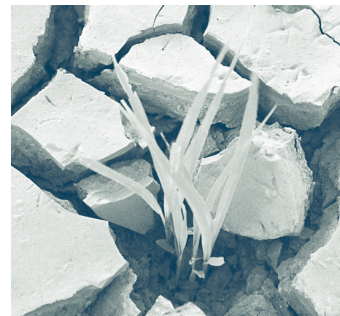


# Fifth Sunday Of Lent April 2, 2006

If you serve me, follow me, says the Lord;  
and where I am, my servant will also be.



**Weekday Masses:**  
**April 3:** No Mass **April 4:** 7:30 p.m.  
**April 5, 6 & 7:** 8:30 a.m.



## **IN OUR PARISH**



### **ADORATION FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC**

**April 7** is the **First Friday** of the month. After Benediction, you are invited to join us for an hour between 10:00 a.m. and midnight for adoration of the Holy Eucharist. Please sign up in the book at the back of the church. *Christ's words to the*



*Apostles in Gethsemane: "Can you not watch one hour with me?"*

### **FAITH FIRST NEWS**

**Parent Gathering** Wed. April 7, 7pm

**Children's Gathering** HS K&1 Friday April 7 4:30 & 6:15.

Books for the Philippine library project can be brought to your child's last gathering or dropped off in the box in the hall.



### **2006-2007 REGISTRATION**

*Pre-registration* parent meeting: **May 24/25 at 7 pm** in the Church.

*Registration* for 2006-2007: **May 30 & 31 form 7- 9pm** in the hall.

Please invite any Catholic families in your neighbourhood who might be interested in catholic education for their child.

### **THANK YOU FROM THE ARGENTINO FAMILY**

Thank you to all who attended Marco Argentino's rite of candidacy to the permanent diaconate on March 30 at MQW Cathedral. God bless you all.

### **HOLY THURSDAY LINE DANCING – TIME TO LET IT GO?**

Since 1998 I animated this line dancing to set a festive mood in our church to prepare our Liturgy of the Lord's Supper, when Jesus gathered his 12 apostles in joyful celebration of the Passover meal. The next pastor may or may not want to continue this practice. For this year, I'd like to pass it on and so I invite any youth or young adult interested to animate this brief moment of line dancing to call me. I'll give you the sound track, which you can review with your friends, and I can show you the steps we have been using, but you can feel free to improvise. **Fr. Gilles 626-4111**

### **CWL**

A Mass for Becket's CWL will be held April 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m., followed by a short business meeting. Guest speaker Linda Ross from the CLSC will give a presentation on the resources available from the CLSC, which promises to be very informative! Members, please try to attend and bring a friend.



## OFFERING TOWARDS DEACON'S VESTMENTS?

Parishioners have offered to cover the cost of 4 new modest yet beautiful chasubles. If you intend to make a significant contribution for the roof and would also like to enhance our liturgy and make an offering for deacons' dalmatics, please contact the office. We await an answer from a mission in Africa to our offer of the homemade vestments we no longer use. The generous gift of those who made them could live on in Africa.

## IT'S PATIENT WORK

It is patient work to wait for more precise replacement cost estimates. We will benefit Becket and get the best possible solution to repair our roofs as we study this together, a process vital for the inclusion of all the expertise, experience, and wisdom of parishioners. Jesus showed us how to remain in the Father's will. We are taking the time to be of one mind, heart, and soul. Russian Christians called this profound unity "sobornost" – which draws its vitality from the Blessed Trinity – rooted in Christ. Please pray for all parishioners called to work together for you and the glory of God.

## † LENTEN RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE †

**St. Luke's:** April 4, 7:30 p.m. **St. Edmund of Canterbury:** April 5, 7:30 p.m. **St. Joseph's Oratory Week:** 7 am to 12:30 pm, 2:30 pm to 5 pm and 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm **Sunday:** 6:45 am to 5:45 pm and 7:30 pm to 8:45 pm.

## FANIA EASTER PROJECT

Thanks for your eggcellent support of our Fania school project in the Honduras. We are up to **\$1000.00!** You can still pick up an Easter egg (near the church doors), fill it with change, and drop it in the hole in the model school roof near the tabernacle. You may fill up as many eggs throughout Lent as you like.



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FAMILY BREAKFAST

The **April 2<sup>nd</sup>** family breakfast has been *postponed* because four of our brothers (kitchen staff) will be continuing their journey into knighthood, and the balance of the kitchen staff will be attending the ceremony. **Good news...** K.of C. family breakfasts will resume on Sunday May 7 after the 11:00 Mass. \$3pp/\$10 per family +... a cold buffet breakfast after the 9:00 Mass including croissants, ham, cheese and muffins - \$2pp. See you there!

