

World Day of the Sick 2022

Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful!

Pope Francis in [his message for World Day of the Sick 2022](#), asks us to consider and pray in a special way for health care workers and all those who care for the sick: "*Jesus' invitation to be merciful like the Father has particular significance for healthcare workers. I think of all those physicians, nurses, laboratory technicians, the support staff and the caretakers of the sick, as well as the numerous volunteers who donate their precious time to assist those who suffer*". People who have made their service a mission. Because Your hands, which touch the suffering flesh of Christ, can be a sign of the merciful hands of the Father". Let us keep these dedicated workers, who have been under enormous stress during the pandemic, in our daily prayers.

We will gather online this year on the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, February 11, 2022 to pray and celebrate together in community for the 30th annual World Day of the Sick. On the day itself, SASMAD/PHC will host three events for you to participate in: **Lauds and Rosary** at 10:00 a.m.; **an online community supper** at 6:00 p.m. to gather members of the SASMAD/PHC community and finally **Mass for World Day of the Sick** at 7:30 p.m. presided by Archbishop Msgr. Christian Lépine at Mary Queen of the World Cathedral (on the [diocesan YouTube channel](#)). Please see the [poster \(in PDF\)](#) for all the info and links you will need to participate.

Are there people you visit, family members, friends, or health care workers whom you would like to be included in the intentions during the **Prayers of the Faithful** at Mass on February 11th? Please send names and intentions [here](#). Names will not be read individually but will be included in the prayers.

World Day of the Sick cards will be available for distribution the first week of February. Please reserve your cards with **your parish coordinator** or [here](#).

IMPORTANT DATES:

Fridays in February

Called, Chosen, Gathered and Sent: A Synodal Journey
7:00-8:30 p.m.
(see below for details)

Monday, February 7

Online support after the loss of your spouse: 9:30 -11:00 a.m.
For more info. and the **Zoom** link, contact Anne Parsons at 514-457-2183

Friday, February 11

World Day of the Sick
10:00 a.m. Lauds and Rosary
6:00 p.m. Communal Supper
7:30 p.m. Mass from Mary Queen of the World Cathedral

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APPEAL

Catholic Action is in urgent need of **warm blankets and sleeping bags** to help several homeless shelters in the Montreal area. If you have items you can donate please contact Judy Wong at: jwong@catholicaction.ca

Up to date on your **visit reports**? If you have a smartphone you can create a shortcut to the [SASMAD website](#) on your homescreen and enter visits easily as you go!

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

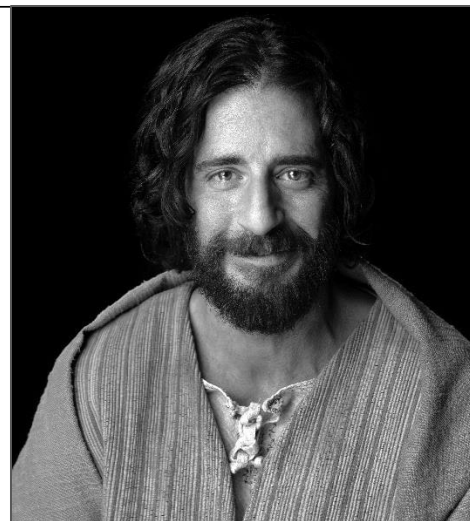
Led by Fr. Raymond Lafontaine, E.V.

Four sessions as follows via the **Zoom** platform:
Friday evenings: February 4, 11, 18, 25, 2022,
from 7:00-8:30 p.m.;

* *Special Invitation to Families:*
Friday, February 18

Register Here:

https://bit.ly/TheChosen_ASynodalJourney_2022



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