

*Third Sunday
in Ordinary Time
and
Presentation of the Lord
January 26 &
February 2, 2025*



MASS INTENTIONS - JANUARY 25 TO FEBRUARY 2

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Saturday	January 25	
4:30 pm	Margaret Linton	The Family
Sunday	January 26	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Dawn Valero Richardson	The Richardson Family
Monday	January 27	
8:30 am	Vittoria Hallal	Eddy & Lisa Hallal
Tuesday	January 28	
8:30 am	Pierre Charron	Joan Hopkirk
Wednesday	January 29	
8:30 am	The soul of Pedro Sampana	Lucy and Ryan Sampana
Thursday	January 30	
8:30 am	Arliss Ward	Becket CWL
Friday	January 31	
8:30 am	Joseph, Edwina, Mark & Lisa Dias	The Family
Saturday	February 1	
4:30 pm	Bernie Villeneuve	Edward & Connie
Sunday	February 2	Presentation of the Lord
9:00 am	Liam McAleer	Ashley Redmond
11:00 am	Our Parishioners	
Monday	February 3	
8:30 am	Damiano Ramogida	The Family
Tuesday	February 4	
8:30 am	Kathleen Rush Heald	Joan Hopkirk
Wednesday	February 5	
8:30 am	Rod Lewis	Dina Perron
Thursday	February 6	
8:30 am	Mary Fernandes	Mr. & Mrs. A. Braganza
Friday	February 7	
8:30 am	Yucca Bocarro	St. Thomas à Becket CWL
Saturday	February 8	
4:30 pm	Jane & George D'Lima	The D'Lima Family
Sunday	February 9	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Robert Bruzzese	Rosa & Pietro Raschella

SANCTUARY LAMP

January 26: Joseph Mulgrew, requested by Marie Foggo

February 2: Yucca & Leonard Bocarro, requested by The D'Lima Family

February 9: John Bastone, requested by Rosemarie Furino & family

2025 MARRIAGE JUBILEE: Our Annual Jubilee will take place February 7 & 8, coinciding with World Marriage Day. We invite all couples whose wedding anniversary is divisible by five. Come celebrate your special milestone anniversary with us as you witness to God's love in the world. To register: Rina at 514-915-7586.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

Jan. 12: Offerings: \$5,106.25 Religious Education: \$1,422.00

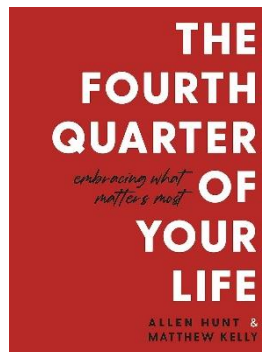
Jan. 19: Offerings: \$4,506.15 Local Missions: \$1,359.00

Upcoming Special Collections: February 9 – Religious Education

February 23 – Building Maintenance Fund

WORTHWHILE READING

The Fourth Quarter of Your Life: Embracing What Matters Most by Allen Hunt & Matthew Kelly



“This book takes a Christian view of life, and I found it comforting and encouraging. Planning for the last quarter of life can be a fun, exciting and inspiring exercise, and this book does just that. There may be certain parts that resonate with you more than others, but the point is that by the end of the book, you should have gone through a comprehensive self-reflection exercise that encourages you to examine your life from different angles and to come out of it with a renewed sense of purpose and direction. This is a great book, and it can be a quick read, but I suggest you take it slow, savour it, and let your thoughts sit before moving on. After

all, living your last quarter with purpose and mission should be a deliberate process, not something you just rush into. Well recommended!”

Matthew Kelly is a best-selling author, speaker, thought leader, entrepreneur, consultant, spiritual leader, and innovator. Allen Hunt is a four-time #1 Amazon best-selling author



PARISH WISH LIST

Do you have the following taking up room in your basement?

- 1) Floor lamps for Cahill Hall
- 2) Plastic or wooden clothes/coat hangers

Please bring them in next time you come to Mass or are passing by.

WORDS TO PONDER

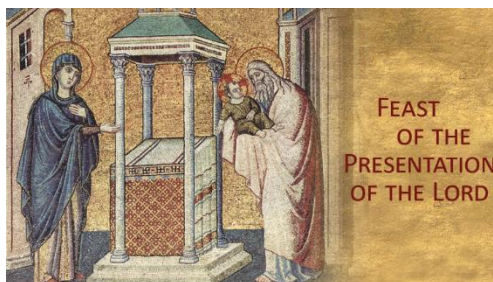
“Care for your body as if it were going to live forever, and care for your soul as if you were going to die tomorrow.” ~ *St. Augustine*



Every First Friday (the next one is February 7), the Blessed Sacrament is exposed in church for adoration from 9:00 - 3:00. You can sign in after Mass for a particular hour or just drop in to spend quality time with the Lord. We pray the Divine Mercy chaplet at about 2:45 followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Mother Teresa said, "When you look at the crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you. When you look at the Sacred Host in adoration you understand how much Jesus loves you now. The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on earth."

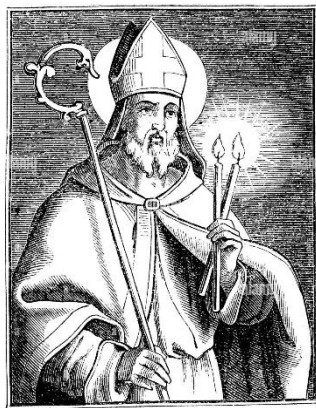
FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD



Sunday, February 2nd is the Feast of the Lord's Presentation in the Temple of Jerusalem. It always falls on the fortieth day after Christmas and commemorates the fortieth day after Christ's birth, when—the Bible tells us—the Infant Jesus was brought to the Temple, as was required by Jewish law. Simeon, an aged prophet, happened to be in the

Temple when Mary and Joseph arrived with their forty-day-old baby. Simeon had been promised by God that he would not die until he saw the Messiah. He recognized the Infant at once to be the Christ. He praised God, saying, "Lord, now you can let your servant go in peace! Your word has been fulfilled: my own eyes have seen the salvation of the Lord, a light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of your people, Israel." Since Simeon called Jesus a light to all nations, on this day there is a procession and distribution and blessing of candles. The feast is therefore commonly called Candlemas.

BLESSING OF THROATS, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3



As usual on the Feast of St. Blaise (died 316 AD), our priests will bless throats at the 8:30 morning Mass, by touching throats with two crossed candles while invoking the prayer of the saint and imparting God's blessing in these words: "Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

"Suffering and illness have always been among the greatest problems that trouble the human spirit. Christians feel and experience pain as do all other people; yet their faith helps them to grasp more deeply the mystery of suffering and to bear their pain with

greater courage. . . . Part of the plan laid out by God's providence is that we should fight strenuously against all sickness and carefully seek the blessings of good health, so that we may fulfill our role in human society and in the Church . . . The blessing of the sick by ministers of the Church is a very ancient custom, rooted in imitation of Christ himself and his apostles. . . . the annual blessing of throats is a traditional sign of the struggle against illness in the life of the Christian." (Pastoral Care of the Sick and The Roman Ritual)

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