

Second Sunday of Lent February 17, 2008



Weekday Masses: Feb. 18: 7:15 p.m.
Feb. 19, 20, 21, 22: 8:30 a.m.

*From the shining cloud the
Father's voice is heard: this is
My beloved Son, hear him.*

FAITH FIRST: I put my faith into action like Abraham when...

I bought some juice for the poor with my allowance. Kamila L.

Be nice to my sister. Ann-Marie C.

I help my mom clean the house. Rachel A.

I promised my mother I will help by caring the groceries. Julia B.

I visit the old people at the residence home. Kiesha P.

I pray and when I forgive. Kaylana M.

I helped my brother play a new game. Paul O.

I gave up chocolate for Lent but I accidentally ate some. I asked God to forgive my sins. Paul M.

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Reading I: Genesis 12:1-4a (The Call of Abraham)

Reading II: 2 Timothy 1:8b-10 (Grace Bestowed in Jesus Christ)

Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9 (The Transfiguration)

Adults: When did I face a truth about myself which was surprising or difficult to claim? How has that experience influenced my life?

Children: How can I celebrate the fact that every talent and ability I have is a gift from God?

VOCATION VIEWS REFLECTION: The Lord called Abraham to be the progenitor of the mighty nation of God's people. This kind of spiritual parenthood is a fulfilling calling. Encourage those you know who have the gifts to be holy, healthy, celibate lover's of God's people.



SANCTUARY LAMP: The sanctuary lamp is offered this week for Mario Vani, requested by the Di Marco family. All proceeds will go towards the purchase of a prayer light stand. The sanctuary lamp is memorialized in the name of a sick person, a deceased love one, or a special intention, for a weekly donation of \$20.00. 514-626-4111

GREETERS NEEDED: We desperately need greeters for all Masses, especially 4:30 pm and 9:00 am. What a great way to serve Our Lord - just arrive 25 minutes early for the mass and welcome parishioners as they enter the church. We require a pool of people to work on a 3 - 4 week rotation. Individuals and families are welcome to take part in this stewardship opportunity. It's a wonderful way to involve your children in the church. Norma 514- 620-2019.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE is raising awareness of the interconnectedness of life on earth. Many places are tragically affected because of unregulated mining. Cerro de San Pedro Mexico where cyanide from gold mining is affecting the water supply and Ek'adi NWT, Canada, where diamond mining is affecting land, water and wildlife are two examples. Let's support D&P work to bring about ethical mining practices.



LENTEN LETTERS AND PRAYER MATERIALS are available at the back of the church. Please pick up a special Lenten copy of the Word Among Us. \$3 per copy.

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS FEBRUARY 16TH - FEBRUARY 24TH

Saturday	Feb. 16	
4:30 pm	Bonita Ann Berezuik	Peter Vetere
Sunday	Feb. 17	
9:00 am	Mrs. Zofia Kusez	Yolande & Pat Di Marco
11:00 am	Our Parishioners	
Monday	Feb. 18	
7:15 pm	Beryl Bell	Mike Shaw
Tuesday	Feb. 19	
8:30 am	Laura Rodrigue	Fernand & Micheline Jacques
Wednesday	Feb. 20	
8:30 am	Marie Anne Bergeron	Pauline & John Basciano
Thursday	Feb. 21	
8:30 am	Marcelle Floyd	Catherine & Desmond Kack
Friday	Feb. 22	
8:30 am	Bridget Valles	Audrey & Gerry Poisson
Saturday	Feb. 23	
4:30 pm	Lilian Palmer	Lorraine Plamondon
Sunday	Feb. 24	
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Zofia Kusek	Donna & Marc Szutowicz

Weekday Readings for February 18 to February 22

Monday Feb. 18	Dn 9: 4b-10	Lk 6: 36-38
Tuesday Feb. 19	Is 1: 1-10, 16-20	Mt 23: 1-12
Wednesday Feb. 20	Jer 18: 18-20	Mt 20: 17-20
Thursday Feb. 21	Jer 17: 5-10	Lk 16: 19-31
Friday Feb. 22	1 Pt 5: 1-4	Mt 16: 13-19

BECKET HAPPENINGS AT GLANCE

Wed.	Feb. 20	2 nd F.F. Gathering Levels 1 & 2	4:30 pm OR 6:15 pm
		Third F.F. Q & A Hour	5-6 pm
Thurs.	Feb. 21	Becket Seniors meeting parish hall	1:30 pm
		2 nd Gathering Levels 5 & 6	4:30 pm OR 6:15 pm
		2 nd Gathering High School (at M. Million's)	6:15-7:45 pm
Fri.	Feb. 22	WIAIH Fund-Raiser Concert	7:00 pm
Sun	Feb. 24	Lenten Mission Homily discussion	12 noon

†BECKET PANTRY NEEDS: instant coffee, tea, spaghetti sauce, toilet tissue, shampoo, muffin mix. Baby clothing: 9 mos to 18 mos **ONLY**, + regulation gate for toddlers. *Please call the office if you have the baby items.* Thank you!

