

First Sunday of Lent February 21, 2010



Weekday Masses
Mon. Feb. 22: 7:15 pm
Feb. 23, 24, 25, 26: 8:30 am

FAITH FIRST 2009-2010

CHILDREN'S GATHERINGS:

Mon. Feb. 22: High School

Wed. Feb. 24: Confirmation Gathering

Sat. Feb. 27: ***First Communion Reconciliation. Please refer to your package for assigned time.***

I cast my net this week by...

Praying for the Olympics. *Jason D.*

Helping my mommy with the housework. *William D.*

Pushing my baby sister in the carriage. *Nicholas O.*

Helping my parents do the vacuuming. *Anthony O.*

Giving money to Haiti. *Trista M.*

Being kind to others. *Noah D.*

Being nice to everyone. *Samantha T.*



QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Reading 1: Deuteronomy 26:4-10 (Brought out of Egypt)

Reading II: Romans 10:8-13 (The Lord of All)

Gospel: Luke 4:1-13 (The Temptation of Jesus)

Adults: What areas of my life do I need to fully surrender into God's hands?

Children: How does Jesus show us a way to be close to our heavenly Father?

VOCATIONS REFLECTION: What tempts us away from the reign of God? Try this week to live as an example for the young people in your life. Let them see the rewards of living by the Good Spirit. Encourage them in their discernment with your prayers and support. **Diocesan Vocations Office: 514-925-4348.**

CAFÉS: *Everyone* interested in exploring the Catholic faith or deepening their prayer life is invited to our Catholic Adult Faith Education sessions:

DAY CAFÉS:

Mon. Feb. 15, 9-10 am: Moms in Touch, with Cathy Zentner.

Fri. Feb. 19, 9: 30 -11: 30 am: Lenten Series: Exploring *The Passion of the Christ*.

EVENING CAFÉS:

Sat. Feb. 27, 7 pm: Becket Film Fest presents: *Faith Like Potatoes*.



WE NEED YOUR TIME, TALENT AND ENERGY: We're looking for actors, readers and stage hands for this year's Youth Passion Play. It will be a great opportunity to showcase your talent while sharing the message of our faith with our community during this most important and beautiful season of Lent.

If you're in high school and are interested in helping out please contact Corey at the office at 514-626-4111 ext. 222 or at youthministry@stthomasabecket.org

"Being deeply loved by someone gives you strength, while deeply loving someone gives you courage."





“AS PEOPLE OF FAITH we know that ‘God is love’ (I John 4.8) and we approach the Lenten season as a time of prayer, fasting and almsgiving to return to Love, and ensure once again its centrality in our lives. For the

Catholic Church in Canada, our celebration of Lent includes Share Lent, the annual fundraising campaign of Development and Peace, which is our official international development agency. Through Share Lent we walk steadily with people of the Global South as they work to improve the quality of their lives, and we respond immediately with special assistance in times of conflict and disaster.”

Bishop Pierre Morissette, President, Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: FEB. 13 TO FEB. 21

Saturday	Feb. 20	FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT
4:30 pm	Teresina Reda	Rina Reda
Sunday	Feb. 21	
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Luciano Della Rocca	Rina Della Rocca
Mon.	Feb. 22	
7:15 pm	Antoinette Hunter	Annemarie, Gilbert & Lauren
Tues.	Feb. 23	
8:30 am	John & Antoinette Boyle	Marguerite Meng Yap
Wed.	Feb. 24	
8:30 am	Al Becker	Yvette Eagle
Thurs.	Feb. 25	
8:30 am	Carol Clark	Rina Reda
Fri.	Feb. 26	
8:30 am	Rina Reda	special intention
Saturday	Feb. 27	SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
4:30 pm	Hildegard Jones	R. Geissler & family
Sunday	Feb. 28	
9:00 am	Marcario Family	Rina Della Rocca
11:00 am	Our Parishioners	

Readings for February 22 to Feb. 26

Mon. Feb. 22	1 Pt 5: 1-4	Mt 16: 13-19
Tues. Feb. 23	Is 55: 10-11	Mt 6: 7-15
Wed. Feb. 24	Jon 3: 1-10	Lk 11: 29-32
Thurs. Feb. 25	Est C: 12, 14-16, 23-25	Mt 7: 7-12
Fri. Feb. 26	Ez 18: 21-28	Mt 5: 20-26

SANCTUARY LAMP: Week of February 21: Dina Pazzi requested by Ed Pazzi.

