

Passion Sunday

March 20, 2005

*Christ became obedient for us even to death,
dying on the cross. Therefore God raised him
on high and gave him a name above all other names.*



Hosanna!

SHARE LENT

By 2005 half the world's population may not have access to water. 80% of illness suffered by people in developing countries is related to water. Partners of D&P in Latin America, Asia and Africa are working for access to water for the poor in their countries. Youth in Nigeria work to strengthen their country's fragile democracy. This week keep these dedicated people in your prayers. www.devp.org

GOOD FRIDAY HOLY LAND COLLECTION IN JESUS' FOOTSTEPS

Early in the morning, Jesus walked towards the lake of Genesareth. He sees fishermen that are just about to go out to sea to catch some fish with their nets. Jesus said to them; "Follow me!" They are taken by surprise and intrigued by his request. "Come!" insisted Jesus, "I will make you fishers of men". Having heard the Master's voice the fishermen were called to the vocation and "they followed him..."

Today's youth still experience Jesus' call. They listen to the voice in their hearts that invites them to follow the Lord's path. These young Franciscans come from all over the world to follow Jesus. They are ready to start working with Him in Galilee, Judea, Palestine, everywhere even in Jerusalem. They are 72 coming from 26 countries who join the Custody of the Holy Land, to study Philosophy and Theology. They are young Arabs from the Middle East who are joined by other youth from Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Bolivia, Ecuador, Italy, Mexico and Poland. During their school year they take part in the liturgical service and in the choir of the Holy Sepulchre. During the summer, they are sent to different sanctuaries. They are young, often poor but full of life and ideals. They need help to continue their studies. As Mgr J. A. Ploudre, Archbishop Emeritus of Ottawa, once said: "If I hadn't received financial assistance like so many others, I would have never fulfilled my Episcopal and Sacerdotal vocation.

On Good Friday, the custody of the Holy Land needs you and the donations of the faithful to help finance the studies of these future priests. *In fact, the total sum of the Good Friday Collection across Canada will finance the formation of future priests.* They need your help. They will be the momentum of your action in the land of Jesus.

F. Édouard Otis, o.f.m.
Commissary

HEARTFELT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

To all whose prayers and expressions of sympathy were of comfort to me in the loss of my mother. **Steve Ellis (Staff)**

IN OUR PARISH

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE - MARCH 21 TO 25

Mon. & Tues.: 7:30 p.m., Wed.: 8:30 a.m. Thurs.: 8:00 p.m.,
(Friday: no Mass – celebration of Lord's Passion 3:00 p.m.)

Holy Week Calendar

Wednesday	March 23	Chrism Mass (en Français) at Mary Queen of the World Cathedral - 8:00 p.m.	
Holy Thursday	March 24	With dance we rejoice in the Lord! - 7:30 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper, 8:00 p.m. 40 hr Perpetual Adoration begins after Mass until Saturday afternoon	
Good Friday	March 25	Children's Passion play 10:30 a.m. Walk with the Cross from Vichy's - 12 noon Confessions 1:00 p.m. Celebration of the Lord's Passion and Veneration of the Cross 3:00 p.m. Way of the Cross by Youth – 8:00 p.m.	
Holy Saturday	March 26	Pascal Vigil – Easter Celebration 8:00 p.m.	
Easter Sunday	March 27	Masses 9:00 a.m. (Church only) 11:00 a.m. (Church and Hall) 12:30 p.m. (Church only) 5:00 p.m. (Church only)	

EASTER BREADS will be blessed Holy Thursday before 8:00 p.m. Mass.

GOOD FRIDAY WALK WITH THE CROSS

Many of you are familiar with this long-standing Becket tradition. Please note that this year we have a change in the starting point of the walk: We will gather at Vichy Restaurant parking lot (northeast of Brunswick / St. John's intersection) at 12:00 noon. **Please note, we ask that you park at Maxi or Fairview mall and then walk over to Vichy Restaurant.** Thank you! Departure time from Vichy is 12:30 p.m. See you there!

N.B. The parish office will be closed Good Friday and Easter Monday

PLEASE SIGN UP FOR HOLY WEEK VIGIL

A **40-hour** perpetual Eucharistic Adoration begins after the 8:00 p.m. Mass on Holy Thursday and continues until Saturday afternoon. Sign up on the poster in the Narthex to spend an hour accompanying Jesus on the road to Calvary, and let HIM minister to YOU.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

A meeting to update those who applied and any members from Council 6096 or other councils are invited to attend a meeting at **7:30 p.m. March 23rd in Cahill Hall.** Anyone interested in becoming a Knight is also cordially invited. Your support will go a long way in achieving our mutual goal of a Becket Council.

FAITH FIRST

For families wishing to bring their children more fully into Christ, please attend one of the Faith First pre-registration information meetings to be held on **May 24th and 25th, 2005** in the Church at 7:30pm. Registration for all levels will be held the following week on **May 31st and June 1st** from 7:00 - 9:00pm in the parish hall.

BE AN EASTER FLOWER DONOR

To make a donation in memory of a loved one towards our church decorations for Easter, include your donation in an envelope that is clearly marked “**Easter flower donations**”, and write on the envelope: name of your loved one (memorial) along with your name (donor). Please also include your parish envelope number if available. You can bring your donation to the office or drop it in the **Flower Donation Box** at the Church doors. Names of loved ones will be included in upcoming holiday bulletins.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS		
	<u>Offerings</u>	<u>Development and Peace</u>
March 13, 2005	\$ 5560.00	\$ 1808.00

SEE HOW THEY LOVE ONE ANOTHER

Do you “have a heart for Christianity”? Would you love to see us meeting, praying, and working in collaboration with other Christians to spread the Gospel and be of service to people in our society today? Pray about this - let the Lord search your heart and contact me in person, by phone, letter or email.

J. Hillis

YOUTH

WAY OF THE CROSS BY YOUTH

Come and reflect with the young adults of our parish the Passion of our Lord. The youth will interpret Jesus' final days with mime, song, dance and words using the theme "HOPE". The Passion play will be presented on Good Friday at 8:00 pm in the church. All are welcome.

BECKET CHURCH MICE PRESENT

Children's Passion Play, 10:30 a.m. on Good Friday. Bring your youngsters for Good Friday experience designed especially for them!

BECKET PANTRY NEEDS

Stew, canned ham, laundry detergent, jam, gravy. We also desperately need **brown paper bags**. *Please bring items asked for **only**.* For **furniture** donations, please call the fonds de depannage at 683-0456, or Share the Warmth at 933-5599. Both these organizations offer pick up service. For **clothing** items (clean and in good condition) please drop off at the Vestiare, 15734 Gouin O. 620-6133. We also need daytime and evening **drivers** who would be willing to make deliveries of non-perishables to needy families. Call 626-4111.

HAPPENINGS AROUND TOWN

WEST ISLAND LENTEN RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

St. Edmund of Canterbury, **March 22 at 7:30 p.m.**

“HORIZON” EASTER SERIES SPECIAL RADIO PROGRAMS

Enjoy the seasonal messages of Cardinal Jean-Claude Turcotte, Bishop Anthony Mancini, and Monsignor André Desroches on Radio Ville Marie 91.3 FM. Good Friday: March 25 at 7:00 p.m., repeated March 26 at 2:00 a.m. Holy Saturday: March 26 at 11:00 a.m. (no repeat), Easter Sunday: March 27 at 7:00 p.m. repeated March 28 at 5:00 a.m.