

PARISH BULLETIN ST. MONICA'S CHURCH 6405 rue de Terrebonne, Montréal, QC H4B 1A8 Email: <u>st-monica@videotron.ca</u> Website: <u>www.stmonica.ca</u> Office: (514) 481-0267

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#### **CHURCH WARDENS:**

• WEEKEND MASS <u>SATURDAY</u> 4:00pm <u>SUNDAY</u> 9:00am & (11:00am) (Livestreamed)
<ul> <li>WEEKDAY MASS - <u>TUESDAYS</u> TO <u>FRIDAYS</u> - 8:30am – All are Welcome!</li> <li>EVENING MASS - <u>THURSDAYS</u> - 7:00pm – All are Welcome!</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:30am- 3:30pm - (514) 481-0267 Ext. 221</li> <li>(Closed: 12:00pm – 1:00pm) – (No Mass on Mondays)</li> </ul>

- Parish Secretary: Gina Yee Ext. 221 <u>st-monica@videotron.ca</u>
- Faith First: Jennie Parsons Armstrong Ext. 226 <u>faithfirst@stmonica.ca</u>
- Food Pantry: Director <u>Marcelle Lord</u> <u>514-550-0125</u> <u>stmonicasfoodpantry@gmail.com</u>

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IS AVAILABLE (30) MINUTES BEFORE EACH WEEKEND MASS.

Marriages: Contact the Parish Office <u>6 months in advance</u> (514) 481-0267 - Ext. 221

Baptisms: Telephone: 514) 481-0267 - Ext. 221 or email the Parish Office: st-monica@videotron.ca

**Parish Registration:** Forms are located at the entrance doors. Please enter <u>ALL</u> your contact information and kindly give it to an Usher or place it in the collection baskets. If you want Donation Envelopes with a Registered Box number, please indicate it on your form and one will be assigned to you after you have been contacted. <u>Year-end Tax Receipts</u> will be either mailed or emailed.

**On-Line donations – Please register at:** <u>www.stmonica.ca</u> **CanadaHelps – Give** 



1 SEPTEMBER 2024

Access - East Side Entrance

### **SEASON OF CREATION**

The Season of Creation, celebrated from September 1 to October 4, has its roots in the Orthodox Church's World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, established in 1989. In 2015, Pope Francis expanded this initiative, calling on Catholics worldwide to join in prayer and action for the protection of the environment. This year's theme is "To hope and act with Creation" based on Romans 8:19-25. Pope Francis reminds us, "The earth cries out to us because of the harm we have inflicted on her" (Laudato Si', 2). He echoes St. Paul's words in Romans 8:19-25, which speaks of creations' longing for liberation from decay and its hope for freedom and glory. As Pope Francis says, "The entire material universe speaks of God's love, his boundless affection for us. Soil, water, mountains – everything is, as it were, a caress of God" (Laudato Si', 84). During the Season of Creation, we're called to hope and act with creation's well-being, and support those most affected by environmental degradation. Pope Francis emphasizes, "We are not God. The earth was here before us, and it has been given to us". Let us care for creation as a sacred trust, and work towards a future where the earth and all its inhabitants can thrive. May our hope and actions be guided by love, compassion, and a deep respect for the earth and all its inhabitants.

# FAMILY TREE OF LIFE

At the beginning of May a letter was mailed out, informing you about the official launch of St Monica's Church 75th Anniversary celebrations and the theme for the celebration:

"PRESERVING THE PAST, BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE!"

If you have not received the letter explaining details on how you can be a part of the **ST. MONICA'S FAMILY TREE OF LIFE,** please pick up a copy of the letter at the back of the Church.

If you have any other questions regarding the Family Tree, or how to participate, please contact the parish office at 514-481-0264 x 221.

# **CHOIR REGISTRATION**

Come join the Choir! The **9:00am Mass Choir** practises every Saturday from 9:30 to 11:30am and on First Saturdays from 10:00am to 12:00pm.

The **Children's Choir** sings for the **11:00am Mass** on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of every month. Practises will resume on September 7<sup>th</sup> from 1:00pm to 3:00pm. Please see our <u>Organist, Patricia Lawrence</u>.

# SASMAD – PASTORAL HOME CARE

Are you a good listener with a concern for those who are ill, isolated or elderly? We are currently looking for volunteers who can give of their time for one hour a week, to visit those who are unable to connect to the community due to immobility or illness. Visits would take place in the person's home or senior's residence and can be arranged according to your own schedule, close to where you live.

# Free formation sessions will be provided at St. John Brebeuf Parish, 7777 George St., Ville LaSalle and must be completed over <u>both</u> of the following <u>two weekends</u>:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Weekend: <u>Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 9:00pm</u> // <u>Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am 3:00pm</u>
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Weekend: <u>Sept. 20th from 6:30 9:00pm</u> // <u>Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> from 9:00am 3:00pm</u>

Basic skills of listening and spiritual accompaniment will be explored. If interested, please contact Cathie Macaulay at: <a href="mailto:cmacaulay@diocesemontreal.org">cmacaulay@diocesemontreal.org</a> or (514) 931-7311 x 354.

Certificate provided upon completion.

#### THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY SEPTEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup> FOR LABOR DAY

#### MASS INTENTIONS – 31 AUGUST – 8 SEPTEMBER 2024 Saturday, 4:00pm – August 31, 2024: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Aline Wong Wong Family Ignazio Ciampini *Wife & Family* Sabatino Santache Marie Teresa Palucci & Family Marie Teresa Palucci & Family Giulia Angelini Sunday, 9:00am – September 1, 2024: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time For All Parishioners Intentions Sunday, 11:00am –September 1, 2024 – 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Leonilda Francescangeli Gino & Family Ignazio Mattei Domenica Matttei & Family Gus, Mary Margaret & Grace Emily Malagodi Joan Patricia Crilley Tuesday, 8:30am – September 3, 2024: MEMORIAL – Saint Gregory the Great Pasquale, Rosa & Michele Ferrara Michele Ferrara Wednesday, 8:30am – September 4, 2024: Blessed Dina Bélanger Ilario & Stellina Maiolo Family Thursday – 8:30am – September 5, 2024: Weekday Brenda Provencher Aunty Lee & Elaine Thursday -7:00pm – September 5, 2024: Weekday Atet Gebresilase & Abrhet Tadese Leteamlak Temnewo Friday, 8:30am – September 6, 2024: Weekday Luisa Lara Norma Lara Saturday, 4:00pm – September 7, 2024: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Pauline Wong Howard Chan Giovanna, Pietro, Americo & Argeo Forlini Vincenzina Ferrara **Ogbit & Temnewo Family** leteamlak Temnewo Sunday, 9:00am – September 8, 2024: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time For All Parishioners Intentions Sunday, 11:00am – September 8, 2024 – 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Virginia & Ettore Lanni Family Domenico Michetti Ida Onesi & Family Egidio & Maddelena Aguzzi Diana Brocca & Family