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The German population in Québec
102,930 (1996 survey)
60,765 in Montréal

Source in part; Julia Gerke
url no longer available online

Directories of People, Churches, and Societies

Lovell Directory (1842-2010)
http://bibnum2.banq.qc.ca/bna/lovell

Doige Directory (1825) - Viger Census (1825-1832)
http://www.mun.ca/mapm/data/data_frame.html

German Catholics in Montreal

Even before the World War I there were numerous German Catholics in Montreal. Attempts were made to set up a Catholic parish, but because of the small number of Catholics, they did not succeed. After the war, more and more Germans had to leave their homeland, and many came to Canada. In Montreal a larger colony of German Catholics emerged, all of whom more or less also spoke Hungarian, as they had emigrated from Hungary and from the regions separated from Hungary: from Czechoslovakia, Romania and Yugoslavia. Our people felt very unhappy; they would have liked a Holy Mass with German church songs and with a sermon in German.

In 1928 Franciscan Father Jerome Hedly established the Hungarian parish, many of our fellow countrymen joined this community and were members of the same until the emergence of our German community in Saint Louis de France. On the 31st of January 1930 a small meeting was held. Present were: Anton Schlachter ( Bácska, Yugoslavia), Ehrhard Weisenberger (Deutschland), Georg Marx
The Lord Archbishop asked for a German priest from the General Abbot of the Cistercian Order in Rome, who then sent his secretary, Dr. P. Tiburtius Hümpfner to Montreal. He landed in Montreal on the 11th of May 1930 and was kindly received as a guest at the archbishop's palace.

Invitations were sent to all known German language families in Montreal: Holy Mass and followed by a sermon in German, on Sunday 18 May 1930, at 9 o'clock in the morning in the lower church of St. Louis de France (at the Roy St. and City Hall, corner Laval Avenue). All German-speaking Catholics in the city are kindly invited to participate in the divine service.

Dr. P. Tiburtius Hümpfner, Priest of the Cistercian Order.

Approximately 300 people attended the first Holy Mass. Vice Consul Henry Schafhausen from the Consulates-General of the German Reich played the organ.

http://www.leseglisesdemonquartier.com/664.html

German Lutherans in Montreal

St. John's is the oldest Lutheran church in Montreal, founded in 1853. Although begun by German businessmen, today the congregation is ethnically and racially diverse and includes neighbourhood residents, long-time immigrants, new immigrants, and a diversity of Canadians, Quebeckers, and members from over a dozen countries. Welcome to all and inclusion is a hallmark; one that is not to be taken for granted in congregations with strong ethnic roots. Our pews gather in professionals and street people, young and old, new comers and long-time members. On the occasion of its 150th Anniversary (2003) St. John's became the first Lutheran congregation in Canada to be granted a Coat-of-Arms by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, through the Governor General. These have became a symbol of integration and participation in the fabric of Canadian society which is significant for a parish originating with immigrants. Its German heritage has certainly influenced many things at St. John, but the focus is to build on our heritage and to walk forward while looking a bit back over our shoulder. Music is an important part of our tradition. The Helmuth Wolff organ at St. John's ranks as one of the significant pipe organs of downtown Montreal and the Reformation Repertoire of Bach, Schuetz, Buxtehude, et al is given priority. Music at the services uses hymns from the newest German Hymnal (Bavarian edition) at the German services and Evangelical Lutheran Worship for the English services. Music Director is Joel Peters and we work in conjunction with the organ department at McGill and its director Hans-Ola Ericsson. The Sunday afternoon Serenata chamber music concerts pack the church and are a much loved community event from Oct.-April. These feature musicians from the Montreal Symphony Orchestra (MSO) and utilise the unique acoustic of the church and its setting for chamber music. Both classical and modern works are performed. Bach Cantatas are regularly scheduled in autumn and spring and contribute to the vibrant Montreal music scene. St. John's is both an urban, cosmopolitan, downtown congregation and at the same time the home of German immigrants who arrived after the second World War. The congregation's long history in Montreal allows for an integration in the city rare amongst Lutheran congregations. English has always been a part of the congregation's working languages and presently French is often used for larger celebrations, in Sunday School, and for pastoral acts (baptisms, marriages, funerals). A Newsletter is published four times a year in German, English, and with some articles in French. The historical architecture of the building has not allowed us to install chairlifts or elevators (local building regulations). However the Parish Hall can be accessed from the laneway at one level. A few stairs into the church are not steep and include a landing, with
seating, half-way.


www.sasj.ca

The German Society of Montreal

Société allemande de Montréal

Deutsche Gesellschaft zu Montreal
is a Montreal-based non-profit organization with the mission to promote the German language and culture in Montreal and to promote the health and welfare of Montrealers of all origins. The Society was founded as an association of German language business people and professionals in 1835 and was incorporated by the Act to incorporate the German Society of Montreal, a public act of the Province of Canada in 1865. Today, the Society is an important social and cultural institution in the German-speaking community of Montreal. The German Society's mission has evolved over the years. While the Society was originally founded to support German immigrants coming to Montreal and Canada, the Society today supports all Montrealers regardless of origin. Today, the Society also works to support the German culture, heritage and language in Montreal, by working to make connections between different groups in Montreal such as the: Alexander von Humboldt Schule Montréal & Montreal Goethe-Institut

