

# SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH BULLETIN MARCH 8<sup>TH</sup> 2026

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Diocesan website: [www.dsjl.org](http://www.dsjl.org)

Saint John Paul II website: [www.sjp2pu.com](http://www.sjp2pu.com)

Vatican News: <https://www.vaticannews.va/en.html>

### WARDENS:-

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### 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare.

Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor.

**PRAYER INTENTIONS** –Please pray for the repose of the souls of all our deceased. To add a name to our prayer list please leave a message at 450-671-6149.

### POPE LEO XIV'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH - For Disarmament And Peace

Let us pray that nations move to effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

### MASS INTENTIONS

March 8 Sandra Clarke – Jack & Mary-Ellen Maher

March 15 Olimpia Teoli & Pasquale Polisena – Anna-Maria Polisena



Collection	\$1,551.00	Y.T.D. \$	8,583.30
Building & Maintenance	\$ 285.00	Y.T.D. \$	1,194.00
Heritage/Roof Fund	\$ 70.00	T.D. \$	93,476.81 (Target \$110,000.00)

**Thank you for your contributions!**

**Coffee Hour:** Please join us downstairs in the hall after Mass and sign up on the schedule if you are able to help out.



**St. Patrick's Day Fun Fact** St. Patrick is not only a patron saint of Ireland... He is also the patron saint of Nigeria! The patroness of Nigeria is Mary, Mother of Jesus.

### March 15 St. Patrick's Day Bake Sale - It's next Sunday! Bring your friends or plan to buy them some treats!

If you wish, you can bring your own containers, but we will have some for you. You might want to make room in your freezer to buy extra for upcoming weeks. All proceeds to keeping our building in good shape through our Building & Maintenance Fund.

**Come join in the fun atmosphere - remember, everyone is Irish on St. Patrick's Day!**

Next Sunday, **March 15th**, is the **Development & Peace Share Lent** presentation. It will be right after the Gospel with the participation of some of our youth. Afterwards, during Coffee Hour, there will be an opportunity to take a closer look at the display and to ask questions.

**Palm Sunday, March 29th**, is our **FAMILY MASS**. All children are invited to play percussion instruments to help the choir make a joyful sound to the Lord. Teens will have the opportunity to read the parts of various Gospel characters.



**Do you enjoy reading?** Join us in the Oak room for a book discussion at 7 pm on the first Wednesday of each month. For more information please contact Vicky Slonosky at [vslonosky@icloud.com](mailto:vslonosky@icloud.com)



**Food Box:** Thanks to everyone for contributing to the food bank, you have helped a lot of people. Just remember...people need to eat everyday. You can also make a monetary donation by making a cheque to Ecumenical Community Services and mailing it to 496 avenue Birch, Saint-Lambert (QC) J4P 2M8.

**Metal tabs from soft drink cans** – these tabs are collected and used to purchase wheelchairs for those who need them but can't afford them. Instead of recycling them with the can please bring them in and help out someone in need. We are also collecting plastic tabs from bread bags. Please place them in the box at the front entrance of the church. Thank you!

**Starting on Ash Wednesday we are invited to participate in Share Lent, Development & Peace's campaign** for social & ecological justice. Check out *The Thread* for daily activities in the Share Lent calendar & pray with us this year's prayer, **On Track for Justice**. Donations will be collected on the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent, Solidarity Sunday.

**On track for justice**

Loving God,  
 The destruction of your Creation,  
 our Common Home, echoes in our hearts  
 the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor.  
 Listening to this cry, we hear your call  
 to ecological conversion.  
 Turn us away from actions that harm  
 our relationships to you, our planet,  
 and our sisters and brothers.  
 Turn us towards the track for justice.  
 Gather us as your Church, North and South,  
 to walk this track together.  
 Let us be guardians of Creation and  
 not rivals for its spoils.  
 May we encounter others on the way  
 who seek ecological justice  
 and join our efforts to their own.  
 Guide us together towards the dream of  
 our human family living on a healthy planet,  
 in dignity, solidarity, justice and peace.  
 Amen

**WEEKDAY MASSES**

Tuesday 7:00 pm at Good Shepherd  
 Wednesday 9:00 am at St. Mary's  
 Thursday 9:15 am at St. Augustine's  
 Friday 9:30 am at Good Shepherd

**WEEKEND CELEBRATIONS**

**Good Shepherd, 7900 Naples, Brossard J4Y 1Z9**

Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 11:15 am

**St. Augustine's, 105 de Cherbourg, St. Bruno J3V 2K8 (entrance, Roberval)**

Sunday 9:15 am

**St. Francis of Assisi, 844 Notre Dame, St. Lambert J4R 1R8**

Sunday 9:30 am

**St. Gabriel's, 5070 Gilbert, St. Hubert J3Y 2K7**

Sunday 11:00 am

**St. Mary's, 125 Grove, Greenfield Park, J4V 2X2 (entrance, Miller)**

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am Sunday 11:00 am (*in French with St. Anastase*)

