

20th Sunday In Ordinary Time August 19, 2007



*My sheep listen to my voice
says the Lord; I know them
and they follow me.*

Weekday Masses: August 20, 7:15 pm
August 21, 22, 23, 24, 8:30 am

FAITH FIRST: During the summer months, please register on-line at www.stthomasabecket.org (click on Faith Education and follow the directions). Payment by cash or cheque must be submitted to the parish office to confirm your registration. **In-person** registration will take place **Sept. 5, in Cahill hall from 7-9 pm**. Workbook distribution will take place Thurs Sept. 13, 7-9 pm; Sat. Sept 15, 3-4 pm; Sun. Sept. 16 10-11 am and 12 to 1 pm



ATTENTION GRANDMAS AND GRANDPAS, NONNOS AND NONNAS!

Faith First is looking for help with babysitting one Friday morning a month beginning in October to free up parents of preschoolers to attend a daytime faith education program. Can you help out? Please contact Cathie or Elsa at 514-620-4057.

Reading I: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10 (The Rescue of Jeremiah)

Reading II: Hebrews 12:1-4 (Persevere in Running the Race)

Gospel: Luke 12:49-53 (Peace or Division)

Adults: What sufferings have I experienced that have brought new life as a result of my choice to follow Jesus?

Children: How has Jesus helped me when I have struggled with a difficult or a painful experience?

VOCATION VIEWS REFLECTION: Following Jesus sometimes means being rejected by others. Speak an encouraging word this week to someone you know who is trying to follow Jesus through the fire. Say a prayer for those who are discerning a call to priesthood or religious life.

ALL PARISH GROUPS, COMMITTEES, and

CHOIRS: Please come to the office to book your dates in the Master Schedule for your upcoming activities, if you have not already done so. Bookings are made on a first come first served basis. We would ask that you also check the schedule at the beginning of every month to ensure that your dates are correct and no changes have been made. The web calendar (a copy of the Master Schedule on the parish website) is updated on a regular basis, and is a convenient way for you to check your dates or to see what is available.



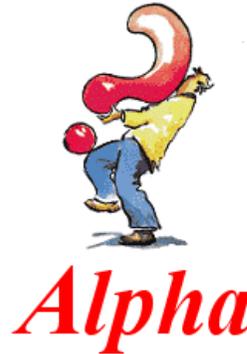
FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE - If you are interested in becoming a member of our new fundraising committee please contact Janet Arts by phone at 514-620-6643 or by e-mail to janet.arts@videotron.ca. Everyone is welcome.

BECKET PANTRY NEEDS: stew, Kraft Dinner, tea, sugar, juice, jello. Thank you to all for your help over the summer months.

ALPHA: Thank you to everyone who has been praying for a successful and fruitful Alpha course for Becket this fall. Here is the schedule for our upcoming initiative:

August 18 & 19 Alpha witnessing testimonies at all weekend Masses
September 1 & 2 Alpha witnessing testimonies at all weekend Masses
September 9 Sunday Alpha Kick-off Pot Luck Informational Supper

ALPHA is an opportunity to explore the meaning of life in a relaxed, friendly setting. The Alpha course includes ten meals and an amazing weekend getaway that comes halfway through the 10-week course. The course meets once per week. Alpha has become a worldwide phenomenon, now in 164 countries, where millions of people have come to explore the meaning of life.



At each session people enjoy great food, laughter and learning in a fun and friendly atmosphere where no question about life and God is seen as too simple or too hostile...questions like— Is there a God? Why am I here? Where did I come from? Where am I going? Alpha is for anyone...anyone who thinks there may be more to life than meets the eye.

People attend from all backgrounds, religions, and viewpoints. They come to investigate questions around the existence of God, the purpose in life, the afterlife, the claims of Jesus and more. Some people have simply seen through religion and are looking for a relationship with God that really changes life. Others come for the close, long-lasting friendships that are built during the Alpha course. Everyone is welcome. Join us!

