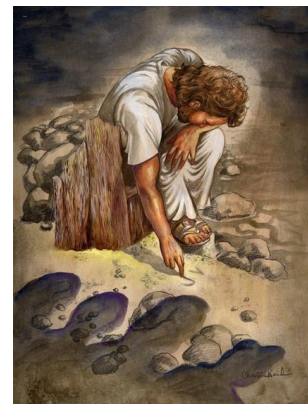


Fifth Sunday of Lent

April 7, 2019



MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: APRIL 6 to APRIL 14

Saturday	April 6	Fifth Sunday of Lent	
4:30 pm	Nieves Cabatic		Robilla Cabatic
Sunday	April 7		
9:00 am	Thérèse Crawford		O'Hara & Boileau Families
11:00am	Our Parishioners		
Monday	April 8		
8:30 am	Rina Reda		Maria Cabral
Tuesday	April 9		
8:30 am	Judith Johnson		Neil Fitzpatrick
Wednesday	April 10		
8:30 am	Judy Johnson		Gerry & Joe Zemanovitch
Thursday	April 11		
8:30 am	Patricia Lee		Carol Rose
Friday	April 12		
8:30 am	Judy Johnson		The Co-op
Saturday	April 13	Palm Sunday	
4:30 pm	Sofie Barretto		Ossie & Durida
Sunday	April 14		
9:00 am	Albanese Family		
11:00 am	Our Parishioners		

SANCTUARY LAMP (Week)

April 7: Barbara Kray, requested by Helen and Manfred Adam

April 14: Maria Del Carmen Ojeda, requested by the family

LORD GRANT MERCY AND LASTING PEACE to those who died recently and strength and comfort to those who mourn them: Denise Strutynski, wife of the late Joseph Strutynski.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS FOR MARCH 30/31

Offerings: \$4,4452.50 Building Fund: \$1,577.00

Next special collection: April 14 – Religious Education

FAITH FIRST: Confirmation Gathering #6 Tuesday, April 9.

HEALING SERVICE: Monday, April 15, 7:30 p.m. Our evening includes Eucharistic Adoration, prayerful music, scripture, and reflection. The sacrament of Reconciliation is available as are our Prayer Teams.

PALM WORKSHOP: Wed. April 10, after morning Mass in the Parish Hall. Come and learn the special art of making palm flowers which will be used to decorate the sanctuary on Palm Sunday. All are welcome!

STATEMENT FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

The eight-year prison term for Brian Boucher, rendered by Justice Compagnone today, is the result of due process rigorously applied, and the Archdiocese of Montreal is satisfied that justice has been served, marking a critical step in the healing process for all those terribly wounded by his conduct: the victims, their loved ones and the community. The Archdiocese acknowledges the work of Crown prosecutor Annabelle Sheppard and the SPVM, both of whom relied on the co-operation of the Archdiocese throughout the juridical process. Now that the criminal process has concluded and although penal canonical proceedings are still underway, the Archdiocese gives notice that, in conformity with the zero-tolerance policy, Brian Boucher is permanently barred from all ministerial functions within the Church. For its part, the Archdiocese of Montreal wants to assure both Catholics and the general public that complaints regarding all forms of abuse within the Church are treated very seriously. Protocols are in place for anyone who wishes to share confidential information on sexual abuse by phone at (514) 925 4321 or by email at assistance@diocesemontreal.org. In addition, the ongoing implementation of the policy for Responsible Pastoral Ministry in all parishes within the Archdiocese, including background checks, is a definitive step toward creating a safe pastoral environment for all.

PRAYER ATTRIBUTED TO POPE CLEMENT XI OF ROME (†1721)



Lord, I believe in You: increase my faith. I trust in You: strengthen my trust. I love You: let me love You more and more.

I am sorry for my sins: deepen my sorrow. I worship You as my first beginning, I long for You as my last end, I praise You as my constant helper, and I call on You as my loving protector. Guide me by Your wisdom, correct me with Your justice, comfort me with Your mercy, protect me with Your power.

I offer You, Lord, my thoughts: to be fixed on You; my words: to have You for their theme; my actions: to reflect my love for You; my sufferings: to be endured for Your greater glory. I want to do what You ask of me: in the way You ask, for as long as You ask, because You ask it. Lord, enlighten my understanding, strengthen my will, purify my heart, and make me holy.

Help me to repent of my past sins and to resist temptation in the future. Help me to rise above my human weaknesses and to grow stronger as a Christian. Let me love You, my Lord and my God, and see myself as I really am: a pilgrim in this world, a Christian called to respect and love all whose lives I touch, those in authority over me or those under my authority, my friends and my enemies.

