

31st Sunday In Ordinary Time November 4, 2007



God loved the world so much,
he gave his only Son, that all who
believe in him might have eternal life.

Weekday Masses: Nov 5: 7:15 pm
Nov. 6, 7, 8, & 9: 8:30 am

FAITH FIRST - NEW ONLINE!! Look on our website
www.stthomasabecket.org for our weekly **PERSON OF FAITH**.



Confirmation Gathering : **Wednesday Nov. 7 at 4:30 pm or 6:15 pm**
High School Confirmation Gathering: **Thurs. Nov. 8 at 6:15 pm** at Catechist's.
Gathering for groups 1 & 2 **Friday Nov. 9 at 4:30 pm or 6:15 pm**
Please consult the calendar in your child's book for the time and date of gatherings.

*I put my faith into action like **Rachel** when...*

I waited a long time for my surprise after going to the dentist. **Kelsey Z.-C.**

I know I have to wait to get something I really want. **Salvatore B.**

I have to wait until Christmas for a toy I really want, but I'll be patient. **Michaela P.**

I was patient while I waited to get better after my operation. **Emily S.**

I am patient and wait my turn. **Thomas K.**

I worked hard so that I may earn the right to play my Game Cube. **Bryan T.**

I worked hard for my dessert, but I had to wait. **Sarah D.**

I read my little sister a book. **Vanessa C.**



Reading I: Wisdom 11:22-12:2 (Mercy on All)
Reading II: 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2 (Don't Be Shaken)
Gospel: Luke 19:1-10 (Zacchaeus)

Adults: Who do I know that could use my helping hand or listening ear?

Children: How can I be a better friend to others this week?

VOCATION VIEWS REFLECTION: Can I risk sharing the goodness God has given to me? Can I care for the needs of my brothers and sisters? Can I respond to God as a priest, brother, or sister?

FABRIQUE & H. O. COMMITTEE ELECTIONS DEC. 2, 2007:

All parishioners are invited to the election of Churchwardens and Helping Others Committee on **December 2nd after the 11:00 a.m. Mass**. All Roman Catholics of full age (18), of the Roman Catholic Faith, and who live within the parish boundaries are entitled to nominate, be nominated, and vote at the Meeting of Parishioners (*Act respecting Fabriques*). There are six churchwarden positions. The term of office of churchwardens is three years. Two three-year positions must be filled during this election. There are 4 elected Helping Others Committee members. The term of office for H.O. Committee is two years – two two-year terms must be filled during this election. Churchwardens assist the pastor in the administration of the parish. H.O. Committee members manage our charitable outreach programs under the authority of the Fabrique. 514-626-4111.

CWL: There will be a Mass at 1 pm for all deceased members of the CWL.
Business meeting and refreshments to follow.

LECTORS: please pick up important information sheets in the Narthex. Thanks!



SCOUTS, CUBS, GUIDES, BROWNIES, VENTURERS & CADETS
are encouraged to wear their uniforms to all Masses on Nov. 10 & 11.



THE PILLARS TRUST FUND: Thanks to your generosity, by the end of June 30, 2007, the Pillars campaign generated \$264, 935. (Becket's contribution for 2006 was \$7, 660.00.) Pillars distributed \$397, 522 to 29 organizations and groups who provide programs and services unique to our English-speaking Catholic community. Through the generosity of the entire English-speaking Catholic community, Pillars will continue to support the organizations that have come to rely on us as a major source of funding for their operations. This year's campaign goal is \$250.000. Reach out to Pillars with your financial gift, so that Pillars' beneficiaries will reach out to others on your behalf. *When we reach out to others in Christ, our good...works. Please be generous!*

***Encouraging Acts of Faith
Hope and Charity – through
Volunteerism and Stewardship***

UNANNOUNCED MASSES In addition to our “announced” Masses (published in the bulletin), we remind you that we also offer unannounced Masses. An "unannounced" Mass is exactly the same as an "announced" Mass except that it is not published in the bulletin, and is celebrated at the earliest convenience of the priest celebrating the Mass. An "unannounced" Mass is celebrated privately by a priest at a Mass at which they have no other scheduled intention. The donation for an "unannounced" Mass is \$5. Unannounced Masses may be arranged in exactly the same way as an announced Mass, by contacting the parish office.

BECKET PANTRY NEEDS: Rice, laundry detergent, dishwashing soap, crackers , noodles, rice mix, jam, spaghetti sauce, sugar (2kg size), cereal, shampoo. **Desperately needed:** Pantry Coordinator, baggers, drivers for deliveries. Info: 514-626-4111.



