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Monday—Friday
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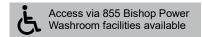
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Children/teens: Sylvie 514-907-1694 Adults: Fr. Gerry Martineau





WEEKEND CELEBRATIONS

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m & 11:00 a.m

WEEKDAY CELEBRATIONS

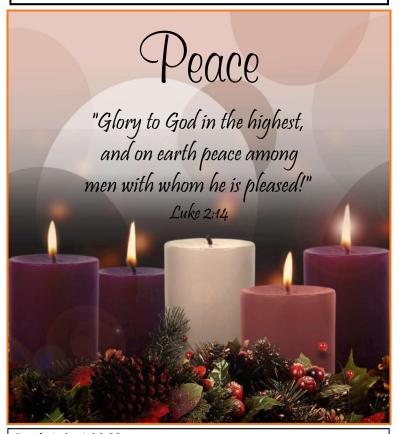
Monday 8:30 a.m. Tuesday 8:30 a.m. Wednesday 8:30 a.m. Thursday 8:30 a.m.

Friday 8:30 a.m. (followed by Holy hour of Adoration)

A recording of our celebrations will be uploaded to our website: www.johnbrebeuf.ca and can be viewed after 11:00 a.m. everyday

CONFESSIONS

A Priest will be available 1 hour before all Celebrations



Read: Luke 1:26-38

Reflect: In coming to Mary' God overturned several biases of those times. Mary was youthful in a world and time that reverenced age. She was a woman in a society dominated by men. She was poor at a time when wealth was all-important.

Pray: ask for the strength to swim against the tide. Your ways O God, are not always our ways.

Act: Make an effort to free yourself from the prejudices that may still govern your life.

WARDENS

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Luke I:26-38

The Lord God will give him the throne of David his father. (Luke 1:32)
It's almost Christmas! That thought can fill our hearts with

anticipation. We might look forward to seeing friends or family. We can't wait to see the look on a loved one's face when they open the gift we carefully chose. Or we just want to enjoy celebrating Jesus' birth with our brothers and sisters in Christ. But think about the anticipation that the Jews felt as they awaited the coming of the Messiah! Their hope was kindled almost one thousand years before Christ, when God promised David a kingly lineage. Imagine as well Mary's surprise when the angel described the son she would bear by using nearly the same words that God had spoken to David so much earlier. He would be called Son of the Most High, He would sit on the throne of His father, David, and He would reign over an eternal kingdom (Luke 1:26-38). Israel's long wait was over-the birth of Jesus would bring about everything they had hoped for.

As modem-day Christians, we don't experience the jews' yearning for a Messiah, but we can still feel the ache of longing. For peace . For justice. For security. Jesus is the fulfillment of these yearnings too. When conflict-on a large or small scale-threatens to tear us apart, Jesus offers reconciliation and the chance to live once more in peace with God and our neighbor. When injustice breaks our hearts, Jesus tells us He has come to make all things right and to give us the strength to make things better in our own corner of the world. When insecurity makes us feel as if nothing ever remains the same, Jesus reminds us that His kingdom is everlasting; he gives us a sure foundation to build our lives on. That's the kind of fulfillment that the kingship of Jesus can bring. That's what He promises. And that's a gift we can all receive this Christmas.

"Jesus, you are the fulfillment of all my longings! I love you, Lord!"

2 Samuel 7:1·5,-8·12, 14, 16 • Psalm 89:2·5,27,29 • Romans 16·25·27



Love has no other message but its own. Every day we try to live out Jesus' love in a very tangible way, in every one of our deeds. If we do any preaching, it is done with deeds, not with words. This is our witness to the Gospel.



Pope's Monthly Prayer Intentions

For a Life of Prayer

We pray that our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God and a life of prayer

PARISH COUNCIL

Fr. Gerry, Fr. George, Deacon Robin, Selena Cheung, Lisa Stivaletti, Michael Y. Boh, Cory Johnson, Annie Walker, Bob & Prem Neeff



Sunday Missals 2020-2021

The 2020-2021 living with Christ Sunday Missals will be on sale at the main entrance of the church at \$5 each. Please remember to write your name and phone number in it.

Parish Dues

By now you will have received the dues letters. To help save money, you will notice that we have not included a return envelope. We thank you in advance for your understanding and generosity. If you have not received your envelope please take a non addressed envelope from the information centre.

Congratulations!

Anna Esposito & Marlene Demers our newly elected wardens

Thank You

Wendy Biello & (The Late) Kelvin Berry for their dedication and service



"I Heard God Laugh" will be available at the doors of the church. We would appreciate a minimum good will offering of \$5.00 per book to cover costs. Make sure to get your copy. It would make a great gift too

Up coming NTS

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Celebration of the Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

Thursday December 24th No 8:30 a.m. mass

3:30pm, 5pm, 7pm, 9:00p.m & Midnight

Friday December 25th 8am. & 11am

Feast of the Holy Family

Saturday December 26th 4:30pm.
Sunday December 27th 8am. & 11am

For the Christmas Masses in the Church and in the Hall, we are giving out tickets. It is important for you to call the office on 514 366-0131- ext 221 to reserve your tickets please note that you will not be able to attend mass if you do not have a ticket.

