

Second Sunday in Lent March 8, 2009



*Weekday Masses:
March 9: 7:15 p.m.
March 10, 11, 12, 13: 8:30 a.m.*

FAITH FIRST

MANDATORY RECONCILIATION for children receiving First Communion: Saturday March 14th at 9 am and 1 pm (please consult your child's book for assigned time). This will be your child's first confession; we will help them prepare for the sacrament but please go over the meaning of the sacrament with them, and the prayer that your child needs to know for confession (Act Of Contrition). Each child should be accompanied by an adult. Please be sure to arrive at least 10 minutes early.

Lenten Day CAFÉs (Adult Faith Formation) continue on Friday, March 13th at 9:30 a.m. The last Evening CAFÉ (Adult Faith Formation) will take place at 7 p.m. on March 18th on the subject Why Did Jesus Die.

THIS WEEK I FOLLOWED JESUS BY:

Helping my dad break the ice in the driveway. **William P.**

Saying "thank you". **Lucas R.**

Helping my mom make pancakes on Pancake Tuesday. **Julie D.**

I helped clear the table. **Nico C.**

Praying. **Frankie C.**

I helped my brother when he was sick. **Victoria V.**

VOCATIONS REFLECTIONS: Peter, James and John saw the Lord transfigured before their eyes and heard, "This is my son, my beloved, listen to him." Are you listening?

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Reading I: Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 (The Sacrifice of Abraham)

Reading II: Romans 8:31b-34 (Who Can Be Against Us?)

Gospel: Mark 9:2-10 (The Transfiguration)

Adults: Am I willing to spend some dedicated time "apart" with Jesus in prayer during Lent, waiting for whatever God wishes to reveal to me?

Children: When I pray to Jesus, do I also try to be still and listen to what he is saying in my heart?

BECKET HAPPENINGS AT A GLANCE

Sun.	Mar. 08	Mission Mass Homily discussion	after 11 am Mass
Tues.	Mar. 10	Becket Woodworking Club	7:00 pm
Wed.	Mar. 11	Confirmation Gathering	4:30 or 6:15 pm
		Becket's Knights of Columbus meeting	7:00 pm
Fri.	Mar. 13	Lenten Day CAFÉ	9:30 am
Sat.	Mar. 14	First Communion Reconciliations	see package for times
		Wedding: Danny Lavigne to Sheila Bell	3:00 pm

WEST ISLAND LENTEN RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE:

† St. Veronica: *March 10, 7:30 pm* † Thomas à Becket: *March, 24, 7:30 pm* † St. Luke: *March 24, after 7:30 pm Mass* † Mary Queen of Peace/St. David: *March 29, 5:00 pm (bilingual)* † St. Edmund's: *March 31, 7:30 pm* † St. John Fisher: *April 4, 10:30 a.m.* †

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: MARCH 7TH – MARCH 15TH

Saturday	March 7	2ND SUNDAY OF LENT
4:30 pm	Luc Johnson	the family
Sunday	March 8	
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Gerry McDonald	SNJM Associates
Mon.	March 9	
7:15 pm	Agnes O'Donnell	Marie Foggo
Tues.	March 10	
8:30 am	Neil Langill	Pat Fahey & family
Wed.	March 11	
8:30 pm	George Matthews	Canorient Chritian Assoc.
Thurs.	March 12	
8:30 a.m.	Ksienia Rosa	Rose Murphy
Fri.	March 13	
8:30 a.m.	Antonietta Maresca	Federico Flocco
Saturday	March 14	3RD SUNDAY IN LENT
4:30 pm	Mr. Robert Beaulieu	Pauline & John Basciano
Sunday	March 15	
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Vincenzo Cefaratti	The Colannino family

Weekday Readings for March 9 to March 13:

Mon.	March 9	Dn 9: 4b-10	Lk 6: 36-38
Tues.	March 10	Is 1:10, 16-20	Mt 23:1-12
Wed.	March 11	Jer 18: 18-20	Mt 20:17-28
Thurs.	March 12	Jer 17:5-10	Lk 16:19-31
Fri.	March 13	Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-23a	Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

SANCTUARY LAMP: Week of March 8th: The family of Christina King, requested by Edward King.

PRACTICING PENANCE: When I sprain my ankle, part of the healing process will involve physical therapy. It's tender, and perhaps it is swollen. It may be important to put ice on it first, to reduce the inflammation. I may want to wrap it, elevate it, and stay off it. Then, I will need to start moving it and walking on it, and eventually, as the injury is healed, I'll want to start exercising it, to strengthen it, so I won't as easily injure it again.