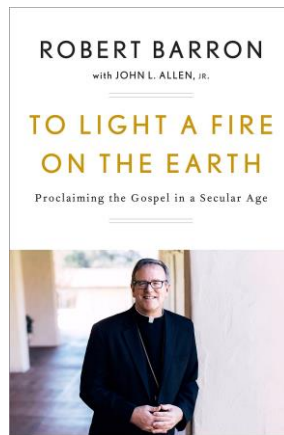
Help me to conquer anger with gentleness, greed by generosity, apathy by fervour. Help me to forget myself and reach out toward others. Make me prudent in planning, courageous in taking risks. Make me patient in suffering, unassuming in prosperity. Keep me, Lord, attentive at prayer, temperate in food and drink, diligent in my work, firm in my good intentions.

Let my conscience be clear, my conduct without fault, my speech blameless, my life well-ordered. Put me on guard against my human weaknesses. Let me cherish Your love for me, keep Your law, and come at last to Your salvation. Teach me to realize that this world is passing, that my true future is the happiness of heaven, that life on earth is short, and that the life to come is eternal.

Help me to prepare for death with a proper fear of judgment, but a greater trust in Your goodness. Lead me safely through death to the endless joy of heaven. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mary, Mother of God, Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Mother of Love, help me to see God's love for me today like I've never seen His love for me before! Amen

WORTHWHILE READING



To Light a Fire on the Earth: Proclaiming the Gospel in a Secular Age, by Bishop Robert Barron and John L. Allen Jr.

Touching on everything from Jesus to prayer, science, movies, atheism, the spiritual life, the fate of Church in modern times, beauty, art, and social media, Barron reveals why the Church matters today and how Catholics can intelligently engage a skeptical world.

Bishop Barron: “The Catholic Church’s job is to call people to sanctity and to equip them for living saintly lives. Its mission is not to produce nice people, or people with hearts of gold, or people with good intentions; its mission is to produce saints, people of heroic virtue...To dial down the demands because they

are hard, and most people have a hard time realizing them, is to compromise the very meaning and purpose of the Church. However, here’s the flip side. The Catholic Church couples its extraordinary moral demand with an extraordinarily lenient penitential system. The Church mediates the infinite mercy of God to those who fail to live up to that ideal (which means practically everyone). This is why its forgiveness is so generous and so absolute. To grasp both of these extremes is to understand the Catholic approach to morality.”

LENTEN RETREAT: COURAGE TO FORGIVE: Saturday April 13, 9:30 am to 4:30 pm, at St. Joseph’s Oratory. \$25 per person, lunch and parking included. Lead by Fr. Claude Grou and Fr. Jérôme José, CSC in collaboration with Fr. Arul Jayaraj, CSC and Fr. Thomas Xavier Gomes, CSC. Schedule: morning in Olivier Pichette Hall, after noon in the Basilica (6th floor). Concludes with Palm Sunday Mass at 4:30 pm. Space is limited! Registration: tgomes@osj.qc.ca or 514-733-8211 ext. 2401 OR ajayarajcsc@gmail.com

THE GRIEF PROCESS: Coping with the loss of a loved one. With speaker William Curran on Thursday, April 11, from 7 - 9 p.m., at St. Thomas à Becket Free of charge and open to all. To register, contact Cathie Macaulay at cmacaulay@diocesemontreal.org or 514-925-4300 ext. 354.

BECKET’S 2019 MARRIAGE JUBILEE: Is your wedding anniversary this year divisible by five? Join us at our Annual Marriage Jubilee on April 26 & 27. Come celebrate your special milestone anniversary with us as you witness to God’s love in the world. Sign up with Rina at 514-915-7586.

THE CWL ST. THOMAS à BECKET is hosting an International Fiesta Dinner to be held on Saturday, May 4, 6:30-11pm in the parish hall. Come enjoy cuisine of the many cultures present in our community, as well as entertainment, raffle prizes and dancing. This is a fundraiser for the parish and for important charities including Angels of Mercy. Tickets are \$25 and are available through Michelle 514-862-5591 and Catherine 514-463-5991.

EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS may be sent to the parish office or dropped in the Easter flower box at the back of the church. Please include on the envelope: name of your loved one or intention (memorial) along with your name (donor). Include your parish envelope number if you have one. Names of loved ones and intentions will be included in upcoming Easter bulletins.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE: The Bishops of Canada have reserved the Season of Lent for a collection to assist the Global South. Today’s second collection will support development and aid projects throughout the world, and that are fully in keeping with the values and principles of the Gospel and Catholic Social Teaching. For more information: <http://tinyurl.com/y33rcz8a>