

# Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## June 19, 2005

LORD,  
Bless our Fathers!

The Spirit of truth will bear witness to me,  
says the Lord, and you also will be my witnesses.

**WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE – June 20 to 24**  
Mon. & Tues. 7:30 p.m., Wed. to Fri. 8:30 a.m.  
Check out our Tuesday evening Mass on your way to....

### THANK YOU

Thanks to Ray Kalita, Bernie Lavigne, John & Norma Dawes, Bill Kelly, statue committee and consulting engineers for securing our statue of Our Lady of Lourdes in a secure way to her place outside our Church, Cahill Hall, Parish Office/Rectory. May she always watch over us, the people of this neighbourhood, be respected and honoured by all for the glory of God in Jesus Christ his Son Our Lord!

### CALLING ALL GREEN THUMBS

We need one or more people to prune the trees and shrubs (hedge is OK) around the church property. If you can help, please call the parish office 626-4111. Please consider this rewarding stewardship opportunity!

### WEBSITE NEWS

We need to decide as a parish community what the best roofing solution is for our Church. Please see the report on the status of and options for the church roof. An online forum has also been set up for your comments and suggestions. Talk to one another, to our wardens, in person, or on the web. Mass schedules are available on the website as well as Eucharistic ministers schedule (organizations page).

### 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 – sparing us the “new slavery” of work and shop ‘til we drop, 7/11, ‘til we no longer remember why we’re alive. As we enter into summer time, we rest best 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.

## **HELP US OFFER THE ALPHA COURSE IN SEPTEMBER!**

It is once again the season for renewal of our resources – like going from winter to summer tires or spring-cleaning. Every so often it's time for a team to make room for someone else to carry the torch. We thank Mary, Grant, and Shawn Forrest for their generosity in organizing and putting on our Alpha Course the past few years. Has Alpha been a blessing for you? Are you blessed to be a member of St. Thomas à Becket Parish? This can be a good time to give something back to the Lord and make a difference. All you need is to like people and love the Lord! If you can go, there is an Alpha Conference in Toronto August 5-6. It's a good way to start. Check it out at [www.alphacanada.org](http://www.alphacanada.org) or call the office. Fr. Gilles is going, and it would be fun for a new Alpha Team to attend the conference together.

## **FR. GILLES ON VACATION**

Fr. Gilles will be on vacation from June 18th to July 17<sup>th</sup>. We wish him a relaxing and rejuvenating rest.



## **BECKET PANTRY NEEDS**

Shampoo, rice, crackers, tea, cereal, peanut butter (500gr.) laundry detergent, dish soap. Thanks for you continuing generosity.

## **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**

### **OUR LADY OF KNOCK SHRINE – MAYO QUEBEC**

51<sup>st</sup> annual pilgrimage to Our Lady of Knock Shrine will take place Aug. 14. The principal celebrant and homilist will be Bishop Paul-André Durocher of the Alexandria-Cornwall Diocese. Details on bulletin board or call Jean Dunnigan (829) 986-8763.

## **PACEM**

is an informal network of young adult Catholics. We offer opportunities for fellowship, discussion, and the company of good friends in a relaxed atmosphere. You are invited to join us for Mass to celebrate the feast of St. John the Baptist on Friday, June 24 at St. Patrick's Basilica (460 Rene Levesque Blvd. West) at 5:15 p.m. After Mass we will go for dinner at a nearby restaurant. Please RSVP by email at [pacem\\_Montreal@yahoo.ca](mailto:pacem_Montreal@yahoo.ca) or call 799-0801 (evenings before 10:00 p.m.)

## **BULLETIN BLOOPERS**

*“Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It is a good chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.”*

*“Remember in prayer the many who are sick of our church and community.”*