

The First Sunday of Advent November 29, 2008

Weekday Masses: Nov. 30: 7:15 pm
Dec. 01, 02, 03, 04: 8:30 am



FAITH FIRST 2009-2010

FAITH FIRST PARENTS: Please see the CAFÉ section below for your upcoming events and activities.

UPCOMING GATHERINGS FOR STUDENTS:

Dec. 02: Confirmation

Dec. 09: First Communion **Nov. 26:** Group 4 as well a SP level 520
Please respect your child's gathering time. (See cover of your child's workbook)

WEEKLY REFLECTIONS:

I cast my net this week by...

Being and Altar Server. **Kevin P.**

Putting my toys away. **Lisa H.-M.**

Going to bed on time. **Dante L.**

Emptied the dishwasher for daddy. **Christina K.**

Helping the new student. **Alessandra D.**

Offering to donate my hair to make a wig for cancer victims. **Lauren P.**

Giving to the needy. **Chris N.**

Taking my dog Chester for a walk. **Kyla D.**



QUESTION OF THE WEEK

(Be Prepared)

Reading I: Jeremiah 33:14-16 (The Lord our Justice)

Reading II: 1 Thessalonians 3:12—4:2 (Strengthened Hearts)

Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36 (The Son of Man)

Adults: What one habit do I possess which disrupts the harmony of my family?
How can I change it?

Children: Can I remember one way I have hurt a friend? Am I willing to say that I am sorry?

VOCATIONS REFLECTIONS: The Lord is near! Am I able to read the signs of the times? What is God asking of me? Diocesan Vocations Office: 514-925-4348.

"Although angels may be present, they yet wait for the priest to exercise his power, but no one of them has the power of the keys—of binding and of loosening."

– **St. Peter Damian**

CAFÉS: Want to discover your Christian roots, learn about the Church's history, or deepen your knowledge of our spiritual heritage? All parishioners and neighbouring parishes are invited to our Catholic Adult Faith Education sessions:

Fri. Dec. 04, 9:30-11 am – Day CAFÉ – Growing in Good Conscience

Thurs. Dec. 10, 7-9 pm – Evening CAFÉ – Evangelization. With Fr. Francis McKee.



HOCKEY TOURNAMENT: For youth ages 12 to 20. We need a team of 6-12 players for our co-ed ball hockey tournament at Mary Queen of Peace Parish on **Saturday, December 5, 10 am-4 pm**. Corey Jolly 514-626-4111. Winning parish will receive the "Apostles Cup".

WYD 2011 Alert!!!! We are about to begin preparations for another World Youth Day. The next big WYD gathering will be taking place in Spain in August 2011. If you're interested in participating, please contact Corey at 514-626-4111 ext. 222, for more information. A meeting will be held in early December. Stay tuned!

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: NOV. 28 TO DEC. 06

Saturday	Nov. 28	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
4:30 pm	Berthavida Valero	Dawn & Judee Valero
Sunday	Nov. 29	
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Berthavida Valero	Bill &Maureen Kelly
Monday	Nov. 30	
7:15 pm	Paula Samague	J. & E. Villacorta & family
Tuesday	Dec. 01	
8:30 am	Macedonia Pilaga	Family
Wednesday	Dec. 02	
8:30 am	Ida Bastone-Reda	Rina Reda
Thursday	Dec. 03	
8:30 am	Giuseppe & Ida Bastone	Rina Reda
Friday	Dec. 04	
8:30 am	Martino Obregon	Marietta &Chuck Lawton
Saturday	Dec. 05	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
4:30 pm	Mario Vani	Di Marco Family
Sunday	Dec. 06	
9:00 am	Rosie di Grappa	Her mom & family
11:00 am	Our Parishioners	

Readings for Nov. 30 to Dec. 04

Mon.	Nov. 30	Rom 10: 9-18	Mt 4: 18-22
Tues.	Dec. 01	Is 11: 1-10	Lk 10:21-24
Wed.	Dec. 02	Is 25: 6-10a	Mt 15: 29-37
Thurs.	Dec. 03	Is 26; 1-6	Mt 7: 21, 24-27
Fri.	Dec. 04	Is 29: 17-24	Mt 9: 27-31

SANCTUARY LAMP: Week of November 29: Juliette Ferro & Theodore Rousseau
Requested by Peter Rousseau.



FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION: December 4 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 HAPPENINGS AT A GLANCE

(N.B. Faith First activities are listed on first page)

Tues.	Dec. 01	Becket Woodworking Club	7:00 pm
		Advent Reconciliation	7:30 pm
Thurs.	Dec. 03	Senior's lunch	12 noon
Fri.	Dec. 04	First Friday Adoration	10:00 am to midnight
		Day CAFÉ – Growing in Good Conscience	9:30-11 am
Sat.	Dec. 05	Sweet Adelines Annual Christmas Concert	8:00 pm
Sun.	Dec. 06	Ecumenical Advent Carol Service	3:00 pm

BECKET'S SENIORS will meet for lunch at Au Vieux Duluth on boul. St. Jean, **Thurs. Dec. 3 at 12 noon.** See you all there!

