

# Second Sunday of Easter April 23, 2006

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe!



**Weekday Masses: April 24 & 25: 7:30 pm April 26, 27, 28: 8:30 a.m.**

## **IN OUR PARISH**

### **FAITH FIRST NEWS**

**Children's Gathering: HS 5,6,7,8 Wed. May 3<sup>rd</sup> 4:30 pm and 6:15pm.**

### **2006-2007 REGISTRATION**

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

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

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

### **QUESTION OF THE WEEK**

**Adults:** Do my actions support or detract from my words? **Children:** Who has taught me about Jesus?

### **WEBMASTER WANTED**

For over a year my website has been unmanaged and underused because I changed provider and haven't had time to follow the instructions, nor do I want to impose on anyone I know. Are you able, do you have time, and would you be interested in managing my website? You would be helping people find answers to some of their questions and help me integrate my blog as I come back to making regular entries. I would be able to create hot links to documents "ready to go" on my website. Please call or see me. God bless you, your journey and family. **Fr. Gilles 626-4111**

### **OFFERING TOWARDS DEACONS' VESTMENTS?**

Parishioners have covered the cost of 4 new 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 will send the homemade vestments we no longer use to a mission in Africa.

### **CHURCH HALL & KITCHEN CUPBOARD**

Please contact Phil Weller at 696-4167 or 232-3158 if you have **any items** in the cupboards in the church hall, "bingo room" or the kitchen. We need to make sure we have access to these cupboards when the fire marshal visits, as he may ask us to open the cupboards. If we do not have the keys to open the cupboards, we will have to break the locks and replace them with new ones.



### **BECKET MARRIAGE JUBILEE**

Becket's Marriage Jubilee will be held **June 4, 2006**. Registration begins this weekend. Please sign up in the Narthex if you are celebrating your **5<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>**...wedding anniversary this year.

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR EASTER FLOWER OFFERINGS

Dear Lord, grant your abundant blessings to those on whose behalf these offerings were made: *Agnes O'Donnell, Anne Marie Watkinson, Peter*



*Holloran, Jane Holloran, Mark Julius Coelho, Joan Harkin, Dusan Medvescek, The Wilson, & Lee Loy families, Wladyslaw Gargul, Boleslaw Kulmacz, Al Mack, Louis A. Pereira, Stella & Stanley Szuszkowski, Douglas Floreani, Mr. & Mrs. Hutira, Mike Lizée, Joan Harkin, Alfonso Mio, Mio & Vaincourt families, Rosa & Domenico Pandolfo, Kathleen Steer, Dorothy Lyall, Mary Saukas, Mark & Joseph Dias, Anna Roth, Maria Imonti, Giovanni Ambrosio.*

### FANIA EASTER PROJECT

*Many thanks* to our very generous donors for such tremendous support of our Fania School project in the Honduras. To date we have collected **\$1455.00!** This weekend is your last chance to pick up an Easter egg (at church doors), fill it with change, and drop it in the model school near the tabernacle. The model school will stay up throughout the Easter season.

Muchas Gracias!



**40<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY NEWS "A BECKET MEMORY" Installment #4**  
The first 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee meeting will take place on **April 25<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm** in Cahill Hall. *All parishioners* are invited to join.

In 1965, On September 5<sup>th</sup>, St. Thomas à Becket Mission comes into operation under the care of Rev. Charles B. Cahill. A 4<sup>th</sup> Mass is included in the Sunday schedule. By mutual agreement with Fr. Cahill, the council consents to act as the lay administration of the Mission. On Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>, Fr. Cahill moves into the first rectory at 4373 Pascal St. Pierrefonds. 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations take place on **Oct. 14 & 15, 2006. Join us!**

### BECKET PANTRY NEEDS

Tea, coffee, sugar, tomato juice, rice, peanut butter (if possible in small sizes). Please remember to check expiry dates. God bless all our pantry volunteers and donors. A blessed Easter Season to you all!

