

Fifth Sunday of Lent & Palm Sunday

April 6 & 13 2025



MASS INTENTIONS - APRIL 5 TO APRIL 20

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Saturday	April 5	
4:30 pm	Chuck Boylan	Walter & Linda O'Grady
Sunday	April 6	Fifth Sunday of Lent
9:00 am	Maureen Gilmour	Carl and Fran Jorgensen
11:00 am	Our Parishioners	
Monday	April 7	
8:30 am	Heather and Julian Pereira	Maria G. Cabral
Tuesday	April 8	
8:30 am	Patrick Dias	Tessie and Robert Demers
Wednesday	April 9	
8:30 am	Petronilo Valenzuela	Tessie & Robert Demers
Thursday	April 10	
8:30 am	Erlinda Catuncan	Barbara Baldueza
Friday	April 11	
8:30 am	Douglas Menezes	Donny & Patricia Coelho
Saturday	April 12	
4:30 pm	Our Parishioners	
Sunday	April 13	Palm Sunday
9:00 am	George Dziarmaga	Wife and daughters
11:00 am	Emidio Campanella	Addolorata Colacci
Monday	April 14	
8:30 am	Mary McCann	Betty and Andy Quinn
Tuesday	April 15	
8:30 am	Gerry Emsley	Lise Emsley
Wednesday	April 16	
8:30 am	Mark Coelho	Donny & Patricia Coelho
Thursday	April 17	Holy Thursday
7:00 pm	Carmela Barbieri Di Marco	Sergio & Rosa Iacobacci
Friday	April 18	Good Friday
3:00 pm	Good Friday - no Mass	Liturgy of the Passion
Saturday	April 19	Easter Vigil
8:00 pm	Antonio Anoaia	The Family
Sunday	April 20	Easter Sunday
9:00 am	Maria & Wiktor Kozlowski	The Family
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Rita Munro	Wendy Redmond

SANCTUARY LAMP

April 6: Rose Marietta Greco Provenzano, requested by Patricia Provenzano and family.

April 13: John Basciano, requested by Basciano Family

April 20: Antonio Anoaia, requested by Maria Anoaia

LORD, GRANT MERCY AND LASTING PEACE to those who died recently and strength and comfort to those who mourn them:

Audrey Guy Angelozzi, wife of the late Marcello Angelozzi mother of Marina, Ermano, Gina, Anita.

Eugene Myers, friend of Matthew Newland

Pasquale Lamonica, husband of Carmen, father of Grace Lamonica

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.

HOW TO ENTER INTO HOLY WEEK



Holy Week enables us to walk step by step with Jesus through His Passion. The actions of Holy Week do not just symbolize what happened two thousand years ago, but through the mystical time of the liturgy enable us to enter into them and participate in the realities that present us.

Beginning with **Palm Sunday**, we literally greet Christ in His procession into Jerusalem with palms, along with the crowds and children, singing Hosanna and acclaiming Christ's kingship. We recognize that the

blessed one who comes in the name of the Lord has entered into our midst. Palm Sunday becomes Passion Sunday as we read the Gospel account of the Passion and literally shout: "Crucify Him! Crucify Him!" Those dreadful words show that He truly died for our sins – our sins have brought our Savior to this moment.

On **Wednesday** of Holy Week, priests renew their priestly promises at the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral.

Holy or Maundy Thursday, named for the mandate that Jesus gave His disciples at the Last Supper, begins the great liturgical drama of the Triduum. Jesus invites us into His mission of self-gift for others, flowing from the Father's love. We commemorate the great gifts of the priesthood and the Eucharist.

At the end of the Holy Thursday Mass we begin our accompaniment of Jesus through His Passion. His sacramental body is processed away from the altar, representing His captivity, as it is stripped, and conveyed through a solemn procession to the altar of repose, where we try to make good the failure of the Apostles in the Garden to keep watch even for one hour.

Prayer, silence, and fasting make **Good Friday** a particularly powerful day for uniting ourselves to the Cross. The hours between twelve and three on Good Friday, when Jesus hung on the Cross, have been considered a sacred time for prayer and silence. In our parish, we walk through the streets of Pierrefonds with a large cross. The culmination of the day comes in another liturgical reading of the Passion and our veneration of the Cross.

There is a different kind of silence that settles over the world on **Holy Saturday**: God is dead and we await with sorrowful anticipation the triumph of Christ. In the midst of the darkness of the sinful world, the light of the Vigil fire breaks forth, representing the new life and the renewal of faith as it carries through the church. The Vigil brings new life to the initiated, while everyone embraces the fruits of the Resurrection as they renew their baptismal vows.

And then comes the celebration!

