

# 22<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time September 3, 2006



*The father gave us birth by his message of truth,  
that we might be as the first fruits of his creation.*

**Weekday Masses: September 4, 7:30 pm 5 TBA; 6, 7, 8: 8:30 a.m.**



## **Welcome Fr. Rob, Fr. Michael and Francesco!!**

**FAITH FIRST Book pick up** in CAHILL HALL Sept. 14 & 15, 7-9 pm; Sept 16, 2-4 pm. NB: Books will only be released *for returning students: if Certificate of Completion for 2005-2006 has been issued; for newcomers: if baptismal certificate has been received.* Book verification will be available at all book pick-ups. Parent meeting for ALL levels Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> 7-9pm in Parish Hall.

**WELCOME FR. ROBERT!** I never dreamed that this day would come, but it is so appropriate now that it has, and I am delighted as one of my final acts as Becket Pastor to leave this word of welcome to Becket's new Pastor, Fr. Robert Clark! It was my joy and grace, and that of many who were here then, to come to know and love Fr. Rob from 1995 to 2002. Since then, Fr. Rob has been entrusted with a number of pastoral assignments and has been a priest for 8 years. It is my pleasure, on behalf of everyone here, to welcome you back, Fr. Rob, but more especially to welcome you as Becket's new Pastor. May your time here be blessed and fruitful, and may Our Blessed Mother protect you with her love and prayers and commend you to her Son Jesus our Lord. I look forward to continuing to work with you as your neighbour. Fr. Gilles

**WELCOME FR. MICHAEL!** On behalf of Becket Parishioners and Parish Staff, it is my pleasure to say hello and welcome you, Fr. Michael Tauro, as you move in to live here at Becket. I also look forward to working with you at the Lakeshore General Hospital, and am glad that you will be here to assist the new Pastor and to celebrate the Sunday Liturgy with the people of Becket. May you enjoy your new home and the warm welcome you will receive from the people of St. Thomas à Becket. Peace be with you! Fr. Gilles

**WELCOME FRANCESCO!** On behalf of Becket Parishioners and Parish Staff, it is my pleasure to say hello and welcome you, Mr. Francesco Giordano. After years of prayer and study you have been assigned to this Parish for your internship to continue your formation and preparation for ordination. In recent years your new pastor, Fr. Rob, and Fr. Stephen Otvos, have preceded you here. I am glad for both you and for the people of Becket, and know that you will find a warm welcome, prayerful and loving support, and plenty of opportunity to roll up your sleeves and have a lot of fun being with people to help the Pastoral Team serve the Lord at Becket. Fr. Gilles

**ROOF FUND RAISER ~ OCTET PLUS CONCERT A MUST SEE EVENT!** Join us on **Fri. Sept. 8 at 8 p.m.** for a concert by Octet Plus - a semi-professional choir of about 18 voices. Drawn from a number of Montreal choirs, Octet Plus performs for the enjoyment of singing and to raise money for various local charities. We look forward to your attendance and are sure you will be enriched by the program. Goodwill offering.



**FR. GILLES' FAREWELL:** Be a part of the send-off for Fr. Gilles and participate in the music, dancing, reminiscing, and storytelling. Please drop off your potluck dish (to feed 10 people) in the parish hall kitchen and place your beverage on a table prior to joining us in the Church for the celebration of the **4:30 Mass on Saturday, September 16th.**

**40<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION - tickets** for the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration dinner, October 14<sup>th</sup>, on sale after all Masses. Ticket price has dropped to **\$25.00**. Deadline to purchase is October 1<sup>st</sup>. Come celebrate with us! You are all part of it whether you have been a parishioner for 4 or 40 years! The next planning committee meeting will be held **September 14, 7:30 pm**. All parishioners are invited to join us. A calligrapher is needed to inscribe 268 names into our Book of Honour. Information at parish office 514-626-4111.



**QUESTION OF THE WEEK: Reading I:** Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8 **Reading II:** James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27 **Gospel:** Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

**Adults:** How can I develop a grateful heart in order that God's law might become an expression of freedom and that my actions authentically reflect my desire to follow the path of Jesus? **Children:** What can I change in my life to honor God's law more genuinely?

**CWL:** Tuesday, September 12: Mass at 7:30 pm, followed by meeting & social in Cahill hall. Stay tuned for information on the 7<sup>th</sup> annual **WOMEN'S POWER BREAKFAST** Sept. 30, 9-11am.

**BROWNIES:** Let's go girls – crafts, songs, outings, sleepovers, camping, come join the fun! Are you a girl between the ages of 6 & 9? Are you looking for a challenge? Are you ready to learn something new?? Come join the Brownies!! You don't have to go far. We meet right here in the hall of the church every Monday night from 6:30-8 pm. Caroline 514-697-8474. Or, come join us at our first meeting Monday Sept. 18 at 6:30 pm. See you there!

**ALTAR SERVERS** sign-up after all Masses, Sept 9 & 10 in parish hall; Sept. 14, 15 & 16 7-9 in Cahill hall; Sept. 17 after all Masses in parish hall. Only for first meeting Friday Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup> 6:30 -8 pm, one parent must accompany child.

**BECKET JUSTICE AND PEACE COMMITTEE** would like to share a social justice prayer that Therese Vanier (Jean Vanier's sister) wrote. Here is the last piece. 16) That violence be absorbed by men and women of peace: give us grace, Lord, to labour for this that we pray for. **By Therese Vanier**

**BECKET PANTRY NEEDS... Daytime and evening deliverers are desperately needed:** Please call the office if you would like to volunteer to deliver food baskets to needy families - flexible schedule to suit your availability. Thank you & God bless.

