



*Fourth Sunday
of Easter
May 12, 2019*

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: May 11 TO MAY 19

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Saturday	May 11	Fourth Sunday of Easter
4:30 pm	Claire Borrelli	Family
Sunday	May 12	
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Walter Gargul	Mary & Family
Monday	May 13	
8:30 am	Rita Munro	Wendy Redmond
Tuesday	May 14	
8:30 am	Vince Cannavo	Family
Wednesday	May 15	
8:30 am	Mark & Julius Coelho	Pat & Donny
Thursday	May 16	
8:30 am	Shirley Anne Follet	Mary & Guy Taillon
Friday	May 17	
8:30 am	Shirley Anne Follett	Huguette Strasbourg
Saturday	May 18	Fifth Sunday of Easter
4:30 pm	Michael O'Neill	Kathleen & Tom Heald
Sunday	May 19	
9:00 am	Joan Di Chiaro	Family
11:00 am	Our Parishioners	

SANCTUARY LAMP (Week)

May 12: Jack Scimone, requested by Connie

May 19: Maria Trozza Ruffalo requested by Filomena Parise

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS FOR MAY 4/5
 Offerings: \$5,147.05
 Next special collection: May 19 – Building Fund

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

FAITH FIRST

Congratulations to all our Faith First children who made their First Communion at our parish this weekend.

Owen A., Amelia B., Olivia C., Ava C., Vera C., Keira D., Olivia F., Jasmine G., Adam H., Juliette I., Ava I., Jenna L., Anastacia N., Francesca P., Devin R., Berlynn R., James R., Eva R., Julian R., Valentina R., Massimo S., Luca T., John Miguel U., Domenico V. Nathan V., Samantha V., Madison A., Gwyneth C., Alexis D., Thomas D., Claudia D., Isabella D., Jona F., Aleksia F., Michael F., Luca F., Aaliyah H-W., James H., Selena K., Rasneil L., Logan L-R., Chloe M., Matteo O., Sabrina P., Shauntea S-F., Penelope S., Sabrina T., Sophia V., Kurt V., Daniella V., Mikayla W-N., Noah W-N.

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER - 2019 WORLD DAY OF VOCATIONS



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Building on what I shared with the young people at the Thirty-fourth World Youth Day in Panama, I would like to reflect, on this World Day of Prayer for Vocations, on how the Lord's call makes us bearers of a promise and, at the same time, asks of us the courage to take a risk, with him and for him. . . The Lord's call is not an intrusion of God in our freedom; it is not a "cage" or a burden to be borne. God in fact desires that our lives not become banal and predictable, imprisoned by daily routine, or unresponsive before decisions that could give it meaning . . . He wants us to discover that each of us is called – in a variety of ways – to something grand. . . Every vocation is

a summons . . . to follow Jesus on the path he has marked out for us, for our own happiness and for the good of those around us.

Embracing this promise naturally demands the courage to risk making a decision. . . We are called to be bold and decisive in seeking God's plan for our lives, and. . . must trust in the Lord's promise.

In encountering the Lord, some may feel the attraction of a call to the consecrated life or to the ordained priesthood. It is a discovery that can excite and at the same time frighten us. . . . Such a decision carries the risk of leaving everything behind to follow the Lord, to devote ourselves completely to him, and to share in his work. Many kinds of interior resistance can stand in the way of making this decision, especially in highly secularized contexts where there no longer seems to be a place for God and for the Gospel. . . . And yet, there can be no greater joy than to risk one's life for the Lord!

On this World Day of Prayer for Vocations, let us join in prayer and ask the Lord to help us discover his plan of love for our lives, and to grant us the courage to walk in the path that, from the beginning, he has chosen for each of us.

Excerpted from the Holy Father's message for World Day of Prayer for Vocations, May 12, 2019. To read the full message: <http://tinyurl.com/y2otswvv>

PRAYER TO KNOW MY VOCATION

Lord, my God and my loving Father,

You have made me to know You, to love You, to serve You,
and thereby to find and to fulfill myself.

I know that You are in all things, and that every path can lead me to You.

