

MASS TIMES

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

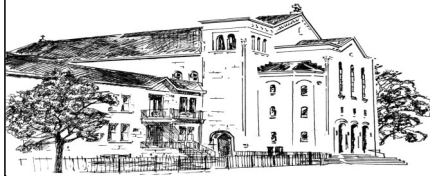
9:30am to 11:30am

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September 4, 2016
Twenty-Third Sunday
In Ordinary Time

Announced Masses

Sunday, Sept 4th

†**Death Anniversary**
of Natividad Regadado
By Ruth Regadado, and
Mr & Mrs Dindo Doblado
†**Death Anniversasry**

of Estilito Paja

by Helen & Johnny Paja
†**Death Anniversary**
Of Ingrid Morgan
By Bating, Minda, Pewwee

Healing Mass

for Myrna Bolofer Go

By Bolofer Family

Healing Mass

for Carmen Al Fudhaili

By Bolofer Family

Healing Mass

for Amando Lagman

By Lagman Family

Thanksgiving Mass

By Aida, Julian
& Christian Galan

Tuesday, Sept 6th

Pro Populo

Wednesday, Sept 7th

Healing Mass

for Myrna Bolofer Go

By Bolofer Family

Thursday, Sept 8th

Healing Mass

for Carmen Al Fudhaili

By Bolofer Family

Friday, Sept 9th

Birthday Blessings
for Dory Trabajada

By Lilia Baguyo

The cost of discipleship

Meditation: Jesus willingly embraced the cross, not only out of obedience to his Father's will, but out of a merciful love for each one of us in order to set us free from sin, Satan, and death. Jesus knew that the cross was the Father's way for him to achieve victory and glory for our sake. He counted the cost and said 'yes' to his Father's will. We, too, must 'count the cost' and be ready to follow the Lord Jesus in the way of the cross if we want to share in his glory and victory.

What is the 'way of the cross' for you and me? It means that when my will crosses with God's will, then his will must be done. The way of the cross involves sacrifice, the sacrifice of laying down my life each and every day for Jesus' sake. What makes such sacrifice possible and "sweet" for us is the love of God poured out for us in the blood of Jesus Christ. Paul the Apostle reminds us that "*God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit*" (Romans 5:5). We can never give more than God. He always gives us more than we can expect or imagine. Do you allow the Holy Spirit to fill your heart with the love of God?

Jesus tells his would-be disciples that they, too, must count the cost if they want to succeed as his disciples. Jesus assures success for those willing to pay the price. All it cost is everything we have - the entirety of our lives and all we possess! What does Jesus have to offer that's worth giving up everything else? More than we can imagine! Jesus offers the gift of an abundant joy-filled life and the promise of everlasting peace and happiness with God for ever. (See the [parable of the treasure](#) hidden in the field and [the pearl of great price](#) in Matthew 13:44-45). It's natural to ask what will it require or cost before a commitment to invest in something of great value. Jesus was utterly honest and spared no words to tell his disciples that it would cost them dearly to follow after him and to invest in his heavenly kingdom. There can be no room for compromise or concession with God and his kingdom. We either give our lives over to him entirely or we keep them for ourselves. Paul the Apostle says, "*We are not our own. We were bought with a price*" (1 Corinthians 6:19b,20). That price is the precious blood of Jesus Christ shed for us upon the cross to redeem us from slavery to sin and death. ***Who do you love first - above all else?***

The love of God compels us to choose who or what will be first in our lives. To place any relationship or any possession above God is a form of idolatry. Jesus challenges his disciples to examine what they love first and foremost. Jesus' way to glory and power is opposite the world's way of glory, power, and success. The choice is ours, but the Lord does not leave us alone if we choose to follow him. Does the love of Christ compel you to put God first in all you do (2 Corinthians 5)? —————***-rc.net***

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.

