

28 Years Later

A Service that is always on the front line when it comes to meeting vulnerable people.

SASMAD/PHC currently has about 500 volunteers who do home visits with the sick, either directly in their homes, in seniors' residences or in CHSLD's in the diocesan district of Montreal. There are now five separate regions: Montreal West, Montreal Centre, Montreal East, Laval-Repentigny and the English-language sector dispersed throughout these regions. Each region is administered by a coordinator under the direction of André Dupré, who succeeded Sister Madeleine Saint-Michel as Director upon her retirement. A few years ago, the SASMAD/PHC offices moved from their original location at Saint Jude's parish to new quarters in the same neighbourhood of Ahuntsic, in the presbytery of Saint Isaac-Jogues church on Chabanel Street east.



The 2020 Pandemic

The heart is / Our hearts are not in lockdown

Our volunteers do their best to keep in touch at least once a week with the persons they had been visiting, but they now do it by telephone where possible, since personal visits are not recommended.

COVID-19 has taken the lives of a number of our beneficiaries.

Several of our volunteers and one member of our administrative team have contracted the virus and are battling its effects.

In order for us to offer telephone accompaniment and active listening to all those who need it, the diocese of Montreal has set up a spiritual support line which they've asked us to look after:

1-888-305-0994

In the event of an urgent situation (end of life, grave illness) SASMAD/PHC can contact the Archbishop to obtain special permission for a priest to visit and administer the sacrament of the anointing of the sick.