

First Sunday in Lent

March 13,
2011



Weekday Masses: Mar. 14, 7:15 p.m., Mar. 15, 16, 17, 18, 8:30 a.m.

FAITH FIRST

- Thurs. Mar. 17** Confirmation, last gathering – in parish hall
hosted by Net Ministries – bring \$5.00
- Sat. Mar. 19** Confirmation Reconciliation – see package for details
(each child MUST be accompanied by a parent or guardian)
- Sun. Mar. 20** High School- last gathering
- Sat. Mar. 26** First Communion Reconciliation-see package & bring a rock!
(each child MUST be accompanied by a parent or guardian)

WEEKLY REFLECTIONS: This week my gift of KINDNESS bore fruit for Jesus by:
respecting my parents. *Matthew K.*

having been good with my grandparents during spring break. *Anthony D.*

helping put the dishes in the dishwasher. *Matthew N.*

playing with my brother. *Giancarlo B.*

sharing my snacks with my friends. *Marino M.*

holding my sister's hand when she was scared. *Alessandro S.*

being kind to my brother. *Sarah A.*

helping my parents at home during spring break. *Daniel D.*

Next time, we will share how our gift of PEACE bore fruit...stay tuned!

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

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QUESTION OF THE WEEK

(Forty Days of Purification)

First Reading: Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7 (Creation Story)

Second Reading: Romans 5:12-19 (Grace Overflows)

Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11 (Jesus Fasted)

Adults: What roots of sin lie at the source of the temptations I deal with on a regular basis?

Children: How can I show my love for God this Lenten season?



WORDS OF THE WEEK -

COMMUNION RITE: The preparatory rites, consisting of the Lord's Prayer, the Rite of Peace, and the Fraction, lead the faithful to Holy Communion (see GIRM, no. 80). The Prayer After Communion expresses the Church's gratitude for the mysteries celebrated and received.

CAFÉS: Catholic Adult Faith Education Sessions: Developed for *all* parishioners, our CAFÉS offer you a chance to learn more about our Catholic Faith and enrich your prayer life. All welcome!

Mon, Mar. 14, 9-10 am *Moms in Touch – prayer group for moms.* Led by Cathy Zentner.

Wed. Mar. 23, 7-9 pm *Couple Talk.* Presenters: C. Macaulay & T. Rettino

Thurs, Mar. 24, 7 pm *Vocations - the Call to Glory.* Presenter: Fr. Francesco Giordano. (N.B. Rescheduled from March 16.)

Wed. March 30, 5-6 pm & 6:45 -7:45 pm *Who is God? My iPod?*
Presenter: M. Million

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: MAR. 12 TO MAR. 20.

Saturday	Mar. 12	First Sunday of Lent	
4:30 pm.	Josephine Romanetti		Bilovus & Marion family
Sunday	Mar. 13		
9:00 am	Harold Quesnel		Steve Ellis
11:00 am	Our Parishioners		
Mon.	Mar. 14		The teachers at
7:15 pm	Antonio Di Grappa		St. Charles school
Tues.	Mar. 15		
8:30 am	Grace Yull		Lucien Tassé
Wed.	Mar. 16		
8:30 am	Kenneth Cassidy		Yvette Jackson
Thursday	Mar. 17		
8:30 am	Sean Richardson		Stephanie & Dave
Friday	Mar. 18		
8:30 am	Max Fernandes		Mr. & Mrs. Braganza
Saturday	Mar. 19	Second Sunday in Lent	
4:30 pm	William Doherty		Janice Cunningham
Sunday	Mar. 20		
9:00 am	Our Parishioners		
11:00 am	Giuseppina Ripa-Galatone		Richelieu Rose Group of Associates & Sisters

Readings for March 14 to March 18:

Mon.	Mar 14	Lv 19: 1-2, 11-18	Mk 25: 31- 46
Tues.	Mar 15	Is 55: 10-11	Mk 6: 7-15
Wed.	Mar 16	Jon 3: 1-10	Lk 11: 29-32
Thurs.	Mar 17	Est C: 12, 14-16, 23-25	Mt 7: 7-12
Fri.	Mar 18	Ez 18: 21-28	Mt 5: 20-26

THE SANCTUARY LAMP: Week of March 13: Joan Swinburne requested by Cynthia Kerkhoven.



