

*February 3,
2013*

*Fourth Sunday
in Ordinary
Time*



*Weekday Masses:
Feb. 04: No Mass., Feb 05, 06, 07, 08: 8:30 a.m.*

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: DEC. FEB. 02 TO FEB.10

Saturday	Feb. 02	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:30 pm	Jenney Gortler	Robert & Lorraine Plamondon
Sunday	Feb. 03	
9:00 am	Walter Symms	
11:00 am	Our Parishioners	
Monday	Feb. 04	
	No Mass	
Tuesday	Feb. 05	
8:30 am	Raffaele Reda	Rina Reda & family
Wed.	Feb. 06	
8:30 am	Wilma D'Souza	Serge & Wendy
Thurs.	Feb. 07	
8:30 am	John Yip Young	Ailsa Lee Loy
Friday	Feb. 08	
8:30 am	Frank Duquet	Ailsa Lee Loy
Saturday	Feb. 09	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:30 pm	Umbelina D'Souza	Gregg Fernandes
Sunday	Feb. 10	
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Peter Van Warmerdam	Jean Mack & the Wellers

Weekday Readings:

Mon. Feb. 04	Heb 11: 32-40	Mk 5: 1-20
Tues. Feb. 05	Heb 12: 1-4	Mk 5: 21-43
Wed. Feb. 06	Heb 12: 4-7, 11-15	Mk 6: 1-6
Thurs. Feb. 07	Heb 12:18-19, 21-24	Mk 6: 7-13
Fri. Feb. 08	Heb 13: 1-8; Mk 6: 14-29	Mk 6: 14-29

SANCTUARY LAMP: Week of February 3: Matthew Frenette, requested by Anna Donald.

VOCATIONS REFLECTION: Before you were formed in the womb, God knew you. Before you were born, you were dedicated to the Lord. Do not be afraid to hear God's call!

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QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Reading 1: Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19 (I Am with You)
 Reading II: 1 Corinthians 12:31—13:13 (A More Excellent Way)
 Gospel: Luke 4:21-30 (Speaking in the Synagogue)

Adults: What do you do when a message you are trying to deliver "falls on deaf ears"?

Children: Are there times when you have not listened as well as you could to what someone was telling you? Why didn't you?

FAITH FIRST WEEKLY REFLECTIONS: Following are some of the reflections we have received from the children this past week:

I showed that I am a friend of Jesus when I...

Got a new puppy and took care of it every day this week. **Alexandra F.**

I helped my friends with homework. **Trista M.**

I prayed every night with my VAN angel. **Chloe M.**

I opened the door for someone. **Shaylee D.**

I took care of my mom when she hurt ankle. **Jessica S.**

Pray before dinner. **Jonathan C.**

I share with my brother. **André D.**

I raised money for Christmas caroling with my cousins. **Kayla D.**

UPCOMING FAITH FIRST GATHERINGS:

CONFIRMATION GATHERING

Tues. Feb. 05

HIGH SCHOOL GATHERING

Sun. Feb. 10

EUCHARIST GATHERING

Wed. Feb. 13 at 4:30 ONLY. Families are welcomed to attend.

CAFES 2013

The Catholic Adult Faith Enrichment Series are offered to all our parishioners as a means of deepening their life of prayer and learning more about our faith. Join us!

Wed. Feb. 06, 7-9 pm: The Eucharist: Part II "Now that we are here, what's it all about."
Presenter: Margaret Million.

Thurs. Feb. 07, 7-9 pm: Catholicism Series with Robert Barron. The Indispensible Men: Peter, Paul and the Missionary Adventure

Fridays Feb. 08, 15, 22, 7-8 pm Breaking Open the Word, Fr. Michael Leclerc

Fri. Feb. 15, 6-7 pm A Family Adoration Hour with Vita Lewis.

Visit the parish website for more information www.stthomasabecket.org



CELEBRATE MARDI GRAS AT BECKET! Please join us on Tuesday, February 12, for our annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper and Mardi Gras celebration. Join us for food and fun! Two sittings offered: 5:30 pm & 6:30 pm. \$5.00 per person. Children 3 yrs and under free. Please sign up in the Narthex.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING FOR LENT THIS YEAR? Ask Catholics what they're doing for Lent this year, and they'll probably tell you that they are giving up a favorite food, a favorite pastime or anything else they really love but isn't essential in their lives. Giving up something for Lent fosters self-discipline and tempers our desires. It is a form of fasting. It is a form of penance. It promotes spiritual growth. If you're giving up something for Lent, that's great. But think also about the possibility of doing something positive to bolster your spiritual life and make the world a better place. Look for ways that you can increase your knowledge of your faith, strengthen your spiritual life or perform special acts of mercy and kindness at home, at work, in your parish or in your community.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday Feb. 13. Two Masses are celebrated at Becket: 8:30 am and 7:30 pm. Ashes will be distributed at both Masses.

