

# Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

## June 12, 2005



*The kingdom of God is near: repent  
and believe the good news.*

**WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE – June 13 to 17**  
Mon. & Tues. 7:30 p.m., Wed. to Fri. 8:30 a.m.  
Check out our Tuesday evening Mass on your way to....

### HAPPY MARRIAGE JUBILEE!

Congratulations to our six Marriage Jubilee couples: **Brian and Jodie White**, 20 years; **Richard and Dianne Beaulieu**, 25 years; **Pierre and Debra Mongeon**, 25 years, **Marino and Angelina Argentin**, 30 years; **Grant and Mary Forrest**, 30 years; **Terry and Mercy Espinet**, 40 years.



May your examples inspire our youth to hear God's call to married love.



Blessings to you and all your families!! **HEARTFELT THANKS** to **Line and Marco Argentino** who so generously gave of their time, talent and energy to make this year's marriage jubilee possible.

### ROOF PRESENTATION FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

All parishioners are invited to an important meeting in the Church on **Wed. June 15 at 7:30 p.m.** Remi Perron, Roof Committee Chairman will present the Fabrique's proposal and cost analysis for a new roof for the Church, Hall and Narthex. Bring your questions and comments.

### REST IN THE LORD THIS SUMMER AND REST WELL!

It is a challenge for all of us – managing time, schedules, duties, endless lists of things to do, work, school, and relationships – finding time to obey the Lord's command to keep holy the "Lord's Day". Sunday worship puts us under God's care, power, and blessing – protecting us from the "new slavery" that wants us to work and shop nonstop 'til we drop, seven days a week; until we no longer remember why we're alive. As we enter into the summer time, we will rest best by finding our rest in the Lord. Attending Sunday Mass, hearing his word of truth, which cuts to the heart, enlightens and heals, sets us on track to walk with the Lord and enjoy the freedom of the children of God. Even on vacation we can be tempted to a frantic pace with finally time to do all the things we've been putting off. Take the time to be with the Lord at Mass on Sunday – call ahead and find the church if you have to – and He will fill your vacation time with his delightful peace and presence. For a nearby a Sunday **5:00 p.m.** Mass during **June, July, and August**, we your priests will help Fr. Francis McKee provide the 5:00 pm Sunday Mass at Mary Queen of Peace, Gouin O. (facing the Roxboro train station), which you may attend as needed. Your Becket donation envelopes will be sent unopened to us. May you have a good summer!

## **BECKET 40<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY NEWS**

The 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year of **St. Thomas à Becket Parish** will run from **September 5, 2005** (our Mission's first Sunday with founding Pastor Fr. Charles Cahill at 4 Masses) to October 11<sup>th</sup> 2006 (Archbishop Paul-Émile Cardinal Leger's decree founding the Parish). Talk it up! **Fr. Gilles**

### **HISTORY OF CHURCH CD/DVD**

Keep them coming! We've already received more than 400 photos of the church construction/reconstruction, Becket Players and other events. We would like to create a time line focusing on the important events of each of the past 40 years like special religious celebrations, regular yearly happenings (Christmas concert, shrove Tuesday dinners, bazaars, New Year's Eve dances, Marriage Jubilee, etc.) various fundraising initiatives (auction, bingo nights, fashion show, Italian Night, WYDDR, golf tournament, etc.) organizational activities (WYD, CWL, brownies/scouts, altar servers, prayer groups, etc.) everything and anything that is part of Becket history. A committee is being formed, and more people will be needed. It will be fun to gather info/pictures, sort through the boxes of documents we've received, scan and process the pictures, interview and videotape people, create the DVD, etc. We need YOU. Interested? Email or call the office 626-4111. Join in the fun...be a part of **Becket History!**