### CELEBRATE AND CONGRATULATE OUR FIRST COMMUNICANTS!

For the past two years, many children in our parish have been preparing for their First Communion. At all Masses during the months of April, May and the beginning of June, children will receive their First Communion along with the rest of our Parish Community. Please join us as we welcome these children and their families, and greet and congratulate them as they take this important step in following the footsteps of Jesus.

### JESUS GIVES PRIESTS JOY – LET'S PROMOTE PRIESTHOOD

The many changes in the Church 30 to 40 years ago brought uncertainty. Vocations were less attractive. Affluence promoted material values over spiritual ones, and careers in the world over religious vocations. Now that we have learned once again the hard way that worldly success does not bring happiness, it's high time we encourage youth to consider a religious vocation as a true alternative for happiness both in this life and in eternity. 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 – 24% are over 75 – 49% over 70. Search deep in your soul and see Jesus in our priests. It is high time to value and promote this wonderful vocation, which is all about faith, love, hope, and generosity.



## VOCATIONS SPOTLIGHT: RICH MAN POOR MAN LUNCH



**May 7**, Good Shepherd Sunday, will be a special celebration of *World Day of Prayer for Vocations*. The world-wide church invites us to honour all Christian vocations, united as one flock under the guidance of our one shepherd, Jesus. You are all invited to participate in this annual celebration on **Sunday May 7, in the Church Hall from**



**12:30 – 2:30** as we invite guest speakers who will witness on Marriage, Ordination and Consecrated life. *Welcome All! Free lunch included.* Vita: 694-1118.

## **AROUND TOWN**

### **CANADIAN GOLD MINE THREATENS GUATEMALANS**

Juan Tema, a Guatemalan from a town threatened by a Canadian-owned gold mine, will be speaking at a pot-luck supper, on Saturday, April 29 at St. Edward the Confessor mission, 98 Aurora Ave. Pointe Claire. It will begin immediately after the 5 pm Mass, approximately 6 pm. All are invited. Just bring some food to share with others. Further info 426-4523.

### **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY PLENARY INDULGENCE**

(With sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion and prayer for the intentions of Supreme Pontiff) to faithful who in any church or chapel, in a spirit that is completely detached from the affection for even a venial sin, **honour the Divine Mercy** or in the Blessed Sacrament presence recite the Our Father and Creed, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus.

### **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY CELEBRATION APRIL 23**

Join the celebration at St. John Fisher Church, Summer Hill Ave. at Valois Bay on **April 23. 2:30 pm:** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Reconciliation. **3:00 pm:** Chaplet of Divine Mercy. **3:30 pm:** Way of the Cross. **4:30 pm:** Mass. Info: Kathleen Lillen 694-8913 or 695-0205.



“Rockin’ Robin Hood” and Cabaret 2006 have begun! Show dates: April 22, 28, 29, May 5, 6, 12, 13. **Call 979-3029 for tickets.** Special rate for organizations that follow Becket Players mission of helping children with educational, nutritional or medical needs: Row 6 only (min 2 tables).

### **ARMCHAIR RETREAT**

**April 28, 6:30 pm to April 30, 2:30 pm** Join us for an intimate and **tailor-made** weekend of discussion, meditation, scriptural talks, Eucharist, and if needed, Reconciliation. **2 vacancies left.** Includes: individual cozy rooms with a view, and all meals. 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.**

### **DISCOVER YOUR GIFTS**

One day seminar/follow up to the Life in the Spirit Seminar. Come learn how the Holy Spirit works in you, motivates, empowers you, and fills your life with peace and joy. Presented by Lou Cerulli and René Brimo, April 29, 9am to 2:40pm at St. John Fisher. Free admission. Info: 695-7172.

### **SOLAU SINGERS-MUSICIANS**

We provide music for ceremonies and special occasions such as baptisms, graduations, weddings, and funerals. Information Sonia Castiglione at 626-4190 or at [solausingers@hotmail.com](mailto:solausingers@hotmail.com).