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Saturday: 4:30 p.m. (Livestreamed,  
link on our website)  
Sunday: 9:00 a.m.  
11:00 a.m.

**WEEKDAY CELEBRATIONS**

Monday 9:00 a.m.  
Tuesday 9:00 a.m.  
Wednesday 9:00 a.m.  
Thursday 9:00 a.m.  
Friday 9:00 a.m.

Rosary 8:30 a.m. Monday to Friday

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Every Friday following the Mass for 15 minutes

*First Friday of the Month  
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**Parish Council**

Your Parish Council meets regularly and works diligently to make our  
parish community life rich in all aspects. Please contact any of the  
members with suggestions and/or concerns, and know that they will  
be seriously considered.

Members

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

Next Week's Readings

**Malachi 3.1-4 • Psalm 24  
Hebrews 2.10-11, 13b-18 • Luke 2.22-40**

**St Thomas Aquinas – January 28th**  
To one who has faith, no explanation is necessary. To  
one without faith, no explanation is possible.



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**LUKE 1:1-4; 4:14-21**

*He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives. (Luke 4:18)*

If you could sum up Jesus' mission in just a few words, you might say that He came to set us free. That's what He told the townspeople in the Nazareth synagogue as He read from the prophet's scroll: He had been sent "to proclaim liberty to captives" and "to let the oppressed go free" (Luke 4:18; see Isaiah 61:1).

The people listening to Jesus that day might have thought back to the time when their ancestors were released from Babylonian captivity, or perhaps they envisioned one day being freed from Roman oppression. But Jesus had something much greater in mind. He came to set us free from sin and death itself, and from everything that prevents us from living the abundant life He came to give us.

So what would you like to be set free from right now? Perhaps worry has you tied up in knots, casting a shadow over everything you say or do. Maybe it's fear that keeps you awake at night or stops you from taking that next step in following the Lord. You could be feeling discouraged about the state of the world or the state of your family. Or perhaps you're fighting a compulsion that leads you into sin.

We often accept these things as an inevitable part of living as fallen people in a fallen world. But that kind of thinking discounts the power of Jesus' cross and resurrection. He died and rose so that you could be set free from anything that steals your peace and joy!

Today take some time to examine your heart. Is there anything holding you captive? If so, let it go by offering it up to the Lord. Then make an act of faith by telling Jesus that you believe his proclamation to the people of Nazareth. Through His death and resurrection, He really has let the oppressed go free — and that includes every one of us!

"Jesus, thank you for setting me free!"

Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10

Psalms 19:8-10, 15

1 Corinthians 12:12-30

From "The Word Among Us"

**THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION**

January 2025 - For the right to an education



Let us pray for migrants, refugees, and those affected by war, that the right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

**Around Our Parish**

**ELECTION OF WARDENS**  
will take place Sunday February 2  
after the 11:00 a.m. Mass

**CHANGE OF SCHEDULE**

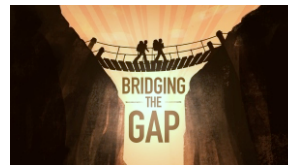
The Parish Office will be CLOSED and there will be no Eucharistic Celebrations on Mondays, beginning Monday February 3. Deacon Cory will celebrate a Liturgy of the Word with Distribution of Communion each week. The Rosary will continue at 8:30 a.m. Monday - Friday

**TAX RECEIPT CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

If you have moved in 2024 and need to have your address updated in our records, please contact the Parish Office before January 31. For more information about tax receipts, or updating your information, please contact Wendy (ext. 221). Tax receipts will be issued in mid-February.



**OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2025** are in the rear of the Church in Envelope Number order. New Users please take one of the boxes marked "Unused" and enter your name and address for the first few weeks.



**MINISTRY TO TEENS**  
Meeting This Friday January 31  
at 7:00 p.m. in the Hall

**CELEBRATION OF THE JUBILEE YEAR 2025  
THE BIBLE IN A YEAR PODCAST**

All parishioners and friends are invited to read the entire Bible using **The Bible in a Year** podcast with Fr. Mike Schmitz beginning THIS WEEK!

You can listen to the podcast episodes by downloading the Ascension Press App on your phone OR by viewing the podcasts on Youtube (with text streaming): [The Bible in a Year \(with Fr. Mike Schmitz\) \[All Episodes\] - YouTube](#)

To listen straight from the main website and to request the Bible Reading Plan Fr. Schmitz is using: [www.ascensionpress.com/bibleinayear](http://www.ascensionpress.com/bibleinayear)

or scan the QR code to download the app.