**ANGELS OF MERCY** are in need of hats, mitts, socks, sleeping bags and blankets for the homeless. Parishioners wishing to donate used or new items can do so after all masses on **September 16/17, 23/24, & 30<sup>th</sup>, and October 1<sup>st</sup>**. Just drop them in the box in the church hall marked "Angels of Mercy". Thank you for your generosity.

**PASTORAL HOME CARE TRAINING** with Deacon Bob Zankoski : A six-session training course in caring for the elderly and the sick. Mondays, 7:30 p.m. Sept 11 & 25; Oct 16 & 30; Nov 13 & 27. No Fee. **Contact:** Samia Boghdady (514) 694-3564.

**JOIN US FOR ROSARY AT THE STATUE**, September 8, Our Lady's birthday, after Mass and benediction.

**BLESSING OF SCHOOL BAGS AND FAITH FIRST BOOKS** Our annual blessing of school bags and Faith First workbooks will be held at all weekend Masses **September 23 & 24**. This special blessing is open to **students of all ages** from preschoolers to seniors studying at university. Welcome!

*To all students young and old – have a wonderful and blessed school year!*

## **BECKET HAPPENINGS AT A GLANCE**

### **NB OFFICE IS CLOSED LABOUR DAY, MONDAY SEPTEMBER 4**

Tues.	Sept. 5	K of C Executive meeting	7:30 pm
Fri.	Sept. 8	Concert: Octet Plus	8:00 pm
Sat.	Sept. 9	Wedding: Heather Forlini to John Murphy	2:00 pm
Sun.	Sept. 10	Knights of Columbus breakfast	after 11 am Mass
Tues.	Sept. 12	K of C General meeting	7:30 pm
Thurs.	Sept. 14	Thursday morning prayer group begins	9:00 am
		40 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Planning Committee meeting	7:30 pm
Sat.	Sept. 16	Farewell to Fr. Gilles	after 4:30 Mass
Thurs.	Sept. 21	Faith First parent meeting ALL levels	7:00 pm
Sat.	Sept. 23	Wedding: Kelly Singer to Bryan Bird	3:00 pm
Sat.	Sept. 30	CWL Power Breakfast	9:00 am

## **AROUND TOWN**

**LOYOLA HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE** for all prospective students, **Sat. September 30<sup>th</sup> 9 am –noon.** If you are interested in Catholic education for your son, come meet the students, teachers and administrators who make up the Loyola family. Tour our school, watch our Fall Sports Tournament, explore the library, labs, fine arts and robotics facilities. Financial aid available.

**ST. LUKE'S MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL SEPT 10<sup>TH</sup>:** St. Luke's parish in Westpark will hold their Multicultural Festival on Sunday **Sept. 10 from 10am to 4pm** in the church parking lot. All are welcome to join in the fun and festivities and enjoy the food, song and dance from the Caribbean, the Philippines, India, French Canada, Portugal and other countries.

**FAMILY LIFE CONFERENCE 2006:** This year's Diocesan Family Life Conference is entitled Family the Heart of the World, and will be held at the Le Nouvel Hôtel, 1740 René Lévesque, **Sept. 29, 6:30 -9:30 pm and Sept. 30, 8:15 am – 4:30 pm.** See flyers at the back of the church or call 514-925-4300 ex 343.

**QUEEN OF ANGELS ACADEMY**, a secondary school for girls, will be hosting its "Open House" on Sunday, **October 1<sup>st</sup>, from 1-3:30 pm.** Information: 514-636-0900 ext 268 Monday to Friday 9am to 4 pm.

**MONTREAL CATHOLIC CHALLENGE MOVEMENT** organized for young adults by young adults. All 18-25yr olds are invited to join us **September 8-9-10<sup>th</sup>** at Queen of Angels Academy for a retreat weekend where you can make tons of new friends and take time for spiritual concerns. Challenge offers awesome opportunities throughout the year to deepen your faith and have fun! Theresa [tmansol@hotmail.com](mailto:tmansol@hotmail.com) Angela [Barrett\\_girls@yahoo.ca](mailto:Barrett_girls@yahoo.ca) or email [mtlchallenge@hotmail.com](mailto:mtlchallenge@hotmail.com)

**COR XVII (Christ in Others Retreat): September 15-16-17** at Queen of Angels Academy in Dorval for youth 15-25 yrs of age. Please contact Jennifer 514-817-9492, Claire & Lou 514-620-0342, or Teddy 514-743-6751. More information and applications available - [WWW.CORMONTREAL.CA](http://WWW.CORMONTREAL.CA)

**JOHN PAUL II'S THEOLOGY OF THE BODY:** 8-talk video series presented by Christopher West. St. Edmund of Canterbury starting Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 pm. Peter Cassidy 514-428-9087 peter.cassidy@hotmail.com.

### **COME AND SEE EVENINGS**



For men, 18 to 54 years old, who may be discerning a call to the priesthood. 5:30 pm to 9 pm, Fridays in 2006 – 2007 at St. Ignatius of Loyola: **Sept 22, Oct. 20, Nov. 17, Jan 19, Feb 16, Mar 23, Apr.20.** Contact: Fr. Robert Clark 514-925-4348 for more info.