

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 14, 2010



Weekday Masses

Mon. Feb. 15: 7:15 pm
Feb. 16,17,18,19: 8:30 am

FAITH FIRST 2009-2010

CHILDREN'S GATHERINGS:

Wed. Feb. 17: First Communion Gathering **4:30 pm ONLY**

Mon. Feb, 22: High School

Wed. Feb. 24: ***First Communion Reconciliation. Please refer to your package for assigned time.***

I cast my net this week by...

Letting my brother go before me even though I wanted to go first. *Tyler A.*

Singing to my baby brother so my mom could eat her breakfast. *Michaela P.*

Behaving the way God wants me to. *Tomas C.*

Helping to pack my car to go snowboarding. *Sydney B.*

Praying to God. *David R.*

Working hard at hockey. *Ryan B.*

Helping my friend understand a word that he did not know. *Adrian A.*

Being nice and listening to Corey Jolly at the meeting *Mauro V.*



QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Reading 1: Jeremiah 17:5-8 (Trusting in the Lord)

Reading II: 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20 (Resurrection of the Dead)

Gospel: Luke 6:17, 20-26 (The Beatitudes)

Adults: How do I measure happiness? Do I "buy into" the values of the Reign of God?

Children: When have I felt sad or angry because my friends did not understand my religion?

VOCATIONS REFLECTION: Saint Luke tells us today where true blessing lies – and where the fleeting rewards of the world. Blessed are we who respond to God's call; happy shall we be. *Diocesan Vocations Office: 514-925-4348.*

CALLING ALL HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH! Do you know how many times we say "thank you" in the Mass? Come and find out! Our next youth gathering will be in Cahill Hall on **Friday, February 19, at 7pm.** Our special guest speaker will be Father Mike Shaw. Come and join us for an evening of fun, faith, friendship and music. Trust me, you don't want to miss this one!! Newcomers always welcome. **BRING a FRIEND!**



CAFÉS: *Everyone* interested in exploring the Catholic faith or deepening their prayer life is invited to our Catholic Adult Faith Education sessions:

DAY CAFÉS:

Mon. Feb. 15, 9-10 am: Moms in Touch, with Cathy Zentner.

Fri. Feb. 19, 9-11 am: Lenten Series: Exploring "The Passion of the Christ"

EVENING CAFÉS:

Sat. Feb. 27, 7 pm: Becket Film Fest presents: Faith Like Potatoes.



EACH LENT, Development and Peace, the Canadian Catholic Church's international development agency, invites Canadian Catholics to give, with love, to those with the least in Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Middle East. The popular *Lifestyle Awareness Calendar* helps families reflect on the gifts they enjoy, and to help collect alms so that others may share in the feast of life. This year, the calendar has more activities for families with young children, including growing a Lenten plant that can be used as a Symbol of Solidarity. Please start using your calendar on Ash Wednesday. (Calendars were handed out to most Faith First children already. More calendars are available at the back of the church.) Development and Peace's annual collection will take place in this parish on **March 21**, Solidarity Sunday.

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: FEB. 13 TO FEB. 21

Saturday	Feb. 13	SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
4:30 pm	Hildegard Jones		R. Geissler & family
Sunday	Feb. 14		
9:00 am	Walter Pristovnik		his family
11:00 am	Our Parishioners		
Mon.	Feb. 15		
7:15 pm	Margaret McCrory		Florence & Robert Holt
Tues.	Feb. 16		
8:30 am	Wilhelmina "Billie" Fabes		Helen & Ed Samoluk
Wed.	Feb. 17	ASH WEDNESDAY	
8:30 am	Hwang Giok Heng		Family
7:30 pm	Hildegard Jones		R. Geissler & family
Thurs.	Feb. 18		
8:30 am	Carol Clark		Lise & Gerry Emsley
Fri.	Feb. 19		
8:30 am	Pauline Theriault		Ken & Pat Cassidy
Saturday	Feb. 20	FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT	
4:30 pm	Teresina Reda		Rina Reda
Sunday	Feb. 21		
9:00 am	Our Parishioners		
11:00 am	Luciano Della Rocca		Rina Della Rocca