**St. Raymond's, CRVP: 135 chemin Haendel, Candiac, QC J5R 1R7**

Sunday 9:15 am

Help us raise funds with  
**FündScrip**



.....and many many more

**FündScrip**

Canada's Most Successful  
Gift Card Fundraiser  
available at  
our church



- 1**

**Buy \$100, Get \$100**



Buy cards at face value, get face value at the retailers - you lose nothing
- 2**

**Shop As Usual**



With cards from over 180 leading retailers, there's no need to change your shopping habits
- 3**

**Pay With Gift Cards**



Pay with gift cards instead of credit/debit/cash for your everyday items & gifts
- 4**

**Raise Funds**



Each purchase automatically includes a donation for your group that can quickly add up over time

.....For more info see Sharon

**REPAS DU CARÊME**

*Un temps de simplicité, de réflexion et de partage*

Nous vous invitons chaleureusement à participer à un **repas du Carême** dans l'une de nos églises locales.

Nous offrirons **soupe, pain et beurre, café ou thé**, ainsi qu'une variété de desserts maison, au coût de 8,00 \$.

Les profits iront à différents organismes de charité, en lien avec les différentes églises.

**† Mount Bruno United Church**

📅 4 mars  
🕒 11 h 30 - 13 h 30  
📍 25 Lackeview, Saint-Bruno

**† Église Saint-Bruno**

📅 18 mars  
🕒 11 h 30 - 13 h 30  
📍 1668, rue Montarville, Saint-Bruno

**† St. Augustine of Canterbury**

📅 25 mars  
🕒 11 h 30 - 13 h 30  
📍 rue Roberval, Saint-Bruno

**LENTEN LUNCHES**

*A Time of Simplicity, Reflection & Fellowship*

We invite you to join us for a **Lenten lunch** at one of our local churches.

We will offer **soup, bread and butter, coffee or tea**, and a variety of homemade desserts, at a cost of \$8.00.



Proceeds from these events will benefit various charitable organizations, as chosen by each church.





**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**  
**SAINT MARY'S PARISH**

You are invited to join  
in reciting the  
**Stations of the Cross**  
for the next six weeks at  
Saint Mary's Parish  
785 Miller Street,  
Greenfield Park

February 20, 27, March 6  
3 p.m.  
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March 13  
7 p.m.  
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March 20, 27  
3 p.m.

Taizé Stations of the Cross  
Saint Gabriel's Parish  
Good Friday, 7:30pm  
  
All Are Welcome!

 <b>SJP2PU LITURGY SCHEDULE</b> <b>HOLY WEEK 2026</b>			
THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
<b>Holy Thursday 2</b>	<b>Good Friday 3</b>	<b>Holy Saturday 4</b>	<b>Easter 5</b>
SM 8 pm Fr. Fritznel GS 8 pm Fr. Manus SF 7 pm Fr. Gerard	SM 3 pm Fr. Fritznel (followed by Reconciliation) GS 3 pm Fr. Manus (followed by Reconciliation)  SF 3 pm Fr. Gerard (followed by Reconciliation)  SG 3 pm LOTW SA 3 pm LOTW SR 3 pm LOTW	SM 8 pm Fr. Fritznel GS 8 pm Fr. Manus SF 7:30 pm Fr. Gerard	SM 9 am Fr. Fritznel SA 9 am Fr. Authier ✓ SR 9:15 am Fr. Meunier ✓ SF 9:30 am Fr. Gerard GS 9:30 am Fr. Manus SG 11 am Fr. Fritznel GS 11:15 am Fr. Manus  

YOU'RE INVITED TO

**ST. RAYMOND PARISH**

# ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER DANCE

SATURDAY MARCH 14 | **2026** | TICKETS: \$ 35.00 (Adults)  
\$ 20.00 (12 and under)

**Live Music by the Intonations**

Centre Romeo V. Patenaude  
135 ch. Haendel, Candiac QC

For tickets contact: [straymondparishcandiac@gmail.com](mailto:straymondparishcandiac@gmail.com)

**Doors open at 6:00 pm.**  
**Dinner will be served at 6:30 pm.**

**CASH Bar**      Door prizes to be won!



St. Mary's Social Committee is hosting

# The 2026 Saint Patrick's Potluck Supper


**MARCH 14th**

**6:00 pm**  
St. Mary's Parish hall  
Side entrance

Use the sign-up sheet at back of the church  
Live music by Dominic Boyle  
Irish trivia  
Bring your own beverage  
Irish coffee available for a donation

**Welcome all**

More info →      Parish office: 450-671-0416 ←



A Building Fund Fundraiser  
for  
**SAINT MARY'S PARISH**

# Trivia Night

with Trivia Master **EDDIE TOY**

*Cash Bar*      *Spaghetti Dinner*

**THURSDAY, MARCH 26**

**MIND-BOGGLING QUESTIONS - DOOR PRIZES**

**TICKET \$25**

Doors open at 5:30 P.M. - Meal served at 6:00 P.M.  
Royal Canadian Legion  
205 rue Empire, Greenfield Park

Compete for prizes, have some fun, and show off your smarts!  
Bring your friends and your brain power for an unforgettable night of trivia.

