

MASS TIMES

Saturday @ 5:00 pm

Sunday @ 10:30 am

(incl. Children's Liturgy)

Tuesday & Wednesday

@ 7:00 pm

*(Devotion to Our Lady of
Perpetual Help every Wed.)*

Thursday & Friday

@ 9:00 am

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March 29, 2015

Palm Sunday

Announced Masses

Saturday March 28

† James and Fred Briffett

By David Briffett

Sunday March 29

PALM SUNDAY

† Yolande Fortin Suprenant

By Lynne Suprenant

By Diane and Bruno Baron

Tuesday March 31

Pro Populo

Wednesday April 1

Thursday April 2

HOLY THURSDAY

Friday April 3

GOOD FRIDAY

Saturday April 4

EASTER VIGIL

Sunday April 5

EASTER SUNDAY

† Yolande Fortin Suprenant

By Diane and Bruno Baron

Birthday Intention of

Irene Reyes

By Lilia Baguyo

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.

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

ST. WILLIBRORD ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Julian Paparella
Youth Ministry

Mass Intentions

There are many Masses available for intentions, weekday and weekends. For your convenience please fill out a Mass intention envelope found at the back of the church and return to the office or Fr. Gregory.

Collections

Mar 14-15 1127.50

Mar 21-22 1052.70

Thank You!

Thank you to:

Thank you Cora Garlando and Norma for cleaning the Rectory!

Thank you to the parents and youth of the Salinggawi community for all their efforts for the Fiesta!

UPCOMING EVENTS

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Wednesday, April 1st—**Mass of Chrism** at Marie-Reine-du Monde (7:30pm)
Thursday, April 2nd—**Mass of the Lord's Supper** at St. Willibrord's (7:00pm)
Friday, April 3rd—**Good Friday Service** at St. Willibrord's (3:00pm)
Friday, April 3rd—**Good Friday Procession** departing St. Willibrord's at 7:00pm
Saturday, April 4th—**Easter Vigil** at St. Willibrord's (7:00pm)
Sunday, April 5th—**Easter Sunday Mass** at St. Willibrord's (10:30am)
Together we journey with our Lord through his passion to his resurrection!

EASTER FLOWERS OFFERING

Fresh flowers to decorate St. Willibrord's for our upcoming Easter services are made possible by your generous donations. Flowers may be dropped off at the Rectory during office hours between **March 31st – April 3rd**. If you wish to make a donation toward our Easter flowers, please see Angela Choi after Mass or contact the Rectory.

PREX

St. Willibrord's is holding the first **Parish Renewal Experience (PREX)** in North America in three sessions: *Friday, April 17th* beginning at 6pm, *Saturday, April 18th* beginning at 9am, and *Saturday, April 25th* beginning at 9am. All parishioners are welcome to join us as we **grow deeper in faith and unite more closely as a parish family**. Please speak to Father Gregory or call the Office for more information.

Art Classes @ St Willibrord – Spring Session 2015

Schedule: Wednesdays from 7:00p.m. to 9:00 p.m. 10 weeks course - starts April 15
Registration: Begins this Wednesday, April 1st.

Info: [514-845-1602](tel:514-845-1602)

Drawing and Painting Course: The goal is getting to know the basics of drawing and painting, through practical exercises with a creative expression. The course is based on various plastic art mediums of expression: charcoal, graphite, pastel, sanguine, acrylic and ink, applying the principles and techniques to compose a pictorial work by the game of the lines; geometric figures, volume, light and shade, composition, etc.

DIOCESAN EVENTS

2015 Way of the Cross: Friday, April 3rd at 9:30 a.m.

All are welcome to join in procession through the streets of downtown Montreal with prayers, meditations, and songs, led by Archbishop Christian Lépine on Good Friday, April 3rd. Departure at 9:30am from Notre-Dame-de-Bon-Secours Chapel (400 St-Paul St. East, Old Montreal). Contact [514-667-5709](tel:514-667-5709) or secretary@clonline.ca.

Good Friday Blood Drive

Sponsored by Archbishop Christian Lépine on Good Friday, April 3 from 10am-6pm at Mary Queen of the World Cathedral (1110 Mansfield St., Montreal) near Bonaventure Metro. The Archbishop will be present at 12:30pm. Please bring an ID Card with you.