1835-1850s: Early Years of the German Society of Montreal

After a private meeting in March 1835, initiated amongst others by the physician Dr. Daniel Arnoldi, the German Society of Montreal was formally founded on April 21, 1835 at the Hotel Nelson. The original purpose was to be the voice of the German-minority in Montreal and to support of anyone of German-origin living and/or arriving in Montréal with "advice, information and assistance [to those] in need" (Gürttler, 1985). At the first general meeting, the 81 founding members appointed the Louis Gugy (at the time Sheriff of Montreal) as the first president of the Society. Over the course of its history, the leaders and members of the Society have ranged from tradespersons such as butchers to professionals such as lawyers, politicians, business people, doctors and diplomats.

1850s-1880s: Immigration Waves

Montreal was an important port for European immigrants coming to North America. Even though large numbers of Germans (and other Europeans) arrived in Montreal, not many remained in the city for long: most moved on to Canada’s west or the United States. Nevertheless, the German Society played an important role in welcoming German-speaking immigrants and helping them get settled in the city. With its goal to support the welfare of the German community in Montreal, the Society also assisted the opening of a German-language church in the 1850s.

https://www.germansociety.ca/ - info@germansociety.ca - P.O. Box 665 Station B - Montréal (Québec) H3B 3K3 514-612-2188

Association des familles d’origines Germanique du Québec (l’AFOGQ)
Association of Families with German Origins in Quebec
The Churches

1642 - **Notre Dame Catholic Parish** - Montréal - The first germanic immigrants in Nouvelle France arrived in 1621 in the Quebec City region. The regions of Baden-Württemberg, Rheinland-Pfalz, Hessen-Darmstadt, Hessen-Kassel, Hannover, Oldenbourg, Schleswig-Holstein, Mecklembourg were faced with a deep famine in the 1620s and thus began the emigration period to Nouvelle France. In Montreal, it is unclear as to the first arrival of germanic families, but it does appear that the period of time from 1692 to 1705 is favoured by a number of historians.

**BAnQ films (1642-1942)** - **Quebec Records (1642-1941)** - **Ancestry.ca (1642-1941)**

http://www.leslabelle.com/Cimetieres/ListerCims.asp?MP=E3&TY=M&SS=52

1654 - **Hôtel-Dieu Hospital** - Old Montreal - see Notre-Dame for baptism, marriages, burial records


1669 - **Saint-Antoine-de-Padoue de Longueil Catholic Parish** - Montreal's South Shore

**BAnQ films (1669-1941)** - **Quebec Records (1669-1941)** - **Ancestry.ca (1669-1941)**


1674- **Saint-Enfant-Jésus-de-la-Pointe-aux-Trembles** - Montreal Island's Eastern Region - **BAnQ films (1674-1941)** - **Quebec Records (1674-1941)** - **Ancestry.ca (1674-1941)**

http://www.leseglisesdemonquartier.com/605.html

1676 - **Saints-Anges-de-Lachine Catholic Parish** - Lachine - West Island - **BAnQ films (1676-1940)** - **Quebec Records (1676-1940)** - **Ancestry.ca (1676-1940)**

http://www.leslabelle.com/Cimetieres/ListerCims.asp?MP=E3&TY=V&SS=Montréal/Lachine
http://www.leseglisesdemonquartier.com/553.html

1679 - **Purification-de-la-Bienheureuse-Vierge-Marie de Repentigny** - East of Montreal Island - **BAnQ films (1679-1942)** - **Quebec Records (1679-1942)** - **Ancestry.ca (1679-1942)**

http://www.leseglisesdemonquartier.com/purification.html
http://www.leslabelle.com/Cimetieres/AfficherCim.asp?MP=E3&CID=1083
1681 - **Saint-Charles-de-Lachenaie Catholic Parish** - East of Montreal Island - BAnQ films (1681-1942) - Quebec Records (1681-1942) - Ancestry.ca (1681-1942)

1706 - **Saint-Sulpice Catholic Parish** - East of Montreal Island - BAnQ films (1706-1942) - Quebec Records (1706-1942) - Ancestry.ca (1706-1942)
http://www.leslabelle.com/Cimetieres/ListerCims.asp?MP=E3&TY=V&SS=St-Sulpice

1713 - **Saint-Joachim de Pointe-Claire** - Pointe-Claire - West Island
BanQ films (1713-1940) - Quebec Records (1713-1940) - Ancestry.ca (1713-1940)
http://www.leslabellesdemonquartier.com/st-joachim.html
http://www.leslabelle.com/Cimetieres/ListerCims.asp?MP=E3&TY=V&SS=Montréal/Pointe-Claire

1720 - **Saint-Laurent Catholic Parish** - Montreal's North West
- BAnQ films (1720-1942) - Quebec Records (1720-1942) - Ancestry.ca (1720-1942)
http://www.leslabellesdemonquartier.com/660.html
http://www.leslabelle.com/Cimetieres/ListerCims.asp?MP=E3&TY=V&SS=Montréal/St-Laurent

