

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, October 28th, 2017, 5:00PM

†Death Anniversary of Albert Briffett By David Briffett

Sunday, October 29th, 2017, 10:30 AM

Birthday Blessings for Wilson Tagonan

Thanksgiving Blessings for Angela Choi and Patrick Lau

Thanksgiving and Anniversary Blessings for Juliet Quiocho & Pepito Mendoza

Thanksgiving Mass by Jennifer Rentiquiano

Monday, October 30th, 2017, 7:00PM

Triduum of All Souls

Tuesday, October 31st, 2017, 7:00PM

Triduum of All Souls

Wednesday, November 1st, 2017, 7:00PM

Triduum of All Souls

Thursday, November 2nd, 2017, 9:00AM

Feast of All Souls

Friday, November 3rd, 2017, 9:00AM

†Nicolas Davantes Sr by Davantes Family..

†Lily Wepruk (on the anniversary of her birth) By the Wepruk Family

Saturday, November 4th, 2017, 5:00PM

†All Souls in Purgatory By Adeline Doyle

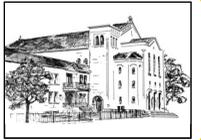
We pray for the healing and peace of all our sick

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, 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, Charlene Poirier, Maureen O'Brien, Polly Storey, Justin Occhionero, Hugo Diaz, Teresita Rosales, Evelyn and Arthur Gilchrist Sr.

God is with you always.

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October 29th, 2017 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflection on Gospel (Matthew 22:34-40)

The text is enlightened. Jesus is in Jerusalem and precisely in the Temple where a process between he and his adversaries is taking place, the chief priests and the Scribes (20, 18; 21, 15), between the chief priests and the elders of the people (21, 23) and between the chief priests and the Pharisees (21, 45). The point of controversy of the debate is: the identity of Jesus or of the Son of David, the origin of his identity, and, therefore, the question regarding the nature of the Kingdom of God. The evangelist presents this plot of debates with a sequence of controversies that present a growing rhythm: the tribute to be paid to Caesar (22, 15-22), the resurrection of the dead (22, 23-33), the greatest commandment (22, 34-40), the Messiah, son and Lord of David (22, 41-46). The protagonists of the first three discussions are representatives of the official Judaism who try to place Jesus in difficulty on some crucial questions. These disputes are addressed to Jesus in so far as he is "Master" (Rabbi), this title tells the reader the understanding that the interlocutors have of Jesus. But Jesus takes this occasion to lead them to ask themselves a more crucial question: the last time they took position concerning his identity (22, 41-46).

The greatest commandment. On the trail of the Sadducees who have preceded, the Pharisees ask Jesus a burning question: which is the greatest commandment? The Rabbis always first made evident the multiplicity of the prescriptions (248 commandments) the question is asked to Jesus regarding which is the fundamental precept. Just the same the Rabbis themselves had created a true survey to reduce them as far as possible: David lists eleven (Ps 15, 2-5), Isaiah six (Is 33, 15), Micah three (Mi 6, 8), Amos two (Am 5, 4) and Habakkuk only one (Hab 2, 4). But the intention of the Pharisees regarding their question, goes beyond every type of survey, it is a question of the essence itself of the prescriptions. Jesus, in answering binds together love of God and love of neighbour, so much so as to unite them in only one, but without renouncing to give priority to the first one, which subordinates, in a close way, the second one. Thus, all the prescriptions of the Law, they were 613, are placed in relationship with this unique commandment: the whole Law finds its significance and foundation in the one of love. Jesus carries out a process of simplification of all the precepts of the Law: anyone who puts into practice the only commandment of love does not only observe the Law, but also the prophets (v. 40). Just the same, the novelty of the response is not so much in the material content as in its realization: in Jesus, the love of God and love of neighbour have their own context, their last solidity. That is to say, that God's love and of neighbour, shown and realized in some way in his person, guides man to place himself before God and before others through love. The only commandment in two, God's love and love for neighbour, become the supporting column, not only of the Scriptures, but also of the life of the Christian.

<http://www.ocarm.org/en/content/lectio/lectio-matthew-2234-40>

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The Beauty of All Souls & All Saints Day

The weekend of November 1 and 2 is a very special time for me — it's [All Saints](#) and [All Souls](#) days. These two days have a profound emotional impact on me, and I think the church shows tremendous wisdom in putting these two feasts together.

Most of us consider death an unpleasant topic. We don't mind discussing it in general terms (philosophically) but we don't want to think about our own death, and we especially dislike the idea of someone we deeply love dying. Some people even refuse to make a will because that forces them to consider the consequences of their own demise. Well, guess what; that's stupid. You and I and everyone we love is going to die, so if death is going to eventually come and take us away then death had better be our friend and not our enemy. Think of it: when the [angel of death](#) comes to escort you to judgment, do you want him to be your friend or your enemy?