Readings for Feb. 15 to Feb. 19

Mon.	Feb. 15	Jas 1:1-11	Mk 8: 11-13
Tues.	Feb. 16	Jas 1: 12-18	Mk 8: 14-21
Wed.	Feb. 17	Jl 2: 12-18/2 Cor 5:20-6:2	Mt 6: 1-6, 16-18
Thurs.	Feb. 18	1 Kgs 11: 4-13	Mk 7: 24-30
Fri.	Feb. 19	1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19	Mk 7: 31-37

SANCTUARY LAMP: Week of February 14: Patrice Brideau, requested by the Rivera Family.



PRIVATE PRAYER is similar to hay scattered here and there in a field. If you light fire to it, the flame gives off little heat, but if you gather that scattered hay, the flame becomes abundant and rises up towards the sky: the same is true of public prayer.

—St. John Vianney

BECKET HAPPENINGS AT A GLANCE

See first page for **CAFÉS** schedule

Tues.	Feb. 16	Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper	5:00 & 6:00 pm
Wed.	Feb. 17	Ash Wednesday Masses & ash distribution	8:30 am & 7:30 pm
		Enabling Accessibility Program follow-up meeting	7:00 pm
Thurs.	Feb. 18	Becket Seniors	1:30 pm
Tues.	Feb. 23	Becket Woodworking Club	7:00 pm

ENABLING ACCESSIBILITY PROGRAM: All parishioners who have an impairment or disability, and their spouse or caregiver, are invited to a follow-up EAP meeting on **Wednesday February 17, at 1:30 pm (repeated at 7:00 pm)**. During the meeting, we will conduct a survey to determine how you feel we can make our parish hall more accessible for the disabled. We strongly encourage you to attend. *The EAP Working Group*



PARISH BAZAAR NEEDS A COORDINATOR: The parish bazaar in OCT/NOV 2010 will not take place unless someone comes forward to act as the coordinator (s) to oversee and manage the event. Don't let a lack of experience hold you back. We have a comprehensive guide available which provides every detail involved in running a bazaar. What we require is a person, or team of persons, willing and able to devote the time to manage this parish fundraising event. Planning needs to begin soon, so we invite anyone interested in participating to contact warden John Bondyra at 514-695-7896.

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER: Join us on **Tuesday, February 16** for pancakes and sausage at our annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper. There will be two sittings: 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. \$5/person, children 3 and under free. Sign up in the Narthex. All proceeds will go towards the Kitchen Renovation Project.



MARDI GRAS ("Fat Tuesday") and Carnival ("Farewell to Meat") precede Ash Wednesday and Lent around the world, even where Lent has ceased to have much religious meaning. It was natural to develop a festival, a "last fling," before the prayerful fasting and abstinence of Lent. How can we give this day before Ash Wednesday some religious meaning

for us? It may be that we are going to a Mardi Gras party and there will be much feasting. Perhaps we can have a special family dinner together, with meat. At Becket, we offer our annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper (see above for details). What's important is that we let our feasting anticipate our fasting. One way to do that is to begin to focus on the meaning of the day, when we first get up. It can create a sense of anticipation all day, that something very new is about to begin tomorrow. We can prepare for whatever we will do, no matter how purely "social" or simply ordinary our day will be. Knowing why we go to a party, or enjoying the planning or preparation for a special meal, will add much meaning to this day.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES, Feb. 17th, 8:30 am and 7:30 pm. We remind you that Ash Wednesday is a universal day of fast and abstinence from meat. We fast in order to be more open for prayer, to share in the suffering of those who are starving, and to save money to give to the poor. Development and Peace *Lifestyle Awareness Calendars* are available at the back of the church to help you "share Lent".



THANK YOU to all the people at St. Thomas à Becket parish, especially the Bible Study Group, who, without being asked, graciously donated food for the reception after Don's funeral. My heartiest thanks. *Margaret Million*



Happy St. Valentine's Day!