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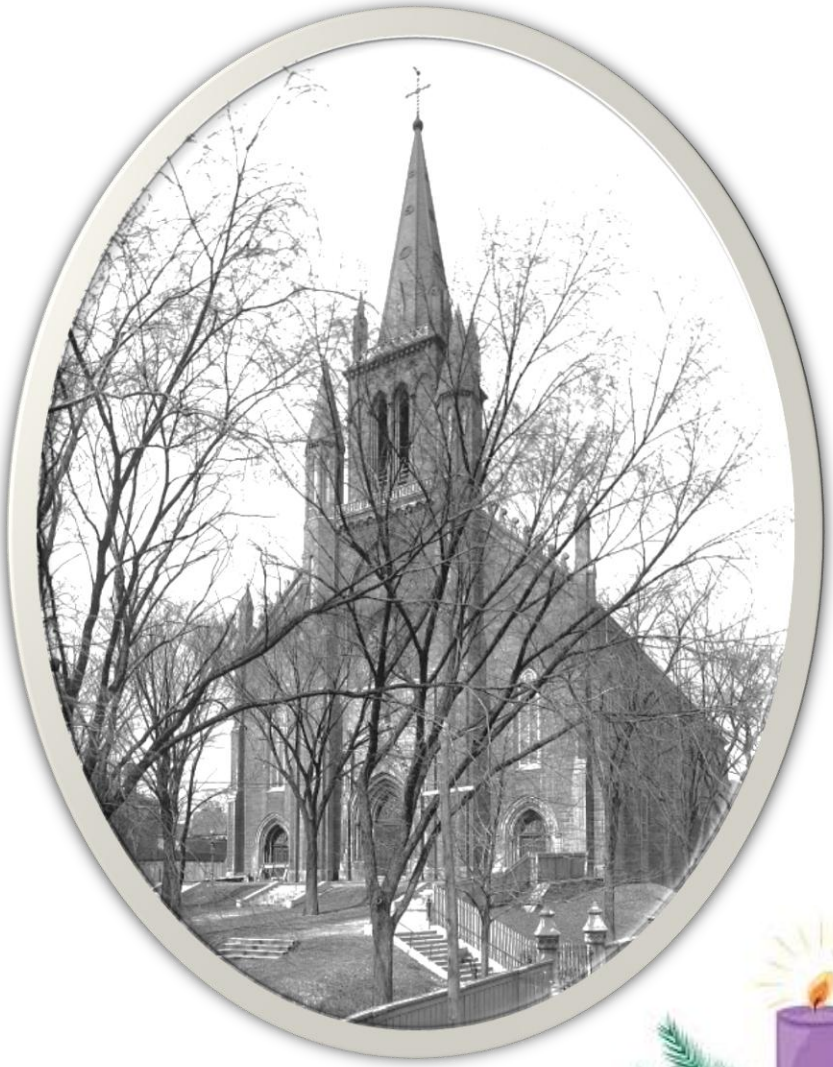



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First Reading: Isaiah 63.16b-17, 64.1,3-8 – *O that you would tear open the heavens and come down.*

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1.3-9 – *We wait for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

Gospel: Mark 13.33-37 – *Keep alert, for you do not know when the master of the house will come.*

For further reflection on the Readings and Gospel, visit:
https://bible.usccb.org/readings/calendar

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Please pray for our sick: André Marcil, Bala Doss, Armando Chan, José Manuel Salas, Martin Leclerc, Shwlendra Soman, Deonarine Seemangal, Emanuelle Guloy, Carlo Coscia, Beverly Cooper, Mary Maguire-Chantrell, Rose Esposito, Teresa Scott-Baird, Jean Borjal, Rosemarie Arellano, Elizabeth Wilson Eddy, Alyssa Morelato, Adriana Spyropoulos Amy Settecase and Donald McLean. Please contact the Parish Office if you wish to add the name of someone for whom you would like prayers, info@stpatricksmtl.ca.

BAKE SALE AND CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

The Catholic Women's League of Canada, Montreal City Council, invites all parishioners to our **Bake Sale and Christmas Bazaar *this* weekend, at all Masses at St. Patrick's Basilica.** Come and support our council by purchasing delicious baked goods and Christmas items while helping us continue our charitable works in the community.
Don't miss our raffle draw at the end!

ADVENT WREATH



The four candles represent the four weeks of Advent. Three candles are purple and one is rose. The purple candles in particular symbolize the prayer, penance, and preparatory sacrifices and good works undertaken at this time. The rose candle is lit on the third Sunday, Gaudete Sunday, when the priest also wears rose vestments at Mass; Gaudete Sunday is the Sunday of rejoicing, because the faithful have arrived at the midpoint of Advent, when their preparation is now half over and they are close to Christmas. The progressive lighting of the candles symbolizes the expectation and hope surrounding our Lord's first coming into the world and the anticipation of His second coming to judge the living and the dead. It is blessed at the beginning of each Mass on the First Sunday.

YOUNG ADULT DISCUSSION GROUP

If you are a young adult and looking to share the challenges of being a young adult in the Church and world today, join us next Sunday, **December 6th**, in the sacristy after the 5:00 p.m. Mass. For more information call the Parish Office at 514-866-7379 or email info@stpatricksmtl.ca.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The next First Friday Adoration will take place in February of 2027.

Fr. Nathan is away until mid December.

MANNA' BIBLE STUDY GROUP

The *next* meeting for Bible study will take place **Thursday, December3rd, 2026**, in Congress Hall (454 Rene-Levesque Blvd W) from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. *(Usually taking place on the first and third Thursday of the month)*. All are welcome to attend!

