

Synodality

IMPORTANT DATES:

Monday, October 4

Widow and Widower support group 9:30 -11:30 a.m.
 For more info., contact Anne Parsons at 514-457-2183

Monday, October 11

Monthly prayer gathering for the Friends of Mercy at 3:00 p.m. (bilingual). All are welcome.

Our **SASMAD English website** is active! You can use it to file your visit reports, to register new volunteers and beneficiaries, to sign up for activities and to find helpful prayers and resources. Check it out [HERE!](#)

Several parish groups will be holding **Team Meetings** this month. If you would like to connect with a parish team, contact your coordinator or Cathie.



Pope Francis has launched a synodal process that will take place between October 2021 and October 2023. It is a “dynamism of mutual listening, conducted at all levels of the Church, involving the whole people of God.” The first level of consultation involves each of us. The “sensus fidei” (sense of faith) qualifies each of us to take part in discerning the path forward for the Church. For more information about the process check out the [Vatican documents](#). We will announce news of how you can be involved at our local level in Montreal.

Basic Formation

Plans are underway to hold an ONLINE Basic Formation class in English as well as one in French in November. Forming new volunteers is one of SASMAD’S pastoral priorities this year. Do you know anyone who might be interested in becoming a visitor? Have them call the SASMAD office or if they are interested in the English formation, they can call/e-mail Cathie directly.

Do you or the person you visit have a special **prayer intention**? Contact the prayer warriors at the Friends of Mercy at misericorde.mercysasmad@gmail.com

Retrouvaille

Our SASMAD/PHC gathering on September 18 saw 39 volunteers gathered to share Mass and a socially-distanced snack together. We were able to meet Fr. Edgar, the new pastor at St-Isaac-Jogues (SASMAD’s home base) and his homily on Matthew 25 touched many. André shared our pastoral goals for the year and Bérénice animated some moments of connection and fun. The year is off to a good start!

Thank you to all who attended the Pastoral Home Care SASMAD retreat on September 24. It was a wonderful opportunity to pray, share and reflect together. Thanks to the Montreal Directed Retreat Team who helped us to reflect on our meaning and purpose.

Here are some words from the closing blessing of the retreat, meant for you today:



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