1723 - **Saint-François-d'Assise de la Longue-Pointe** - Montreal's Sea Port District - BAnQ films (1724-1942) - Quebec Records (1724-1942) - Ancestry.ca (1724-1942)
http://www.leslabelle.com/Cimetieres/ListerCims.asp?MP=E3&TY=V&SS=Montréal/St-Laurent

1725 - **Saint-Louis-de-Terrebonne** - Terrebonne - North East of Montreal - BAnQ films (1725-1939)
- Quebec Records (1725-1939) - Ancestry.ca (1725-1939)
http://www.leslabellesdemonquartier.com/1566.html

1736 - **Sault-au-Récollet La Visitation-de-la-Bienheureuse-Vierge-Marie** - Ahuntsic - North Central Montreal - BAnQ films (1736-1940) - Quebec Records (1736-1940) - Ancestry.ca (1736-1940)
http://www.leslabelle.com/Cimetieres/ListerCims.asp?MP=E3&TY=V&SS=Montréal/Ahuntsic
http://www.leseglisesdemonquartier.com/752.html

1741 - **Sainte-Geneviève-de-Pierrefonds** - West Island - BanQ films (1741-1941) - Quebec Records (1741-1941) - Ancestry.ca (1741-1941)
http://www.leseglisesdemonquartier.com/621.html
1743 - **Saint-Vincent-de-Paul-de-Laval** - Laval - BAnQ films (1743-1940) - Quebec Records (1743-1940) - Ancestry.ca (1743-1940)

http://www.leseglishdesdemonquartier.com/739.html


1743 - **Sainte-Geneviève-de-Pierrefonds**

http://www.leslabelle.com/Cimetieres/ListerCims.asp?MP=E3&TY=V&SS=Montréal/Ste-Geneviève-de-Pierrefonds


1745 - **Sainte-Rose-de-Laval** - Laval - BAnQ films (1745-1941) - Quebec Records (1745-1941) - Ancestry.ca (1745-1941)


http://www.leslabellesdemonquartier.com/719.html

1750 - **Saint-Henri-de-Mascouche Catholic Parish** - Terrebonne region, northeast of Montreal - BAnQ films (1750-1942) - Quebec Records (1750-1942) - Quebec Records (1750-1942)


http://www.leseglishdesdemonquartier.com/719.html

1760 - **British Conquest of Montreal** - The main British force under General Jeffery Amherst had disembarked on the Island of Montreal east of modern Lachine. This was September 6th. 1760. By September 8th., it occupied a line extending from the Saint Gabriel Farm House in Pointe-Saint-Charles to approximately the Charlevoix bridge on the Lachine Canal. It was in this position that Amherst received the capitulation late on the night of the eight of September.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jeffery_Amherst,_1st_Baron_Amherst


http://www.anglican.ca/resources/gsarchives/incanada/

http://montreal.anglican.org/parish/parish-list_mtl.shtml

https://www.genealogiequebec.com/en/

http://www.ancestry.ca/

https://www.banq.qc.ca/archives/entrez_archives/centres_archives/

1760 - **Garrison Anglican Chapel** - Old Montreal - Rev. John Ogilvie and Rev. Samuel Bennett, presiding - Congregation founded in 1760 - This group eventually became the roots of Christ Church Cathedral - Anglican Archives Montréal (1760-1869) - BAnQ films (1760-1869) - Quebec Records (1760-1869) - Ancestry.ca (1760-1869) - QFHS #EANG003M (1790-1880 indexes of 1,104 marriages)
1766 - **Christ Church** – Old Montreal - Rev. David Chabrand Délisle, presiding - Congregation founded in 1766, dedicatory services in 1789 and first located in Old Montreal in the Chapel of the Récollets - The church would relocate prior to 1845 to Notre Dame Street in Old Montreal – The parish church was raised to Cathedral status in 1850 - In 1859, Christ Church Cathedral opened on Union Avenue - **Anglican Archives** Montréal (1760-1899) - BAnQ films (1766-1941) - **Quebec Records** (1766-1941) - Ancestry.ca (1766-1941) - QFHS (1766-1899 indexes of marriages 254 pages) - FamilySearch Online (1819-1882)

http://www.qfhs.ca/forsalephp?scid=5
http://www.anglican.ca/resources/gsarchives/incanada/
http://montreal.anglican.org/parish/parish-list_mtl.shtml
https://www.genealogiequebec.com/en/
http://www.ancestry.ca/
https://www.banq.qc.ca/archives/entrez_archives/centres_archives/

1774 - **Saint-Martin-de-laval Catholic Parish** - Laval - BAnQ films (1774-1941) - Quebec Records (1774-1941) - Ancestry.ca (1774-1941)

http://www.leseglisesdemonquartier.com/1860.html

1788 - **Germanic Anglicans** - Old Montreal
The First Anglican church service in the German language in Montréal took place in 1788 in the Church of the Récollet Fathers on Notre Dame Street - Rev. John Doty, presiding - BAnQ films (1766-1941) - **Quebec Records** (1766-1941 & 1760-1869) - Ancestry.ca (1779-1909) - BAnQ Online Parish Registers (1900-1909)

http://www.leseglisesdemonquartier.com/1860.html
http://www.anglican.ca/archives/entrez_archives/centres_archives/