BECKET PANTRY CHRISTMAS BASKET MEETING Nov. 14, 7:30 - Many “elves” are needed to help us make our Christmas Basket project a success. We need help with preparation of baskets, receiving perishables on delivery day, loading cars, making deliveries, and in dozens of other ways. Help us make Christmas special for those less fortunate. This is a great project for families to do together, and can be a wonderful gift to the Christ Child. See you there!

BECKET'S KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS have postponed their next “family breakfast” until December 16. Everyone is invited to a special **Breakfast with Santa on Dec. 16 after the 11 am Mass.** This event will be a combined effort of Becket's K. of C. and the 11o'clock choir. All welcome! Stay tuned for details.

BECKET HAPPENINGS AT GLANCE

Wed.	Nov.07	F.F. Confirmation Gathering #1	4:30 OR 6:15
Thurs.	Nov.08	F.F. HS Confirmation #1	6:15 pm
Fri.	Nov.09	F.F. Children's Gathering Level 1& 2 #1	4:30 OR 6:15
Tues.	Nov.13	CWL Mass	1:00 pm
		Knights of Columbus meeting	7:00 pm
Wed.	Nov.14	Christmas Basket Meeting	7:30 pm
Thurs.	Nov.15	Parent Gathering #2	7:00 pm
Fri.	Nov.16	Day Café	9:30 am
Sun	Nov.18	Farewell reception for Fr. Michael Tauro	after 11 am Mass
Tues.	Nov.20	Natural Family Planning	7:30 pm



Get your grocery, gas, clothing, hardware and gifts at your preferred store using Fundscrip certificates. Help raise funds for Becket pilgrims for World Youth Day 2008.



~ MASS SCHEDULE: NOVEMBER 3RD TO NOVEMBER 11TH ~

Saturday	Nov. 03	31st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
4:30 pm	Ross McGuire	Bernice & family
Sunday	Nov. 04	
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Bill Shipman	Bill & Maureen Kelly
Mon.	Nov. 05	
7:15 pm	Ella Lewis	Alice & Gerry Clayton
Tues.	Nov. 06	
8:30 am	Geraldine Leblanc	Lucy Pigeon
Wed.	Nov. 07	
8:30 am	Barbara Wawak	Parish Staff
Thurs.	Nov. 08	
8:30 am	Lillian Ruddell	Ernie & Audrey Cassidy
Fri.	Nov. 09	
8:30 am	Maria Kozlowski	children & grandchildren
Saturday	Nov. 10	32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
4:30 pm	Alfonso Mio	His family
Sunday	Nov. 11	
9:00 am	Merwyn De Sousa	
11:00 am	Our Parishioners	

Weekday Readings for November 5th to November 9th

Monday Nov. 05	Rom 11: 29-36	Lk 14: 12-14
Tuesday Nov. 06	Rom 12: 1-16ab	Lk 14: 15-24
Wednesday Nov. 07	Rom 13: 8-10	Lk 14: 25-33
Thursday Nov. 08	Rom 14: 7-12	Lk 15: 1-10
Friday Nov. 09	Ez 47: 1-2, 8-9, 121 Cor 3: 9c-11, 16-17	Jn 2: 13-22

ST. THOMAS À BECKET TALENT SHOW 2007 to support our WYD 2008 pilgrims! All parishioners are invited to a night of fun and entertainment for a good cause! The Talent show is on **Saturday November 17, 2007 at 7:30** in the parish hall.



Come and see the talent with which God has graced our parish! Goodies will also be sold during the show. Tickets at the door: \$7 for adults, \$5 students, Max \$20 for a family of 4. For more information contact Sonia at 514-678-6404.

DID YOU KNOW THAT NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING, as practiced today, is 98.5% effective in postponing a pregnancy and can be very helpful in achieving a pregnancy? Scientifically based, NFP is no longer the rhythm method and is guaranteed to enrich your marriage. Come and learn more. A slide presentation will be held on **Tuesday, November 20, 7:30 p.m.** in Cahill Hall. There is no charge and no obligation to follow-up. Couples are encouraged to attend together, but everyone is welcome. Presented by a St. Thomas à Becket parishioner certified as a Billings Ovulation Method Instructor who has been teaching NFP for 15 years.

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: **Nov. 16, Jan. 18, Feb. 15, Mar. 28, Apr. 25.** Info: Fr. Robert Clark 514-925-4348 or vocationsmtl@hotmail.com



INVITATION: Eucharistic Celebration of Thanksgiving for Archbishop-elect Anthony Mancini (Bishop Tony) **Wednesday, November 7, 2007 at 7:30 p.m.** St. Ignatius of Loyola Parish 4455 West Broadway. Reception to follow in Loyola High School Atrium.