

## 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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May 24, 2015

PENTECOST

### Announced Masses

Saturday May 23

† **Josephine Doyle**  
By Adeline Doyle

Sunday May 24

**In Thanksgiving**  
By Cora Garlando & Family

**In Thanksgiving**

By Pedro & Fely Quioco  
& Family

† **Paz Davantes Navarro**  
By Beck Davantes

Tuesday May 26

**Pro Populo**

Wednesday May 27

Thursday May 28

Friday May 29

Saturday May 30

Sunday May 31

**In Thanksgiving**  
By Pedro & Fely Quioco  
& Family  
† **Julie Gahan**  
By Rita Riley

**Meditation:** Do you know and experience in your own life the gift and power of the Holy Spirit? After his death and resurrection Jesus promised to give his disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit. He said to them, *Receive the Holy Spirit!* (John 20:22) Jesus knew that his disciples would need the power of the Holy Spirit to carry out the mission entrusted to them. The gift of the Holy Spirit was conditional upon the ascension of Jesus to the right hand of the Father. That is why Jesus instructed the apostles to *wait in Jerusalem until you are clothed with power from on high* (Luke 24:49). Why did they need *power from on high*? The Gospels tell us that Jesus was filled with the Holy Spirit when he was baptized at the Jordan River:

"And John bore witness, 'I saw the Spirit descend as a dove from heaven, and it remained on him... this is he who *baptizes with the Holy Spirit*'" (John 1:32,33; Mark 1:8; Matthew 3:11). "And Jesus, *full of the Holy Spirit*, returned from the Jordan, and was *led by the Spirit* for forty days in the wilderness... and Jesus returned in the *power of the Spirit* into Galilee" (Luke 4:1,14).

Just as Jesus was anointed with the Spirit at the beginning of his ministry, so the disciples needed the anointing of the Holy Spirit to carry out the mission entrusted to them by Jesus. The Holy Spirit is given to all who are baptized into Jesus Christ to enable us to live a new way of life - a life of love, peace, joy, and righteousness (Romans 14:17). The Holy Spirit fills our hearts with the love of God (Romans 5:7), and he gives us the strength and courage we need in order to live as faith-filled disciples of the Lord Jesus. The Spirit helps us in our weakness (Romans 8:26), and enables us to grow in spiritual freedom - freedom from doubt, fear, and from slavery to our unruly desires (2 Corinthians 3:17; Romans 8:21). The Spirit instructs us in the ways of God, and guides us in living according to God's will. The Spirit is the source and giver of all holiness. Isaiah foretold the seven-fold gifts that the Spirit would give: wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord (Isaiah 11:2).

The gift of Pentecost - the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, and the spiritual gifts and blessings of God - are made possible through the death, resurrection, and ascension of the Lord Jesus. After his resurrection Jesus "breathed" on his disciples and gave them the Holy Spirit. Just as God breathed life into Adam, so the gift of the Holy Spirit is an impartation of "new life" for his people. With the gift of the Holy Spirit a new creation begins. God recreates us for his glory. Jesus' gift of peace to his disciples was more than an absence of trouble. His peace included the forgiveness of sins and the fulness of everything good. Do you want power to live a faith-filled life as a disciple of Jesus? Ask the Father to fill you with the power of his Holy Spirit (Luke 11:13). Do you thirst for God and for the abundant life he offers through the gift of his Spirit? "Lord Jesus, I thank you for the gift of Pentecost and for the new life you offer in the Holy Spirit. Fill me with your Holy Spirit and set my heart ablaze with the fire of your love that I may serve you in joy and freedom."  
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**SPECIAL THANKS TO MILTON DUFFEY!!!** Milton is a former parishioner of St. Willibrord's who was almost the model for the young boy kneeling in the beautiful mural behind the altar in our church. We were happy to have him visit several weeks ago! Thank you, Milton, for your support!

**Pastor**  
Fr. Gregory Nunez

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**Let us pray for the  
Immediate recovery of:**

Joe Brisindi, Dale  
Parsons, Dan Boyer

**Thank you to:**  
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Alex Laxina** for  
washing the carpet  
inside the Church

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and to **Jun Quiocho  
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Thank you to all our  
donors & to all those  
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ported our **Pentecost  
Barbecue!!!**

**ST. WILLIBRORD ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**MASS OF HEALING AND PENTECOST BBQ**  
**SUNDAY, MAY 24TH!**

Today we celebrate the *Anointing of the Sick* to celebrate the out-pouring of the Spirit at Pentecost! Mass is followed by a *Parish BBQ* marking the Birthday of the Universal Church! Please join us!

**Birthday Fundraiser for the Rectory Repair**

On *Saturday, June 6th at 6:30*, St. Willibrord's will celebrate the birthday of Father Gregory with a special **Birthday Party Fundraiser!** Instead of gifts, Father requests ***donations to the Bible Camp, PREX, or Rectory repair***. Donations of over \$20 will be issued tax receipts. Dinner, dancing, singing, and plenty of fun! Please join us on June 6th!

**Music Lessons Offered**

Saint Willibrord's is pleased to offer Flute, Guitar, Piano, and Voice lessons from professional musicians. Please contact the Office if interested.

**Bible Study Thursdays with Father Gregory**

This Thursday we continue our Bible Study with Father Gregory at 6:30 in the Rectory. Join us to learn more about Scripture!

**BIBLE CAMP: June 24th to July 3rd, 2015**

As the weather warms and the flowers bloom, St. Willibrord's is looking forward to summer and our annual **Bible Camp!** It will be held every weekday from *Wednesday, June 24th to Friday, July 3rd*. We are looking for volunteers and of course kids to attend! **Contact the Parish Office! It's summer time!**

**Open House of the Father Dowd Home**

To celebrate the 150th ANNIVERSARY of the Father Dowd Home, 6565 Hudson Road, Cote des Neiges, the Auxiliary of the Father Dowd Home will hold an Open House on Sunday, June 7th, from 1:00-4:00pm. Memorabilia will be on display and light refreshments will be served. All are welcome!

**Diocesan Patronal Feast of Mary this Friday, May 29th**

To celebrate the Patronal Feast of the Archdiocese, Archbishop Lepine will preside over a **Special Diocesan Mass** this *Friday, May 29 at 7:30* at Marie-Reine-du-Monde Cathedral. All the faithful are warmly invited to attend and celebrate!

**Corpus Christi Mass and Procession with Archbishop Lepine**

On *Thursday, June 4th at 7pm*, to celebrate the *Feast of the Body of Christ*, all the faithful of the archdiocese of Montreal are cordially invited to a special Mass presided by our Archbishop Christian Lepine at **Marie-Reine-du-Monde Cathedral**, followed by a Eucharistic procession through the streets of downtown. The theme is **"Shine Forth the Light of Christ!"** Let us walk with our Lord and share his light!