Reminder: the Mass in the church can be seen on the Tv in the hall.

New Year/ Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (New Year)

Thursday December 31 12 noon-3:30 p.m. Adoration

3:30 p.m. Vespers 4:30 p.m. Mass

Friday January 1st 10:00 a.m.

Saturday January 2nd Regular mass schedule resumes



Advent - Reconciliation

God is rich in mercy, and we are always invited to experience God's grace and forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Due to current situation, a video from Father Gerry will be sent out to all parishioners and will also be available

on our website and Youtube channel, after viewing the video, you may come to the church in person.

<u>Saturday & Sunday:</u> A priest will be available one hour before every weekend celebration.

Monday to Friday: Please call the office on 514-366-0131 EXT 221 to make an appointment.



<u>Youth activity: Reaching out to our elders</u> through dance

The wreath activity was a beautiful success!!! In total the children made 210 wreaths (160 for Centre d'hébergement de Saint-Henri and 50 wreaths for Les Résidences Floralies). In fact, due to the tremendous participation, outreach to one more Residence will be possible as well. We thank each child/youth and their parents.

Much love was packaged into each wreath, along with prayers for good health and hope.

Update on Jerusalema: We would like to have one practice in the Church parking lot, this Sat (Dec 19) at 2 or 2:30 and another practice on Sun at 2, to give people multiple options. Most likely we will be doing the dance at Les Residences Lasalle on Dec 26. The day after Christmas can be extremely lonely for a lot of people. Details to be confirmed soon.

Strict measuers will be taken to stand 1-2 meters apart, and quickly disperse after the dance, to prevent contact.

If you are interested in joining in, please contact
Jini (sarojsen1@yahoo.com)



Alpha is returning to SJB!

Don't just make another empty New Year's resolution! Why not try Alpha to transform your faith life? We all promise ourselves to eat better or get fit, why not commit to improving your spiritual

life? Maybe this is what you have been searching for! We will be meeting online via Zoom for 11 weeks beginning January 28th. Register now! You can find more information on our website at: johnbrebeuf.ca/alpha



February Valentines Dinner event

We are planning something special More Info Next Year

If you are alone this Christmas eve give us a call on 514-366-0131 Ext 223 and we will deliver some cookies in the morning







MASS INTENTIONS



Monday (Dec 21)

8:30 a.m. - For the deceased members of Tecce family by Maria Tecce

Tuesday (Dec 22)

8:30 a.m. - Jane & Gerard Devine by Joanne & Beverley

Wednesday (Dec 23)

8:30 a.m. -Deceased Parishioners

Thursday (Dec 24)

3:30 p.m. - Jim Timmoney by Tracey & Dora Timmoney

5:00 p.m. - Steve & Ann Jastrzebski by Steve & Helen Jastrzebski

- Walter & Helen Leckman by Steve & Helen Jastrzebski

- Mr & Mrs Fred Yenor, Mr&Mrs William Noonan by the family

- Jim Timmoney by Tracey & Dora Timmoney

7:00 p.m. - Doug & Anita Cunningham by the Cunningham family

- Jim Timmoney by Tracey & Dora Timmoney

9:00 p.m. - Mary Bloskie by Carol & John

- James & Margaret Martin by Bridget

Midnight - Elaine Hope, Augustine & Bernard Fernandes by the family

- Deceased members of the Miele & Giarusso families by Anna & Dino Giarusso

Friday (Dec 25) The Nativity of the Lord

8:00 a.m. - Jim Timmoney by Tracey & Dora Timmoney

- Ann & Joseph Dupuis by Carol & John

- Antonio & Teresa Fernandes by the family

- Pamela Leaman by the Leaman Family

11:00 a.m. - Jim Timmoney by Tracey & Dora Timmoney

- Fr. John Walsh by Anna & Dino Giarusso

- Carlos & Basilia Dias & Felix D'sa by the Dias family

Saturday (Dec 26)

4:30 p.m. - Annunzio & Adele DeAngelis by Gaby

- Antoinetta Sassi by her daughter and family

Sunday (Dec 27) The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

8:00 a.m. - Fr John Walsh by Barbara & Frank Mastromonaco

- Getty Raia by the Gendron family

11:00 a.m - Martha Cesari Ferland by her family

- Dorothy & Frank Cunningham by their son



OUR SANCTUARY LAMP is burning this week for ((LIVING) Birthday Blessings for Marco Rigotti by carol & John Testa

HOPE FOOD BANK:

If your surname begins with **A to Z** you are asked to bring non-perishable items next weekend, to be brought to the table of the Lord. This week we are in need of **Face soap**,

Toothpaste and Toothbrushes Thank you for your generosity

HOPE EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE:

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