

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 17, 2005



Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven
and earth; You have revealed to the little ones
the mysteries of the kingdom.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE – July 11 to July 15
Mon: no Mass, Tues: 7:30 p.m., Wed., Thurs & Fri: 8:30 a.m.

THANK YOU

A BIG THANK YOU to the volunteer parishioners who came and painted the parish office this past weekend. They had to move a lot of desks, cabinets, and tables to get the job done and had to work in the middle of a heat wave, then make sure everything was back in place for Monday morning. They persevered, and their efforts are **most appreciated**. Many blessings to you and your families.

from the Office Staff.

ANOTHER THANK YOU

Thank you and blessings to Steve and Maggie Orzechowski, Becket Social Club, CWL, and the Day Camp, who made very generous donations to cover the cost of the new and badly needed fridge for the Church Hall.

BECKET FAMILY PICNIC



Join us at Glengarry Park **July 24** for a fun-filled parish family picnic. Bring your swimsuits, beach chairs, games and picnics. Glengarry park is about 45 minutes from the West Island: take Hwy 20 to Ontario (401) then take exit 814 at Lancaster. Turn south to double back to Glengarry Park. \$12.00 entrance fee per car. Info: Maggie 626-2015. Don't forget your sunscreen!

STRUGGLING WITH GRIEF?

A group workshop series is offered for people on the West Island suffering a significant loss, such as the death of a loved one, divorce or a major change in life. From Death to New Life: A Christian View of Loss Practical tools for working through bereavement will be presented in talks, reflections and discussions. Led by Deacon Richard Boileau, with more than 10 years experience assisting people in grief, workshops are centred on the healing power of faith, hope and love. Next series scheduled on Fridays Sept. 9 to Oct. 21 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

For details, call 697-9813 or write richard.boileau@videotron.ca

40TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

The 40th 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 11th 2006**. Thank you to everyone who has graciously lent us their photo albums, scrap books and newspaper clippings of Becket's history. We can't wait to produce the DVD! We are still collecting memorabilia and information, anecdotes etc. Please drop by the office if you want to share any memories of the past 40 years.

Interested in joining the 40th Anniversary Committee? Please sign up in the Narthex over the next few weeks. There will be a brainstorming session for all committee members on July 31st in the Hall after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Info: 626-4111.

Calling all Becket artists & graphic designers! We will need a **logo** for our 40th Anniversary. Submit any ideas by email or drop off samples at the office.

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 or call the office. Fr. Gilles is going, and it would be fun for a new Alpha Team to attend the conference together.

LOST AND FOUND

Please check the lost and found if you think you may have left something behind at Church. If you've lost car keys or jewelry, please call the office.

BECKET PANTRY NEEDS



We need **BROWN PAPER BAGS**, pudding, tomato sauce, canned ham. Thanks for you continuing generosity. We also need more **VOLUNTEER DRIVERS** to deliver groceries to needy families in our parish territory. Please consider this rewarding stewardship opportunity.

YOUTH

WYD WEBSITE

Thirty-seven pilgrims from our parish will be attending the 20th World Youth Day in Cologne, Germany, from August 11 to 21. Are you one of lucky ones who will be attending? Visit www.becketwyd2005.ca and find out about events, flight info, itinerary for Cologne, info for parents and pilgrims, and fundraisers. Would you like to sponsor a young pilgrim? Visit the above website and click on fundraisers then "Sponsor a Pilgrim" or email: info@becketwyd2005.ca or contact Marco or Marc-Andre Argentino at (514) 624-8745. Please pray for our WYD pilgrims as they gear up for Cologne!

WYD DATES TO REMEMBER

Sunday July 17 Spiritual Preparation Cahill Hall 7:30 p.m.
Sunday July 31 Pilgrim and Parents Meeting Church 7:30 p.m.

WORLD YOUTH DAY BOTTLE DRIVE FUNDRAISER

Keep the bottles coming!! Thank you for your on-going generosity.



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.



To Be Wed

Lucia Sabatino to Thomas Gall

Saturday, July 30, 2005

3:00 p.m.

AROUND TOWN



ANCIENT ORDER OF THE HIBERNIANS

Please join Father Tom McEntee and the Ancient Order of Hibernians **Tuesday, July 26 at 7:30 p.m.** as we celebrate the Feast of Saint Ann at the site of the gone, but never forgotten, Saint Ann's Church. Now known as the Griffintown-St-Ann Park it's located at the foot of Mountain Street. 2004 saw old friends spending time reminiscing until past dark. We hope to see you there this year. Many Griffintowners will remember the Tuesday devotions when people came from miles around to attend. Why not call a friend and have them meet you there. Light refreshments will be served. Info: Victor Boyle 928-7196 or email info@aoh-montreal.com

GROSSE ILE AND THE IRISH MEMORIAL

On August 15, 1909, the **Ancient Order of the Hibernians** erected a 46 foot high Celtic cross on Grosse Ile, Quebec, to commemorate the thousands of Irish emigrants who came to Grosse Ile during the 1847-48 famine and perished at sea or in quarantine. Please join us **August 6, 2005**, as we make our yearly pilgrimage to Grosse Ile, to say Mass at the Irish Cemetery and lay a wreath at the foot of the cross. All are welcome. Bus leaves Aug. 6 at 6:00 a.m. from Picasso's Restaurant 6810 St. Jacques. \$70.00 includes luxury coach to Quebec, Boat passage and admission to Grosse Ile. Full Breakfast is available for \$3.75. To book or for info, call Victor Boyle, 928-7196 or info@aoh-montreal.com

"Sacred to the memory of thousands of Irish emigrants who, to preserve the faith, suffered hunger and exile in 1847-48 and stricken with fever ended here their sorrowful pilgrimage".

GOD'S BILLBOARDS

"Let's meet at my house before the game."

"Keep using my name in vain, I'll make rush hour longer."

"Loved the wedding, invite me to the marriage."