

# First Sunday in Lent March 1, 2009



*Weekday Masses:  
March 2: 7:15 p.m.  
March 3, 4, 5, 6: 8:30 a.m.*

**Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus.** One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God. **Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus.**



**DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME** begins at **2:00 a.m. on March 8.** Remember to *turn your clocks forward one hour* on Saturday night, March 7, before you go to bed.

## FAITH FIRST

- **CONFIRMATION GATHERING:** Wed., Mar. 11<sup>th</sup>, 4:30 & 6:15 pm.
- **LENTEN DAY CAFÉ:** Fri., Mar. 13<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 am: *Getting Wise - The Possibility of Change. Presenter: Elsa Rivera*
- **FIRST COMMUNION - RECONCILIATION:** Sat. Mar. 14<sup>th</sup>. See your child's First Communion package for your assigned time.

## THIS WEEK I FOLLOWED JESUS BY:

Helping my mom make hot dogs. **Tanya C.**  
Praying. **Connor F.**  
Being nice to my sister. **Damon H.**  
Helping my mom to cook. **Matthew M.**  
Having more patience. **Zachary R.**  
Making my bed. **Tyler S.**  
Caring for my family. **Ariana D.**  
Helping my mom reorganize the house. **Emily M.**

**FAITH FIRST PARENTS PLEASE NOTE:** Only 5 CAFÉs (Catholic Faith Education) sessions are left for the 2008-2009 year. (All parents are required to attend five (5) sessions this year.) Info: 514-620-4057.

**VOCATIONS REFLECTIONS:** *This is the time of fulfillment. The reign of God is at hand.* Let us reform our lives and believe in the Good News.

## QUESTION OF THE WEEK

**Reading I: Genesis 9:8-15 (The Covenant with Noah)**  
**Reading II: 1 Peter 3:18-22 (Saved Through Baptism)**  
**Gospel: Mark 1:12-15 (The Desert Temptations)**

**Adults:** What can I do this Lent to deepen my trust in God as my only source of strength and peace? Is there anything hindering my spiritual growth?

**Children:** What can I do at home or school this Lent to be more like Jesus?

## FIRST FRIDAY EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED

**SACRAMENT: March 6<sup>th</sup>** is the First Friday of the month. After Mass, you are invited to join us for an hour between 10:00 a.m. and midnight for exposition and adoration of the Holy Eucharist. Please sign up in the book at the back of the church.





**BECKET'S CHURCH MICE PRODUCTIONS** will present *The Proud Tree* on **Good Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 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 21<sup>st</sup>, March 28<sup>th</sup>, and April 4<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 -12 p.m.**

**MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: FEB. 28<sup>TH</sup> – MARCH 8<sup>TH</sup>**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>February 28</b>	<b>1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT</b>
4:30 pm	Ralph Eagle	Susan & Celi Gorman
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>March 1</b>	
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Doris & Roger Bourque	the family
<b>Mon.</b>	<b>March 2</b>	
7:15 pm	Michael Paquette	The Doran family
<b>Tues.</b>	<b>March 3</b>	
8:30 am	Frank Higgins	Pat Fahey & Bill Topp
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>March 4</b>	
8:30 pm	Ellen Doran	The Doran family
<b>Thurs.</b>	<b>March 5</b>	
8:30 a.m.	Daniel Bagshaw	his family
<b>Fri.</b>	<b>March 6</b>	
8:30 a.m.	Stewart Chapman	Bruno Margaret Seguin
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>March 7</b>	<b>2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT</b>
4:30 pm	Luc Johnson	the family
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>March 8</b>	
9:00 am	Gerry McDonald	SNJM Associates
11:00 am	Our Parishioners	

*Weekday Readings for March 2 to March 6:*

<b>Mon.</b>	<b>March 2</b>	Lv 19: 1-2, 11-18	Mt 25: 31-46
<b>Tues.</b>	<b>March 3</b>	Is 55: 10-11	Mt 6: 7-15
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>March 4</b>	Jon 3: 1-10	Lk 11: 29-32
<b>Thurs.</b>	<b>March 5</b>	Est C: 12, 14-16, 23-25	Mt 7: 7-12
<b>Fri.</b>	<b>March 6</b>	Ez 18: 21-28	Mt 5: 20-26

