

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time August 10, 2008

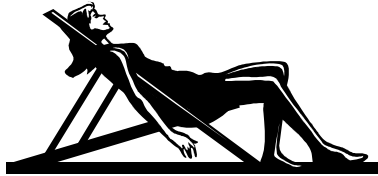
I hope in the Lord, I trust in his word.



Weekday Masses: Aug. 11: 7:15 p.m., Aug. 12, 13, 14, 15, 8:30 a.m.

THANK YOU TO ALL for your patience during the renovations of the new church roof. As you have probably noticed, the parish hall does not accommodate as many people as the church. While most parishioners celebrate weekend Mass at 11:00 on Sunday, we ask that you consider attending the 4:30 p.m. Saturday Mass or 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass until the church re-opens.

FAITH FIRST



Please note that the Faith First Office will be closed for vacation the week of August 11th through 15th. For those already registered for 2008-2009, book distribution will be held Saturday September 20th and Sunday September 21st. Late registration for Faith First

is still available online at www.stthomasabecket.org. (Faith Education) If you have any questions, please leave a message at 514-620-4057.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Reading I: 1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a (Coming in a Whisper)

Reading II: Romans 9:1-5 (I Speak the Truth in Christ)

Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33 (Do Not Be Afraid)

Adults: How is Jesus urging me to come to him across “stormy waters”?

Children: How has Jesus helped me in the past when I was afraid?

VOCATION VIEWS REFLECTION: *Do not be afraid*; have faith and trust the Lord’s call. Consider being a priest, brother, or sister.

SANCTUARY LAMP: The sanctuary lamp signals the presence of the Lord Jesus in the Tabernacle and burns for seven days. We invite you to have the sanctuary lamp 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.

Week of August 10th: Francis and Bill Cunningham, requested by Janice & Gary.

CALLING ALL PARISH GROUPS, CLUBS, MINISTRIES, COUNCILS AND

COMMITTEES: Please come to the office and book your activities for the year for the church and Cahill hall. Bookings are made in the master schedule binder and later transferred to the parish web calendar. Please make sure to check your bookings on the parish web calendar at www.stthomasabecket.org in early autumn to ensure all your dates and times are correct. For parish hall (the big hall) bookings, please contact our hall rental warden, Norman Wight at 514-630-5602.



MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS – AUGUST 9TH TO AUGUST 17TH

Saturday	August 09	19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
4:30 pm	Frances Cunningham	Janice & Gary Cunningham
Sunday	August 10	
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Marshall Fernando	Mrs. Sabapathy
Mon.	August 11	
7:15 pm	Mario Malfermo	Rosa Rachella & family
Tues.	August 12	
8:30 am	In thanksgiving	Mervyn Pereira
Wed.	August 13	
8:30 am	Maria Porco & Francesco Reda	
Thurs.	August 14	
8:30 am	Salustiano Gamil	John & Norma Dawes
Fri.	August 15	THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY
8:30 am	Maria Kozlowski	Children and Grandchildren
Saturday	August 16	20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
4:30 pm	Richard Finley	Wendy Finley
Sunday	August 17	
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Vincenzo Ferrao	M. Ferrao & J. Antazo

Weekday Readings for August 11th to August 15th

Monday August 11	Ez 1: 2-5, 24-28	Mt 17: 22-27
Tuesday August 12	Ez 2: 8-3: 4	Mt 18: 1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday August 13	Ez 9: 1-7, 10: 18-22	Mt 18: 15-20
Thursday August 14	Ez 12: 1-2	Mt 18: 21-35, 19:1
Friday August 15	Rv 11: 19a, 12: 1-6a, 10ab, 1 Cor 15: 20-27, Lk 1: 39-56	

THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY: AUGUST 15TH: The Feast of the Assumption is an important day in the Catholic Church. It is the principal feast of the Blessed Virgin and commemorates two events - the departure of Mary from this life and the assumption of her body into heaven. The Church's official doctrine of the Assumption says that at the end of her life on earth, Mary was assumed, body and soul, into heaven. Pope Pius XII, in 1950, defined that Mary "after the completion of her earthly life...was assumed body and soul into the glory of Heaven." *"While she lived on this earth she could only be close to a few people. Being in God, who is close to us, actually, "within" all of us, Mary shares in this closeness of God. Being in God and with God, she is close to each one of us, knows our hearts, can hear our prayers, can help us with her motherly kindness and has been given to us, as the Lord said, precisely as a "mother" to whom we can turn at every moment. She always listens to us, she is always close to us, and being Mother of the Son, participates in the power of the Son and in his goodness. We can always entrust the whole of our lives to this Mother, who is not far from any one of us. On this feast day, let us thank the Lord for the gift of the Mother, and let us pray to Mary to help us find the right path every day. Amen"*

Excerpt from a homily preached by Pope Benedict on the Feast of the Assumption, August 16, 2005 at the parish church of Castelgandolfo, Italy.

BECKET PANTRY NEEDS: Cans of fruit (large), Kraft dinner, tea, pudding mix, jam, dish soap, brown grocery bags. Thank you for your generosity.

MEALS ON WHEELS: St. Charles Meals on Wheels, which operates out of St. Michael and All Angels Church (Cabot St.) desperately needs volunteers. Drivers and deliverers are especially needed for Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please call Paul Ralph at 514-626-3390.

CONGRATULATIONS to Kirsten Weller, our 18yr-old Captain Altar Server, winner of an Air Cadets Scholarship who spent the first part of the summer learning to fly, and is now a qualified pilot. Your Becket friends are so proud of you!

CRIB AND CROSS FRANCISCAN MINISTRIES offers during the Fall-Winter seasons two group workshop series - From Death to New Life: A Christian View of Loss. For persons struggling with a significant loss, such as the death of a loved one, divorce or other difficult change. Practical tools for working through bereavement will be presented in talks, reflections and discussions are centered on the healing power of faith, hope and love. Led by Deacon Richard Boileau, with more than 15 years experience assisting people in grief. **Fridays, September 19th to November 28th, 2008 and January 16th to March 27th, 2009 from 7 to 9 p.m.** Location: TBD. Cost: \$90, includes printed materials. Information & registration - richard.boileau@videotron.ca or (514) 697-9813.

BECKET HAPPENINGS AT A GLANCE

Fri.	Aug. 15	Alpha Conference	8:30am – 8:30 pm
Sat.	Aug. 16	Alpha Conference	8:30am – 5:00 pm
Fri.	Sept. 05	First Friday Exposition & Adoration	10:00am - midnight
Sat.	Sept. 13	Wedding: Christina Arrizza to Scott Trickey	1:00 pm



HELPING OTHERS REPORT: Many organizations have written thank you notes to the Helping Others Committee to thank the parish for supporting their causes. Some excerpts of these letters were printed in recent bulletins, and we will include more as they arrive. In the meantime, here is a brief summary of the balloting results from the Helping Others Committee Survey of April/May 2008. A total of 154 ballots were cast by parishioners, and the causes you asked us to support are

the following: Hunger relief (31%), Shelters for homeless and abused (15.9%), Treatment of diseases (15.2%), Education & Training (15.0%) Emergency & disaster relief (10.1%), Disabilities & handicapped (8.3%), Addiction treatment (2.3%), Refugee support (2.1%). Organizations that are receiving help from Helping Others: Fonds de Depannage, Share The Warmth, West Island Crisis Center, Pat Roberts Center, WIAIH, NOVA West Island, Projet Communautaire de Pierrefonds, Chez Doris, Le Parados, Cloverdale Multi-Ressources Center, Amcal Family Services, Portage, West Island Citizen Advocacy, Sun Youth, St. Gabriel's Parish, St. Willibrord Parish, Welcome Hall Mission, Benedict Labre House, West Island Women's Shelter, Old Brewery Mission, Canadian Red Cross, Christian Blind Mission, Doctors Without Borders, Social Justice Committee (Diocese of Montreal).

CHRISTIAN BUMPER STICKERS

A lot of kneeling will keep you in good standing.

Do your best and then sleep in peace. God is awake.

Forbidden fruits create many jams.

“Pray” is a four letter word you can use anywhere except in a public school.

Worry is the darkroom in which “negatives” are developed.

Wisdom has two parts: 1) Having a lot to say. 2) Not saying it.

