

*Twenty-fifth
Sunday in
Ordinary Time*

September 24, 2017



MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: SEPT. 23 TO OCTOBER 1

(L) indicates a living intention

Saturday	Sept. 23	Twenty-Fifth Sunday in ordinary Time	
4:30 pm	Dean Stock		Cathy & Phil Stock
Sunday	Sept. 24		
9:00 am	Jean Mack		Gerry Bourgeois & family
11:00 am	Our Parishioners		
Monday	Sept. 25		
8:30 am	Conjetta Tilli		Estate
Tuesday	Sept. 26		
8:30 am	Catherine Tilli		her sister Mary
Wednesday	Sept. 27		
8:30 am	Jackie Scimone		Claudine
Thursday	Sept. 28		
8:30 am	Mark Julius Coelho		Pat & Donny Coelho
Friday	Sept. 29	Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels	
8:30 am	Nina Kojoian		Elaine Leclerc
Saturday	Sept. 30	Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
4:30 pm	Our Parishioners		
Sunday	Oct. 1		
9:00	Patricia & Generoso Antazo		Jennelyn & family
11:00 am	Richard Low		Annette Drayton

SANCTUARY LAMP:

Week of:

September 24: Juliette Coelho (L), requested by Rose & Julia

October 1: TBA

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

Offering amounts for September 16/17 will be posted in the bulletin of September 30/Oct. 1

Upcoming special collection: October 08 – Religious Education

LORD, GRANT MERCY AND LASTING PEACE to those who died recently and strength and comfort to those who mourn them:

REGINALD ADAMS, brother of Diane Beaulieu.

LEO FERNANDES, husband of Linda Pinto

JAVISON TRINIDAD, grandnephew of Aurora Appao

COLLECTION FOR THE NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA:



Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada: An invitation to support the faith and evangelization mission of the Church! The Bishops of Canada gather in four Regional Assemblies (Atlantic, Quebec, Ontario and the West), as well as in their national Conference. The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) is mandated by the Holy See and the Bishops who are its members to work in a number of areas of pastoral life and evangelization: faith formation and catechesis, doctrinal questions,

ecumenical initiatives, international relations, interreligious conversations, liturgical resources, relations with Indigenous Peoples, social justice questions, and building a culture of life and family. The CCCB is the national assembly of the Catholic Bishops in Canada, and includes the Bishops (Eparchs) of the Eastern Catholic Churches as well. Thank you in advance for your generous contribution for ensuring the success of the collection and the ongoing work of evangelization.

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FAITH FIRST NEWS

Eucharist Gathering #1 Tuesday, Sept. 26th

Confirmation Gathering #1 Tuesday, Oct. 10th

WELCOME SUNDAY – after all Masses, **September 30 & October 1**. We invite you to the parish hall to meet our groups, ministries and organizations that make up the life of St. Thomas à Becket. Find out more about them and how they make St. Thomas à Becket parish such a wonderful place! You just might find one or two you would like to get involved with!

BECKET PANTRY NEEDS: tomato juice, rice, stew, gravy, tinned meats, fruit, crackers, tomato paste, coffee, tooth paste, bar soap, shampoo, tea, sugar, salmon. Thank you for your generous support.

THE WIDOW(ER) SUPPORT GROUP will be meeting on **Monday, Oct. 2** (the first Monday of every month, except holidays) at 9:30 am at St. Edmund of Canterbury Parish in the Fr. McEntee Room. It takes place after the 9:00 am parish Mass. All are welcome. For more information, please contact Anne Parsons at 514-457-2183.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY Children aged 4 through to Grade 5 level are welcome to join us for the first 20 minutes of Mass so that we may communicate the message of the weekly Gospel using "child-friendly" words and activities. This program is totally separate from the Faith First program, so a separate registration is required. Registration: following each mass weekends of **Sept 23-24 & Sept 30-Oct 1 (deadline Oct 2nd)**

To be successful, we require volunteer teachers, helpers and a coordinator for each mass. One does not have to be a teacher by profession to volunteer. The enjoyment of working with kids and sharing God's message with them are the only requirements. Volunteering may count towards parish or school community service requirements for teens. See us at the sign-up tables or contact Sophia at 514-694-4758 evenings or by e-mail sophiagolanowski@gmail.com

APPLEFEST FUNDRAISER Sunday, October 8 after both Masses. Volunteers needed to manage the tables. Donations of homemade apple creations: pies, cakes, squares, jellies, jams, etc. greatly appreciated. Donations can be dropped off in the before Mass on October 7 and 8. All proceeds go to the parish. Contact Anna Donald 514-620-2258.

LIFE CHAIN 2017: A peaceful demonstration to reaffirm the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death. **Sunday October 1, 2:00 – 3:00 pm** Decarie boul. south of Jean Talon, near Namur. Info 514-344-2686

LECTIO DIVINA PRAYING WITH SCRIPTURE: Prepare for Sunday Mass and enrich your prayer life by deepening your understanding of the scripture readings. Please join us from 7:30 to 8:30 pm on Fridays in Cahill Hall beginning September 28.

PARISH HALL CLEAN-UP: Saturday November 11. Please remove any belongings stored in the parish hall before November 10. All unlabelled/unclaimed items will be thrown out/recycled on clean-up day. If you would like to help please contact Rina @ 514-915-7586

THE MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE: Come learn more about yourselves as a couple and how to lay the foundation for a loving marriage that will last a lifetime! The course will be held over five Wednesday evenings, **starting October 18**, in a welcoming home setting in Kirkland. There is absolutely no group sharing, and all discussions remain completely private between you and your partner. Nathalie or John Bondyra at 514-695-7896, or email at kahndyra@sympatico.ca

THE MARRIAGE COURSE: A course designed for any couple wanting to invest in their relationship, whether already great or perhaps struggling. Over seven weekly evenings, in a relaxing home setting in Kirkland, spend some quality time as a couple, discovering the essence of a lifelong & loving marriage! There are no group discussions. The next course will be held in Kirkland, on Thursday evenings at 7:15 p.m., **starting October 19**. Think of it as a “date night”! Nathalie or John Bondyra at 514-695-7896, or email at kahndyra@sympatico.ca

LE PONT is looking for donations of furniture for their new centre for asylum seekers. Donations can be dropped off in their yard at 2700 rue Lacordaire, H1N 2M6, on Sept. 23 and 24 from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm. For large furniture donations please leave a message at www.facebook.com/lepontmontreal/ Le Pont is a new program supported by the Archdiocese of Montreal. Info: 514-931-7311 ext. 295 or e-mail: asantopadre@diocesemontreal.org

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: Living in fear

One obstacle to the happiness we desire is fear. Because our lives are completely dependent on the gift of our Creator and because we lack perfect trust in his love, we live in constant fear of our vulnerability. This fear is so natural that we often don't pay much attention to it. Nevertheless, our thoughts, feelings and actions are constantly influenced by a more or less conscious pursuit of security. The happiness God desires for us involves a freedom from these fears. Notice sometime how often references to fear or anxiety appear in Scripture and in the language of the Mass. But to free ourselves from these fears we have to first acknowledge and accept our weaknesses, insecurities, and vulnerabilities. And we can work toward accepting God's unique plan for each one of us and grow closer to the Father who longs to free us from fear and lead us to perfect happiness.

~ Lisa Duffy