

Twenty-fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time September 12, 2021



MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: SEPT 11 to SEPT 19

(L) indicates living intention

Saturday	Sept 11	
4:30 pm	Deceased members of the Dias Family	Pat Dias
Sunday	Sept 12	Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Maddalena Nitti Saluzzi	Mary Saluzzi & family
Monday	Sept 13	
8:30 am	Alex Della Rocca	Rosemary & family
Tuesday	Sept 14	
8:30 am	Emile Gund (L)	Michael Gund
Wednesday	Sept 15	
8:30 am	Josephine & Jean Gurulian	Marie Gurulian
Thursday	Sept 16	
8:30 am	Mark Julius Coelho	Pat & Donny
Friday	Sept 17	
8:30 am	Conjetta Tille	Marie
Saturday	Sept 18	
4:30 pm	Our Parishioners	
Sunday	Sept 19	Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am	Juanito Salvanera	Becket's Knights of Columbus
11:00 am	Tania & Gabriel (L)	Philomena Carvalho

SANCTUARY LAMP (Week)

September 12: Anthony Perron, requested by Anna & Wayne Donald

September 19: Joseph Zemanovich, requested by Gerry

LORD, GRANT MERCY AND LASTING PEACE

Blessed are those who have died in the Lord; let them rest from their labours for their good deeds go with them. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

August 15: Offerings: \$ 4,938.00
 August 22: Offerings: \$ 3,167.00
 August 29: Offerings: \$ 3,818.00 Building Fund: \$1,245.00
 Sept 5: Offerings: \$ 3, 877.00

Next special collection: September 19 – Building Maintenance Fund

LETTING JESUS LAY HIS HEALING HAND ON US



Confession makes the soul strong because a really good confession—the confession of a child in sin coming back to the Father—always begets humility, and humility is strength.

Confession is nothing but humility in action. We call it penance, but really it is a sacrament of love, a sacrament of forgiveness. It is a place where I allow Jesus to take away from me everything that divides, that destroys. When there is a gap between me and Christ, when my love is divided, anything can come to fill the gap. We should be very simple and childlike in confession. “Here I

am as a child going to the Father.”

We go to confession a sinner full of sin. We come from confession a sinner without sin by the greatness of the mercy of God. No need for us to despair. No need for us to be discouraged—no need, if we have understood the tenderness of God’s love. You are precious to him. He loves you, and he loves you so tenderly that he has carved you on the palm of his hand. These are God’s words written in the Scripture. You know that. Remember that when your heart feels restless, when your heart feels hurt, when your heart feels like breaking—then remember, “I am precious to him. He loves me. He has called me by my name. I am his. He loves me. God loves me.” And to prove that love he died on the cross.

~ *Saint Teresa of Calcutta*

JOIN A PRAYER GROUP

Prayer sustains us in our needs always, evermore so during these uncertain times. Parishioner Bernard Rayneya is organizing an 8pm Friday evening Zoom prayer group. For more information, contact him at (514) 697-7950 or bratneya@yahoo.com.

WISDOM FROM ROME



“Complaining and blaming others is a waste of time; the way to defeat evil is to conquer it first within our own hearts. If we look inside, we will find almost all that we despise outside. And if, sincerely, we ask God to purify our heart, that is when we will start making the world cleaner. Because there is an infallible way to defeat evil: by starting to conquer it within yourself. We often think that evil comes mainly from the outside:

from other people's conduct, from those who think badly of us, from society. How often we blame others, society, the world, for everything that happens to us! It is always the fault of 'others': it is the fault of people, of those who govern, of misfortune, and so on. It is easy to spend time assigning blame, but spending time blaming others is wasting time. We become angry, bitter and keep God away from our heart. Complaining poisons, it leads you to anger, to resentment and to sadness, that of the heart, which closes the door to God. Let us ask in prayer for the grace not to waste time polluting the world with complaints, because this is not Christian. Jesus instead invites us to look at life and the world starting from our heart.

How many of us, during the day, in a moment during the day or a moment during the week, are able to blame ourselves within? May the Virgin Mary, who changed history through the purity of her heart, help us to purify our own, by overcoming first and foremost the vice of blaming others and complaining about everything.”

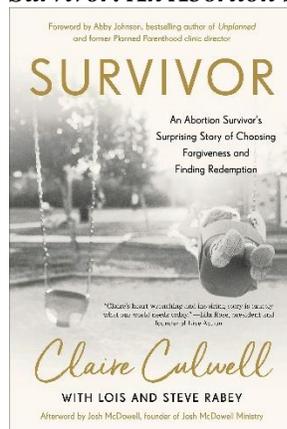
~ *Pope Francis*

PILGRIMAGE TO THE ORATORY

A walking pilgrimage to St. Joseph's Oratory will take place on Saturday, September 25 at 9:00 am from St. Thomas à Becket. Since this is the year dedicated to St. Joseph, this activity is especially meaningful. For further details or to register, contact Bernard Ratneiya at 514-697-7950 or at bratneiya@yahoo.com