**SANCTUARY LAMP:** Erratum: **Week of Feb 22: Ralph Adams**, requested by Dianne & Richard Beaulieu. **Week of March 1: The Pereira & D'Souza families.**

**BECKET HAPPENINGS AT A GLANCE**

Sun.	Mar. 01	Fr. Rob's 40 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Planning meeting	12:00 pm
		Mission Mass Homily discussion	after 11 am Mass
Tues.	Mar. 03	Becket Woodworking Club	7:00 pm
Fri.	Mar. 06	First Friday Adoration	10 am to midnight
Wed.	Mar. 11	Confirmation Gathering	4:30 or 6:15 pm
		Becket's Knights of Columbus meeting	7:00 pm
Fri.	Mar. 13	Lenten Day CAFÉ	9:30 am
Sat.	Mar. 14	First Communion Reconciliations	see package for times
		Wedding: Danny Lavigne to Sheila Bell	3:00 pm

**LENTEN MISSION MASS HOMILY DISCUSSION:** To prepare 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."*

**WEST ISLAND LENTEN RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE:**

- † Thomas à Becket: *March, 24, 7:30 pm* † St. Luke: *March 24, after 7:30 pm Mass*
- † Mary Queen of Peace/St. David: *March 29, 5:00 pm (bilingual)* †
- † St. Edmund's: *March 31, 7:30 pm* † St. John Fisher: *April 4, 10:30 a.m.* †

**TO EAT OR NOT TO EAT** - The original sin is eating that which is forbidden. But the first creature's disobedience is reversed by the obedience of Jesus who refrains from all food and drink for forty days in the desert. For the followers of Jesus no blessings of creation are forbidden. Taking up the Lenten fast, therefore, demands an examination of our assumptions about his discipline of restraint. Our assumptions are revealed in our language. We say about rich chocolate desserts that they are "sinful." Do we assume that the eating of anything so luscious and delightful is lacking in virtue? Do we harbor some suspicion that God does not delight in our taking delight? God truly rejoices in our happiness. One paradox of fasting is that in refraining from that which we enjoy day after day we come to cherish and value it even more. This is not unlike the deeper appreciation we have for friends and loved ones who move away or die. In a very real sense the festal excess of Easter depends upon the joyful restraint of Lenten fasting. One of the prefaces of the eucharistic prayer call Lent "this joyful season." Christian fasting allows the pangs of separation from snacks and even meals to trigger a sense of thanksgiving to God who has given us such delights. How can fasting be a joyful practice instead of a burdensome obligation?

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**CONTRIBUTIONS FOR NEW LECTIONARY:** The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops has published a revised Lectionary for Sundays and Solemnities. Based on the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible, this is the book of readings to be used in the public worship of the Roman Catholic Church in Canada. We have ordered two (2) new lectionaries (Ambo editions). These new lectionaries cost \$220.00 each. We invite you to help us defray the cost of the lectionaries by making a donation in memory of a loved one or a special intention. The name of your loved one, or intention, will be inscribed on the inside cover of the lectionary. Learn more about the revised Lectionary for Sundays and Solemnities by visiting the Canadian Bishops website at [www.cccb.ca](http://www.cccb.ca). This site includes a backgrounder on the process of developing the new lectionary.

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY FAMILY BREAKFAST Mar 15<sup>th</sup>, 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.



**ST. PATRICK'S DAY LUNCHEON:** In keeping with tradition, we will again hold our annual St. Patrick's Day luncheon the same as last year, on **Tuesday March 17<sup>th</sup>, at 12 noon**, at Caza Grecque, 13081 Gouin W. Fr. Jack Kennedy of Resurrection parish will be the speaker. Come prepared for a fun time, wear the green and B.Y.O.B.

**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](http://www.diocesemontreal.org)

**EVENING OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD** The



English-speaking Catholic Community are warmly invited to the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual "**Evening of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood**" at St. Ignatius of Loyola **Wed., April 29 at 7:30 p.m.** Msgr. Sean Harty will preside a concelebrated Eucharist. Refreshments and fellowship will follow. For more information contact the Diocesan Vocations Office 514-925-4348. Come and support our Seminarians and Priests!