

23rd & 24th SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

September 6 & September 13



Mass intentions –September 5 to September 20
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Saturday	September 5	
4:30 pm	Maureen Marolly	Clayton Marolly
Sunday	September 6	
9:00 am	Jeannine Pharrand	Family
11:00 am	Our Parishioners	
Monday	September 7	
8:30 am	Pierre Theroux	Family
Tuesday	September 8	
8:30 am	William & Yvonne Gonsalves	Silas family
Wednesday	September 9	
8:30 am	Danuta Wasil	Ramona Dziarmaga
Thursday	September 10	
8:30 am	The deceased members of the Manes-Maestre Family.	Family
Friday	September 11	
8:30 am	Pat McDonald	Denyse Fournier
Saturday	September 12	
4:30 pm	Our Parishioners	
Sunday	September 13	
9:00 am	Dennis Pollina	Denise Imperiale
11:00 am	The departed members of the Randall Family	Michael Randall
Monday	September 14	
8:30 am	Angelo Ciamarro	The Family
Tuesday	September 15	
8:30 am	Darroch Robertson	Anna Donald
Wednesday	September 16	
8:30 am	Mark Coelho	Donny & Patricia Coelho
Thursday	September 17	
8:30 am	Pierre Charron	Christine Charron
Friday	September 18	
8:30 am	Janice Cunningham	CWL Council
Saturday	September 19	
4:30 pm	Caesar D'Silva	D'Lima Family
Sunday	September 20	
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Amanda Voss & her grandparents Elfrieda & Martin Voss	Maciejka & Gunter Voss

SANCTUARY LAMP:

September 6: Pierre Theroux - by The Family

September 13: Halina & Richard Jakimowicz - by Irene Jakimowicz & Family

September 20: Ivor Tiltin - by The Tiltin Family



Blessed are those who have died in the Lord; let them rest from their labours for their good deeds go with them. Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

ALTAR GUILD INVITATION

If you are interested in serving the Lord as part of the Altar Guild, caring for the altar, sacred vessels, linens and flowers, please join Anna Donald on Tuesday September 15, 9:20am (after the novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help) in the parish hall.

WELCOME SUNDAY- September 19 & 20

Everyone is cordially invited to go into the church hall after all the Masses on September 19th & 20th to partake in the parish's Welcome Sunday Open House.

Come and learn about 20 parish groups & ministries that serve our parish & West Island community. Meet some of the people and groups that are striving to make a positive difference in people's spiritual, emotional, social and physical well-being. Perhaps you will find a group you would love to join and help in their ministry. Or you may find the kind of support you, or a loved one, may have been searching for.

So take some time to say hello and discover the richness & care you can find at St. Thomas à Becket!!



ST THOMAS à BECKET 60TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION!

WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 10th & 11th 2026



Save the dates ! St. Thomas à Becket will be celebrating our 60th Anniversary this year. Come join your parish community to celebrate this important milestone. Archbishop Lépine and many former St. Thomas à Becket priests and pastors will be in attendance. A reception will follow the 11:00am Mass. More details to come.

Visit our 60th Anniversary Google photo album at <https://becket.ca/60th-Album>

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Are you an adult who, for one reason or another, did not receive the sacraments of Baptism or Confirmation and now wish to deepen your Christian faith and your relationship with Jesus? Whatever your situation, rest assured that being Baptised and/or Confirmed as an adult is an option available to you. And you are not alone;

each year, about a thousand adults in the Diocese of Montréal embark on this faith journey, learning more about leading a Christian life and preparing for Baptism and/or Confirmation. If your heart is calling you to take steps in this direction, please join St. Thomas à Becket's RCIA program which will begin this fall. The program runs from October to March, culminating at the Easter Vigil.

For more information, please contact the parish office at 514-626-4111, or email us at becketparish@gmail.com.



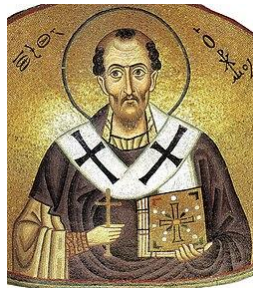
WHY DO WE GENUFLECT?

In Greek and Roman civilizations, kneeling was a sign of respect before figures of authority such as emperors, kings, and high officials. This gesture illustrated the recognition of those in power. In the Christian tradition, this gesture was adopted as an expression of humility and adoration for God present in the tabernacle. Over time, genuflection became a common practice in the liturgy, particularly during the consecration of the bread and wine. The priest kneels before the sacramental presence of Christ, who has come upon the altar. Genuflection expresses the faith in the living and true presence of Christ among his people.

