angered them when he complimented Gentiles (non-Jews) who had shown more faith in God than the "chosen ones" of Israel. Some who despised the Gentiles (non-Jews) even spoke of them as "fuel for the fires of hell." Jesus' praise for "outsiders" offended the ears of his own people because they were blind-sighted to God's merciful plan of redemption for all the nations. The word of rebuke spoken by Jesus was met with indignation and hostility. The Nazarenes forcibly threw him out of their town and would have done him physical harm had he not stopped them.

We all stand in need of God's grace and merciful help every day and every moment of our lives. Scripture tells us that "the steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning" (Lamentations 3:22-23). God gives grace to the humble who seek him with expectant faith and with a repentant heart that wants to be made whole and clean again. The Lord Jesus will set us free from every sinful habit and every harmful way of relating to our neighbor, if we allow him to cleanse and heal us. If we want to walk in freedom and grow in love and holiness, then we must humbly renounce our sinful ways and submit to Christ's instruction and healing discipline in our lives. Scripture tells us that the Lord disciplines us *for our good that we may share his holiness* (Hebrews 12:10). Do you want the Lord Jesus to set you free and make you whole again? Ask him to show you the way to walk in his healing love and truth.

"Lord Jesus, teach me to love your ways that I may be quick to renounce sin and wilfulness in my life. Make me whole and clean again that I may delight to do your will."  
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**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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor

Fr. Gregory Nunez

Office Staff

Julian Paparella

Administration and PCL

Adult Faith Formation

Collection

Jan. 2-3/16—\$832.45

Jan. 9-10-/16—\$1274.05

Jan. 16-17/16—\$1133.90

Jan. 23-24/16—\$817.90

**PREX VI—You're Invited!**

The next Parish Renewal Experience is fast approaching! Join us!

**Sunday, February 14th, 9am-4pm**

**Sunday, February 21st and 28th, 12-6pm**

**Sunday, March 6th, 12-6pm**

*Together we deepen our faith and grow as a family!*



**ALPHA and Faith in the Family Retreat!**

Next Saturday, February 6th is our ALPHA and Faith in the Family retreat! Please join us for breakfast at 9:30, we'll continue until 4:00. If you are unable to attend the entire retreat, please come for as much as you are able!



**SYMBOLON Thursdays at 7:30**

Father Gregory invites you to join him Thursday evenings at 7:30, following the Bible Study at 6:30 for **SYMBOLON!** An opportunity to deepen our knowledge of the Catholic faith handed down by the apostles.

**Spirituality Talk with Cathie Macaulay**

Join us this **Friday, February 5th at 7pm** for our monthly First Friday Mass and Spirituality, this month with our special guest Cathie Macaulay! Cathie works for the Archdiocese of Montreal and also teaches at the Ignatian Centre for Spirituality. We will begin with Mass, followed by her sharing with us!

**DIOCESAN WORLD YOUTH DAY—March 19, 2016!**

Announcing diocesan World Youth Day 2016!!! The families and youth of Montreal will gather on **Saturday, March 19th** to celebrate *Diocesan World Youth Day!* **Youth Festival** begins at 12:00 at Mission Santa Cruz (60 Rachel O.), followed by a **Procession with Palms** through the streets of downtown to Saint Patrick's Basilica, and **Mass with the Archbishop** at Cathedrale Marie-Reine-du-Monde!

**Silent Directed Retreats—"Be still and know that I am God"**

Montreal Directed Retreats offers a quiet weekend for peaceful reflection to be with God. Upcoming retreat weekends are February 26-28 and April 8-10 at Maison de Pere, and May 27-29 at the Cistercian Abbey. The cost of each weekend is \$130.00. Please call Paul Empsall at 514-626-9462 or Catherine Cherry at 514-633-1172, or visit [www.montrealretreats.org](http://www.montrealretreats.org).

**TAX RECEIPTS FOR MASS INTENTIONS**

Saint Willibrord's was just informed by the Archdiocese of Montreal that for every Mass Intention of \$15.00, a tax receipt of \$10.00 may be issued. We invite you to offer Masses for your loved ones and personal intentions to lift them to God through the Sacrifice of His Son Jesus.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY!**

- Bong Quiocho (19th)
- Bernard Burcena (24th)
- Tony Di Lallo (23rd)
- Jessica Quiocho (27th)
- Arthur Gilchrist (30th)
- AJ Lafleche (30th)
- Jonas & Beng Bolofer (28 yrs)
- Nonong & Marilou Comodero (24 yrs)

*Blessings to all our January celebrants!*

**THANK YOU!**

Thank you to Mike, Evelyn & Arthur Gilchrist, and Ruth Laxina for all their work cleaning our Church & Rectory!

Thank you to Carole Wepruk and Anastasia Wargachuk for volunteering at the office.

Thank you to Jonas Bolofer and the Salinggawi Fathers for their work repairing our Rectory!