By R. Jared Staudt

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

Mar 23: Offerings: \$4,335.75 Building Fund: \$2,125.00

Mar 31: Offerings: \$4,765.22

Upcoming Special Collections: April 17 - Holy Thursday

April 20 - Building Maintenance

GOOD FRIDAY The annual Good Friday Collection is the only yearly request made by the Holy See of dioceses and parishes throughout the world. The collection helps the Church of the Holy Land to maintain Christian sites, so important for Christians everywhere, and to provide pastoral, educational, and social works among the small Christian population. The Church and our Christian brothers and sisters count on your help to retain a faith-filled Christian presence in this land of our Lord. Please give generously during your parish's Good Friday celebrations on April 18, 2025. If you are unable to attend the service, it is possible to contribute online by going to Commissariat.ca/supporting-us and donating via CanadaHelps or Interac e-transfer. Receipts will be issued. On behalf of the Franciscan Custody of the Holy Land, to whom the Holy See has entrusted this ministry for nearly 700 years, I sincerely thank you for your support. Fr. Robert Mokry, o.f.m., Commissary of the Holy Land in Canada

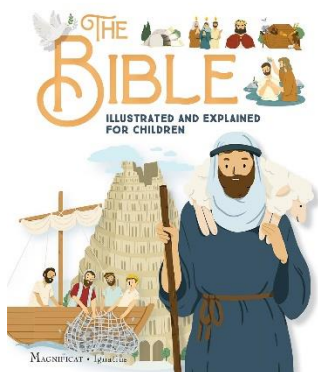


EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS may be sent to the parish office or dropped in the Easter flower box at the back of the church. Please include on the envelope: name of your loved one or intention (memorial) along with your name (donor). Include your parish envelope number if you have one. Names of loved ones and intentions will be included in upcoming Easter bulletins.



WORTHWHILE READING

The Bible Illustrated and Explained for Children.



A Magnificat-Ignatius Press book.

Ideal for First Holy Communion: The simple texts of this engaging Bible convey the beauty and richness of Scripture in a way that will appeal to young readers of all levels. Vivid illustrations, rich in colour and detail, bring to life the great people, places, and events present in God's word, while historical and cultural insights, literary details, and amusing anecdotes add meaning and context. From the Creation to the early days of the Church, these stories of God's power, love, and mercy will inspire children of any age.

FOOD DRIVE: Help the needy in our community! Our collection of non-perishables is ongoing. Please drop your donations in the collection bin in the Narthex. Thank you for your generosity.

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.

Siro Di Marco (2027)	977-6442	Cindy Finn (2027)	624-0546
Frank Vissani (2025)	998-0311	Robert Boulé (2026)	(438) 838-1902
Eric Chevrier (2026)	246-8525	Michael Randall (2025)	980-5015

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Guild	Anna Donald	620-2258
Altar Servers	Fr. Peter Sabbath	626-4111
Baptism Preparation Team	Parish Office	626-4111
Choir Director	Brendan Kelly	944-7220
Children's Choir	Kimberley Ricafort	827-4132
Eucharistic Ministry Coordinator	Rosemarie Della Rocca	620-1930
Head Sacristan	Anna Donald	620-2258
Lectors	Tobias Koikaran	693-5514
Liturgy Team	Rosemarie Della Rocca	620-1930
Ushers	Joe Ojeda	941-7914

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Adult Faith Formation	Elsa Rivera	626-4111
Angels of Mercy	Sarah Sajedi	827-6408
Catholic Women's League	Marie Meier	965-9919
Community Aid	Parish Office	626-4111
Couples for Christ	Don & Irene Salvanera	620-1319
Helping Others:	Parish Office	626-4111
Knights of Columbus	Norm Cousineau	624-8753
Legion of Mary	Juliana Abu	585-9206
Marriage Course	John & Nathalie Bondyra	695-7896
Pastoral Home Care	Ailsa Lee Loy	626-7265
Prayer Line	Christine Charron	694-3958
Responsible Pastoral Ministry	Rina Callard	626-4111
Social Club	Rina Callard	695-6995
Youth Ministry	Amanda Davis	626-4111

RESOURCES AND SERVICES

A.A.	376-9230
Al-Anon (Families of Alcoholics)	866-9803
Archdiocese, Marriage Tribunal, English Pastoral Services	931-7311
Diocesan Ombudsman – abuse/complaints	752-4683
Episcopal Vicar - Fr. Raymond Lafontaine	931-7311
Quebec Life Coalition: Pregnant? Worried?	344-2686
Spiritual Support Line	1-888-305-0994
Violence S.O.S. Hotline	1-800-363-9010
West Island Women's Shelter	620-4845

Anointing of the Sick: upon request at the parish office

Baptism: Please contact the office

Marriage: Please contact the office well in advance.

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

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

Vocations: Please contact Fr. Gerry Westphal at 514-688-4952 or one of our priests

HALL RENTAL: Michael Randall 514-980-5015