In putting these two feasts together the holy mother Church offers us a wonderfully consoling and balanced way of looking at death. On All Saints Day (Saturday, 11/01) we celebrate the glory of the saints in heaven. The church teaches that everyone in heaven is a saint, and All Saints Day is dedicated to all the "unofficial" saints in heaven. We have a bunch of men, women and children who are canonized (official) saints, and each one has a day assigned to them. On All Saints Day we celebrate everybody else in heaven. Think of your loved ones who have died and gone to heaven. This is a chance for you to be happy for — and with — them. You and I rejoice that they are perfectly happy being with God and everyone else in heaven. They have no pain, no frustration or annoyance, all they know is absolute, complete happiness because they can see (i.e., understand) God perfectly. On this day we rejoice for them.

On All Souls Day (11/02) we mourn our dead. Even though we rejoiced for them the day before, today we admit that we may still feel some sense of pain or loss because of their separation from us. We're not afraid or ashamed to cry or grieve. After all, Jesus wept over the death of His friend, Lazarus. We don't grieve because we lack faith or because our faith is weak. We grieve because the people we love aren't with us like they used to be.

The beauty of these two days together is that they are so honest and healing: we admit our joy for our departed, and we admit our sorrow at the distance. It's just like life, isn't it — we take the good with the bad, and we let Jesus make sense of it for us.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Adapted from Fr. Douglas J. Guthrie Pastor's Column 26 October 2014.

Sept 23–24, 2017—
\$1,198.25
Sept 23–Oct 1, 2017—
\$874.05
Oct 7-8, 2017—\$877.30
Flea Market—\$3,082.40
Oct 14-15, 2017—
\$1,000.05
Second Collection for
Mexican Community—
\$502.10
Oct 21-22, 2017 —
\$809.15

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

Birthday/Anniversary

Blessings to

all Parishioners who are celebrating this week
Happy Anniversary to
Juliet Quiocho
and Pepito Mendoza

Thank You to

◇Mike, Ann, Merly, Cora
and all the volunteers
who worked in the rec-
tory and in the Church.
◇our Bazaar volunteers
who set up and worked
at this big event.
◇those who are donating
to the Bazaar

Bowl-A-Thon... The proceeds raised will be going to the repairs and maintenance of the parish
November 5, 2017, at 1:00pm, at the Laurentian Bowling Lanes, 222, Montée de Liesse, St-Laurent, QC H4T 1N8. Come, invite your friends... have a good time while fundraising

TRIDUUM OF MASSES FOR ALL SOULS ON

Oct. 30 at 7pm, Oct 31, at 7pm, Nov 1, at 7pm and Nov. 2 at 7pm.

Each year, the Catholic Church celebrates the Feast of All Souls. It is a time for us to remember and pray for every person who has died and gone before us to encounter our Lord face to face. This year, we invite you and ask that you extend this invitation to the friends and members of your family to join with us, if possible, for a 3 day Triduum.

Raffle Tickets have arrived!

Tickets can be picked up after Mass or at the Rectory. But quantities are limited so please pickup your tickets early. For more information, please call the rectory or speak with Carole or Stasi. This fundraiser makes it possible for the us to maintain our outreach programs, such as, the Soup kitchen, Christmas Baskets and emergency food bags.

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



Faith in the family: The next faith in the family will resume on Sunday, Nov 5, 2017, at 9:00AM

Lectors Meeting: Sunday, Nov 26, 2017, following the 10:30am Mass.

Lay Ministers Meeting: Sunday, Nov 12, 2017, following the 10:30am Mass.

Dates to Remember

Remembrance Day Mass: Sunday, Nov 5, 2017 at the 10:30am Mass

Feast of St Willibrord Mass: Sunday, Nov 12, 2017 at the 10:30am Mass

Healing Mass: Sunday, Nov 19, 2017, 10:30AM Mass, in Cameron Hall

Flea Market: Saturday, Nov 4, 2017, 9:00AM to 3:00PM

Dancing procession of Echternach a tradition that honors St Willibrord. In the past we have reenacted this dance here and some of our parishioners have expressed the desire to see this dance performed. The Feast of St Willibrord will be celebrated here on Sunday, Nov 12, 2017, we would like to know if you would be interested in performing the hopping dance this year. If so, do you know how to perform this dance and are you willing to participate and teach this dance to others who may be interested in learning this day. It is only with your participation that we will be able to honor our Patron Saint by performing the hopping dance.

Holy Cross Parish All are welcome to our Christmas Bazaar, **Saturday, December 2** from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and **Sunday, December 3** from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. (1960 Jolicoeur St., Montreal, H4E 1X5). Christmas decorations, books, white elephant table, baked goods, raffles and Tea Room. Con-tact the office at 514-769-2717.

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.