## 40<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY NEWS

**"A BECKET MEMORY"** Installment #2: In June 1960, Masses were celebrated in Rive Boisée (now St. Gerard) school, unfortunately, still in a basement, but happily in a larger confine. If you were there for this Becket memory, please contact us at 626-4111 so we can include your name in the list of honorees for Anniversary Celebration October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2006. Were you at the **very first Mass** and reception celebrated here October 19, 1996? Please visit this link [www.stthomasabecket.org/pub/First\\_Mass\\_and\\_Reception/](http://www.stthomasabecket.org/pub/First_Mass_and_Reception/) Help us identify the people in the pictures. Call or email [webmaster@stthomasabecket.org](mailto:webmaster@stthomasabecket.org)



## 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 and clearly mark it: **"Easter flower donations"**. Also include 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 Easter bulletins.

## BECKET MARRIAGE JUBILEE

Becket's Marriage Jubilee will be held on **May 28, 2006**. Stay tuned.

### BECKET PANTRY NEEDS

Tomato paste, spaghetti sauce, jello, pudding, cake & muffin mixes, tomato juice (small) canned fruit, juice, hand soap, crackers, bags of rice & sugar (small). God bless all our pantry volunteers and donors!

### HOLY WEEK AND EASTER CELEBRATION INFORMATION

**April 8:** Fr. Gilles

**April 9: 9am:** Fr. Clement; **11am:** Fr. Gilles; **5 pm:** Fr. Mike

*(N.B. All Palm Sunday Masses begin with procession from hall)*

**April 13: Holy Thursday: 7:30 pm: Jewish Line Dancing**  
**8 pm: Mass:** Fr. Gilles

**April 14: Good Friday: 10:30 am Children's Passion Play**  
**12 Noon: Walk with Cross from Di Sera parking lot**  
**1 pm Confessions**

**3 pm: Celebration of the Lord's Passion:** Deacon Richard Boileau

**April 15: Holy Saturday Easter Vigil: 8:00 p.m.** Fr. Gilles

**April 16: Easter Sunday Masses: 9:00 a.m. – Church:** Fr. Gilles; **Hall:** Fr. Mike. **11:00 a.m. – Church:** Fr. Gilles; **Hall:** Fr. Clement. **12:30 p.m. – Church:** Fr. Gilles.

### WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH MONTREAL PRIESTS?

In 1980 there were in the Archdiocese of Montreal 1127 priests (diocesan and religious). In 1995.... 925 priests, in 2005.... 668 priests. About 500 are diocesan, the rest are members of religious orders. In 2006 our priests' average age is 67, and 24% are over 75, with 49% over 70. The time for business as usual is over. If we don't value and promote this wonderful vocation, the trend will continue. It's about faith, love, and generosity.

"Envelopes will be distributed today for the special collection NEXT Sunday to help meet the growing costs of training our young men who are studying for the Priesthood. The shortage of priests in Montreal is quite critical and your generosity will enable some to study who otherwise might not be able to afford the high cost of such prolonged education. We especially urge all our people to pray for an increase in vocations."

*Reprinted from St. Thomas à Becket Parish bulletin, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 1967.*

### BE REFRESHED IN MIND BODY AND SPIRIT

Silent, directed weekend retreat at Villa Marguerite. Begins Friday evening, April 7, ends Sunday afternoon. 626-9462 or 697-6684.

### ARMCHAIR RETREAT

**April 28, 6:30 p.m. to April 30, 2:30 p.m.** Join us for an intimate and tailor made weekend of discussion, meditation, scriptural talks, Eucharist, and if needed, reconciliation. **4 vacancies left.** Includes: individual cozy rooms with a view, and all meals. \$125.00. Small group of 5 people. Led by Margaret Million and Fr. Mike Shaw at L'Ermitage Retreat Center. 626-1154 or 696-6451 [dmpriestshaw@hotmail.com](mailto:dmpriestshaw@hotmail.com) **Next Retreat: June 2-4, 2006, 5 vacancies.**



### HÉMA QUÉBEC BLOOD DRIVE

Archbishop Jean-Claude CARDINAL Turcotte has once again graciously accepted to sponsor a blood drive on **Good Friday April 14, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.** at Marché Bonsecours. Please consider giving the gift of life!