But of them all, there is one especially by which You want me to come to You.

Since I will do what You want of me,

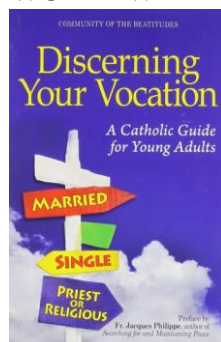
I pray You, send your Holy Spirit to me:

into my mind, to show me what You want of me;

into my heart, to give me the determination to do it,

and to do it with all my love, with all my mind, and with all my strength right to the end. Amen.

WORTHWHILE READING



Discerning Your Vocation: A Catholic Guide for Young Adults, by Fr. Anthony Aniriello, preface by Fr. Jacques Philippe.

“This book addressed my questions in a direct and very pragmatic approach. The answers are made attractive by a lot of testimonies, but also using images and many smart examples (movies, cell phones, internet, Facebook, e-vites, etc.). The book gives traditional discernment advice and hit-the-nail-on-the-head questions, going straight to the point. At the same time, it is deeply spiritual. Excellent for young adults.”

ICON OF OUR LADY, HELP OF PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS



At international headquarters in Connecticut, the Knights of Columbus last summer unveiled a new pilgrim icon, “Our Lady, Help of Persecuted Christians,” by Italian artist Fabrizio Diomed. The icon is travelling from parish to parish across North America to raise awareness, show solidarity, and inspire support for persecuted Christians. It comes as a surprise to many, but the recent bombing of churches in Sri Lanka only underlines the fact is that Christians are the most persecuted religious group in the world and it's accelerating. The icon, now on display in our sanctuary, will be the centrepiece of a Holy Hour on **Monday morning, May 13 (Feast of Our Lady of Fatima), following the 8:30 Mass.** All are welcome to join in praying for our suffering

brothers and sisters in so many parts of the world. If you are unable, you may wish to pray this prayer at home or work or wherever you are, between 9 and 10 am, or whenever you are able.

PRAYER FOR PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS

*O God of all the nations,
the One God who is and was and always will be,
in your providence you willed that your Church be united
to the suffering of your Son.*

*Look with mercy on your servants who are persecuted for their faith in you.
Grant them perseverance and courage to be worthy imitators of Christ.
Bring your wisdom upon leaders of nations to work for peace among all peoples.
May your Spirit open conversion for those who contradict your will,
that we may live in harmony.*

*Give us the grace to be united in truth and freedom,
and to always seek your will in our lives.*

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Lady Help of Persecuted Christians, pray for us.

BE INSPIRED BY PERHAPS CANADA’S MOST FAMOUS CATHOLIC of the 20th century, here at Becket May 22, 7pm... Jean Vanier’s death this week was widely covered by the secular media as a *Companion of the Order of Canada*. Vanier was renowned for living in community with the severely intellectually disabled, eventually establishing 147 of these L’Arche (The Ark) communities in 35 countries. “In a divided world, L’Arche wants to be a sign of hope.” As Vanier’s very being and inspiration was wrapped up with his Catholic faith, Pope Francis called Vanier last week to “express my gratitude for his witness.” (The funeral will be broadcast live around the globe at 8am, May 15) **Parishioner Sandy Dunn, who served in a L’Arche community, will be leading an evening with Deacon Robert on how Vanier’s witness can inspire us. RSVP** Elsa adulted@becket.ca, or on the sign-up sheet at the back of the church, or by leaving a message for Deacon Robert (ext. 231).

WORDS TO PONDER

“Every child, every person needs to know that they are a source of joy; every child, every person, needs to be celebrated. Only when all of our weaknesses are accepted as part of our humanity can our negative, broken self-images be transformed.”

~ Jean Vanier, 1928-2019

WIDOW(ER) SUPPORT GROUP The Widow (er) Support group will hold their last meeting before summer on Monday, June 3 at 9:30 a.m. at Ben and Florentine 3555 St Charles Blvd. (No meeting at St. Edmund's that day). All are welcome. Info: Anne Parsons at 514-457-2183.