CHRISTMAS BASKETS

Each year the parish helps an average of 20 adults (usually patrons of our soup kitchen) living in the area surrounding the Basilica. We are collecting ***new,*** *good quality*, **hats, mittens, gloves, scarves, Christmas candy/chocolates,** socks, men's and women's toiletries, and **monetary** donations. All funds coming from the Poor Box in December will go towards the baskets. If you wish to contribute, please deliver your contribution to the Parish Office during the week by December 7th, as baskets will be distributed the week of December 14th.

JOB OPPORTUNITY – PART-TIME OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR / BOOKKEEPER

Saint Patrick's Basilica is looking for an experienced Office Admin / Bookkeeper to join our team on a part-time basis.

Schedule: 3 days per week, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm
Start Date: As soon as possible
Salary: To be discussed

The position involves bookkeeping, accounts payable and receivable, payroll, bank reconciliations, financial reporting, government remittances including DAS, ROE, GST, QST, CNESST, RPP, and general office administration.

Requirements:

Minimum of 5 years of bookkeeping or accounting experience.
Experience using Sage 50 Premium is mandatory.
Good knowledge of Excel, Word, and Outlook.
Strong organizational skills and ability to work independently.
English is essential; knowledge of French is an asset.
Experience in a non-profit organization is an asset.
Interested candidates are invited to send their résumé to **info@stpatricksmtl.ca**.

HELPING YOUR PARISH

Please consider making an offering to Saint Patrick's. Please know that there are many ways to give to Saint Patrick's, through our weekly envelope system, by Credit Card, by internet **through our website** (Canada Helps) and by **Interac transfer (e-transfer)** to our email address info@stpatricksmtl.ca. (As well as our new **TipTap donation devices** located in the church – *no receipt*). Thank you, *Rachael Egbe*

ARE YOU REGISTERED?

It is important to stay connected to the Parish. One way is to be registered in Saint Patrick's parish database. Remember, we cannot know who you are unless you make yourself known to us. *Please register with us even if you are not a weekly worshipper.* https://stpatricksmtl.ca/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/form.pdf

SUPPORT OUR PARISH WITH A SIMPLE SCAN

Scan this QR code to make a one-time or monthly donation through *Canada Helps*. Your tax receipt will be emailed to you instantly. (Available in the pews and on the bulletin boards at the doors.)
Thank you for your generosity!



Vocation View: At the beginning of Advent, watch and wait; be attentive to the ways in which God comes into your life. Be willing to be surprised. (Mk 13:33-37)

Mass Intentions

Saturday 5:00 p.m.	**November 28th** Paul Doyle *requested by* Olga
Sunday, 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	**November 29th** Robert Donahue *requested by* the Donahue Family *~ Pro Populo ~* Margaret Healy *requested by* her family
Monday, 12:10 p.m. *and*	**November 30th** Special Intention for Elsa Pison *requested by* Anna & Emile Special Intentions *requested by* Pierrette Leclerc
Tuesday, 12:10 p.m. *and*	**December 1st** Moana Biddle Gengalo *requested by* her husband Edward Kathleen Cavanagh *requested by* Frank & family
Wednesday 12:10 p.m. *and*	**December 2nd** Adam Taylor *requested by* his family William Kiernan *requested by* his son Liam
Thursday 12:10 p.m. *and*	**December 3rd** Deceased members of the Di Paolo & Elisio Families *requested by* Anna & Emile Special Intentions *requested by* Pierrette Leclerc
Friday 12:10 p.m. *and*	**December 4th** Lorraine Boyce *requested by* the Estate In Thanksgiving *requested by* Esteban & Sofia Mendez
Saturday 5:00 p.m.	**December 5th** Mr. Alejo Valdes Miranda *requested by* Maria Antonieta Valdes

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Choir and Music
Music Director: John Guzik
Music Director Emeritus: Kevin Savor

Baptism
The parents must be registered members of the parish. Please contact the Parish office for further details.

Marriages
Couples wishing to marry at St. Patrick's are asked to contact the Parish office for further information. The future bride and/or groom must be a registered parishioner for at least 6 months prior to reserving a date for their marriage.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)
Heard after mass.

Anointing of the Sick and Communion Calls
If you or a member of your family wish to have a priest or Eucharistic minister visit, please call the parish office to make arrangements.

Green-Room Coffee
Coffee after the 11 a.m. mass.

Legion of Mary
Lisa Dalyop, President
Every Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. in the Red Room

Soup Kitchen
Served in the Green Room every Friday from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. to those in need.

Sunday Eucharistic Celebrations
Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.

Weekday Eucharistic Celebration
Monday to Friday: 12:10 p.m.

Mother of Perpetual Help Novena
Tuesday: 12:10 p.m. mass

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
First Friday of the month, from 11:00 a.m. to 12 noon, with mass at 12:10 p.m.

Wardens
Lynn Lonergan Doyle, John Galic, Olga Hrycak, Peter O'Brien, Robert Raizenne, Lorna Telfer

R.C.I.A.
Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is for anyone considering conversion to Catholicism, or who as an adult wishes to receive the sacrament of Confirmation. The program is offered at St. Patrick's beginning in the Fall. For more information, please contact the Parish Office.

Catechism: Registration in September
Religious instruction for children, which also involves sacramental preparation: please contact Adam Pywowarczuk at 514-866-7379 or adamp@stpatricksmtl.ca

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Catholic Women's League
The Catholic Women's League of Montreal City Council meets monthly on Saturdays. We invite you to join us and learn more about our efforts in Faith, Service, and Social Justice. You can contact mcc.cwl2026@gmail.com for more information.

Hearing-Impaired Worshippers
St. Patrick's Basilica's sound system is equipped so that it enables hearing-impaired worshippers to listen through a digital device set to 88.1 FM

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