

Mass Intentions

An individual may ask a priest to offer a Mass for several reasons: for example, in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (such as on a birthday), or, as is most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died. One must never forget the infinite graces that flow from the Sacrifice of the Mass which benefit ones soul. Pope Leo XIII in his encyclical "*Mirae caritatis*" (1902) beautifully elaborated this point and emphasized the connection between the communion of saints with the Mass: "The grace of mutual love among the living, strengthened and increased by the sacrament of the Eucharist, flows, especially by virtue of the Sacrifice [of the Mass], to all who belong to the communion of saints." —catholiceducation.org

Saturday, March 24th, 2018, 5:00PM

†Fred Briffett By David Briffett

Sunday, March 25th, 2018, 10:30AM

†Cecilia Fougere By Yvonne Gerald

†Felomina Rebujo Cancio by Jocelyne & Oscar Ordon

†Edarda Serrano on the 9th day anniversary of his death by Maria Garcia

Birthday Blessings for Timothy Joseph Ordon by Jocelyne & Oscar Ordon

Birthday Blessings for Kelly Cortez by Flora Lim and Family

Tuesday, March 27th, 2018, 7:00PM

Pro Populo

Wednesday, March 28th, 2018, 7:00PM

No Mass will be celebrated here but you are invited to attend the Chrism Mass at Mary Queen of the World Cathedral located at 1085 Cathédrale St, Montreal, QC H3B 2V3 (the corner of Metcalf and Rene-Levesque). Mass starts at 7:30PM. It is well attended so try and come early to get a seat.

Thursday, March 29th, 2018, 7:00PM

Birthday Blessings for Arthur Gilchrist Jr

Friday, March 30th, 2018, 3:00PM

†Souls in Purgatory By Adeline Doyle..

†Vicotria Davantes by Davantes family

Saturday, March 31st, 2018, 8:00PM

In memory of Yvette Marchand by Judy Marchand Davis

Sunday, April 1st, 2018, 10:30AM

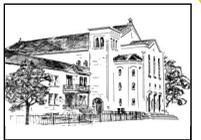
†Rita Riley by Edna Poole

We pray for the healing and peace of all our sick

Flo Davies, Adeline Doyle, Adrienne Coombs, Sterling Smith, Joe Brisindi, Dan Boyer, Beverly Fender, Marie-Paul, Rickie Walsh, Muriel Boutin, Joey Walsh, Johnny Palisoc, Myrna Bolofer Go, Jennifer Parsons, Gordon Parsons, Carmen Al Fudhaili. Temperence Miriam Browning, Bernard Fournier, John & Wendy Keating, Peggy & Eddy Wargachuk, Carmen Lapello, Eddie Rodgers, Terry & Liz McHugh, Dale Flood, Isabel McKeever, Virginia Feledick, Brenda McCambridge, Maureen O'Brien, Polly Storey, Justin Occhionero, Hugo Diaz, Teresita Rosales, Evelyn and Arthur Gilchrist Sr.

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March 25, 2018—Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord"

Meditation: Does the King of glory find a welcome entry in your home and heart? Jesus went to Jerusalem knowing full well what awaited him - betrayal, rejection, and crucifixion. The people of Jerusalem, however, were ready to hail him as their Messianic King! Little did they know what it would cost this king to usher in his kingdom. Jesus' entry into Jerusalem astride a colt was a direct fulfillment of the Messianic prophecy of Zechariah (9:9):

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion. Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem. Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, and riding on an donkey and upon a colt the foal of a donkey.

Those who believe, hope, and love receive Christ's kingdom of peace and eternal life

The colt was a sign of peace. Jesus enters Jerusalem in meekness and humility, as the Messianic King who offers victory and peace to his people. That victory and peace would be secured in the cross and resurrection which would soon take place at the time of Passover.

Augustine, the great 5th century church father, comments on the significance of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem:

"The master of humility is Christ who humbled himself and became obedient even to death, even the death of the cross. Thus he does not lose his divinity when he teaches us humility... What great thing was it to the king of the ages to become the king of humanity? For Christ was not the king of Israel so that he might exact a tax or equip an army with weaponry and visibly vanquish an enemy. He was the king of Israel in that he rules minds, in that he gives counsel for eternity, in that he leads into the kingdom of heaven for those who believe, hope, and love. It is a condescension, not an advancement for one who is the Son of God, equal to the Father, the Word through whom all things were made, to become king of Israel. It is an indication of pity, not an increase in power." (*Tractates* on John 51.3-4)

Psalm 24 is another prophetic passage which echoes this triumphal procession of the King of glory: *Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in.* Jesus Christ came to bring us the kingdom of God. He is the true King who offers peace, joy, and everlasting life for those who accept his kingship. Does the King of glory find a welcome entry in your heart and home? Do your walls echo with the praise of his glory?

"Lord Jesus, be the King and Ruler of my heart, mind, life, and home. May my life reflect your meekness and humility that you may be honored as the King of glory!"

