

February 21 2016

Second Sunday of Lent



MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: FEB. 20 TO FEB. 28

Please note that Mass is offered at 8:30 am and 7:15 pm every Monday.

(L) indicates a living intention

Saturday	Feb. 20	Second Sunday of Lent	
4:30 pm	Joe Fahey		Carl & Fran Jorgensen
Sunday	Feb. 21		
9:00	Our Parishioners		
11:00	Giuseppe Armeni		The Raschella family
Monday	Feb. 22		
8:30 am	Mr. & Mrs. L. Johnson		the family
7:15 pm	Antonia Marcelino		the family
Tuesday	Feb. 23		
8:30 am	Mark Julius Coelho		Pat & Donny
Wednesday	Feb. 24		
8:30 am	Frank Reda		Rina Reda & family
Thursday	Feb. 25		
8:30 am	Eileen Casey		Colette Bernier
Friday	Feb. 26		
8:30 am	Ilva Reda		Rina Reda
Saturday	Feb. 27	Third Sunday of Lent	
4:30 pm	Our Parishioners		
Sunday	Feb. 28		
9:00	Mr. H. Furtado		Mervyn & Cynthia
11:00	Giuseppe, Dorotea & Vito Marcario		Rina Della Rocca

SANCTUARY LAMP

Week of:

Feb. 21: Christine Donald, (L) requested by the Donald family

Feb. 28: Nina Gallo, (L) requested by the Donald family

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS:

February 10 (Ash Wednesday) \$ 1,114.00

February 13/14

Offerings: \$ 3,623.60

Religious Education: \$ 1,292.00

FAITH FIRST

UPCOMING GATHERINGS:

Level 4 (SP4, SP5) Gathering #2: Thursday, Feb. 25th

50TH JUBILEE NEWS

WINTER FAMILY DANCE Saturday February 27, 7:30pm. Music for every generation. BYOBeverage. \$7.50/person. Children 15 and under free.

BOWSER & BLUE are coming to Becket April 8th. Tickets will be sold after masses. Don't delay. Tickets are selling fast. No reservations please. For more info 514-915-7586



FESTIVAL OF NATIONS: Save the date, June 18, 2016, when we will be celebrating Becket's cultural diversity at this event, as part of our Golden Jubilee celebrations. You and your family, can come and savour the taste of different cuisines and also be entertained by traditional dances. If you would like to highlight your country or be part of a team please contact Gina Robertson Tel: 514-626-3648, Marieta Lawton Tel: 514-696-6311 or Vita Lewis Tel: 514-694-1118 .

BECKET PANTRY NEEDS: Thank you to all who have responded so generously to our requests for help for a single-mom-to-be. We still need a crib (not mattress), as well as other items, furniture etc. Another family needs a crib, baby carrier and cloth diapers. Also wanted: a low-rent apartment preferably in the West Island. If you have any of these items/information please contact the parish office 514-626-4111.

THE MARRIAGE COURSE is designed for any couple who wants to invest in their relationship, whether they have been together for 1 or 61 years, and whether they feel they have a strong marriage or are struggling.

Over the course of seven evenings, in a welcoming and relaxing home setting, spend some quality time together discovering the essence of a healthy marriage. All conversations are strictly private between you as a couple; there are absolutely no group discussions. It's an evening helping to build a stronger marriage that will last a lifetime! Think of it as a "date night" with your spouse!

The next course will be held in the West Island, on **Thursday nights at 7:15 pm**, starting on March 17 and ending April 28.

The cost is \$70 per couple, including materials.

To register and/or for more information, please call Nathalie or John Bondyra at (514-695-7896) or email at kahndyra@sympatico.ca.

MISSION TRIP TO THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC St. Luke's Parish invites young adults to join them on a mission trip to the Dominican Republic. Their Pastor, Fr. Bertrand Montpetit, goes every year to work and help the poor in a Catholic parish there. He will be leading the group on this journey.

This is for people 18 years to 30 years old. It will start end of May 2016 for a period of 2 weeks. We will visit sick people, work at the parish soup kitchen and participate to other parochial activities. The approximate cost for plane, food and lodging is \$ 1800. We will be making this activity through an organization called "Fondation des Jeunes pour un Développement Durable (www.fjdd.org). Since they are recognized by the Canadian government for being a humanitarian organization, people who participate to this project receive an income tax receipt for this amount. If you're interested and would like more information, please contact Julie Lafontaine (514) 865-9607. Get in touch with us before March 8th to be part of this project this year.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18 Philippians 3:17-4.1 Luke 9:28b-36

Adults: What are your responsibilities and privileges as a citizen of this country? What are your responsibilities and privileges as a citizen of heaven?

Youth: In every way, each new day is "new territory." How will you trust God today?

Children: The disciples are awed when the voice of God confirms Jesus' identity: "This is my Son, my Chosen One." How will you honor Jesus as the Chosen One of God during Lent?

LAFs (LIFE AND FAITH SESSIONS)

Thurs. Feb. 25 - 5:00-6:00pm repeated at 6:45-7:45pm –

St. Thomas à Becket, our Patron Saint

Did you know that accounts describe St. Thomas as a strongly built, spirited youth, a lover of field sports, who seems to have spent his leisure time in hawking and hunting? He was a close personal friend as well as the loyal servant of his young sovereign, King Henry II. They were said to have one heart and one mind between them, and it seems possible that to Becket's influence were due, in part, those reforms for which Henry II is justly praised. Come join us as we take a look into our beloved patron saint's life.

Fri. Feb 26 - 7:00 pm –

"Mercy & Justice Embrace" - A Catholic Call to Unite Mercy & Justice, Grace & the Law

With Fr. Francesco Giordano

"Mercy and truth have met: justice and peace have embraced" (Ps 85) How can we unite the legitimate demands of Justice with the Christian call for Mercy and forgiveness? Drawing upon Holy Scripture as a source of fundamental principles, and delving into the Canon Law of the Church to examine how these principles are concretely applied, this discussion will examine how Justice and Mercy can be reconciled into a holistic vision of the Church's Evangelical mission.

MONTREAL CHALLENGE YOUNG ADULTS WEEKEND RETREAT

Whether you're a practicing believer or seldom go to church, Challenge will provide you with an opportunity to learn more about Christ and yourself. Challenge is open to all young adults aged 18-30. The retreat consists of worship music, prayer, witness, discussions, and games. The next retreat is **March 4-6** (Friday 7pm to Sunday 5pm). Location to be determined. Cost is \$60. To apply, visit: www.montrealchallenge.ca or contact outreach@montrealchallenge.ca

Interested but can't make the retreat? Interested but want to know more before signing up? You should consider joining our weekly meetings, called Ultreyas, every Friday night at 7:30pm at St Patrick's Basilica in the Congress Hall (entrance corner of René-Lévesque and St-Alexandre).

FUNERAL AND BURIALS RITES: Some of you had questions and comments about last week's bulletin blurb regarding Catholic funeral rites and burial practices. Indeed there are many types of funeral services available today, and it can be difficult to navigate all the choices and recommendations while trying to respect Catholic funeral rites. Our priests are always available to meet and guide you in any decisions regarding funerals.

THANK YOU to all who participated in our annual shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper. We netted \$264.00 for the parish.

God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking his mercy.

~ Pope Francis