

Mass Intentions from January 30 to February 4, 2022

Sun. Jan 30/11:00 - 11:30 a.m. mass

Live Streaming of the mass thereafter, distribution of Holy Communion at the main entrance of the church until noon.

Nick Baird - Teresa Baird
Eileen Shanahan - Shanahan & Scott families

Feast- The Presentation of The Lord

Wed. Feb 2/ Nick Baird - Teresa Baird

Thu. Feb 3/ Nick Baird - Teresa Baird

Fri. Feb 4/ Living & Deceased Members of the Baird, Shanahan, Scott, Ryan, Malone, Faherty, McGarry & Kostner Families - Teresa Baird

4thSUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year C)

"I tell you solemnly, no prophet is ever accepted in this own country."

First Reading (Jeremiah 1:4-5.17-19)

God knows us more intimately that we know ourselves.
He calls us to action and will never desert us.

Second Reading (1 Corinthians 12:31 -13:13)

Faith, hope and love abide; the greatest of these is love.

Gospel (Luke 4:21-30)

Like Elijah and Elisha, Jesus was not sent only to the Jewish people.

Reflection:

Like Jeremiah and Jesus, we too are called to be God's prophets. That does not mean that we will forecast what is to happen in the future. Rather to be prophet's means we are to be God's spokespersons – to speak the message which God wants proclaimed. To hear his voice and proclaim his truth in the ordinary circumstances of our lives. The message is the Good News that God loves each and every person and God wants what is truly Good for them. But that means that people must be willing to change and live their lives in a way which reflects the truth of God's love. To speak such a message is challenging since people do not want to have to change their ways. We must proclaim the Good News in a manner which is inviting, while still being challenging. We must be part of the evangelization process of speaking the Good News. Just like Jesus, we will meet resistance, hostility and rejection for standing up for what we know to be right. We must keep on speaking the Truth in Love.

"All it takes for evil to win through is for good people to do nothing", to remain silent.

Today's psalm and first reading assure us that no matter what happens, God is with us: he is our refuge, our strength, our protector.

May you continue to live out your call to speak the Truth in Love.

Unaware, We Pass "Him" By

On life's busy thoroughfares
We meet with angels unawares —
But we are too busy to listen or hear,
Too busy to sense that God is near,
Too busy to stop and recognize
The grief that lies in another's eyes,
Too busy to offer to help or share,
Too busy to sympathize or care,
Too busy to do the good things we should,
Telling ourselves we would if we could.
But life is too swift and the pace is too great
And we dare not pause for we might be late
For our next appointment which means so much,
We are willing to brush off the Saviour's touch.
We tell ourselves there will come a day
We will have more time to pause on our way,
But before we know it "life's sun has set"
And we've passed the Saviour but never met,
For hurrying along life's thoroughfare
We passed Him by and remained unaware
That within the very sight of our eye,
Unnoticed, the Son of God passed by.

(Author unknown)



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week
For special intentions and giving Thanks to The Lord.

By – Kahawita Family.

Live streaming of St. Richard's Mass on Sundays.

We are live streaming our 11:00 a.m. Sunday mass on Facebook.

Please search "Saint Richard's Parish Montreal".

Please leave your comments.

Sunday bulletin is posted on our website

www.strichards.ca

Sunday Offerings or Donations can be made through our website or through e-transfer. For E-transfer follow the steps below:

Name : St Richards Parish

Email to : strichard@videotron.ca (No security question is required)

In the message box write your envelope box number (if you have one)

YOU'RE DONE! We are set up for Automatic E-Transfer.

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DIOCESAN NEWS

Called, Chosen, Gathered and Sent:
A synodal journey inspired by "The Chosen"

Led by Fr. Raymond Lafontaine, E.V.

This synodal journey is open to all, with a special Feb. 18 session dedicated to families and their children.

DATE & TIME:

An online series Friday evenings:

February 4, 11, 18 and 25, 2022

Feb. 18 - a special invitation to all families and their children

7:00-8:30 p.m. EST

"See the life of Jesus through the eyes of the people that walked on Earth with him – the disciples, Mary his mother, the Pharisees, the children, those he healed. What would that look like? **What difference would it make for your personal journey of faith, your experience of belonging to a church community, your witness and service to the world around you?**

Consider being part of the dialogue.

You, your family members, and your parish teams are invited to embark on a four-session synodal journey inspired by [The Chosen](#), the groundbreaking multi-season film series about the life of Christ, distributed by [Angel Studios](#).

Please register by Feb. 1st."

REGISTRATION LINK:

https://bit.ly/TheChosen_ASynodalJourney_2022

FACEBOOK EVENT PAGE:

[The Chosen Facebook Event](#)

Our homeless need help.

Speaking with the directors of a couple of Montreal shelters, (Notre Dame de la Rue & Resilience) the city is short about 1000 beds & 200 volunteers. They are in desperate need of sleeping bags and blankets.

If you have some warm blankets or sleeping bags to donate, please contact me at jwong@catholicaction.ca

PLEASE DONATE SLEEPING BAGS, AND BLANKETS.

APPEAL FOR THE HOMELESS

Catholic Action Montreal's executive director **Judy Wong** is seeking donations of warm blankets and/or sleeping bags to help local Montreal shelters [Notre-Dame de la Rue](#) and [Rue & Resilience](#). The city is short about 1000 beds and 200 volunteers. The shelters are in desperate need of these items. Please contact Judy at: jwong@catholicaction.ca