### **A PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL AT BECKET**

Since its foundation in 1965 as a Mission and in 1966 as a Parish, Becket has been full of the vitality characteristic of its many young families, competent adults, and seniors rich in experience and wisdom. It is our hope to continue to be guided by this wealth of experience carried by our entire membership. Our Becket Parish Pastoral Council is currently UNDER CONSTRUCTION. The Second Vatican Council urged each diocese to have a PPC. Dioceses in turn recommended parishes to have one. The simple purpose of the PPC is to allow parishioners to collaborate with their pastors, pastors to listen to their parishioners, parishes to follow the pastoral leadership of the Archbishop, and for the experience of parishioners to get back to the Archbishop. The entire Parish is responsible to hear the Lord's call and respond to Him, to observe with solicitude burdens others carry and respond with compassion, to practice our faith and transmit it to our children, to proclaim the Gospel with our lives, **to reach out and build a community of faith**. The pastor and parishioners in a PPC listen to observations about what is happening, what the community is experiencing, what people are thinking, and what God is doing. Together, they pray and discern what God is calling us to do. They are energized by the creative ideas and enthusiasm of people who get things done and are eager to do something beautiful for God. There is still considerable vitality, creativity, compassion, and generosity at Becket, and this is the kind of energy we want the PPC to have. Please pray for our PPC under construction. Fr. Gilles

### **BECOME A CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN – CALL/EMAIL US!**

Are you a Christian who doesn't really practice in your own tradition, or practice no faith at all, but come here and worship the Lord on Sundays? **Go all the way! Join us** – seek **full communion** with us by deepening (Col 1:18) your understanding of Scripture and your personal experience of God through the **Alpha Course** and the **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults – the R.C.I.A.** We will be so happy to journey with you to Easter.

## THANK YOU FROM FR. DOWD SENIOR

Dear friends:

Just a note to express my gratitude. Truly, though the day dawned overcast and rainy, it failed to dampen the wave of anticipation in my heart that only deepened upon arrival at the church. It was such a warm hearted greeting that continued throughout our stay.

Participation in the Mass was much appreciated, along with crowning of Our Lady, which brought back many youthful memories. The children's choir was excellent. The luncheon that followed was delicious. The hot soup hit the spot and the delicious sandwiches & cakes that followed were so tasty. There seemed to be no limit to them. The accordion music and the youthful dancers were greatly appreciated. They performed so well. Then to top it off, everyone received a lovely wrapped gift, and a decorative luncheon mat. Then, before we realized it, the buses and cars whisked us away.

I particularly would like to mention that the spirit of unity and peace that seemed to prevail amongst all of you was keenly and pleasantly noted. God keeps His Spirit with you. Truly it was Trinity Sunday.

Though the weather had turned very cold at departure, I am certain that we all returned home with heavenly warm hearts.

**Ann Eileen Ryan**

**Courtesy Rev. J. McDonald**

## **YOUTH**

### **WORLD YOUTH DAY BOTTLE DRIVE FUNDRAISER**

Don't forget to drop off your empty returnable bottles to the WYD box in the Narthex. Thank you for your generosity and on-going support!

### **CAR RALLY - POSTPONED**



WYD car rally fundraiser has been rescheduled for   
**August 7th 1:00 p.m.** \$25.00 per car. Call Rosemary for more info or to register: 777-7673.

## **AROUND TOWN**

### **ALPHA NATIONAL INITIATIVE 2005**

**A 40-Day Prayer Blitz!** An unusual explosion of prayer activities for 40 days aimed at calling on God to change our hearts and transform our country. Now's the time to consider what prayer activities **our parish** will engage in from Aug 6<sup>th</sup> to Sept.15<sup>th</sup>. Prayer Blitz ideas: 1-1-1: praying for 1 person at 1:00 p.m. for 1 minute...unbroken prayer circles...prayer walks & hikes...fasts...prayer B.B.Q.... neighbourhood prayer... Check out exciting other prayer ideas at [www.alphacanada.org](http://www.alphacanada.org) or call office.

### **WEST ISLAND CITIZENS ADVOCACY**

Is holding its 12<sup>th</sup> Annual fundraising Garden Tour on **Saturday, June 18, between 9:00 a.m. and noon**, in Baie d'Urfe & Ste. Anne de Bellevue. A light lunch will be served at the Surrey Community and Aquatic Centre immediately following the tour. Tickets: \$20 694-5850 or 631-6533.

### **BULLETIN BLOOPERS**

*"Barbara C. remains in the hospital and needs blood donors for more transfusions. She is also having trouble sleeping and requests tapes of pastor Jack's sermons."*

*"For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs."*

*"Don't let worry kill you – let the church help."*