<http://dailyscripture.servantsoftheword.org/readings/2018/mar25.htm>

ST. WILLIBRORD ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



Easter Triduum Masses

Thursday, March 29th Mass of the Lord's Supper – 7pm

Friday, March 30th Good Friday – 3pm

Friday, March 30th Good Friday Outdoor Way of the Cross– 6:30pm

Saturday, March 31st Holy Saturday-Easter Vigil – 8pm

Sunday April 1st Easter Sunday – 10:30am

Donation for Flowers the Sanctuary

Thank you for those who have already made a donation.

There is still time, if you would like to make a directed donation to be used to purchase flowers for the Sanctuary during Easter, please use the envelopes marked Easter Flowers and place it in the collection basket. If you would like to purchase flowers that will be used during the Easter Season, they can be brought up during the offertory during Holy Week.

Offertory

There will be a special collection on Good Friday that will be sent the Jerusalem. In gratitude for the many blessings that you have received, you are invited to bring up a gift to offer to the Church. It can be in the form of non perishable goods, ingredients for cooking or even money that will be used to support the mission and programs of the Church.

Outdoor Way of the Cross

Friday, March 30, 2018, we will be gathering at here, the St Willibrord Parish, at 6:30PM and leaving from here at 7:00PM; we will be processing up Willibrord Ave, east along Verdun Ave to Hickson Street, down Hickson Street to Lasalle BD, along Lasalle Bd to de l'Eglise to Wellington and then west on Wellington to Willibrord Avenue, where we will gather back at the Church for final prayer.

Dates for faith formation and Formation for lay people

Thursday Bible Study and Catholicism Every Thursday, Bible Study at 6:30PM, in Rectory, followed by Catholicism 7:15PM

Lectors, Lay Ministers Meeting and Choir Members: Sunday, March 25, 2018, after the 10:30 AM Mass. Sunday, April 8, 2018, after the 10:30 AM Mass

Acolytes: Saturday, April 14, 2018, at 9:00AM.

Faith in the family: The next faith in the family will be on April 8, 2018

Resurrection Angel Sunday, April 1, 2018, 9:00AM

Date(s) to Remember

Flea Market: Saturday, April 7, 2018, 9:00AM to 3:00PM

Mass in Cameron Hall: Saturday, April 14, 2018, 5:00PM, followed by a light meal

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, as it is important to reserve the church before the Hall.

Resurrection Angel

Salubong or Resurrection Angel has been a long tradition in all the Catholic parishes in the Philippines. It is believed that before Jesus appeared to his disciples and Mary Magdalene on Easter morning, Jesus first appeared to his mother.

During one of Pope John-Paul II's audiences in Rome (1997) he stated that it is only logical for Jesus to appear to his mother first. The bond between a mother and son is strong and unbreakable, and the first person a boy would turn to would be his mother. That is why the re-enactment of the meeting between Jesus and His Mother, the Blessed Virgin, will take place on Easter Sunday and it is a great honour for the child to be the angel who will lift the veil of sorrow, enabling Mary to see Jesus clearly for the first time since his crucifixion.

The Pope asked: *“How could the Blessed Virgin, present in the first community of disciples (cf. Acts 1: 14), be excluded from those who met her divine Son after he had risen from the dead?” Indeed, it is legitimate to think that the Mother was probably the first person to whom the risen Jesus appeared. Could not Mary's absence from the group of women who went to the tomb at dawn (cf. Mk 16: 1; Mt 28: 1) indicate that she had already met Jesus? This inference would also be confirmed by the fact that the first witnesses of the Resurrection, by Jesus' will, were the women who had remained faithful at the foot of the Cross and therefore were more steadfast in faith. L'Osservatore Romano.*

(Weekly Edition in English, 28 May 1997, page 11)

Resurrection Angel Candidates

This is the Second Annual Resurrection Angel Fundraising Event. The Candidates are ***Ali Junior Ansagay, Victoria Eden Sanglitan, Tamina Eli Nabor Saturno, Gabrielle Chloe Cawaling, Jamea Ival Marie Corpuz, Michael Amuro and Lexie Anne Castro.*** The candidate who raises the most money will be given the honor of being the Resurrection Angel, who on Easter Sunday, will be given the honor of lifting the veil of sorrow from Mary, at the time when Mary sees Jesus for the first time since the Crucifixion.

Thank you to the candidates and their parents.

We invite you to encourage them by sponsorship and donations.

Pastor

Fr. Gregory Nunez

Office Staff

Anastasia Wargachuk
Administration

March 17-18, 2018—\$255

Donation for flowers
Donation

March 17, 2018—\$235.35

Offering from funeral of
Rita Riley

March 17-18, 2018—
\$1,268.60

March 17-18, 2018—30.00
(for Heating expense)

Mass Schedule

Saturday @ 5:00 pm

Sunday @ 10:30 am

(incl. Children's
Liturgy)

Tues @ 7:00 pm (Rectorry)

Wed @ 7:00 pm

Thursday & Friday
(Rectorry)

@ 9:00 am

Adoration Fridays

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

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

Anniversary and

Birthday Blessings to

◇All celebrating this week
◇Birthday Blessings to
Jonas Bolofer and Betty
Luyten, Joshua Reginales,
Joelle Bolofer

Thank you to

◇Mike, Roger, Ann, Cora,
and all who volunteer at
the rectory and Church.
◇those who helped prepare
for the recollection and
setting up for the Saturday
Mass, in Cameron Hall