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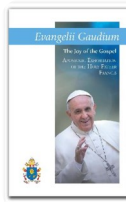
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RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (R.C.I.A.)

If you desire to renew your faith, complete your Sacramental Initiation, enter into Full Communion with the Catholic Church, or to know more about our faith, please contact Glenda Cadogan through the parish office for information about our program. The group meets on Wednesdays at 7 PM in the rectory, beginning September 24, 2014.

MULTI-SESSION PROGRAMS

THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL: HOW OUR ENCOUNTER WITH JESUS CHANGES US AND THE WORLD



In his book "The Joy of the Gospel", Pope Francis reflects on our life with Jesus and how our relationship with Him influences our way of being in the world. Over six weekly sessions, we will take time to ponder, integrate, and be challenged by Pope Francis' prophetic message.

Facilitator: Sr. Marie Azzarello
Tuesday Afternoons
Oct. 21, 28 & Nov. 4, 11, 18 & 25, 2014
1:30 to 3:30 PM - Parish Rectory

(A freewill offering will be gratefully accepted to benefit our Food Pantry)

THE SPIRITUALITY OF THE SACRAMENTS: ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN

Back by popular demand, **Pastor Brent Walker** will lead us on a journey in which we will experience Scripture in a sacramental way - God's infinite grace expressed in concrete words and signs, and most perfectly in Jesus, the Incarnate Word - and also explore the biblical roots of the Church's seven Sacraments.



Wednesday Evenings
Jan. 21, 28 & Feb. 4 & 11
7:00 to 9:00 PM

(A freewill offering will be gratefully accepted)

FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

A series of workshops for persons dealing with a significant loss, such as the death of a loved one, divorce or other difficult change. Led by Deacon Richard Boileau, o.s.f., on Fridays, Sept. 19 to Nov. 28 from 7 to 9 PM in the parish rectory. Cost for the series is \$90 and includes printed materials.

Information and registration:
rlboileau@gmail.com or (514) 697-9813

GROWING IN LOVE AS A COUPLE: THE MARRIAGE COURSE

This seven week course is offered to married/cohabiting couples who would like to enrich their relationship. It is a great opportunity for you and your loved one to spend quality time discovering the essence of a healthy union, and privately discussing the topics covered each evening. There are no group discussions. Not sure if this is for you? Then, please join us for our "Come and See" Introductory Evening!



Presenters: Nathalie and John Bondyra
"Come and See" Introductory Evening
Wed., April 8, 2015 from 7:00 to 9:00 PM

Course Evenings—Wednesdays
April 22, 29, May 6, 13, 20, 27, & June 3
From 7:15 to 9:45 PM

Cost for the Course is \$60
Registration Deadline is April 15

LENTEN PARISH MISSION

BEING FORGIVEN... FORGIVING AND FORGETTING!

It is surprising how many Christians believe that saying "I'm sorry" or "I won't do it again" is sufficient when asking someone to forgive them for having done something wrong. We even hear the statement, "I might forgive but I won't forget". Would it surprise us to know that this does not fulfill one of the basic tenets of Christianity! Jesus did not use the word "sorry" when dying on the cross in asking God to forgive us! Let us make a simple but exciting journey to reclaim the gift of forgiveness and begin to understand the importance of such an action in a community!



Presented by: Fr. Mike Shaw

Mission Dates: (3 evenings)
Mon., March 16 to Wed., March 18, 2015
From 7:00 to 9:00 PM
St. Monica's Church

(A freewill offering will be gratefully accepted)

Welcome to Saint Monica's Parish

Fr. Raymond Lafontaine
Pastor
2014-2015



Sacramental Living

**Responding to our Call to
Abundant Life**

Mass Schedule

Saturday
4:00 PM
Sunday
8:30 AM and 11:00 AM
Weekdays
8:00 AM

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ADULT FAITH CAFÉS

Catholic Adult Faith Education

AFTERNOON CAFÉ

**LIFE, DEATH, ETERNAL LIFE:
THE TALK OF A LIFETIME**

Although death is a natural part of the life cycle, it is difficult for many of us to approach the questions we all face at the end of life. These include concerns about the kind of medical, emotional, and spiritual accompaniment we want to receive, as well as funeral arrangements and ceremonies that respect our unique identity and our faith in the Resurrection. Let "The Talk of a Lifetime" be for you a healing and "anointing" experience!



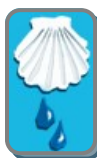
**Presented by: Mary Pallett &
Fr. Raymond Lafontaine**

**Wednesday, November 19, 2014
1:30 to 3:30 PM**

EVENING CAFÉS

**GOD'S BELOVED - ANOINTED FOR
MISSION: OUR CALL IN
BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION**

When Jesus was baptized, he was confirmed in his identity as God's Beloved Son and anointed for his public mission. What about our baptism, our confirmation? Were these merely "rituals" we went through, or was God's Spirit at work, gifting each of us with an identity and a mission? Come discover how your identity as a baptized and confirmed Christian empowers you to live out your mission each day – right here, right now!



