

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, May 13th, 2017, 5:00PM

†**Fred Briffet..** By David Briffett

Sunday, May 14th, 2017, 10:30 AM

†**Yvette Marchand** By Her Children

†**Margaret Groves** By the Wargachuk Family

†**One year Death Anniversary of Marites Bulseco Quibol** By Janet Bulseco

† **In memory of the Molloy Family by Lorraine Molloy**

† **Generosa Romana by Nunez Family**

Birthday Celebration for Carla Gallego By Carolina & William Gallego

For the intentions of all Mothers

Tuesday, May 16th, 2017, 7:00PM

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Wednesday, May 17th, 2017, 7:00PM

†**John Carley..** By Lorraine Molloy

Thursday, May 18th, 2017, 9:00AM

†**40 Days Death Anniversary of Emelia Bulseco..** By Burcena family

Friday, May 19th, 2017, 9:00AM

†**Death anniversary of Melinda Bulseco Simpson** By Burcena family

Saturday, May 20th, 2017, 5:00PM

Thanksgiving Blessings for Susan Lila

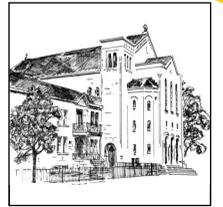
Sunday, May 21th, 2017, 10:30 AM

†**Ann John** By Bernadette Roach and family

We pray for the healing and peace of all our sick,

Flo Davies, Adeline Doyle, Adrienne Coombs, Sterling Smith, Joe Brisindi, Dan Boyer, Rita Riley, Beverly Fender, Marie-Paul, Rickie Walsh, Muriel Boutin, Joey Walsh, Johnny Palisoc, Myrna Bolofer Go, Jennifer Parsons, Carmen Al Fudhaili. Temperence Miriam Browning, Bernard Fournier, John & Wendy Keating, Peggy & Eddy Wargachuk, Carmen Lapello, Eddie Rodgers, Terry & Liz McHugh, Dale Flood, Charlene Poirier, Gordon Parsons.

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May 14, 2017
Fifth Sunday of Easter

"Lord, show us the Father"

Meditation: Do you allow any troubles to rob you of God's gift of peace? As much as we try to avoid it, we inevitably encounter challenges and trials that can shake our confidence and our trust in God. Jesus knew that his disciples would be put to the test when their Master was taken from them during his suffering and passion - his arrest, trial, and rejection by the leaders of his own people, and crucifixion by the Romans. Jesus encouraged his disciples to put their faith and hope in God the Father and also in himself.

When adversity or trouble comes your way, does it make you lose hope or give into fear and despair, or does it press you closer to the Lord Jesus and to the strength and help he offers you? When the people of Israel became discouraged and grew weary during their 40 years in the wilderness, the Lord assured them that he would personally bring them safely into the promised land. "*It is the LORD who goes before you; he will be with you, he will not fail you or forsake you; do not fear or be dismayed*" (Deuteronomy 31:8). This land of promise was a sign that prefigured and pointed to the true heavenly homeland which God offers to all who accept his gift of salvation through his Son, Jesus Christ. The Lord Jesus, through his victory on the cross and his resurrection, has opened the way for each one of us to live in peace and friendship with our heavenly Father.

A place for you in my Father's house

During Jesus' last supper meal with his apostles, he spoke in plain words to them about his approaching departure. He tells them that he is returning to his Father to prepare a place for them in the Father's house. Jesus promised his disciples - and each one of us - that he would return again to personally bring us to the Father's house. Are you ready to follow the Lord Jesus wherever he wishes to lead you now and in the future? And do you trust him to bring you safely to your home with the Father in his kingdom? Paul the Apostle reminds us that nothing in this world can compare with the glory of feasting with the Father in his house. "I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us" (Romans 8:18). Is your hope securely placed in Jesus and his promise to raise you up in glory with him?

I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life

The disciples were surprised that Jesus was going to his Father's house and would return to take them with him. And they were even more surprised when Jesus said he expected them to know the way to the Father's house. Jesus' answer to their question, "show us the way", was both a reminder that his disciples should trust their Master and Teacher to show them the way, and a challenge for them to recognize that Jesus had intimate knowledge of God and where God came from. Jesus made a statement that invoked the very name which God had revealed to Moses, "I am who I am" (Exodus 3:14), and he made three claims which only God could make. He stated unequivocally to his disciples: "**I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life**" (John 14:6)—(c) 2017 Servants of the Word, : www.dailyscripture.net, author Don Schwager

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.

Pastor

Fr. Gregory Nunez
Office Staff
Anastasia Wargachuk
Administration

April 13, 2017—\$471.25
April 14, 2017—\$675.35
April 15, 2017—\$415.40
April 16, 2017—\$3,161.25
April 22-23 —\$792.00
April 29-30, 2017—\$741.55
Flea Market May 6, 2017—
\$2,752.20
May 6-7, 2017—\$1,361.30

Mass Schedule

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
9:30am to 11:30am

Birthday/Anniversary
Blessings to

all Parishioners who are celebrating this week

Thank You

◇Mike, Judith, Jonas, Ann and Merly for their work in the rectory and church
◇all Flea Market volunteers for their continued work and dedication to St Willibrord Parish

A few interesting fact about Catholics

The ONLY Christian church in existence for the first 1,000 years of Christian history was the Roman Catholic Church. All other Christian churches which exist today can trace their lineage back to the Roman Catholic Church. Most non-Catholic churches which exist today are less than a century or two old by comparison.