1792 – **Presbyterian Saint Gabriel** or Old St. Gabriel Street Church - Old Montreal - First permanent Presbyterian Church building in Montréal – Rev. James Somerville, Rev. Duncan Fisher, presiding in 1792 - First organized in 1779 in Old Montreal, the latter also referred to as the Scotch Church and located on St. Gabriel Street, adjoining the Champ de Mars, next to the Old Court House. Saint Gabriel had the honor of being the first free standing Protestant church erected in Montréal – In the first years of this church building, the Anglicans also worshipped at Saint Gabriel – The congregations were largely military, from the Garrison close by - Previous to it’s erection, the Presbyterians for several years worshipped in the Church of the Récollet Fathers - In 1886 the congregation had moved to 2148 Ste-Catherine Street West near Phillips Square - BAnQ films (1779-1909) - Quebec Records (1779-1909) - Ancestry.ca (1779-1909) - Presbyterian Archives Toronto #CONG-146 (1786-1869 St. Gabriel Street Presbyterian) - FamilySearch.org Online Parish Registers (1869-1882) - BAnQ Online Parish Registers (1900-1909)

http://bibnum2.banq.qc.ca/bna/ecivil/
1814 – **St. Andrew’s Church of Scotland** - Old Montreal - Revs. E.D. Black, H. Esson, A.D. Mathieson, presiding in 1842 – The newly built church was located on Ste-Hélène (St. Helen) Street - Previously known as St. Peter’s Street Presbyterian, the name change to Saint Andrew’s might have occurred in 1824 instead of 1815 - In 1879 this church was located on Beaver Hall Hill Street (de Radegonde Street at the time) – It was later relocated to Sherbrooke Street West, next to the Montreal Museum. - **BAnQ** films (1815-1918 St. Andrew's Presbyterian) - **Quebec Records** (1815-1918 St. Andrew's Presbyterian) - **Ancestry.ca** (1815-1918 St. Andrew's Presbyterian) - **Presbyterian Archives** Toronto #CONG-145 (1805-1992 2.4m of textual records, 23 films under St. Andrew’s, St Peter Street, St. Paul Street, St. Andrew, St. Paul Presbyterian) - **FamilySearch.org Online Parish Registers (1815-1882 & 1971-1875)** - **BAnQ Online Parish Registers (1900-1912)**

http://bibnum2.banq.qc.ca/bna/ecivil/
http://www.ancestry.ca/?lcid=4105
https://www.genealogiequebec.com/en/
http://www.presbyterianarchives.ca/index.html
https://www.genealogiequebec.com/en/
www.presbyterian.ca/archives/general.html

1814 - **Christ Church Cathedral** - Old Montreal - Dr. S.J. Mountain presiding in 1842 - Prior to 1814, the Anglicans worshipped for 11 years in the Presbyterian Church - New church was located on Notre Dame Street at the corner of St-Lambert Hill in Old Montreal - Opened in 1814, burnt in 1856 - Two years later, the new Cathedral would open on Union Avenue
http://www.anglican.ca/resources/gsarchives/incanada/
http://montreal.anglican.org/parish/parish-list_mtl.shtml
https://www.genealogiequebec.com/en/
http://www.banq.qc.ca/archives/entrez_archives/centres_archives/

1818 - **St. James’ Chapel** - St. James Street Methodist of Greater St. James Street - Old Montreal - Church was organized in St. Lawrence Hall on Great St. James Street at the corner of St-François Xavier Street - Official opening of St. James’ Chapel in 1821 - This new church replaced the St-Sulpice Church, the latter had been organized in 1808 – **United Church Archives** Montréal UCC #277 (1818-1831) & UCC #278 (1831-1838) & UCC #279 (1838-1844) & UCC #280 (1845-1855) & UCC #281 (1855-1864) & UCC #286 (1864-1874) & UCC #282 (1875-1885) & UCC #284 (1895-1908) & UCC #285 (1908-1916) & #P603, S2, SS42 (1818-1864 & 1895-1915) - **BAnQ** films (1818-1925) - **Quebec Records** (1818-1925) - **Ancestry.ca** (1818-1925) - **BAnQ Online** (1900-1912) - **Family Search.org Online** (1876-1882)

http://www.electriccanadian.com/religion/methodism/chapter03.htm
http://www.stjamesunitedchurchmontreal.com/museum/main/st-james-street-methodist-church-
1821–1845/
http://www.united-church.ca/contact/archives
https://www.genealogiequebec.com/en/
http://www.banq.qc.ca/archives/entrez_archives/centres_archives/
http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~methodists/a-c.htm
http://bibnum2.banq.qc.ca/bna/ecivil/index.html?a=r&r=06M&d=601
https://familysearch.org/search/collection/1929561