In a world where the frenetic pace of daily life pushes us to act very often without thinking, genuflection invites us to stop, to reflect, to become aware of the Majesty of God and, above all, to express, with our body, our deep desire to worship Him.
René Lefebvre



ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM – Feast Day September 13



St. John, named Chrysostom (golden-mouthed) on account of his eloquence, was born about the year 344, in the city of Antioch. In 374, he began to lead the life of an anchorite in the mountains near Antioch, but in 386 the poor state of his health forced him to return to Antioch, where he was ordained a priest.

In 398, he was elevated to the See of Constantinople and became one of the greatest lights of the Church. In Antioch St. John gained popularity because of the eloquence of his public speaking, especially his insightful expositions of Bible passages and moral teaching. He emphasised charitable giving and was concerned with the spiritual and temporal needs of the poor. He spoke against abuse of wealth and personal property. His straightforward understanding of the Scriptures meant that the themes of his talks were practical, explaining the Bible's application to everyday life. Some 600 sermons and 246 letters by St. John Chrysostom survive. The Catechism of the Catholic Church cites him in eighteen sections, particularly his reflections on the purpose of prayer and the meaning of the Lord's Prayer:

“Consider how [Jesus Christ] teaches us to be humble, by making us see that our virtue does not depend on our work alone but on grace from on high. He commands each of the faithful who prays to do so universally, for the whole world. For he did not say "thy will be done in me or in us", but "on earth", the whole earth, so that error may be banished from it, truth take root in it, all vice be destroyed on it, virtue flourish on it, and earth no longer differ from heaven.”

OUR LADY OF SORROWS – September 15



O most holy Virgin, Mother of our Lord Jesus Christ: by the overwhelming grief you experienced when you witnessed the martyrdom, the crucifixion, and death of your divine Son, look upon me with eyes of compassion, and awaken in my heart a tender commiseration for those sufferings, as well as a sincere detestation of my sins, in order that being disengaged from all undue affection for the passing joys of this earth, I may sigh after the eternal Jerusalem, and that henceforward all my thoughts and all my actions may be directed towards this one most desirable object. Honour, glory, and love to our divine Lord Jesus, and to the Holy and Immaculate Mother of God. Amen.

PARISH INFORMATION

All telephone numbers are in the 514-area code unless otherwise indicated.

PARISH WARDENS

The Fabrique of the parish administers all parish properties and assets, and consists of the Pastor and six wardens elected by parishioners at an Annual General Meeting.

Siro Di Marco (2027)	977-6442	Cindy Finn (2027)	624-0546
Frank Vissani (2028)	998-0311	Janet Arts (2026)	620-6643
Eric Chevrier (2026)	246-8525	Michael Randall (2028)	980-5015

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Guild	Anna Donald	835-7232
Altar Servers	Parish Office	626-4111
Baptism Preparation Team	Parish Office	626-4111
Choir Director	Brendan Kelly	944-7220
Eucharistic Ministry Coordinator	Rosemarie Della Rocca	620-1930
Head Sacristan	Anna Donald	835-7232
Lectors	Tobias Koikaran	693-5514
Liturgy Team	Rosemarie Della Rocca	620-1930
Ushers	Joe Ojeda	941-7914

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Adult Faith Formation	Elsa Rivera	626-4111
Angels of Mercy	Sarah Sajedi	827-6408
Catholic Women's League	Catherine Gehan-Graham	299-6517
Community Aid	Parish Office	626-4111
Couples for Christ	Don & Irene Salvanera	620-1319
Helping Others:	Parish Office	626-4111
Knights of Columbus	Norm Cousineau	624-8753
Legion of Mary	Juliana Abu	585-9206
Marriage Course	John & Nathalie Bondyra	695-7896
Pastoral Home Care	Ailsa Lee Loy	626-7265
Prayer Line	Christine Charron	694-3958
Responsible Pastoral Ministry	Rina Callard	626-4111
Social Club	Rina Callard	915-7586
Youth Ministry	Amanda Davis	626-4111

RESOURCES AND SERVICES

A.A.	376-9230
Al-Anon (Families of Alcoholics)	866-9803
Archdiocese, Marriage Tribunal, English Pastoral Services	931-7311
Diocesan Ombudsman – abuse/complaints	752-4683
Episcopal Vicar - Fr. Raymond Lafontaine	931-7311
Quebec Life Coalition: Pregnant? Worried?	344-2686
Spiritual Support Line	1-888-305-0994
Violence S.O.S. Hotline	1-800-363-9010
West Island Women's Shelter	620-4845

Anointing of the Sick: upon request at the parish office

Baptism: Please contact the office

Marriage: Please contact the office well in advance.

R.C.I.A.: Sandy Dunn 514-626-4111 Ext. 221

Sacrament of Reconciliation: (Confession) before all Masses or by request.

Vocations: Please contact Fr. Gerry Westphal at 514-688-4952 or one of our priests

HALL RENTAL: Michael Randall 514-980-5015