WORTHWHILE READING

Survivor: An Abortion Survivor's Surprising Story of Choosing Forgiveness and Finding Redemption by Claire Culwell



Raised in a loving adoptive home, Claire Culwell, at the age of twenty-one, decided to meet her birth mother—and got the shock of her life. Claire's birth mother, Tonya, confessed that when she was pregnant with Claire, she'd gone to a clinic for an abortion. Yet, after the abortion, the pregnancy continued to progress. What Tonya's doctor had overlooked was that she'd been pregnant with twins. The abortion that terminated the life of Claire's twin had miraculously spared Claire. *Survivor* is Claire's incredible story of surviving abortion and advocating for life—the lives of unborn babies as well as the lives of their mothers. Her

powerful message of grace speaks louder than politics or controversy or shame as she inspires each of us to choose life wherever we are.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Montrealers are blessed with two excellent and complementary marriage prep programs:

1) **The Marriage Preparation Course** is ideal for engaged couples, or for those considering marriage. The key to having a great marriage is not *finding* the right spouse, but *being* the right spouse. You are invited to join us over 5 weekly sessions to learn how to build a strong foundation for a future that will last a lifetime. There are absolutely no group discussions. The only cost involved for participants is the online purchase of the course Journal, approximately \$30 per couple. To register, or for more information, contact our parishioners Nathalie or John Bondyra at 514-695-7896, or at kahndyra@sympatico.ca. The course will be presented via Zoom on five consecutive Tuesday evenings at 7:15 pm from October 12 to November 9.

2) **From this Day Forward:** In the welcoming and non-threatening group setting of this diocesan Zoom program, couples will be led by a trained team of couples and priests (including our Pastor, Fr. Peter Sabbath) to discuss and explore such issues as Communication Skills/Conflict, Goals & Expectations, Family Backgrounds, Time/Money Management, Sexuality/Spousal Love, Children, Natural Family Planning, and Marriage as Sacrament. The next sessions begins October 1. Details at

<http://microsites.diocesemontreal.org/microsites/from-this-day-forward/>

PARISH INFORMATION

All telephone numbers are in the 514 area code unless otherwise indicated.

PARISH WARDENS

The Fabrique of the parish administers all parish properties and assets, and consists of the Pastor and six wardens elected by parishioners at an Annual General Meeting.

Janet Arts (2021)	620-6643	Siro Di Marco (2020)	620-6788
Peter Cook (2022)	620-2019	Michelle Figueredo (2021)	694-8879
Norman Cousineau (2020)	624-8753	Michael Sciotto (2022)	626-9550

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Guild:	Anna Donald	620-2258
Altar Servers:	Fr. Peter Sabbath	626-4111
Baptism Preparation Team:	Parish Office	626-4111
Children's Liturgy	Parish Office	626-4111
Eucharistic Ministry Coordinator:	Rosemarie Della Rocca	620-1930
Greeters:	Norma Cook	620-2019
Ushers:	Joe Ojeda	941-7914
Lectors:	Tobias Koikaran	693-5514
Liturgy Team:	Rosemarie Della Rocca	620-1930
Weekday Sacristan:	Anna Donald	620-2258
Music Ministry Coordinator:	Lino Viegas	626-0750
Choir Director	Brendan Kelly	944-7220

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Sycamore	Elsa Rivera	626-4111 Ext. 222.
Angels of Mercy	Sarah Sajedi	827-6408
Becket Pantry:	Parish Office	626-4111
Catholic Women's League:	Catherine Lee Jude	463-5991
Couples for Christ:	Francis & Aurora Apgao	630-6586
Healing Ministry	Elsa Rivera	626-4111 Ext. 222
Helping Others:	Parish Office	626-4111
Knights of Columbus:	Joe Ojeda	941-7914
Marriage Course:	John & Nathalie Bondyra	695-7896
Pastoral Home Care:	Ailsa Lee Loy	626-7265
Prayer Group: (Thursday 9:15 a.m.)	Louise Eberwein	825-5198
Prayer Line:	Christine Charron	694-3958
Seniors:	Audrey Cassidy	626-3586
Social Club:	Rina Callard	695-6995

RESOURCES AND SERVICES

A.A.	376-9230
Al-Anon (Families of Alcoholics)	866-9803
Archdiocese, Marriage Tribunal, English Pastoral Services	931-7311
Episcopal Vicar - Fr. Raymond Lafontaine	931-7311
Quebec Life Coalition: Pregnant? Worried?	344-2686
Tel Aide (listening line)	935-1101
Violence S.O.S. Hotline	1-800-363-9010
West Island Women's Shelter	620-4845

Sacrament of Reconciliation: (Confession) before all Masses or by request.

Anointing of the Sick: upon request

Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration: First Friday of the month

Benediction: Fridays after morning Mass

Baptism: Please contact the office.

Marriage: Please contact the office well in advance.

Vocations: Please contact Fr. Peter Sabbath or Fr. Jaison Joseph

R.C.I.A.: Fr. Peter Sabbath