1818 – **St. Andrew’s Presbyterian** - Lachine - West Island - Organized in 1818 on 15th Avenue in Lachine – At a certain point in time, the congregation was also described as Summerlea Presbyterian - BAnQ films (1818-1941) - Quebec Records (1818-1941) - Ancestry.ca (1818-1941) - United Church Archives Montréal #P-603, S2, SS103 (1815-1882 & 1871-1875) - FamilySearch.org Online Parish Registers (1831-1870 & 1876-1882) - BAnQ Online Parish Registers (1900-1912)
http://bibnum2.banq.qc.ca/bna/ecivil/
https://www.genealogiequebec.com/en/
http://www.ancestry.ca/?lcid=4105
http://www.banq.qc.ca/archives/entrez_archives/centres_archives/
http://www.leslabelle.com/Cimetieres/ListerCims.asp?MP=E3&TY=V&SS=Montréal/Lachine
http://www.united-church.ca/contact/archives

http://www.anglican.ca/resources/gsarchives/inCanada/
http://montreal.anglican.org/parish/parish-list_mtl.shtml
https://www.genealogiequebec.com/en/
http://www.ancestry.ca/
https://www.banq.qc.ca/archives/entrez_archives/centres_archives/
http://www.leslabelle.com/Cimetieres/ListerCims.asp?MP=E3&TY=V&SS=Montréal/Lachine

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https://www.genealogiequebec.com/en/
http://www.ancestry.ca/
http://www.banq.qc.ca/archives/entrez_archives/centres_archives/

1831 - **Congregationalist Zion Society or Zion Congregational** – Old Montreal - Rev. J.J. Carruthers (1831), Rev. Henry H. Wilkes (1836) presiding - First located on Ste-Hélène street at St-Joseph street near Place d’Armes in Old Montréal. In 1835, the church had moved to the “Mansion House” on College street in Old Montréal - In 1846, the church was located on St-Maurice street near St-Antoine street – Prior to 1866, the congregation had moved to Radegonde (Beaver Hall Hill) street near the Hay Market – Between 1867 and 1882, the same church or a branch of this parish was located on Grey Nun
street in Griffintown – In 1889, the main church had moved to Jeanne Mance and Milton streets – At a later date, the parish would move to Cartier street near Laurier avenue in South East Central Montréal – Church closed in 1920 – Some of the members of the congregation would join Westminster Presbyterian, date unknown - BAnQ films (1834-1842 & 1834-1847 & 1848-1899 & 1834-1920) - Quebec Records (1834-1920) - Ancestry.ca (1834-1920) – FamilySearch.org Online Parish Registers (1834-1875 & 1876-1882)
https://familysearch.org/search/collection/1929561
http://www.united-church.ca/contact/archives

1833 - Montreal First Baptist Church - Old Montreal - BAnQ films (1833-1899)
http://www.leslabelle.com/Cimetieres/ListerCims.asp?MP=E3&TY=V&SS=Montréal

1834 - Congregationalist United Free Society or St. Maurice Street Congregational or United Free Congregational in Griffintown - Revs. Henry Wilkes, Henry B. Buckham, presiding – Was located on St-Maurice street, south of Notre Dame street, west of McGill street in Old Montréal near Griffintown - BAnQ films (1836-1837 & 1884-1887) - Quebec Records (1836-1837 & 1884-1887) - Ancestry.ca (1836-1837 & 1884-1887) - FamilySearch.org Online Parish Registers (1836-1837)
https://familysearch.org/search/collection/1929561
http://www.united-church.ca/contact/archives

1840 - Trinity Memorial Anglican Church of Viger Square - Old Montreal - Rev. Mark Willoughby, presiding - Organized in 1840 and first located on St. Paul Street near the Bonsecours Market in Old Montreal - The church was also referred to at the time as St. Paul Street Anglican - Prior to 1866, this church would relocate to the corner of Viger Street at St-Denis Street - In 1920, Trinity absorbed the church of Good Shepherd of Westmount (founded in 1909) and moved to it's present location at 5220 Sherbrooke Street West, Montréal - The name became Trinity in 1921 - Anglican Archives Montréal (1920-1969) - BAnQ films (1840-1941) - Quebec Records (1840-1941) - Ancestry.ca (1840-1941)
http://www.anglican.ca/resources/gsarchives/incanada/
http://montreal.anglican.org/parish/parish-list_mtl.shtml
http://www.ancestry.ca/
https://www.genealogiequebec.com/en/
http://www.banq.qc.ca/archives/entrez_archives/centres_archives/

1841 - Calvinist Presbyterians - Calvinist Presbyterian Church of St-Joseph Street - Old Montreal - Organized in 1841 in Old Montréal, a church also known as St. Joseph Street Presbyterian. Prior to the opening of "The German Church" (Saint Johannes Evangelischen Lutherschen Gemeinde), a few German immigrants attended this small church. In 1863 under the name of Calvin Presbyterian Church, the congregation would move to 2565 Notre Dame street west at the corner of des Seigneurs and Chatham in the Griffintown district. In 1917 the congregation would be renamed Calvin Westminster Presbyterian and be relocated to 808 Atwater avenue in Westmount, and in 1925 it was renamed Westminster Central United - Church registers of Germanic families can also be found among St. Gabriel Street Presbyterian and St. Andrew's Presbyterian - BAnQ films (1863-1933 Calvinist Presbyterian & 1815-1918 St. Andrew's Presbyterian & 1779-1909 St. Gabriel Street Presbyterian - Quebec Records (1779-1909 & 1815-1918 & 1863-1933) - Ancestry.ca (1779-1909 & 1815-1918 & 1863-1933) - Presbyterian Archives, Toronto #CONG-146 (1791-1986 St. Gabriel Street Presbyterian & #CONG-145 (1805-1992 2.4m of textual records, 23 films under St. Andrew's Presbyterian, St Peter Street Presbyterian, St. Paul Street Presbyterian, St. Andrew's Presbyterian) - FamilySearch.org Online Parish Registers (1815-1882 & 1971-1875)
http://www.presbyterianarchives.ca/index.html
https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/Quebec,_Non-
Catholic Parish Registers (FamilySearch Historical Record)
http://www.united-church.ca/contact/archives