WEST ISLAND LENTEN RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE:

† Thomas à Becket: *March. 04, 7:30 pm* † Mary Queen of Peace/St. David: *March 9, 5:00 pm (bilingual)* † St. Luke: *March 11, after 7:30 pm Mass* † † St. Edmund's: *March. 12, 7:30 pm* † St. John Fisher: *March.15, 10:30 a.m.* †

WIAIH FUND-RAISER CONCERT AT BECKET: February 22nd, 7:00 pm.

Help us celebrate the 50th anniversary of WIAIH, with music and song. WIAIH is a non-profit organization for parents with handicapped children. Tickets at the door: \$3.00 per person or \$10 per family. Refreshments offered. A church that gives is a church that grows! Information: Vita 514-694-1118.



COR LENTEN RETREAT will be held **March 1st, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.** at Queen of Angels Academy. This is a COR AND FRIENDS EVENT, so bring some of your friends (the more the merrier)! The cost for the day is only \$25. Lunch and supper is provided. We ask that if you do decide to come it must be for the whole day; sorry, no drop-ins. Please bring in your bibles (only New Testament is needed). Looking forward to reading ALL your emails confirming your attendance! To make sure everyone has plenty to eat, please respond a.s.a.p. cormontreal@yahoo.com, or call: 514-620-0342.

NEW WARDENS PORTFOLIOS: Becket's new team of wardens have been hard at work since the December elections and have covered many topics including the division of Fabrique portfolios. Following are the Fabrique duties and portfolios for 2008:

Pastor and Fabrique Chair:

Secretary & Fundraising Chair:

Treasurer, H.O.C. & Roof Committee (Finance):

PPC Rep. & Social:

Public Relations, Roof Committee (Project Manager)

Facilities, Equipment, & Grounds:

Hall Rentals:



Fr. Robert Clark

Janet Arts (2008);

Heinz Brues (2010);

Dawn Richardson (2008);

Chuck Scott (2010);

Phil Weller (2009);

Norman Wight (2009).

May the Lord bless and guide all the members of our Fabrique and may they work in a rewarding and fruitful partnership. God bless all your families for their generous support of your service.

CANADA DAY CELEBRATION & FAMILY PICNIC: All parishioners are invited to attend a special Canada Day celebration and picnic on **June 29, from noon to 6:00 pm** on the church grounds. A working group is organizing the details to provide a free, fun-filled day for all. Volunteers are needed. Stay tuned to the bulletin or parish website for more information.

OUR ANNUAL SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER was another great success! We fed over 180 hungry parishioners of all sizes, with quite a few "seconds" and even "thirds". Nobody left hungry... Our net profit was \$320.00. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped and special thanks to Knights of Columbus who donated all the pancake mix. God bless all!

VALENTINE FAMILY PARTY was a great success. Approximately 90 parishioners of all ages attended. Everyone enjoyed games, dancing and a delicious pot-luck dinner. Special thanks to Mike Callard for providing the music for the evening, and a BIG thank you to our WYD pilgrims for all their help in the kitchen!

BECKET SENIORS will meet in the parish hall **Feb 21, @ 1:30 p.m.** for Bingo and a presentation of the first hour of Becket History DVD Volume II.

ST. THOMAS STREET HOCKEY BLOW-OUT!! Children 10-17 yrs old are invited to a pick-up street hockey match in the Church parking lot **Saturday, February 23rd between 12 noon and 3:30pm.** We will be hosting our neighbouring parishes, St. Luke's, as well as Holy Name of Jesus from Laval. Bring a hockey stick and come have some fun. Parents are welcome to attend. A BBQ lunch will be served at Noon. Please sign up in the Church hall after mass or call Deacon Francesco at 514-626-4111 if you wish to attend the lunch.

CWL DIOCESAN RETREAT: March 4th, at Queen of Angels Academy. Registration begins at **7:30 pm.** Cost: \$6.00 Theme: Love one Another. All members are invited to meet at Scores in the Dorval Shopping Centre at **5 pm** for dinner prior to retreat. Info: Shirley 514-626-4002, Mary 514-626-5261.

IMPORTANT GENERAL MEETING OF PARISHIONERS will be held **Tues. Mar 11, at 7:30 pm.** The Helping Others Committee is inviting all parishioners to a very important meeting to discuss the future of Becket's financial involvement with the FANIA project in Honduras. FANIA was established in 1982 (with donations from St. Thomas à Becket) as a small clinic. FANIA soon added a nutritional center, and later an elementary school, for the poor children of Nueva Suyapa, near Tegucigalpa. Becket has been sending funds to FANIA in conjunction with the international charity TDH Canada. However, financial support from Becket and TDH has decreased over the past few years. The H.O.C. is now at a crossroads in deciding how we should continue our involvement with FANIA, and need your input. Please join us for a presentation on various options available to us. Discussion and question period will be followed by a vote.