Presented by: Msgr. Francis Coyle

**Wednesday, October 8, 2014
7:00 to 9:00 PM**

**All events held in the Parish Hall
unless otherwise specified*

**GOD CALLS YOU BY NAME:
BECOME WHO YOU ARE!**



What makes you feel most alive? What gifts has God given you, and how are you being called to share those gifts to transform the world around you? Discerning and responding to our personal vocation is each person's unique way of living out God's call to abundant life. When we are in touch with this, we can see more easily the gifts God has given us, the work we are meant to do, and the state of life in which we will best be able to serve God's purpose for us.

**Presented by: Catherine Cherry &
Fr. Raymond Lafontaine**

**Wednesday, February 25, 2015
7:00 to 9:00 PM**

**TAKEN, BLESSED,
BROKEN, SHARED:
LIVING THE EUCHARIST**



The Eucharist is central to our faith as Catholics and should therefore give us meaning in our everyday life. What are some of the ways in which the Eucharist can help me to become the person that God created me to be? How can it be a touchstone for encountering community, bringing peace, enabling forgiveness, finding wholeness and discovering God's love for us?

Presented by: Elizabeth Koessler

**Wednesday, April 15, 2015
7:00 to 9:00 PM**

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GROUP

St. Monica's Contemplative Prayer Group meets every Tuesday evening at 7 PM in the parish rectory. We listen to a talk on the spiritual journey, and then meditate together for up to half an hour. Please join us!

*For information, please contact
Audrey Booth or Pat Brabant
through the office at (514) 481-0267*

RETREATS

**FINDING GOD IN ALL THINGS:
THE SACRAMENT OF EVERYDAY LIFE**

Can the way we live out our daily lives, in its very ordinary moments, be a revelation of God's love and grace? Please join us for a sacred time away to explore the ways in which we can heighten our awareness of this gift of connection.



**Presented by: Cathie Macaulay
Saturday, October 4, 2014
9:00 AM to 12:30 PM**

**THE WONDER OF GOD IN THE
UNFOLDING UNIVERSE:
THE SACRAMENT OF CREATION**

The tremendous advances in science and technology over the last century have allowed us to understand the universe in which we live in a whole new way. This new understanding invites us to experience God in new ways. The vastness and beauty of it all leaves us in a state of wonder and awe!



**Presented by: Sr. Mary-Ellen Francoeur
Saturday, May 23, 2015
9:00 AM to 12:30 PM**

(A light breakfast will be served, and a freewill offering will be gratefully accepted at both retreats)

VIDEO DIVINA

**LOOKING AT LIFE THROUGH THE LENS
OF THE SACRAMENTS**

What difference does being Catholic – a person with a sacramental imagination, capable of seeing God in all things – make in how we look at the world: even the movies we watch? Join Fr. Raymond as we explore how each of the sacraments helps us see reality, as reflected in the movies, in a new light. You'll be amazed at what you'll see!



Friday evenings, 7:00 to 9:30 PM

**2014: Sept. 26, Nov. 7, & Dec. 5
2015: Jan. 16, Feb. 20, April 10, & May 15
Parish Rectory**

FAITH SHARING IN SMALL GROUPS

Our 2014-15 reflections are inspired by excerpts from the book "Prism of Love: God's Colours in Everyday Life", by Fr. Daniel O'Leary. His reflections help us to delve a little deeper below the surface of what is happening to us and around us, to disclose the secret of turning our life around and of living more freely and abundantly.

Weekly:

Thursday - 2:00 to 3:30 PM
at St. Monica's Parish
Friday - 9:30 to 10:30 AM
at Manoir Westmount

Every second week:

Monday - 10:00 to 11:30 AM
at St. Ignatius of Loyola Parish
Tuesday - 10:00 to 11:30 AM
at 4375 Benny Avenue
Sunday - 7:00 to 8:30 PM
at a private residence

The annual cost is \$15 to cover the cost of the 14 - session printed booklet.

**Please contact Anna Diodati for
Information and Registration**

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

An opportunity for adults, especially parents, to gather together for a fresh and compelling look at the teachings of Jesus. This year we will view NOOMA, a series of short films that explore our world from a Christian perspective. Pastor Rob Bell's reflections, related to real-life situations we encounter in our daily lives, invite us to search, question and discuss their meaning for us. Babysitting, snacks and activities are provided for preschool aged children upon request.



**Sundays, 9:50 to 10:50 AM
2014: Oct. 19, Nov. 2, 16, 30, & Dec. 14
2015: Jan. 11, 25, Feb. 8, 22, March 15 & 29
Parish Rectory**