1841 - St. Stephen’s Church – Laval (St-Martin - Ste-Rose - St-Eustache) - Island of Laval–
Organized in 1841 – Parishes included St. Martin - Ste. Rose - St. Eustache - Anglican Archives
Montréal (1842-1863) - BanQ film (1842-1858)
http://2015.anglican.ca/archives/incanada/
http://montreal.anglican.org/parish/parish-list_mtl.shtml
http://www.banq.qc.ca/archives/entrez_archives/centres_archives/

1841 - Mascouche Episcopalian Church - Terrebonne region, northeast of Montreal - BanQ films
(1841-1857 Episcopal & 1855-1940 Grace Anglican) - Quebec Records (1841-1857 Episcopal & 1855-
1940 Grace Anglican) - Ancestry.ca (1841-1857 Episcopal & 1855-1940 Grace Anglican)
http://www.leslabelle.com/Cimetieres/ListerCims.asp?MP=E3&TY=V&SS=Mascouche
http://www.anglican.ca/archives/incanada/

1842 - Church of St-Vincent de Paul Anglican – Laval (St. Vincent de Paul) - Laval – Organized in
1842 - Anglican Archives Montréal (1863-1940) - BanQ films (1842-1940) - Quebec Records (1842-
1940) - Ancestry.ca (1842-1940)
http://2015.anglican.ca/archives/incanada/
http://montreal.anglican.org/parish/parish-list_mtl.shtml
http://www.banq.qc.ca/archives/entrez_archives/centres_archives/
https://www.genealogiequebec.com/en/

1853 - Germanic Lutherans - Sankt Johannes Gemeinde Evangelischen Lutherischen Gemeinde
"The German Church“ – Montréal - Organized in 1853 and referred to at the beginning as the German
Church - On May 13th 1855, Rev. H.C. Halir, presided. He was followed in 1858 by Rev. George
Werner, in 1874 by Rev. C.F.W. Rechemberg, in 1884 by Rev. H. Ongerth - In 1855, the German
Evangelical Church (Evangelischen Gemeinde Kirche), as it was known then worshipped at St. Gabriel
Street Church in Old Montréal - Another source indicates that the German Congregation worshipped
also at Trinity Anglican Church, at said period, Trinity Anglican was located in Old Montréal - The latter
Anglican Church would subsequently move to the corner of St-Denis street at Viger avenue - After
November 1st 1858, the congregation of Saint Johannes Evangelischen Lutherischen Gemeinde
moved to their own church building at 129 St-Dominique street, near Charlotte Lane, opposite the St.
Lawrence Market - The present church was erected in 1907 and it is still the dominant Lutheran Church
in Québec in 2015 and it is located at 3594 Jeanne Mance Street, Montreal QC H2X 2K3 – 514-844-
6297 - BanQ films (1855-1942 & 1936-1941) - Quebec Records (1855-1942 & 1936-1941) -
Ancestry.ca (1855-1942 & 1936-1941)
www.saintjohnslutheranmontreal.org
www.luther95.net/MONTREAL-LUTHERAN/
http://www.kanada.diplo.de/Vertretung/kanada/en/01/GK__Montreal/Generalkonsul__und__Abtei
lungen/vereine-montreal-seite.htm

1859 - St. Patrick Catholic Church - Montreal - BanQ (1859-1941) - Quebec Records (1859-1941) -
Ancestry.ca (1859-1941)
http://www.leseglisesdemonquartier.com/698.html

1860 - St. John’s the Evangelist Anglican - Montreal - BanQ films (1860-1941) - Quebec Records
(1860-1941) - Ancestry.ca (1860-1941)
1860 - **St. Matthew's Presbyterian** - Point St. Charles - Pointe St-Charles - Revs. Joshua Fraser, Somerville Stobbs, presiding - Organized at 787 Wellington Street, corner of Bourgeois near the railway crossing (the latter, as described as such in 1867 in various Montreal newspapers) - **BAnQ films** (1860-1941 St. Matthew's Presbyterian Point St. Charles) - **Quebec Records** (1860-1941 St. Matthew's Presbyterian Point St. Charles) - **Ancestry.ca** (1860-1941 St. Matthew's Presbyterian Point St. Charles) - **FamilySearch.org Online Parish Registers** (1860-1882) - **BAnQ Online Parish Registers** (1900-1912)

http://bibnum2.banq.qc.ca/bna/ecivil/
http://www.banq.qc.ca/archives/entrez_archives/centres_archives/
http://www.ancestry.ca/?lcid=4105