 [dianevertmander@gmail.com](mailto:dianevertmander@gmail.com)  
514-250-6350




**ESCC English Speaking Catholic Council.** A lay, charitable, non-profit organization, founded in 1981, serves as the voice of the English Catholic community of Greater Montreal and beyond. The ESCC seeks to be an effective and collaborative leader for the English-speaking Catholic community.

<https://www.catholiccouncil.ca/>

**OUR HARBOUR** offers life-management support, links with resources in the surrounding community, and individual assistance in integrating with society at large. Our Harbour also educates the wider community about mental illness.

Visit Our Harbour at

<https://ourharbour.org>

**ARC - Assistance and Referral Centre.** Dedicated to assisting and empowering people of all ages to access health and social services, information, resources, programs, and activities in English on the South Shore to promote well-being.

<https://www.arc-hss.ca>.

**Centre de soutien entr'Aidants.** Support for caregivers by offering a range of services to help them take care of an elderly loved one, while maintaining their physical, psychological and financial health.

<https://www.centredesoutienentraidants.com/en/>

**Phoenix Community Projects (Phoenix) is a volunteer based, not-for-profit community organization.**

Our goal and commitment is to bring hope and support to the English community within the island of Montreal and Montérégie areas of Quebec. To achieve this goal, Phoenix offers a variety of programs, events and workshops with the purpose to: • Support emotional well-being & mental health • Nurture personal development • Break isolation • Build community. All programming is based on our core values of Caring, Community, and Contributing.

<https://www.phoenixprograms.ca/>

**Senior Respite Montérégie**

Located in the heart of Greenfield Park (83 Boulevard Churchill, Greenfield Park, QC J4V 3L8), their mission is to enrich the quality of life for English-speaking seniors and caregivers through specialized services and respite care. Whether at the day centre or at home, dedicated staff provides social and cognitive activities suited to your loved one while providing the caregiver vital respite. Using these types of respite services are beneficial to the participant as well as their caregiver.

<https://www.seniorsrespitemonteregie.ca>

**Y4Y Québec**

A non-profit organization committed to addressing the issues facing English-speaking youth (ages 16-30) across Québec. In addition to its many youth-focused programs and initiatives, Y4Y takes pride in publishing multiple policy documents concerning the situation of English-speaking youth throughout the province, holding outreach events that strengthen community at the local level, bringing information to important stakeholders in government, supporting youth leadership locally, and having fun while doing so!

<https://www.y4yquebec.org/>

The **Sunday Connection** is available weekly through the Loyola Press website, offering useful background and activities to better understand the upcoming Sunday's Scripture readings, helping you to connect the Scripture to daily life in a meaningful way. Presented by age group, with age-appropriate suggestions for living the faith in our daily lives, the **Sunday Connection** helps to keep us grounded in the teachings of Jesus Christ.

<https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/>

**Saint Lambert Council for Seniors** – visit their website [www.ainesstlambertseniors.ca](http://www.ainesstlambertseniors.ca) for the coming week's activities.

# Psychedelia 2026


JOIN US FOR A FUN AND CREATIVE AFTERNOON WHERE ART MEETS EXPERIMENTATION. PSYCHEDELIA PAINTING EVENT 2026 INVITES PARTICIPANTS TO EXPLORE MAGIC ON CANVAS THROUGH PAINTING AND PRINTMAKING USING FOUND, EVERYDAY OBJECTS.


**TICKETS: \$40**

**WHAT'S INCLUDED?**

- 🎨 canvas, paints and tools (no experience necessary)
- 🍷 Charcuterie boards and snacks
- 🍹 One complimentary drink ticket, alcoholic or non-alcoholic

 **DATE:** Sunday, March 8

 **TIME:** 1:30 PM to 4:00 PM

 **LOCATION:** Royal Canadian Legion Greenfield Park Branch 94  
205 Rue Empire, Greenfield Park, QC J4V 1T9

 **SECURE YOUR SPOT ON OURHARBOUR.ORG** 

# MAGIC ON CANVAS

**PAINTING AND PRINTING WITH FOUND OBJECTS**

