

First Sunday of Advent

December 2,
2012



Weekday Masses:

Dec. 03 no Mass; Dec. 04, 05, 06, 07: 8:30 a.m.

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: DEC.01 TO DEC. 09

Saturday	Dec. 01	First Sunday of Advent
4:30 pm	D. Kenny	Serge & Rose Duguay
Sunday	Dec. 02	
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Maurice Pyndus	Fr. Mike Shaw
Mon.	Dec. 03	
		~ NO MASS ~
Tues.	Dec. 04	
8:30 am	Gordon Harmer	Gerry & Audrey Poisson
Wed.	Dec. 05	
8:30 am	Special Intention	Antoinette Nehmi
Thursday	Dec. 06	
8:30 am	Stephanie Knolton	Audrey & Gerry Poisson
Friday	Dec. 07	
8:30 am	Mersrs & Mesdames Maresca & Principe family	
Saturday	Dec. 08	Second Sunday of Advent
4:30 pm	Robert Clark Sr.	The Principe family
Sunday	Dec. 09	
9:00 am	Elio, Frank & Luigi Genio	Chiara Genio
11:00 am	Our Parishioners	

Weekday Readings:

Mon. Dec. 03	Is 2: 1-5	Mt 8: 5-11
Tues. Dec. 04	Is 11: 1-10	Lk 10: 21-24
Wed. Dec. 05	Is 25: 6-10a	Mt 15: 29-37
Thurs. Dec. 06	Is 26: 1-6	Mt 7: 21, 24-27
Fri. Dec. 07	Is 29: 17-24	Mt 9: 27-31

SANCTUARY LAMP: Week of December 2: Aurelio Crescenzi, requested by his family.

VOCATIONS REFLECTION: The Lord is near! Am I able to read the signs of the times? What is God asking of me? Diocesan Vocations Office: 514-925-4348. vocationsmtl@diocesemontreal.org

BECKET KNITPICKERS UPDATE: Please visit the Adult Faith Formation section of our Parish website to read about our November 16th meeting. More photos and info are waiting to be shared with you all. Thanks to those who have offered to help us with preemie hats – keep them coming and we still need more knit and crochet fiberistas to join this cause. God bless you all.

~Elizabeth Barroso

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

First reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16

Second reading: Thessalonians 3:12-4:2

Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Adults: What have been the strengths of your prayer life? What habit of prayer could you strengthen during this Advent season?

Children: What prayers will you say each day and each week during Advent?

FAITH FIRST WEEKLY REFLECTIONS: Following are some of the reflections we have received from the children this past week: *I showed that I am Jesus' friend when I...*

help a little girl every week. *Claire C.*

gave my friend a present. *Daniel L.-H.*

visited my neighbour because she was sick. *Sarah C.*

gave away many of my toys. *Lara D.*

became a peace pal at school. *Dalia T.*

I say sorry to Mommy. *Michael M.*

help my family do the laundry. *Victoria C.*

remembered not to be boastful. *Fiona T.*

THANK YOU to all the members of Becket Children's Choir who participated in our annual visit to the Father Dowd Senior's home last month. All the residents at the home love to see and hear the children sing for them.

UPCOMING FAITH FIRST GATHERINGS:

Tues. Dec. 4 Adult and Child Confirmation Gathering #3

Thurs. Dec. 6 Adult and Child Eucharist Gathering #3

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS FOR NOV.24/25:

OFFERINGS: \$ 5487.00

BUILDING FUND: \$ 1277.00

CAFÉS (CATHOLIC ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT SERIES) 2012-2013

Open to all, our Catholic Adult Faith Enrichment Series is an opportunity for every member of our parish to grow in faith and deepen their prayer life. Join us!