Penance is a remedy, a medicine, a spiritual therapy for the healing I desire. The Lord always forgives us. We are forgiven without condition. But complete healing takes time. With serious sin or with bad habits we've invested years in forming, we need to develop a therapeutic care plan to let the healing happen. To say "I'm sorry" or to simply make a "resolution" to change a long established pattern, will have the same bad result as wishing a sprained ankle would heal, while still walking on it.

Lent is a wonderful time to name what sinful, unhealthy, self-centered patterns need changing and to act against them by coming up with a strategy. For example, if the Lord is shining a light into the darkness of a bad pattern in my



life, I can choose to "stop doing it." But, I have to work on a "change of heart" and to look concretely at what circumstances, attitudes, and other behaviours contribute to the pattern. If I'm self-indulgent with food, sex, attention-seeking behaviours and don't ask "what's missing for me, that I need to fill it with this?" then simply choosing to stop the pattern won't last long. Lasting healing needs the practice of penance. Taken from the *Praying Lent pages of Creighton University's Online Ministries web site: www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/online.html. Used with Permission.*

LENTEN MISSION MASS HOMILY DISCUSSIONS To prepare ourselves to experience God's gift in our lives, the parish pastoral team has prepared a series of mission Masses for the five Sundays of Lent, which will develop the Word of God at the 11 am Masses and be followed by an invitation to a discussion over coffee after Mass in Cahill hall. By allowing the Word to penetrate our hearts ever more deeply, and by fortifying ourselves with the graces of the Sacraments, we can rise to the call of living the gift of our Christian lives to the fullest.

"You love the World...and we walk with You."

CHILDREN'S LITURGY LENT PROJECT: All parishioners are invited to participate our Children's Liturgy Lenten project. The children have each been given a hollow Easter egg, which they will fill with money they have saved during Lent. All the proceeds will be donated to the Abhilasha project. Some of our McGill students are involved with this project and asked if we would contribute to this worthy cause. Here is an excerpt from the project's website: "Believing that education is a catalyst for socio-economic change and progress, the Abhilasha (which in Hindi means hope) project is a non-profit organization dedicated to change in India and throughout the developing world by focusing on education. In keeping with this line of thought, our current project is focusing on building a new school for underprivileged and handicapped children in Rajnandgaon, India."
www.abhilashproject.org. Want to help us? Contributions can be placed in the donation box in the Narthex. Thank you!

Wanda, Laura & Margaret, Children's Liturgy Coordinators

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR NEW LECTIONARY: The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops has published a revised Lectionary for Sundays and Solemnities. This is the book of readings to be used in the public worship of the Roman Catholic Church in Canada. We have ordered two (2) new lectionaries (Ambo editions) which cost \$220.00 each. We thank our generous parishioners who have helped us defray the cost of one lectionary. Donations can still be made for the second lectionary. The name of your loved one, or intention, will be inscribed on the inside cover of the book.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY FAMILY BREAKFAST Mar 15th, after the 11 am Mass. Menu includes a full breakfast order of eggs, bacon, beans, potatoes, fruit, rolls. **\$4 per person.** Imported leprechaun and other surprises! Reservations: Guy Taillon: 450-424-3769. Sponsored by Becket's Knights of Columbus.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY LUNCHEON: In keeping with tradition, we will again hold our annual St. Patrick's Day luncheon on **Mar. 17th, 12 noon**, at Caza Grecque, 13081 Gouin W. Fr. Jack Kennedy of Resurrection parish will be the speaker. Come prepared for a fun time, wear the green and B.Y.O.B.

UNDERSTANDING THE MOVEMENTS OF OUR HEARTS A weekend seminar on Ignatian Discernment offered by Fr. Timothy Gallagher OMV, internationally renowned scholar and retreat master. This seminar helps us understand St. Ignatius of Loyola's Rules for the Discernment of Spirits and how their insights are invaluable for our spiritual growth today. Fr. Gallagher integrates the teaching of the Rules within the context of contemporary life and a much greater awareness of God's action in our daily lives. **March 14-15**, at Smith House in Mount Royal Park. Cost: \$90. For more info and registration, contact: Sally Harrington (450-263-7111) or Paul Empsall (514-626-9462).



EVENING OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD The English-speaking Catholic Community are warmly invited to the 17th Annual **"Evening of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood"** at St. Ignatius of Loyola **Wed., April 29 at 7:30 p.m.** Msgr. Sean Harty will preside a concelebrated Eucharist.

Refreshments and fellowship will follow. Come and support our Seminarians and Priests! Information: Diocesan Vocations Office 514-925-4348.