FABRIQUE AND H.O. COMMITTEE ELECTIONS DEC. 6, 2009: *All parishioners 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) on Dec. 6 after the 11 a.m. Mass.*

Churchwardens assist the pastor in the administration of the parish. There are six churchwarden positions. The term of office of churchwardens is three years. Two two-year positions must be filled at this election. **HELPING OTHERS**

COMMITTEE: There are four 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. The H.O. Committee manages our charitable outreach programs under the authority of the Fabrique.

FR. PAUL ANYIDOHO extends his warmest regards to everyone who came to his farewell reception last Sunday. Special thanks to all those who helped to organize the event. Many thanks to Fr. Rob for his generous hospitality.

WEST ISLAND ADVENT RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE:

St. Thomas à Becket: *Dec. 1, 7:30 pm* † Corpus Christi: *Dec. 9, 7:00 pm* † St. Luke: *Dec. 10, 7:00 pm* † St. Veronica: *Dec. 12, 10:00 am to noon* † St. David: *Dec. 13, 5:00 pm* † St. Edmund *Dec. 15 7:30 pm* † St. John Fisher: *Dec. 19, 10: 30 a.m. to noon* †

2010 PARISH BAZAAR PLANNING MEETING: A meeting will be held on **Mon. Nov 30, 7:30 pm** for any parishioners interested in discussing plans for next year's parish bazaar. We are open to consider any suggestions you may have to offer. Contact Warden John Bondyra to confirm your attendance at 514-695-7896.

ADVENT LETTERS are available at the back of the church and include the schedule of Advent activities and holiday Masses. Take a copy for a friend!



BE A CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONOR: To make a donation in memory of a loved one towards our church decorations for Christmas, include your donation in an envelope that is clearly marked "Christmas flower donations". Write on the envelope: *name* of your loved one (memorial) along with *your name* (donor). Please include your parish *envelope number* if applicable. Bring your donation to the office or drop it in the Flower Donation Box at the Church doors. Names of loved ones will be included in upcoming holiday bulletins.

BENEDICT LABRE HOUSE CHRISTMAS GIFT PROJECT:

As Christians, let's show the homeless in the Montreal that we care by sharing our blessings with them this coming Christmas. Take a tag from The Giving Tree in the Narthex. Buy the gift described on the tag, and attach the tag to the gift. Place the gift under the tree by December 13. Thank you!



ECUMENICAL ADVENT CAROL SERVICE: Dec. 6, 3 pm. All welcome. Light refreshments to follow in the parish hall.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA! December 13 after the 11 o'clock Mass.

Hosted by Becket's Knights of Columbus. Enjoy a great breakfast and visit with Santa who will have gifts for all the children. \$7.00 pp, max \$25.00 for a family of five (5). SIGN UP REQUIRED - after all Masses or call Guy 450-424-3769.

THE FIRST CHRISTMAS will be presented by Becket's Church Mice on



December 20 at the beginning of our annual Christmas Concert. All children are welcome to participate. Rehearsal dates: Dec. 5, 12 & 19, 10 a.m. to 12 noon. High school students can fulfill community service requirements-must be available Dec. 20. Wanda 626-4619.

BECKET CHRISTMAS BASKET PROJECT is underway!. Please take a food slip (or two!) from the baskets at the back of the church, buy the items listed, then drop them in the donation box in the Narthex. Frozen turkeys must be dropped off during office hours so we can put them in the freezer. Thank you.

PRÉPARONS-NOUS À ACCUEILLIR LA JOIE PARFAITE. Une retraite proposée à la Villa Saint-Martin par Richard Boileau, ofs, dp, **du dimanche 6 décembre au vendredi 11 décembre 2009.** Nous cheminerons ensemble afin de mieux cerner les caractéristiques de la vraie joie et les conditions essentielles. Il y aura suffisamment de temps accordé à la réflexion et à la prière afin de nous approprier les informations pertinentes, de mieux connaître nos désirs les plus profonds, de découvrir des automatismes qui font obstacle à leur achèvement. Frais: 425\$. Info 514-684-2311 – courriel: villasaintmartin@jesuites.org

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL NEWS: Thank you to everyone who participated in the PPC AGM and elections on Nov. 15. We congratulate our four new members, Janet Arts, Steve Barillaro, Jacqueline Gagné, and Dawn Richardson and returning member, Heidi Thibodeau. May God bless our new PPC as they discern with our pastors the pastoral priorities for our parish.