

**COMMUNIQUÉ No. 42 – August 13, 2021**  
**INFORMATION**  
**To pastors, pastoral teams and religious communities**

Brothers and Sisters, good day! I hope that these last few weeks have given you some time to rest and recharge your batteries. September is already on the horizon, bringing with it the resumption of a flurry of Church activities. The following will provide you with some useful information and a few invitations to mark in your calendars.

**1. Reminder regarding health regulations in effect**

I would ask you to consult our [diocesan website](#) for information concerning health regulations in our churches. I would also like to draw your attention to a [document](#) published on July 12 by the Assembly of Quebec Catholic Bishops which presents some suggestions for flexibility in our celebrations.

Furthermore, we are also monitoring the situation very closely, while we are still in a state of health emergency in Quebec. We will keep you informed of any developments in this regard.

**2. Some announcements**

**a. September 13: Starting back 'On a Mission Together'**

God calls us to be a People on the move. At this beginning of a new pastoral year, the Archbishop invites us to an evening dedicated to the relaunch of our diocesan missionary transformation project. This year it enters the "discernment to serve better" phase. Members of parish pastoral teams, priests, deacons, lay pastoral agents, the faithful active in their communities and members of religious congregations are invited to meet at the Cathedral and on Zoom, on September 13, the eve of the Feast of the Glorious Cross, at 7 pm. On the menu for the evening: a word from the Archbishop, moments of prayer and discussions on the following topics:

- 1) a vision statement to help us to picture the future of the Church in Montreal and to discern its main directions and priorities.
- 2) the synodal process initiated by the Pope which involves each diocesan Church;
- 3) our commitment to fight against all forms of abuse in the Church and in our society.

Mark the date! More information will follow.

**b. Mass for the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary followed by a Jericho Prayer**

The Archbishop of Montreal, Most Reverend Christian Lépine, will celebrate a Mass for the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary at 12:15 p.m. this Sunday, August 15, at Mary Queen of the World Cathedral. In addition, Archbishop Lépine will host a "Jericho march" after Mass so that "the walls in our hearts that separate us from God and others may fall." Please see the [invitation](#) for more details.

**c. Things are moving in Liturgy Services!**

**i. A new Director for Liturgy Services**

We are pleased to introduce our new Director of Liturgy Services of the Diocese of Montreal, Mr. Beda Kaji-Ngulu. We invite you to read his [message of introduction](#).

**ii. Diocesan liturgical preparation session for the 2021 season of the Mystery of Christmas**

Parish liturgy committees and all who are interested are invited to the next bilingual Liturgical Session on the 2021 season of the Christmas Mystery. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 3, at 7 pm. Depending on the health regulations in effect, we will meet either in person at the Archdiocese, 2000 Sherbrooke Street W., or virtually on Zoom. More details will follow.

**iii. Share a liturgical moment from your parish in the LS Monthly Bulletin**

Liturgy Services' goal is to foster the growth of liturgical life in our parish communities. Starting in October, the team would like to publish in its monthly bulletin "liturgical high points" that occur in the parishes. All you have to do is email a short text or video illustrating your experience to: [LD\\_ServiceDePastoraleLiturgique@diocesemontreal.org](mailto:LD_ServiceDePastoraleLiturgique@diocesemontreal.org). We thank you in advance for your valuable collaboration, which will be of benefit to you and all your colleagues in the Church.

**iv. Ordo 2021-2022 for parishes**

The Ordo Calendar for the 2021-2022 liturgical year is now available. The Diocese of Montreal enjoys a 40% discount with CCCB publications. The cost, including shipping, is ± \$27 each. Parishes can take advantage of this discount by placing their order through Liturgy Services:

[LD\\_ServiceDePastoraleLiturgique@diocesemontreal.org](mailto:LD_ServiceDePastoraleLiturgique@diocesemontreal.org) specify:

- o the name and street address of your parish
- o the telephone number of the person in charge
- o the number required
- o language desired (French or English)

Your order will be shipped to you by CCCB Publications within a few days of your email order. An electronic invoice will follow, payable directly to the CCCB.

**v. Prayers to prepare for the Eucharist and to give thanks**

A new [booklet](#) of prayers for preparation and thanksgiving for the Eucharist has been published online by the CCCB (in French only) for the benefit of bishops, priests, deacons and all those who serve at the Mass. An introductory reflection by Beda Kaji-Ngulu, Director of Liturgy Services, can be found [here](#).

**d. Instructions concerning Mass wine**

For [instructions](#) regarding the purchase of Mass wine.  
For the list of [products authorized](#) by the Archdiocese.

**e. Marriage Preparation**

The new marriage preparation booklet for the year 2021-2022 is now available online at: <https://bit.ly/3AB5Aid>.  
Beginning at the end of August, three printed copies will be sent to each parish. If you would like to receive more copies free of charge, please contact us now by phone: (514) 925-4300, ext. 206 or by email: [centreDMVF@diocesemontreal.org](mailto:centreDMVF@diocesemontreal.org).

Please note - Important changes have been made to the English marriage preparation programme. This year, the sessions will take place in 8 short workshops over 4 weeks, all online. The weekend format was too demanding for many, especially online. To register, visit <https://bit.ly/3CDzsfC>.

Brothers and sisters, as our communities recommence their pastoral activities, let us pray for one another. Let us ask the Lord to grant that we may be ever more ardently "On the Mission together".



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