~ MASS SCHEDULE: AUGUST 11 - 19 ~

Saturday	August 18	20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
4:30 pm	Stanislaw Depa	
Sunday	August 19	
9:00 am	Tony Toledo	Alain & Claire Pagé
11:00 am	Our Parishioners	
Mon.	August 20	Paschal, Marie
7:15 pm	Ignatius Carmeline & Jacinto D'Silva	& Dylan Fernandes
Tues.	August 21	
8:30 am	Pasquale Reda	Rina Reda
Wed.	August 22	
8:30 am	Maria & Allesandro Kepecki (L)	Rina Reda
Thurs.	August 23	
8:30 am	Maria Kozlowski	children and grandchildren
Fri.	August 24	
8:30 am	Mark Julius Coelho	Pat & Donny Coelho
Saturday	August 25	21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
4:30 pm	Emma & John Vottero	Norma Massari
Sunday	August 26	
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Luigi & Berardina Fiori	Alberta Fiori

Weekday Readings for August 20 to August 24

Monday Aug. 20	Jgs 2: 11-19	Mt 19: 16-22
Tuesday Aug. 21	Jgs 6: 11-24a	Mt 19: 23-30
Wednesday Aug. 22	Jgs 9: 6-15	Mt 20: 1-16
Thursday Aug. 23	Jgs 11: 29-39a	Mt 22: 1-14
Friday Aug. 24	Rv 21: 9b-14	Jn 1: 45-51

ATTENTION LECTORS! Please pick up a copy of the new schedule which is available in the Narthex. Thank you.

BECKET HAPPENINGS AT GLANCE

Sun.	Aug. 26	Parish B.B.Q and Corn Roast	12 noon
Sat.	Sept. 1	Wedding: Catherine Fini to Stephane Pitre	2:00 pm
Wed.	Sept. 5	Faith First Late Registration and book verification	7-9 pm
Sun.	Sept. 9	Alpha Kick Off - Pot Luck & Informational Supper	5:30 pm
Thurs.	Sept 13	Faith First Workbook distribution	7-9 pm
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PARISH BBQ AND CORN ROAST ON AUGUST 26th. Come join us at the Parish BBQ & Corn Roast Sunday August 26th @ 12 pm. Rain or Shine. Fun and Games for the whole family. Door Prizes and a 50/50 draw. Tickets: Adult \$10.00 (13 and older) Children \$ 7.00 (6 – 12 years) and Children 5 and under Free. A Great Family Rate of \$30.00 (2 adults and 2 children (6-12)). Last Day for Tickets August 19th.

For more information call Mike and Rina Callard @ 514-695-6995

NOVA BEREAVEMENT GROUP: Offered to anyone who is bereaved and is suffering from the death of a loved one. Valois United Church 70 Belmont, Pointe Claire August 29 to October 17 Wednesday evenings 7-9 pm. An in - memoriam donation on behalf of your loved one would be much appreciated. Info: 514-695-8335.

DUC IN ALTUM: Remember our beloved JP II who encouraged us to DUC IN ALTUM! "Put out into the deep"... If you have ever asked yourself ...What am I doing with my life? How do I find out what God wants me to be and do? How do I discern? How do I decide and follow through? DUC IN ALTUM can be a year for your future. For young adults 18-30 who are journeying in their faith formation and relationship with Christ; and asking themselves how can I respond to God's call to happiness. Info night on **Thursday, Sept. 13, 7-9 pm.** St. Dominic Savio Centre 514-351-6233 ducinaltummtl@yahoo.ca

COME AND SEE EVENINGS: For men, 18 to 54 years old, who may be discerning a call to the priesthood. The Diocesan Vocation office is offering informal get-togethers from **5:30 to 9:00 pm at St. Ignatius of Loyola on the following Fridays in 2007 – 2008** to provide fellowship and support for those who are considering following Jesus as a priest: **Sept 21, Oct. 19, Nov. 16, Jan 18, Feb 15, Mar. 28, Apr. 25.** Each evening begins with supper and recreation and is followed by prayer and a time of input and sharing where issues concerning priestly life and ministry are discussed. For information please contact Fr. Robert Clark at 514-925-4348 or by email at vocationsmtl@hotmail.com



THE PASTOR OF A CHURCH was sick one Sunday morning, so another priest was called in to replace the pastor.

As the priest was greeting the congregation he made the statement, "You know, a substitute preacher is like a piece of cardboard in a broken window. He fills the space, but after all, he's not the real glass." He then proceeded with his sermon.

After the service, a lady approached him trying to pay him a compliment by saying, "You weren't a replacement after all. You were a real pane."

