

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time February 22, 2009



The Lord has sent me to bring good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives.

*Weekday Masses:
Feb. 23: 7:15 p.m.
Feb 24: 8:30 a.m.
Feb. 25: 8:30 a.m. & 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 26 & 27: 8:30 a.m.*

FAITH FIRST:

- **HIGH SCHOOL GATHERING:** Mon., Feb. 23rd, 5:45 Cahill hall.
- **FIRST COMMUNION GATHERING:** Wed. Feb. 25th, 4:30 pm ONLY.
- **H. S. CONFIRMATION:** Thurs. Feb. 26th, 5:45 pm - M. Million's home
- **LENTEN DAY CAFÉ:** Fri., Feb. 27th, 9:30 am: *Giving Out- The Power of a Gift. Presenter: Elsa Rivera*

THIS WEEK I FOLLOWED JESUS BY:

Helping my sick dog. **Miranda L.**
Going to church on time. **Justin P.**
Helping out at the Father Dowd Home. **Katelyn D.**
Recognizing that I did not do all that I can to help. **Kristina S.**
Making Valentine presents for my parents. **Ashleigh S.**
Helping my mom collect money for the heart foundation. **Alec T.**
Putting the clothes in the dryer. **Tania G.**
Sharing my Valentine candies with my sister. **Amelia C.**
Giving Valentine cards and chocolates to my class. **Kyla D.**
Calling my great grandma to say, "I love you". **Alex B.**

Faith First Parents please note: As part of the Faith Education program, you are required to attend five (5) CAFÉs (Catholic Faith Education) sessions this year. You may choose from the Day Cafés, Evening Cafés, Q&A Hour, or the Lenten Series. For a complete schedule, please refer to the parish website or your child's book. **Only 6 sessions remain** to choose from for the 2008-2009 year.

VOCATIONS REFLECTIONS: We have never seen anything like this! What is more amazing, the ability to heal, or the gift to forgive sins? Consider being an instrument of God's forgiveness through the ministry of priesthood.



ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES, Feb. 25th, 8:30 am and 7:30 pm.
The ashes we use are burnt palms from last year's celebration of Passion Sunday. We begin our Lenten journey aware of where we are going. We want to enter more fully into the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus. That is the purpose of our journey. It is why we mark our heads with his cross. It is why we fast today and abstain from meat. Our Lenten program is not an effort to save ourselves. We have been saved by His sacrifice. Our self-denial helps us in the darkness that surrounds us, to prepare ourselves to receive his light. For this is a journey to the Easter font, where we will renew the promises of our Baptism, remembering that in dying with him in the waters of Baptism, we are re-born with him to everlasting life. The fast means simply to eat only one full meal in the day with the other two meals combined, not equal to the one. The law of fast and abstinence does not apply to seniors (60+), invalids, or pregnant and nursing mothers.

LENTEN LETTERS are available at the back of the church. The Lenten letter includes Lent, Holy Week and Easter celebration schedules.

Question of the Week

Reading I: Job 7:1-4, 6-7 (Months of Misery)
 Reading II: 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23 (Preach the Gospel)
 Gospel: Mark 1:29-39 (The Curing of Many)

Adults: How has a difficult time in my life become a source of strength, hope and healing?

Children: When have I asked Jesus for help in the past, and how did he answer my prayer?



ST. PATRICK'S DAY FAMILY BREAKFAST Mar 15th, after the 11 am Mass. Menu includes a full breakfast order of eggs, bacon, beans, potatoes, fruit, rolls. **\$4 per person.** Imported leprechaun and other surprises!
 Reservations: Guy Taillon: 450-424-3769.
 Sponsored by Becket's Knights of Columbus.

BECKET'S CHURCH MICE PRODUCTIONS will present *The Proud Tree* on Good Friday, **April 10th, at 10:30 a.m.** All young parishioners are encouraged to participate, including teens who need to fulfill community service requirements. Practices will take place in the church **March 21st, March 28th, and April 4th, 9:30 -12 p.m.**



MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: FEB. 21ST – MARCH 1ST

Saturday	February 21	7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
4:30 pm	Ralph Eagle	CWL
Sunday	February 22	
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Adrienne de Verteuil	Frances de Verteuil
Mon.	February 23	
7:15 pm	Mr. Henry Weiner	Fr. Mike Shaw
Tues.	February 24	
8:30 am	Frank Higgins	Lise & Gerry Emsley
Wed.	February 25	ASH WEDNESDAY
8:30 pm	Thanksgiving	Marie Benveniste
7:30 pm	Mary Plumley	The Doran Family
Thurs.	February 26	
8:30 a.m.	Mary Donovan	Ken & Pat Cassidy
Fri.	February 27	
8:30 a.m.	Ian Endacott	Margaret & Bruno Sequin
Saturday	February 28	1ST SUNDAY IN LENT
4:30 pm	Ralph Eagle	Susan & Celi Gorman
Sunday	March 1	
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Doris & Roger Bourque	the family

Weekday Readings for :

Mon.	Feb. 23	Sir 1:1-10	Mk 9: 14-29
Tues.	Feb. 24	Sir 2: 1-11	Mk 9: 30-37
Wed.	Feb. 25	Jl 2: 12-18 2 Cor 5:20-6:2	Mt 6: 1-6, 16-18
Thurs.	Feb. 26	Dt 30: 15-20	Lk 9: 22-25
Fri.	Feb. 27	Is 58: 1-9a	Mt 9: 14-15

SANCTUARY LAMP: Week of Feb. 15th: Gladys & Ralph Haley, requested by Arlene, Donna & family.

BECKET PANTRY NEEDS: rice, stew, juice, tea (not tisanes), Kraft Dinner, dish soap.

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:

President and Fabrique Chair:

Secretary & H.O.C. Rep.:

Roof Committee:

PPC Rep. & Social Outreach:

Fundraising, P.R., Roof Committee Chair & Operations

Facilities, Equipment, & Grounds:

Treasurer & Hall Rentals:



Fr. Robert Clark, Pastor

John Bondyra(2011);

Heinz Brues (2010);

Gerry Richardson (2011);

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. A BIG THANK YOU to outgoing wardens Janet Arts and Dawn Richardson for their six years of service and dedication to our parish.

BECKET HAPPENINGS AT A GLANCE

Tues.	Feb. 24	Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper	see times below
Wed.	Feb. 25	First Communion Gathering	N.B. One time only: 4:30 pm
		Ash Wednesday Masses	8:30 am & 7:30 pm
Thurs.	Feb. 26	High School Confirmation Gathering @ M.Million's	5:45 pm
Fri.	Feb. 27	Lent Day CAFÉ – <i>Giving Out – The Power of a Gift</i>	9:30 am
Sun.	Mar. 01	Fr. Rob's 40 th Birthday Planning meeting	12:00 pm

WHAT TO DO BEFORE LENT BEGINS: Taking some time to get ready for Lent will ensure that we aren't going to miss the first week or two of Lent, because we are just getting started. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, but we want to be ready to really take off on that day, rather than just beginning to think about Lent on that day. In these few days before Ash Wednesday, we can begin to prepare our hearts by asking ourselves how we want Lent to be different this year. What do we want to ask the Lord to give us - and more importantly, we can ask what the Lord wants for us this Lent. What gift of generosity, love or attention can we share with others in the weeks ahead? In addition, depending upon our age or health, we will want to do some fasting and abstinence, in regard to food. But, each of us can choose what else we can fast and abstain from during Lent. What practices of mine get in the way of my being open to hearing God's Word and responding freely? That's what needs transforming. Giving up needing to be right, fasting from my impatience, totally abstaining from escapist fantasies will open our hearts to God's grace. None of that takes extra time. It just takes desire. Adding new acts of kindness, gratitude and love each day for family and friends will open our hearts to the greater acts of charity and generosity for the poor. May our Lord bless us all on this journey ahead.

LENTEN MISSION MASS HOMILY DISCUSSION: As a means of preparing ourselves to experience God's gift in our lives, the parish pastoral team is preparing a series of mission Masses for the five Sundays of Lent, which will develop the Word of God at the 11 am Masses and be followed by an invitation to a discussion over coffee after Mass. By allowing the Word to penetrate our hearts ever more deeply and by fortifying ourselves with the graces of the Sacraments, we can rise to the call of living the gift of our Christian lives to the fullest.

“You love the World...and we walk with You.”

STEWARDSHIP CONFERENCE, MONTREAL 2009: The first stewardship conference of Montreal will be held at St. Joseph's Oratory, **on Friday April 17, 6-9 pm, and all day Saturday, April 18, 8:30 am - 4 pm.** The purpose of the conference is to help us all recognize and then use our gifts in the service of others in our parish communities. Info: & registration: www.diocesemontreal.org