Once again this Lent Christians throughout Montreal are invited to take part in the national 40 Days for Life campaign in which we are invited to offer a part of our prayer, fasting and almsgiving for an end to abortion in Canada. We are also invited to participate in the peaceful prayer vigil that will be held in Lahaie park, across from the Morgantaler abortion clinic.

On March 22, Fr. Michael will be organizing a morning for our parishioners to go and participate in the prayer vigil. Please consider volunteering for a couple of hours of peaceful prayer and silent protest for this worthy cause. Please see Fr. Michael for more information or go to www.40daysforlife.com/montreal-english/

WEST ISLAND LENTEN RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE:

St. Veronica: **April 2, 10:30-noon** † Corpus Christi: **April 4, 7:00 pm** - bilingual service at Paroisse Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue, 1, rue de l'Église. † St. Thomas à Becket: **April 5, 7:30 pm** † St. Luke: **April 7, 7:30 pm** † St. John Fisher: **April 9, 10:30 am - noon** †



All are invited to attend our special Lenten Mission being offered this month as we study the new translation of the Roman Missal, soon to be implemented in our diocese. The purpose of this mission is to help everyone learn and grow comfortable

with the new translation of the Mass. The workshops will include video presentations, talks, Q&A sessions, and examples of new music compositions. The new translation is not just about new texts, new prayers and new rules. It is about our ongoing faith, and the ongoing deepening of our understanding of what we are called to be – One Body, One Spirit in Christ. Please join us on **March 15, 22 & 29, at 7:30 pm** as we offer three catechetical sessions about the new translation. Following is the schedule for each of the three evenings:

March 15, 7:30 pm: Exploring the Mass & Receiving this English Translation

March 22, 7:30 pm: Challenges and Opportunities & Changes to the Text

March 29, 7:30 pm: Receiving the Prayers & Reflections on the Translation

Info: 514-626-4111.

BECKET'S ANNUAL ST. PATRICK DAY LUNCHEON: We will be held at Casa Grecque on St. John's boul. on **March 17**. Our guest speaker will be Fr. Michael Leclerc. BYOB. See you there at 12 noon.

BECKET SENIORS: Please note March 17 meeting is **CANCELLED**. March 24 visit to cabane à sucre is **CANCELLED**. Info Audrey: 514-626-3586.

PALMS FOR ASHES: Please bring in any old palms you may have from previous Palm Sundays and put them in the box in the narthex. We will burn the palms to create the ashes that will be used next year Ash Wednesday of 2012.

DO YOU HAVE THE QUALIFICATIONS we are looking for to help in a very important ministry at St. Thomas à Becket? Recently, several parishioners commented on how grateful they were to have someone assist them in getting out of their car, into a wheelchair and into the church. We would like to ensure that this service is available at all Masses. We are looking for caring and compassionate people who want to help their fellow parishioners in this way, or to open doors and find seating for the elderly, parents with young children and those with special needs. No fixed or regular schedule. Just come and help out at the Mass you already attend. Info: Norma Cook 514-620-2019.



BECKET'S SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER was a huge success. We served 120 people over two sittings, and netted a total of \$421.89 for the parish. Thank you to all who participated!

Rina & Mike Callard

2011 MARRIAGE JUBILEE: Is your wedding anniversary this year divisible by 5? Join us at our Annual Marriage Jubilee April 29 & 30. RSVP Rina 514-695-6995.

FECU (Foundation for the Education of Children in Uganda) invites everyone to a bowling fundraiser on **Sun., Mar. 20 at 1pm**, at Laurentian Lanes, 222 Montee de Liesse. Tickets \$20 per adult, \$15 per youth ages 6-12. All proceeds go towards the construction of a Science Laboratory at St. Pontiano Ngondwe High School in Uganda. Visit www.fecucharity.org or call Fr. David Kiyingi 514-695-7100.

HUDSON MUSIC CLUB 2011 PRODUCTION: The Hudson Music Club will present the musical Comedy "The Drowsy Chaperone" on **Sat. March 26 at 2:00 pm**. Ticket are \$15.00, available from Doris at 514-830-2131. We will not order a bus this year as most prefer to go directly. Proceeds to benefit La Passerelle Women's Shelter.

