

Fourth Sunday of Lent March 22, 2009



*Weekday Masses:
March 23: 7:15 p.m.
March 24, 25, 26, 27: 8:30 a.m.*

God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life.

FAITH FIRST

Mon. Mar. 23, 5:45: High School Gathering: Cahill hall.

Wed. Mar. 25, 4:30 or 6:15 pm: Eucharist Gathering:

Thurs. Mar. 26, 5:45 p.m.: H. S. Confirmation Gathering @M. Million's home

Fri. Mar. 27, 9:30 a.m.: Lenten Day CAFÉ

Sat. Mar. 28: Confirmation Reconciliation Celebrations - please check package for assigned time. Attendance is mandatory. Children *must* be accompanied by an adult.

THIS WEEK I FOLLOWED JESUS BY:

Playing with my brother. **Giuliano L.**

Helping my grandfather set his new computer. **Kaylana M.**

I helped my dad prepare the table for supper. **Alessandro S.**

I helped my neighbours. **Anthony C.**

I did my homework all week with NO fuss. **Evan A.**

Helping my mom. **Christopher F.**

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Reading I: 2 Chronicles 36:14-17, 19-23 (Polluting the Lord's Temple)

Reading II: Ephesians 2:4-10 (By Grace You Have Been Saved)

Gospel: John 3:14-21 (God So Loved the World)

Adults: How has my faith journey resembled the journey of Nicodemus?

Children: Have I kept the Lenten promises I made?

VOCATIONS REFLECTIONS: God so loved the world that he gave us his only Son. What can we give in return?

BECKET HAPPENINGS AT A GLANCE

Sun.	Mar. 22	Mission Mass Homily discussion	after 11 am Mass
Tues.	Mar. 24	Becket Woodworking Club	7:00 pm
		Lenten Reconciliation	7:30 pm
Wed.	Mar. 25	Last Evening CAFÉ	7:00 pm
Fri.	Mar. 27	Lenten Day CAFÉ	9:30 am
Sat	Mar. 28	<i>The Proud Tree</i> rehearsals	9:30 am

WEST ISLAND LENTEN RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE:

† St. 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: *March 31, 7:30 pm* † St. John Fisher: *April 4, 10:30 a.m.* †



BECKET'S CHURCH MICE PRODUCTIONS will present *The Proud Tree* on **Good Friday, Apr. 10, at 10:30 a.m.** All young parishioners are invited to participate, including teens who need to fulfill community service requirements. Practices take place in the church **Mar. 28, & Apr. 4, 9:30-12 p.m.**

SOLIDARITY SUNDAY, MARCH 28 & 29. Next weekend we celebrate Solidarity Sunday. It is a day when Catholics across Canada stand together with our poor and oppressed brothers and sisters in the global south. It is a day when our prayers are focused on justice for all. It is a day when D&P asks us to generously give to the Share Lent campaign so that it may continue the vital work that helps alleviate misery for so many. With your donations, D&P helps



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the most vulnerable through programmes such as the ones that enable Nigerian women to set up small businesses, thus allowing them to provide nutrition and education for their children. Please be generous!

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: MARCH 21 – MARCH 29

Saturday	March 21	4TH SUNDAY OF LENT
4:30 pm	Bernadette Peteanis	Fran Bourgeois
Sunday	March 22	
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Marc-André Jasmin	Mariette Massicotte
Mon.	March 23	
7:15 pm	Flora Couture	Nicole Muise
Tues.	March 24	
8:30 am	Frank Higgins	Johanna & Tony
Wed.	March 25	
8:30 pm	Tim Kelly	Ken & Pat Cassidy
Thurs.	March 26	
8:30 a.m.	Florencia Fitzimons	The Principe family
Fri.	March 27	
8:30 a.m.	Anne Howes	Braham & Perkins families
Saturday	March 28	5TH SUNDAY OF LENT
4:30 pm	Italo Falcone	his family
Sunday	March 29	
9:00 am	Deceased members of the Lane & Haynes families	
11:00 am	Antonio Fiori	Alberta Fiori

Weekday Readings for March 23 to March 27:

Mon.	March 23	Is 65: 17-21	Jn 4: 43-54
Tues.	March 24	Ez 47: 1-9, 12	Jn 5: 1-16
Wed.	March 25	Is 7:10-14, 8:10	Heb 10: 4-10 Lk1: 26-38
Thurs.	March 26	Ex 32: 7-14	Jn 5: 31-47
Fri.	March 27	Wis 2:1a, 12-22	Jn 7: 1-2, 10, 25-30

SANCTUARY LAMP: Week of March 22: Antonio Goffredo requested by the Colannino & Germinario families.

AN INVITATION TO: “THE MARRIAGE COURSE” Looking for an intimate and effective way to make your marriage stronger, healthier and last a lifetime? A new session of “The Marriage Course” is about to begin! This course is offered to any married couple who would like to enrich their marriage. You will learn how to make a good marriage even better, or give a struggling marriage the tools necessary to overcome the issues being faced. Why not take this opportunity to make your marriage the best it could be? Over the course of 7 evenings, in a warm and relaxing setting, you and your spouse can spend quality time discovering the essence of a healthy marriage, privately discussing the topics covered each evening. No group discussions. Next session begins **April 1**, and will be held on Wed. nights at 7:15 pm, in Kirkland. Registration & information: Nathalie or John Bondyra, 514-695-7896.



MARRIAGE JUBILEE Are you celebrating a milestone wedding anniversary this year, divisible by 5? Come join us at our annual Marriage Jubilee Celebration on **May 23 and 24**. Info: Rina and Mike Callard: 514-695-6995.

LENTEN MISSION MASS HOMILY DISCUSSIONS The parish pastoral team offers 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. By allowing the Word to penetrate our hearts 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.”

PRAYING: 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.

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ANOTHER PRAYER SUGGESTION... During the Recessional Hymn, as the priest leaves the Altar, and as the processional Cross passes by, it is customary to bow (profound bow or a bow of the head), cross yourself, and *say a silent prayer for the priest*. When the Hymn is finished, you may leave, though it is most good to stay for a few minutes and pray a personal prayer of thanksgiving.

BE AN EASTER FLOWER DONOR: We invite you to make a donation toward our Easter Flower Fund for your personal intentions. Donations may be sent to the parish office or dropped in the Flower Donation box in the church. Please include on the envelope: name of your loved one (memorial) along with your name (donor). Please also include your parish envelope number if available. Names of loved ones will be included in upcoming holiday bulletins. God bless.



PALM WORKSHOP : Would you like to learn how to make beautiful palm crosses and flowers? Come to Cahill hall **March 30 at 7:30 p.m.** to learn this beautiful art and help us prepare decorations for the Altar for Holy Week and Easter. **ALL ARE MOST WELCOME**

DIOCESAN WORLD YOUTH DAY 2009: Archbishop Jean Claude Cardinal Turcotte invites all young people of the Diocese to gather together to meet Christ, and to celebrate World Youth Day 2009. The theme this year is *“We Have Set Our Hope on the Living God”* (1 Tim 4:10). Our objective is make the person of Jesus the centre of the faith and life of every young person so that He may be their constant point of reference and the inspiration of every initiative and commitment for the education of generations to come. **Sat. April 4, 1:00 pm** at the Chinese Catholic Mission, 979 rue Côte (Place D'Armes Metro). For more information, please contact the parish office or Damian at 514-696-9432 or the Youth Ministry office 514-931-7311 ext 273

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.