FABRIQUE NEWS: Becket’s new team of wardens has been busy since the December elections with their new duties and responsibilities. Following are the Fabrique portfolios for 2010:

President and Fabrique Chair:

Secretary & H.O.C. Rep.:

Roof Committee:

PPC Rep. & Social Outreach:

Fundraising, P.R., Roof Committee Chair & Operations

Facilities, Equipment, & Grounds:

Treasurer & Hall Rentals:



Fr. Robert Clark, Pastor

John Bondyra (2011);

Heinz Brues (2010);

Gerry Richardson (2011);

Chuck Scott (2010);

Remi Perron (2012);

Norman Wight (2012).

Thank you to all our wardens and their families, for their generous gift of time and talent. May the Lord bless and guide all the members of our Fabrique and may they work in a rewarding and fruitful partnership. A BIG THANK YOU to outgoing warden Phillip Weller for his many years of dedication and service at our parish.

BECKET PANTRY NEEDS: a stove for a young family. Please call the parish office if you can help.



LENT IS THE TIME to start new patterns of prayer. Perhaps I haven't been praying at all. This is a great time to choose to begin. It is important to begin realistically. I can start by simply pausing when I get up and taking a slow, deep breath, and recalling what I have to do this day, and asking for grace to do it as a child of God.

I may want to go to bed a half an hour earlier, and get up a half an hour earlier and give myself some time alone to read the readings for the day, and just talk with the Lord about those readings or about the stuff of the day. I may choose to go to Mass each day during Lent. I may choose to get to church on Sunday, just 15 minutes earlier, so I can reflect a bit. Lent may be a time I would want to choose to start to journal the day to day reflections that are coming, the desires I'm naming and asking for, the graces I am being given.

LENTEN MISSION MASSES: As a means of helping ourselves to renew our relationship with God, the pastoral team is once again preparing a series of themed homilies for the five Sundays of Lent. This year's theme is "God is Faithful to his Word-Trust Him!" You are all invited to join us for coffee and discussion about this theme after every 11 am Sunday Mass throughout Lent. By allowing the Word to penetrate our hearts ever more deeply and by fortifying ourselves with the graces of the Sacraments, we can heed the call to greater trust and fidelity to God.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY 2010 Lenten Project theme is "CHILDREN HELPING CHILDREN". This year, the children will be helping Emmanuel Christian Teen Mission - Youth with a Mission (YWAM) PANAMA. From Sunday Feb. 21, to March 21, (Solidarity Sunday), we will be collecting donations. Emmanuel Teen Mission will have the opportunity to share the love of Jesus Christ through service work, drama, and one-on-one evangelism with the people of Panama through working with a local ministry. Whatever contribution you can make is sincerely appreciated. In the past, you have responded very generously, and once again we count on your support with this year Project.

Thank You and God Bless ,
Children's Liturgy Co-ordinators



This Lent Christians throughout Montreal are invited to take part in the national 40 Days for Life campaign. The campaign will once again be focused on a peaceful prayer vigil across from the Morgantaler abortion clinic throughout Lent. Fr. Michael will be organizing a day for our parishioners to go and participate in the prayer vigil. Please consider volunteering for a couple of hours of peaceful prayer and silent protest for this worthy cause. All parishioners are invited to offer a part of their prayer, fasting and almsgiving this Lent for an end to abortion in Canada. Please see Fr. Michael for more information or go to www.40daysforlife.com/montreal-english/

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE: March 3 Twilight Retreat at 7 p.m. at the convent of the Sisters of Ste Anne in Lachine. Facilitator: Sister Collette Gilbert of the Missionary Sisters of Our Lady of Africa. To reserve call Shirley 514-626-4002 by February 28.

REMINDER to all who will be attending the Beauty and the Beast performance on March 13. We will all get together afterwards for supper at the Casa Grecque on St. John's boul., D.D.O.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY LUNCHEON: We will be having our annual St. Patrick's Day luncheon on Wednesday, March 17 at the Casa Grecque, 3855 St. John's Blvd. at 12:00 noon. The special guest speaker will be our own Fr. Robert. "Sing Along" with Kathleen Lalonde. Come early to be sure of getting a good seat.



DID YOU KNOW: The diocesan website is a great place to find information about events and activities in and around our diocese? Visit www.diocesemontreal.com for more information. You can subscribe to the Grapevine and to the Cardinal's Wednesday email.