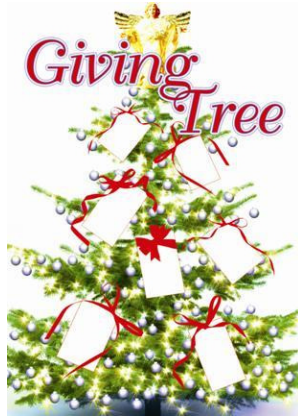
BREAKING OPEN THE WORD: Every Friday, 7-8 Reflections on the upcoming Sunday readings to better prepare ourselves to receive the Word. All welcome. Presenter: Fr. Michael Leclerc.

CATHOLICISM, "THE INEFFABLE MYSTERY OF GOD" Dec. 13, 7-9 pm

LIVING IN THE IMAGE AND LIKENESS OF GOD, Nov. 29, 10 -11:30 am. A Day CAFÉ hosted by Samia Boghdady, 8 place Maderia Kirkland. Please call 514- 694-3564.



WELCOME IN THE NEW YEAR at the St. Thomas à Becket Annual New Year's Eve Dinner & Dance on **Monday Dec. 31, at 6:30 pm**. Enjoy a gourmet catered meal, great music & dancing. Come dance the night away. Tickets available until Dec 23. \$40.00 each. Vegetarian meal can be ordered at time of ticket purchase. 16 & older, BYOBeverage. Info. Gord 514-421-8699 or Guy 514-887-4898.



CHRISTMAS AT BENEDICT LABRE HOUSE: St. Thomas à Becket parish is once again invited to help our less fortunate brothers and sisters through Benedict Labre House this Christmas. Benedict Labre House serves Christmas dinner to approximately 250 homeless people. We can help make their Christmas even brighter by donating a small gift. Pick a tag off the *Giving Tree* that will be placed in the Sanctuary and purchase the item listed on the tag. Place the gift in a gift bag and attach the tag from the tree, so we know what is in the bag. (Do not wrap gifts please.) Then place the gift under the tree. We will be collecting gifts **until Dec. 16.** God bless!

† WEST ISLAND ADVENT RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE †

St. Veronica	Sat. Dec. 08	10:30 am - 12 noon
Jesus Light of the World (MQP)	Sun. Dec. 09	2:00 pm
St. Thomas à Becket	Tues. Dec. 11	7:30 pm
St. Luke	Thurs. Dec. 13	7:00 pm
St. Edmund of Canterbury	Tues. Dec. 18	7:30 pm

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA: Becket's Knights of Columbus invite you to join us for our annual Breakfast with Santa on **Sunday December 09, at 12 noon** in the parish hall. RSVP lorneflavelle@hotmail.com or 514-620-9723.

ANNUAL SING-A-LONG CHRISTMAS CONCERT & NATIVITY PLAY: **Dec 16, 7 p.m.** All Becket families, friends and neighbours are invited to join us for this festive and uplifting Children's Christmas pageant and family sing-along.

BECKET SENIORS – will meet for lunch at Casa Grecque (boul. St-Jean location) on **Thurs Dec. 06 at 12 noon.**

COME CHRISTMAS CAROLLING! Join our youth group and parish staff on **December 14**, as we visit the neighbourhood around Becket and share the spirit of joy, peace and love, through Christmas music. We will meet at the parish for practice at 6:30 p.m. All welcome!

**ADVENT, CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR AT BECKET
2012 - 2013**

Advent Reconciliation
Tues. Dec. 11, 7:30 p.m.

Annual Sing-along Christmas Concert
Sun. Dec. 16, 7:00 p.m.

Christmas Eve Masses
Mon. Dec. 24, 4:00, 5:30, 7:00 &
10:00 p.m.

Christmas Day Mass
Tues. Dec. 25, 10:00 a.m.

Holy Family
Sat. Dec. 29, 4:30 p.m.
Sun. Dec. 30, 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

**Holy Hour of Prayer for God's
Peace in the world**
Mon. Dec. 31, 3:15 p.m.

Mary, Mother of God
Mon. Dec. 31, 4:30 p.m.
Tues. Jan. 1, 10:00 a.m.