The Catholic Church consists of more than just the Roman Catholic Church. There are 22 Eastern Rites that are in full communion with Rome and although they go by different names, they are every bit as much a part of the Catholic Church.

Johannes Gutenberg, the inventor of the printing press, was Catholic and the first book ever printed was the Catholic Bible.

The Catholic Church is entirely responsible for the composition of the Bible, which books are included, as well as the breakup of the chapters and verses. Protestants have removed some books of the Bible because some of the verses were inconsistent with their theology. Martin Luther was a prime offender in this regard, removing Tobit, Judith, 1 and 2 Maccabees, Wisdom, Sirach and Baruch. He also made an effort to remove James and Revelations, but this was rejected by his followers and those two books were kept. Catholics are often accused of "adding" the books, but despite this common belief, it is false. Older, pre-Protestant, Catholic translations of the Bible include them.

How many saints are recognized by the Catholic Church? There does not seem to be an official number, but it exceeds 10,000. Of course, any person who enters heaven is a saint, by definition, so it is certain the number of actual saints in existence is much greater than the number recognized by the Church.

Any Catholic may perform an emergency baptism, such as if a person is in grave danger of death. In such a case, the validity of the baptism only depends upon the wishes of the person being baptized, that they desire the baptism. There are specific guidelines for such practices that Catholics should follow. Anyone wishing to be prepared for such a case should refer to the catechism for a deeper understanding of this allowance. Generally, such practices ought to be left to trained clergy.

The Pope is protected by the Swiss Papal Guard. Wearing uniforms designed by Michelangelo and commonly armed with halberds, they are capable of using heavier weapons if needed. Each member is Catholic, male, and Swiss, and must complete military training in Switzerland.

They must demonstrate good conduct and be at least five-foot-eight in height. Those who are chosen are granted a private audience with the pope along with their families. In extreme circumstances, they are expected to guard the Holy Father with their lives. The Swiss Papal Guard is the oldest active military unit in continual existence since 1506.—
<http://www.catholic.org>

ST. WILLIBRORD ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Important dates to mark on your calendar!

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

Flea Market: Saturday, June 3, 2017, 9:00AM to 3:00PM

Blessing Celebration for Fr Gregory's Birthday, Ordination and Resurrection Angels:

Saturday, May 27, 2017, 6:30PM, in Cameron Hall

Confirmation Celebration: Sunday, May 28, 2017, 10:30AM Mass

First Communion: Sunday, June 4, 2017, 10:30 AM Mass

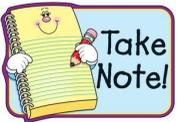
Dates for faith formation and Formation for lay people

Faith in the family (incl Prep for First Communion and Confirmation):

The next session will be on May 14th, 2017 at 9:00AM

Lectors Meeting: To be determined.

Acolytes: The next meeting will be on June 18, 2017



Collection Envelopes have arrived

The envelopes have arrived! If there are any corrections that need to be made or if you would like to receive envelopes, we ask that you contact the rectory. They can be picked up after .Mass, at the back of the Church. Thank you for your understanding.

Blessing Celebration for Fr Gregory's Birthday, Ordination and Resurrection Angels Fundraiser

There are so many reasons to celebrate... Fr Gregory's birthday day (46 years young), Fr Gregory's Ordination into the priesthood (18 years old) and the Resurrection Angel candidates, their friends, family and all who supported the Salubong.

The date has been set. Saturday, May 27, 2017, 6:30PM, in Cameron Hall There will be dinner, dancing, entertainment and surprises ... Tickets are available please pick them up at the back of the Church or at the rectory. In order to reserve a table, please notify the office before the event. A good time will be had by all. The proceeds from this FUNdraiser will go towards the maintenance of the church.

Annual Pilgrimage to Notre dame de Bon Secours Chapel will take place on May 24, 2017. The rosary will be prayed at 7:00PM, followed by Mass at 7:30PM. A group of us will be leaving from St Willibrord Parish, at 6:00PM and taking public transit. If you would like to join us at the Chapel, the address is 400 rue Saint-Paul E, Montréal, QC H2Y 1H4.

St Willibrord Parish Mission Statement

That we be a people who desire to grow: in our understanding of the Church, in our love for Christ, in our love of & service to our sisters and brothers. That we nurture diversities, give people the opportunity to discover Gospel values in everyday life. That we be a Church where all feel welcome to participate at their own will.

Find Us on Facebook:

Join our new Facebook group for parents called: Parents of St. Willibrord Parish, Verdun for updates related to catechesis and children's activities