1864 - **Mile End Saint-Enfant-Jésus** - North Central Montreal - **BAnQ films** (1864-1941) - **Quebec Records** (1864-1941) - **Ancestry.ca** (1864-1941)

http://www.leseglisesdemonquartier.com/604.html
http://www.leslabelle.com/Cimetieres/ListerCims.asp?MP=E3&TY=V&SS=Montréal

1868 - **European Presbyterians** - **Presbyterian Mission** - Old Montreal - In 1868, the Presbyterian Church opened a mission within the church building of the Lutheran Church of St-Dominique Street, the latter located near Charlotte Lane, across the street from the St. Lawrence Market - The Presbyterian Mission of St-Dominique Street was a preaching point of St. Paul Street Presbyterian, the latter renamed later as St. Paul's Presbyterian - **BAnQ films** (1868-1899 St. Paul's Presbyterian) - **Quebec Records** (1868-1899 St. Paul's Presbyterian) - **Ancestry.ca** (1868-1899 St. Paul's Presbyterian)

www.presbyterian.ca/archives/general.html
http://www.united-church.ca/contact/archives

1872 - **Terrebonne St. Michael's Anglican Church** - Terrebonne - **BAnQ films** (1872-1916) - **Quebec Records** (1872-1918) - **Ancestry.ca** (1872-1918)

http://www.leseglisesdemonquartier.com/699.html
http://www.anglican.ca/archives/incanada/

1873 - **St. Ann’s Catholic Parish** - South East Montreal - **BAnQ films** (1873-1941) - **Quebec Records** (1873-1941) - **Ancestry.ca** (1873-1941)

http://www.leslabelle.com/Cimetieres/ListerCims.asp?MP=E3&TY=V&SS=Montréal

1874 - **Saint-Paul Catholic Parish** - Côte St-Paul District - South West Region of Montreal - **BAnQ films** (1874-1941) - **Quebec Records** (1874-1941) - **Ancestry.ca** (#1874-1941)

http://www.leseglisesdemonquartier.com/699.html
http://www.leslabelle.com/Cimetieres/ListerCims.asp?MP=E3&TY=V&SS=Montréal

1891 - **Anglican Institutions** - South East Montreal - **BAnQ films** (1891-1941) - **Quebec Records** (1891-1941) - **Ancestry.ca** (1891-1941)

http://www.leslabelle.com/Cimetieres/ListerCims.asp?MP=E3&TY=V&SS=Montréal
http://www.anglican.ca/archives/incanada/
1912 - Saint Dominic Catholic Parish - Montreal Parthenais Street - BAnQ films (1912-1941) - Quebec Records (1912-1941) - Ancestry.ca (1912-1941)
http://www.leseglisesdemonquartier.com/594.html


1930 - Saint-Louis de France Catholic Parish - City Hall Street at the corner of Roy Street - Montreal
Even before the World War I there were numerous German Catholics in Montreal. Attempts were made to set up a Catholic parish, but because of the small number of Catholics, they did not succeed. After the war, more and more Germans had to leave their homeland, and many came to Canada. In Montreal soon a larger colony of German Catholics emerged, all of whom more or less also spoke Hungarian, as they had emigrated from Hungary and from the regions separated from Hungary: from Czechoslovakia, Romania and Yugoslavia. Our people felt very unhappy; they would have liked a Holy Mass with German church songs and with a sermon in German. In 1928 Franciscan Father Jerome Hedly established the Hungarian parish, many of our fellow countrymen joined this community and were members of the same until the emergence of our German community in Saint Louis de France. On the 31st of January 1930 a small meeting was held. Present were: Anton Schlachter (Bácska, Yugoslavia), Ehrhard Weisenberger (Deutschland), Georg Marx (Schweiz), Matthias Vogel (Ungarn), Nikolaus Ginder (Bácska, Yugoslavia), Josef Beck (Bácska, Yugoslavia), Valentin Gilbertus (Bácska, Yugoslavia), Michael Schneider (Bácska, Yugoslavia). Alfred Schultes (Germany), Johann Monn (Switzerland) - The Lord Archbishop asked for a German priest from the General Abbot of the Cistercian Order in Rome, who then sent his secretary, Dr. P. Tiburtius Hümpfner to Montreal. He landed in Montreal on the 11th of May 1930 and was kindly received as a guest at the archbishop's palace - Holy Mass and afterwards preach in German, on Sunday 18 May 1930, at 9 o'clock in the morning in the lower church of St. Louis de France (at the Roy St. and City Hall, corner Laval Avenue). All German-speaking Catholics in the city are kindly invited to participate in the divine service.

