

SEASON OF CREATION

In the midst of ecological crisis, the Season of Creation invites us to reflect on our relationship with the natural world through the lens of faith. This celebration, rooted in the Orthodox Church's World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation (1989), was expanded by Pope Francis in 2025 to emphasize our responsibility to care for creation as an integral part of our Christian discipleship. Pope Francis reminds us that creation is not just a resource, but a sacrament of God's presence, echoing St. Paul's words in Romans 8:19-25: "The creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God...in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom of the glory of the children of God." This passage highlights creation's inherent value and its destiny for redemption. As Christians, we are called to participate in this redemption, recognizing our role as stewards of the earth (Genesis 2:15). Pope Francis emphasizes that our care for creation is an act of worship, a way to "Give glory to God" (Laudato Si', 67). He urges us to adopt a spirituality of creation, recognizing the interconnectedness of all living beings and our responsibility to protect the web of life.

During the Season of Creation, let us reflect on our theological imperative to care for creation, and respond with hope and action to the ecological crisis. May our faith guide us towards a more sustainable future, where creation can flourish and give glory to God.

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 4th Sunday of every month. Practises will resume on September 7th from 1:00pm to 3:00pm. Please see our Organist, Patricia Lawrence.

CORN ROAST

We continue our 75th anniversary celebrations with a **Corn Roast** on Sunday September 29th after the 11am Mass. Tickets are on sale at the back of the church or at the Office (514) 481-0267 x 221. \$5.00 = 2 Corn Cobs...\$2.00 Drink & Dessert. All are Welcome!!

MASS INTENTIONS – SEPTEMBER 7 – 15, 2024

Saturday, 4:00pm – September 7, 2024: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Howard Chan

Giovanna, Pietro, Americo & Argeo Forlini

Ogbit & Temnewo Family

Pauline Wong

Vincenzina Ferrara

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

Domenico Michetti

Egidio & Maddelena Aguzzi

Family

Ida Onesi & Family

Diana Brocca & Family

Tuesday, 8:30am – September 10, 2024: Weekday

For All Parishioners Intentions

Wednesday, 8:30am – September 11, 2024: Weekday

Isa, Ivio & Mark Mazzella

Family

Thursday – 8:30am – September 12, 2024: THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY

For All Parishioners Intentions

Thursday -7:00pm – September 12, 2024: THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY

For All Parishioners Intentions

Friday, 8:30am – September 13, 2024: MEMORIAL – Saint John Chrysostom

Maria Cardilli

Living - Adrian Bright

Salvatore Cardilli

Stella & Gil Lee

Saturday, 4:00pm – September 14, 2024: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Brenda Chan

Cosmo Maiolo

Antonio Bei

Ignazio Mattei

Pauline Wong

Maria Ienco

Gabriella Bei & Family

Domenica Mattei - Family

Sunday, 9:00am – September 15, 2024: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Maria Cardilli

Deceased Members Paoli & Tourini Families

Michael Giangaspero

Luisa & Angelo

Alessandro Paoli & Pietrina Tourini

Wife

Sunday, 11:00am – September 15, 2024 – 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deceased Fiori Family Members

Adelaide Fazi Francescangeli

Pietro Di Meglio & Feni Coppa

Berardina Fiori & Family

Gino & Family

Elena Di Meglio & Family