ST. WILLIBRORD ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Pastor

Fr. Gregory Nunez

Office Staff

Anastasia Wargachuk
Administration

August 6-7, 2016—\$862.90

Flea Mkt Aug 6, 2016—
\$2,344.00

August 13-14, 2016—\$818.50

August 20-21, 2016—
\$969.05

August 27-28, 2016—\$689.50

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, Marie-Paul, Rickie Walsh, Muriel Boutin, and Joey Walsh, Johnny Palisoc, Myrna Bolofer Go, Carmen Al Fudhaili.
God is with you always.



BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

Birthday Blessings to Dory Trabajada and Birthday and Anniversary Blessings to all Parishioners who are celebrating a birthday or an anniversary this week.

THANK YOU TO

♦the Salinggawi whose fundraising event raised \$1,000.00

for St Willibrord Parish
♦All the volunteers who worked hard to make the Flea Market a success.
♦Judith Ritchie for your help at the rectory and Church

BAZAAR 2016—Raffle Tickets!

As you know, this year's Annual Bazaar will be held **Friday, October 21st** and **Saturday, October 22nd**. There are still a lot of raffle tickets left to be sold and they have arrived and will be made available after Mass. We need your support to ensure the success of this fundraiser. Please help us to sell these tickets.

The more tickets that you buy the greater your chances are of winning one of the prizes.

All proceeds from this event will be used to feed the people who need help feeding their families.

If every parishioner would pick up 5 to 10 booklets, we would be able to raise enough funds to feed the families who come requesting food both during the year and at Christmas time.



Blessing of the school bags

September 11, 2016 at the 10:30 am Mass.....

As the students and teachers begin their school year, they are invited to bring in their school bags for a blessing.



Important dates to mark on your calendar!

Every Thursday: Bible Study at 6:30pm followed by **Symbolon** at 7:30pm

Flea Market: Saturday, October 1, 2016, from 9:00am to 3:00pm

Blessing of school bags September 11, 2016 at the 10:30am Mass

Bazaar 2016: Friday, October 21st and Saturday, October 22nd.



BAZAAR 2016—Booth

We are pleased to announce that this year's Annual Bazaar will be held on **Friday, October 21st** and **Saturday, October 22nd**.

We still need donations for all of the booths. If you would like to donate an article or money that could be used to purchase items(s), please contact the rectory.

Good Cheer, Sports booth, Religious Booth, Christmas Booth, Wheel of Fortune, and many more.

We are, also, in need of Volunteers to work preparing for the Bazaar, working at the Bazaar and cleaning up after the Bazaar

St. John Brébeuf – Book Sale Sept. 9-11

“All are welcome and there is something for everyone.”

When: Fri. Sept. 9, 5 – 7 p.m. / Sat. Sept. 10, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. / Sun. Sept. 11, 10 a.m.-12 noon

Where: 855 Bishop Power, LaSalle

There will be a Tea Room with homemade sweets on Saturday.

Donations of used books, CDs, DVDs: call 514-366-0131 ext. 221 to arrange drop off.

THE SACRED HEART SCHOOL OF MONTREAL: OPEN HOUSE

5th and 6th grade girls considering enrolment at Sacred Heart - the English Catholic all girls' high school in Montreal - are invited to visit the school during Open House on Saturday, September 24 from 12:30pm-4:30pm or on Tuesday, October 4 from 4pm-7pm (3635 Atwater Ave., Montreal). Parking available.

For information contact 514-937-2845 or visit www.sacredheart.qc.ca.

Canonization of Mother Teresa

Mother Teresa is to become Saint Teresa of Calcutta at a Vatican canonization ceremony, on September 4, 2016. Let the words of Mother Teresa inspire you...

“Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love.”

— [Mother Teresa](#)

“Every time you smile at someone, it is an action of love, a gift to that person, a beautiful thing.” — [Mother Teresa](#)

“Yesterday is gone. Tomorrow has not yet come. We have only today. Let us begin.”

— [Mother Teresa](#)