# Upcoming EVENTS



## SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP COFFEE HOUSE CONCERT

Next Saturday February 1st, 2025  
 Tickets \$10.00 on sale at the rear of the Church. To reserve contact Laura (call or text) 514-616-1090 or by email [lwhelton@uniserve.com](mailto:lwhelton@uniserve.com)  
 Doors open at 6:00, Showtime 7:00pm  
 Two Live Bands - Bake Sale - Cash Bar  
 Proceeds to our Roof Fund and our Social Justice Group projects.



## CWL VALENTINES RAFFLE

Tickets on sale after Weekend Celebrations.  
 Tickets \$2.00 each, 3 for \$5.00  
 Draw Date: Sunday, February 9th after the 11:00 o'clock Mass.  
 The Prize basket contains:  
 Bottle of white wine -Bottle of red wine  
 2 wine glasses - 2 movie tickets that includes drinks and popcorn - 50\$ gift certificate to Bocci restaurant - Box of cookies - Box of chocolate - Stuffed bear

## HIGH TEA WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 19<sup>TH</sup> 2:00 P.M.

Join us for our monthly High Tea. Enjoy homemade scones, finger sandwiches, sweets and of course our deliciously brewed tea!  
 Cost: \$15.<sup>00</sup>  
**Please reserve your spot by Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> by calling Lorraine @ 514-605-1974 or by email: [lorraine@johnbrebeuf.ca](mailto:lorraine@johnbrebeuf.ca)**  
 Looking forward to seeing you there!!



**JESUITS OF CANADA INVITE YOU TO: GNARLED YET GRACED:**  
 Christ's Call to Deeper Connection in a World That Pulls Us Apart

When: January 28 at 7:00 p.m. ET  
 Political battles divide families. Consumer culture breeds isolation. Social media promises connection yet leaves us hungry for authentic presence. Research underscores these challenges. Beneath these surface tensions lies a deeper spiritual reality – our profound hunger for genuine communion with God and one another.

The Gospel offers us a powerful image: Christ as the True Vine, the ultimate reconciler, connecting all humanity in a living network of grace. Through this lens, even our most challenging relationships reveal unexpected opportunities for divine encounter. Drawing from Scripture and Ignatian spirituality, Fr. John Meehan will discuss how prayerful attention transforms our approach to difference and conflict, opening pathways to genuine community For more information or to register: [Building Strong Communities in a Fractured World](#)



# MASS INTENTIONS



## Monday (January 27)

9:00 A.M. - For the souls in purgatory by a parishioner

## Tuesday (January 28) St. Thomas Aquinas

9:00 A.M. - Linda de Paola by Laurie & Angie  
 - Maria Armuth by Margaret & George

## Wednesday (January 29)

9:00 A.M. - Sergi de la O Aguilara by Allan Kennedy

## Thursday (January 30)

9:00 A.M. - For the Sick & Shut - Ins of our Parish

## Friday (January 31) St. John Bosco

9:00 A.M. - *(Living)* Blessings for Alvito & Maureen Rego's 55<sup>th</sup> Wedding anniversary by Ailis & Alan de Souza

## Saturday (February 1)

4:30 P.M. - Dina, Antania & Vince De Angelis by Gaby  
 - Edna McRobbie by Bill & family  
 - Judy & Vivian Allen by Edith Purdon  
 - *(Living)* Birthday blessings for Anne Matthew by the Legion of Mary

## Sunday (February 2) Presentation of the Lord

9:00 A.M. - For deceased Parishioners  
 11:00 A.M. - Vince Pedicelli by Joe & Yvonne Diorio  
 - *(Living)* Birthday blessings for Rita Coke by Joe & Yvonne Diorio  
 - *(Living)* Birthday blessings for Tia Palumbo by Tracey & Dora Timmony

**The Sanctuary Lamp is burning this week (January 24 - 31) for the Sick & Shut-ins of our Parish.**



Please send all requests for Mass Intentions 2 weeks or more before the requested date. This is to ensure it will be in the bulletin, on the website, on the bulletin board and, most importantly, on the Altar.



## ST. PATRICK'S DINNER DANCE

will take place Saturday March 1.  
 Tickets \$50.00 per person on sale soon.  
 Cash Bar



Activity & Colouring sheets for elementary age children are available near the main doors every weekend.

## HOPE EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE:

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