

February 28 2016



Third Sunday of Lent

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: FEB. 27 TO MAR. 06

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

(L) indicates a living intention

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
Monday	Feb. 29	
8:30 am	Mary Ross	Shirley Legath
7:15 pm	Mr. & Mrs. L. Johnson	family
Tuesday	Mar. 01	
8:30 am	Paolo Reda	Ilva Reda
Wednesday	Mar. 02	
8:30 am	Bruno Soares	Zenon Soares
Thursday	Mar. 03	
8:30 am	Patricia Guy	Glenn & Carrie Doyle
Friday	Mar. 04	
8:30 am	Wallace Robertson	St. Charles Meals on Wheels
Saturday	Mar. 05	Fourth Sunday of Lent
4:30 pm	Sarah Teddy Ann Onley	Phil & Blaize Pereira
Sunday	Mar. 06	
9:00	Our Parishioners	
11:00	Floriana Pirah	Emil & Flora Markic

SANCTUARY LAMP

Week of:

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

Mar. 06: Domenic Mancini requested by the Rivera family

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS:

February 20/21

Offerings: \$ 4,523.00

LORD, GRANT MERCY AND LASTING PEACE to those who died recently, and strength and comfort to those who mourn them:

Domenic Mancini, husband of Nicole, father of Eric and Julie grandfather of Leyla-Rose and Anthony.

Giuseppina Fasciano, mother of Angie Argentin

Mark Heald, nephew of Kathleen Rush - Heald

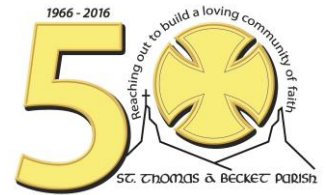
FAITH FIRST

UPCOMING EVENT:

Confirmation Reconciliation Celebration: Saturday, March 12 at 10am

50TH JUBILEE NEWS

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: 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.

HELPING OTHERS NEWS: The Helping Others Committee has been working closely with the Fabrique since the beginning of the year to develop our budget, and to determine our beneficiaries for 2016. We have made donations to a number of charities since January and we include below excerpts from some of their thank-you messages. Of note, we exceeded our budget expectations for 2015, and so, \$5,000.00 was sent to aide Syrian refugees via Agape, a non-profit charity in Laval, and \$5,000.00 was sent to the Diocese of Montreal Syrian refugee relief program. Thank you for your generosity!

"I am addressing this letter to you all with a feeling of great gratitude following receipt of your generous donation of \$5000.00 to Agape. Since Christmas a total of 406 people have signed up with us for help with clothing, food, household appliances and furniture. We were blessed with an abundance of donations at Christmas and hoped to be 'comfortable' until April, however, it was not meant to be. We often find ourselves at God's total mercy... I would like to leave you with this message: 'May we become an island of mercy in the midst of the sea of indifference' ...this can only be achieved through the kindness of Helping Others Committee and wonderful people like yourselves."

~ Elizabeth McLeod, Secretary Treasurer, Agape Board of Directors.

"This year we had 490 register for a Christmas Basket. Through your support and generosity, St. Gabriel's provided 305 Christmas basket; the balance of 185 were provided by parishes, schools and businesses, as well as individuals....This was a huge undertaking, but together we came through to provide joy and happiness for many people in need! On behalf of all our recipients, thank you once again for your caring and generosity.


~ Fr. Murray McCrory and Sr. Dianna Liefers, NDS

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION: March 04 is the First Friday of the month. After Mass, you are invited to join us for an hour between 10:00 a.m. and midnight for exposition and adoration of the Holy Eucharist. Please sign up in the book at the back of the church.

RECENTLY BAPTIZED AT BECKET: *Mateo Delia*, son of Yannick Delia and Maritsa Kastamoulas; *Maya Russell-Stathatos*, daughter of Robert Stathatos and Jennifer Tena-Russell. Please keep all our young families in your prayers.

Don't be afraid to ask God for forgiveness. He never tires of forgiving us. God is pure mercy.

~ Pope Francis


40 DAYS FOR LIFE™ From February 20 to March 10, hundreds of communities in North America, including several Canadian cities, will simultaneously host a 40 Days for Life prayer-vigil campaign to end abortion. Becket has pledged to spend two (2) hours in prayer, on Thursday March 4, We will carpool at 9:30 am from Becket to Lahaie Park, 30 St. Joseph Blvd. East and pray from 10:30am to 12:30 pm. Info: 514-626-4111.

PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY: CELEBRATE OUR 50TH AND THE YEAR OF MERCY

Our Pastor, Fr. Peter Sabbath, will be leading the pilgrimage, September 25 - October 7, 2016, that will also raise some funds for the parish.

We will be departing Montreal for Rome, where we will celebrate Mass at the tomb of St. John Paul II, enter the Holy Door at St. Peter's and the other basilicas, attend an audience with Pope Francis, and visit all the important sites in Rome. Then we travel to Monte Cassino (St. Benedict), San Giovanni Rotondo (St. Padre Pio), Assisi (St. Francis), Florence, Padua (St. Anthony), Lanciano and more. Returning to Montreal from Venice. Contact Liz Dachuk at lizdachuk@connaissancetravel.com or 877-701-7729, ext. 239.

+++WEST ISLAND LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICE SCHEDULE +++

St. Edmund:	Wed.	March 09	7 pm
St. Thomas à Becket:	Sat.	March 12	10 am -12 noon
St. John Fisher:	Sat.	March 12	7 pm
Jesus Light of the World (MQP)	Sun.	March 13	3 - 7 pm
St. Veronica	Sat.	March 19	10:30 am- 12 noon

DIOCESAN-WIDE LENTEN MISSION MARCH 1-2-3

All are invited to the diocesan-wide Lenten Mission taking place led by Bishop Thomas Dowd. March 1, 2 and 3 at St. Edmund of Canterbury Parish (105 Beaconsfield Blvd., Beaconsfield All evenings begin at 7:00 p.m. Come for one, two or, better yet, all three evenings and bring a friend. For more information: www.lent2016.com or contact Fr. Gerry Martineau at 514-366-0131 ext. 225 or gerard.m@johnbrebeuf.ca

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Exodus 3: 1-8,13-15 1 Corinthians 10: 1-6, 10-12 Luke 13: 1-9

Adults: What important work could bear fruit in your life right now if you have more confidence in God's loving care?

Youth: How do you show respect for God's name and therefore God himself?

Children: What great work would you like to do as you grow older? What can you do to begin now?

THE MARRIAGE COURSE is designed for any couple who wants to invest in their relationship, 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. 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.