1931 - Römisch-Katholische St. Bonifatius Kirche - German Catholic Saint Boniface Rectory - BAnQ films (1931-1941) - Quebec Records (1931-1941) - Ancestry.ca (1931-1941) - OEPS (Archdiocese of Montréal - Office for English Pastoral Services) - 514-925-4315 - St. Boniface Rectory 3760, av. de l'Hôtel-de-Ville, Montréal (Québec) H2W 2G4 - 514-849-8574 - stbonifacemtl@bellnet.ca
http://www.leseglisesdemonquartier.com/664.html


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stpaul@look.ca
http://www.kanada.diplo.de/Vertretung/kanada/en/01/GK__Montreal/Generalkonsul__und__Abtei
lungen/vereine-montreal-seite.html
http://www.leslabelle.com/Cimetieres/ListerCims.asp?MP=E3&TY=M&SS=52

1959 - **Full Gospel Assembly** - Lachine - 5060 Sir. George Simpson, Lachine QC H8T 1E7 - 514-637-4766

http://www.kanada.diplo.de/Vertretung/kanada/en/01/GK__Montreal/Generalkonsul__und__Abtei
lungen/vereine-montreal-seite.html

1960 - **European Protestants - Mariner’s House - Christian Reformed Church** - Old Port of Montréal - Rev. Uitenbosch, presiding in 1965 under the name of The Ministry to Seafarers (M2S) 514-844-1476 - Mariner's House - Iberville Terminal - Shed 3 Upper Level, Alexandra Quay Old Port of Montreal - Postal address: P.O. Box 128, Place D'Armes, Montréal QC H2Y 3E9 -

www.ministrytoseafarers.org/contacts.htm

Repositories

**QFHS** - Quebec Family History Society in Pointe Claire - www.qfhs.ca

**BAnQ** - Bibliothèque Archives nationales du Québec in Montréal - www.banq.qc.ca

Grande Bibliothèque - 475 boulevard de Maisonneuve Est Montréal QC H2L 5C4 800-363-9028
www.banq.qc.ca

Montréal Lutheran Council - Eastern Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada - Greater Montréal - www.luther95.net/MONTREAL-LUTHERAN/ - The Montréal Lutheran Council is made up of representatives from the parishes and ministries of the Eastern Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada serving greater Montréal -

Deutsche Evangelisch Lutherische Konferenz in Nord Amerika - www.delkina.org

St. Johannes Gemeinde zu Montreal - 3594 rue Jeanne-Mance (ecke Prince Arthur) Montreal QC H2X 2K3 514-844-6297 stjohns@saintjohnslutheranmontreal.org -
www.saintjohnslutheranmontreal.org
Anglican Archives

**Montreal Diocese** - Richard Virr, Archivist - Barbara McPherson, Assistant Archivist - archives@montreal.anglican.ca - www.montreal.anglican.ca - 514-843-6577 - 1444 Union Avenue Montréal QC H3A 2B8

United Church of Canada Archives

**Montreal & Ottawa Conference** - Beverly Anderson-Levine, Archivist - archives.mo@istar.ca - 514-634-7015X28 - 225, 50th Avenue, Lachine QC H8T 2T7

Canadian Presbyterian Archives

**Canadian Presbyterian Archives** - Kim Arnold, Archivist, karnold@presbyterian.ca - 416-441-1111X310 - Bob Anger - Assistant Archivist banger@presbyterian.ca - 416-441-1111X266 - 50 Wynford Drive, Toronto ON M3C 1J7 800-619-7301

Canadian Mennonite Conferences

**Canadian Conference of Mennonite Brethren Churches** - www.mbconference.ca/home/products_and_services/resources/published_genealogies

**Canadian Mennonite Board of Colonization (CMBoC) Data Extraction Project** - www.mennonites.ca/mhsa/projects/cmboc

**Mennonite Heritage Centre Archives** - 204-888-6781 - 600 Shaftesbury, blvd., Winnipeg MB R3P 0M4 - www.mennoniteschurch.ca/ - office@mennonitechurch.ca

Societies in Montréal

**Deutsche Gesellschaft zn Montreal** - German Society of Montreal - Société Allemande de Montréal - deutschegesellschaft@videoton.ca - www.deutschegesellschaftmontreal.com - 450-465-0872 - PO Box 665 Station B Montreal QC H3B 3K3 - Rev. O.C.D. Klahn


**Switzerland** - Fédération des Sociétés Suisses de l'Est du Canada - info@fedesuisse.com - www.fedesuisse.com/index.php

**Switzerland** - Swiss National Society - Karl Diehl - 20 Woodbridge Road, Dollard des Ormeaux QC H9T 1T2 - 514-696-3876

**Switzerland** - Swiss Club of the Eastern Townships - Marlis Husler - 660 Rang Magenta, Farnham
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**Austria - Consulate General of Austria** - Suite 1110, 1350 Sherbrooke street west, Montréal QC H3G 1J1 - Tel: 514-845-8661 - consul.at.mont@aira.com

**Germany - Consulate of the Federal Republic of Germany in Montréal** - 1250 René-Lévesque West, suite 4315, Montréal QC H3B 4W8 - Tel: 514-931-2277 - info@montreal.diplo.de

**Luxembourg - Consulate General of Luxembourg** - 3706 rue St-Hubert, Montréal QC H2L 2A2 - 514-849-2101

**Switzerland - Consulate General of Switzerland** - 1572 avenue Dr. Penfield, Montréal H3G 1C4 - Tel: 514-932-7181 - mon.vertretung@eda.admin.ch www.eda.admin.ch/canada

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