

# Third Sunday Of Lent February 27, 2005

*"Lord, you are truly the Saviour of the world;  
give me living water, that I may never thirst again."*



## IN OUR PARISH

### LENTEN MISSION 2005

#### "Making Friends with the Holy Spirit"

*Led by Father Stephen Valenta  
OFM, CONV*

**March 13, 14, 15 & 16**

7:30 p.m. each evening



### SUPPER BOWL – POVERTY MEAL

Come join us as we continue our Lenten Mission on **Tuesday, March 15 from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m.** for a "Supper Bowl" dinner. Each participant will partake in a simple meal using bowls that have been decorated by the guests of Benedict Labre House. The cost is \$2.50, which includes soup, sandwiches and the bowl. In the Spirit of social awareness and social action Benedict Labre House has developed this most simple approach intended to stimulate and involve individuals and groups on the issues of poverty and homelessness. Tickets will be available after all weekend Masses Feb. 26/27, March 5/6, and 12/13. Join us in celebrating an evening of solidarity with our friends from Benedict Labre House.

### WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READING

Starting March 14 at 8:00 p.m. in Cahill Hall, Margaret Million will be offering to explain the scripture readings for the following Sunday. Lectors may be particularly interested!

### LENTEN EVENING

For those who are looking to enter more deeply into the spirit of Lent, you are invited to an evening which will consist of a 50 min. video of The Passion according to St. Luke, interpreted by Leonardo Defilippis, followed by a sharing and reflection, and ending with a meditation. Monday, March 7, 7:15 p.m. in Cahill Hall.

### CWL TWILIGHT RETREAT

The CWL members are invited to take part in a twilight retreat at Villa Marguerite on Wednesday March 9 at 7:30 p.m. with Fr. Lou Cerulli. Reserve your spot before March 1<sup>st</sup> by calling Louise 630-6556. Please note that there will be no CWL meeting, Tuesday evening March 8<sup>th</sup>.

### CHILDREN RECEIVING BAPTISM THIS WEEKEND

**Massimo Pistilli, Liam McMullen.** May the Lord bless these children and their families as they journey in faith together, and continue to deepen their faith and understanding of the mystery celebrated in Baptism.



## Philippines

"People have the right to water and it should be delivered to them, whoever is in charge of their water services," says Ted Anana of Urban Poor Associates (UPA). UPA, a partner of DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE, helps poor urban families work together for water in their communities. Your Share Lent contribution helps make this goal a reality.

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## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

**March 4** is the **FIRST FRIDAY** of the month. We invite YOU to spend an hour with the LORD, and allow HIM to TRANSFIGURE your heart in silence. Sign up for an hour between 9 a.m. and midnight in the book at the back of the Church.

### FR. GILLES PRESENTS HIS SABBATICAL

On March 8 at 8:15 p.m after 7:30 p.m. Mass: 40 minute slide show with music; questions and conversation; feel free to bring goodies – come a little early to prepare coffee etc.



### LECTORS

Please pick up schedules in the box in the Narthex. Thank you!

### ADULT FAITH EDUCATION LEADERS...

Adult Religious Education Services is looking for the collaboration of all parishes in compiling a comprehensive picture of the various spiritual activities and pastoral events happening throughout the diocese. They plan to publish the information in the September 2005 issue of the Catholic Times. *If you are a leader of any Adult Faith Initiatives in our parish*, please submit all the relevant data – name of group, contact, dates / times of activity, costs etc. to the parish office preferably electronically at [office@stthomasabecket.org](mailto:office@stthomasabecket.org). or drop by the office during business hours.

### FABRIQUE DUTIES AND PORTFOLIOS 2005-2006

Fr. Gilles continues as **President** of the Fabrique, with Bill Kelly as **Chairman** of the Fabrique Assembly. Brian Raymond remains as **Treasurer** and **Public Relations Coordinator**. Newly elected Phil Weller, will take **Facilities, Equipment, Grounds, and Hall Rental**. Dawn Richardson will be **Helping Others Committee Representative**. Janet Arts will continue as **Secretary of the Fabrique** and **Chair** the **Fundraising Committee**. Ethel Norris will serve as **coordinator of Church Keys** and **Representative on the Parish Pastoral Council**. The Fabrique's role is to ensure that with the generous support of time and talent of all the parishioners, whatever is needed gets done in a timely way and within the means and budget provided by the community. May God guide our wardens in their decisions and may they all enjoy a rewarding and fruitful partnership in serving our parish.

### BE AN EASTER FLOWER DONOR

To make a donation in memory of a loved one towards our church decorations for Easter, include your donation in an envelope that is clearly marked “**Easter flower donations**”, and write on the envelope: name of your loved one (memorial) along with your name (donor). Please also include your parish envelope number if available. You can bring your donation to the office or drop it in the **Flower Donation Box** at the Church doors. Names of loved ones will be included in upcoming holiday bulletins.



### THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

February 20, 2005

Offerings  
\$ 6442.00

World Youth Day  
\$ 1580.00

## JUSTICE & PEACE

Pontius Pilate used water to wash his hands and to free himself from the responsibility for Jesus' death. Today, many are condemned to live without water, to die from thirst, to leave their land due to drought or to make room for dams. In Brazil 3.4 million hectares of land has been flooded for dams and 1 million people have been directly affected. Brazil is being taken from its people and exploited by profit. How can we express our solidarity?



## LOST AND FOUND

We have a number of items in the lost and found. Please check the back of the church. For keys, jewellery, eyeglasses etc., call office 626-4111.



## BECKET PANTRY NEEDS

Cereal, jam, shampoo, dish soap, stew & gravy

## HAPPENINGS AROUND TOWN

### **TWO INVITATIONS TO FAMILIES FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE**

#### **LOOKING FOR SOMETHING TO DO DURING SPRING BREAK?**

Mary Queen of the World Cathedral is offering a self guided tour on Tues., March 1, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Tour will be begin with a short visit with Bishop Mancini. Please arrive early (1:30 to 1:45) so we can begin on time.

#### **THERÈSE - THE MOVIE**

This Friday **February 25<sup>th</sup>**, the movie *Thérèse* will be released in Montreal and other parts of Canada. We have seen many people flocking to see the life of one of the greatest modern saints of our time. Everyone should be encouraged to go and see the movie this weekend. We are in a time of crisis with the media; you can make the difference and turn that crisis into a blessing of grace. This movie is to help you get the word out and catechize our young people and parish families with the message of St. Thérèse's "little ways". **In Montreal, we have 1 location that needs to be successful in order to keep the movie in your theaters for the entire month.** Get the word out. Help us reach all people! One drop of water can raise the level of the ocean my friends.

### **BIBLE STUDY**

Would you like to join us in studying the BOOK OF PSALMS? We will use study material from LITTLE ROCK SCRIPTURE STUDY and will meet in a casual living room setting Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. Starts March 10th. Contact Yvonne Bourque at 697-8512

### **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**

World Day of Prayer offers us a moment to reflect upon and affirm our faith in Jesus Christ, to share in the community of Christians around the world and to commit to working for social justice. Please join our neighbours on **Friday March 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.** in celebrating World Day of Prayer at St. Michael and All Angels Anglican Church 15556 Cabot Street, Pierrefonds. Information 626-4205.