A POOR MAN'S LUNCH will be held on **Saturday February 23 from 11:00 to 2:00 pm** in the parish hall to promote VOCATIONS to marriage, single life religious & non-religious. Through talks, music, and song we will learn how others have responded to God's call to relationship with Him through their vocations. Everyone is welcome. Entrance fee 10\$. Contact Vita at 514-694-1118. Visit: www.stthomasabecket.com / Ask the Pastor page to learn more.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS FOR JANUARY 27/28:

Offerings: \$ 5292.23 Building Fund: \$ 992.0



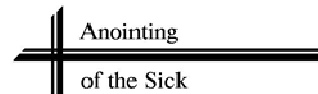
THANK YOU VERY MUCH to everyone who helped with our Christmas outreach projects this past December. Our Benedict Labre House Giving Tree project was another great success. Dozens of homeless men and women received warm hats, mitts, scarves and gift cards for local cafés. In addition, we delivered 58 Christmas Baskets to needy families within our community. Thanks to everyone who helped us with

organizing, buying, packing and delivering the baskets. Many thanks to all the local businesses and individuals for their very generous donations of money, toys, and non-perishables. Special thanks to all those who responded to our request for baby items, and to Becket Knipickers, who supplied lovely knitted items. Year after year, we are able to provide baskets to so many families because of your continuing generosity and support. God bless everyone for the remarkable work that you do.

COME AND SEE: Interested in learning about the Priesthood? Join us for an informal get-together, **Feb. 15, at 5:30 pm** at St. Willibrord's Parish, 351 Willibrord Ave. Verdun. Metro Verdun. For men 18-54 years. The evening includes supper, recreation, prayer, input and sharing. Info: Fr. Steven Otvos 514-925-4348

THE SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK will be celebrated next weekend

February 09/10 at Becket, after all Masses. The Church teaches that this sacrament is meant to strengthen, in body and soul, those who are seriously ill, and "in danger of death" from sickness or old age. Most serious illnesses and any surgery that requires general anesthetic put us "in danger of death."



BECKET FILM FEST PRESENTS: *To Save a Life* on **Sat. February 9 at 7:00 pm** in the parish hall. This film depicts the life of Jake Taylor, an all-star athlete who, after a childhood friend's death, must change his life - and sacrifice his dreams to save the lives of others. Bring your family and friends. Admission is free. Coffee, tea, and snacks will be available. Info: Steve Barillaro 514-808-0634.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR DIRECTOR (S) After many years of dedication and hard work, Kathleen Lalonde will be retiring her position as director of our children's choir, in order to spend more time with her family. Many thanks, Kathleen, for bringing joy and inspiration to our liturgies over the years. May God bless you in all you do! We invite anyone who may be interested in helping to direct our children's choir to contact Fr. Michael. This ministry can be filled by more than one person! Please consider this important stewardship opportunity. 514-626-4111.

2013 ENVELOPE BOXES: Some 2013 envelope boxes for registered parishioners remain at the back of the church. Please pick up your box if you have not done so. New to the parish? You can find boxes for new parishioners on the credenzas at the back of the church. Please fill out the registration card in the box and put the card into the collection plate so that we can register you and issue a yearly tax receipt.

FIND GOD IN THE SILENCE OF YOUR OWN HEART....Silent, directed weekend retreat at La Maison de Prière Notre-Dame. Begins Friday evening, March 1st; ends Sunday afternoon. Registration: Before February 15. Call 514-626-9462 or 514-633-9542, or visit www.montrealretreats.org

AN INVITATION TO PRAYER with Louise Eberwein and Paul Empsall, **Mondays, Feb. 11 to Mar. 18, 7:30 to 9 pm.** This Lenten, six-session course is offered to any person who has experienced the desire to enter into a deeper life of prayer. The focus will be on learning to pray with Scripture, a centuries-old tradition in the church and suitable for persons from all walks of life. Various topics related to this theme will be explored, but considerable emphasis will also be placed actual practice and sharing of experiences within a group setting. The main purpose is to support and to encourage each other. Registration limited to 10 spaces. Cost \$20. Includes book. For more info, please call Paul at 514-626-9462 or Louise at 514-825-5198 (except weekends). Register by **February 8** at 514-626-4111 ext. 222.