

Pastor's Message September 2024

Dear Parishioners,

It is good to hear & see that our different parish liturgical, faith education, social justice and recreational groups are beginning their fall activities.

We have just finished our Annual Homecoming event where we celebrate only one Sunday mass (Eucharist) at 10:30am (bring together the 9am & 11am mass communities). This year it was celebrated on Sunday September 8th at 10:30 am. This mass was well attended and the regular 9am choir provided our music. We prayed for no rain and we received that grace but we did have to adapt to cold windy conditions as we exited the church to go the west side of church. As parishioners walked the west path they could stop and talk to different group representatives who sat or stood at tables. They could then proceed towards the BBQ's and receive "health food" hamburgers & hot dogs. They could go to sit and eat under a tent provided and set up by the city of Dorval. As well, there were lots of pieces of cake and other desserts provided for those who were outside. Parishioner's seemed to be enjoying sitting or standing talking to each other either under the tent or by the info & sign up tables. I thank those parishioner's and friends of the parish who either came for the set up, prepared & BBQ the food, served the food & desserts, manned the tables, finally those who dismantled the tables & chairs and cleaned up at the end. I believe we had a good social interactive parish "Homecoming event".

I look forward to the rest of the fall regular celebrations and activities. The CWL & Senior groups have begun their activities in September and throughout the fall season. All the Liturgical ministries get moving in the fall leading up to the Advent season. Faith Education for our children & students starts the weekend of Oct 19th & 20th at our Saturday 4:30pm and Sunday 9am masses. A Bible study group and Indigenous sharing group are getting underway soon. So there are several ministries, groups, and activities one can get involved with.

So please: Keep well in mind-body-spirit!

Fr. Fred