

**February 24,
2013**

**Second Sunday
of Lent**

"THIS IS MY SON,
WHOM I HAVE CHOSEN;



LISTEN TO HIM."
L U K E 9 : 3 5

Weekday Masses:
Feb 25: No Mass., Feb 26, 27, 28, Mar 01: 8:30 a.m.

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: FEB. 23 TO MAR. 03

Saturday	Feb. 23	Second Sunday of Lent
4:30 pm	David Marolly	The Marollys
Sunday	Feb. 24	
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Sr. Jean Livesay, SNJN	Richelieu Rose Group of Associates & Sisters
Monday	Feb.25	
	No Mass	
Tuesday	Feb. 26	
	Bronislawa Kulmacz	Marianne Kowalczyk
Wed.	Feb. 27	
8:30 am	Bronislawa Kulmacz	Pat Fahey
Thurs.	Feb. 28	
8:30 am	Shannon McElligott	Louise Eberwein
Friday	Mar.01	
8:30 am	Giuseppe Marcario	Rina Della Rocca
Saturday	Mar. 02	Third Sunday of Lent
4:30 pm	Vanessa Empsall	The Smith family
Sunday	Mar. 03	
9:00 am	Sandra Potten	Marilyn St. Pierre
11:00 am	Our parishioners	

Weekday Readings:

Mon. Feb. 25	Dn 9: 4b-10	Lk 6: 36-38
Tues. Feb. 26	Is 1: 10, 16-20	Mt 23: 1-12
Wed. Feb. 27	Jer 18: 18-20	Mt 20: 17-28
Thurs. Feb. 28	Jer 17: 5-10	Lk 16: 19-31
Fri. Feb. 29	Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28b	Mt 21: 33-43, 45-46

SANCTUARY LAMP: Week of February 24: In thanksgiving from the Ramchandran family.

VOCATIONS REFLECTION: *This is my beloved Son, hear him.* Take some time to hear the beloved Son speaking to you. What does he say?

Diocesan Vocations Office: 514-925-4348. vocationsmtl@diocesemontreal.org

THANK YOU to everyone who helped out at this year's Pancake Supper and Mardi Gras. Great fun was had by all.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR DIRECTOR (S) We are looking for one or more people who may be interested in helping to direct our 9am children's choir. Please consider this important stewardship opportunity. Contact Lino Viegas or Fr. Michael. 514-626-4111.



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2013 - Everyone is invited to a World Day of Prayer Service to be held **Friday March 1**, at:
St. Veronica Parish, 1300 Carson, Dorval, **at 11:00 am** (includes Strathmore United, St. Mark's Anglican and La Présentation)
St. Edward the Confessor and St. John's United Church, 98 Aurora Pte-Claire, **at 1:30 pm**.
St. Barnabas Anglican 12301 Colin, Pfds, **at 7:30 pm**

World Day of prayer is an international movement of Christian Churches especially dedicated to the promotion of peace everywhere, with a special concern for the poor and marginalized. The Theme - "I was a stranger and you welcomed me".

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Reading I: Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18 (The Covenant)

Reading II: Philippians 3:17 – 4:1 (Stand Firm in the Lord)

Gospel: Luke 9:28b-36 (The Transfiguration)

Adults: How are your priorities affected by your faith in Jesus Christ?

Children: When you have important choices to make, do you and your family pray to make the right choice??

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

I took some time to get to know God when I ...

*gave up chocolate for Lent. **Dante L.***

*read the bible. **Joshua P.***

*said some prayers before bed. **Tyrus F.***

*went to the St. Joseph's oratory. **Dylan D.***

*go to church and pray to him. **Alexander G.***

*helped my community. **Sarah D.***

*came to church on Ash Wednesday. **Giuliana C.***

*put on a cross. **Michael S.***



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. 27, 7 – 9 pm *What is Vatican II? Sacrosanctum Concilium: Constitutions on the Sacred Liturgy.* Presenter: Margaret Million.

March 1, 8, 15, 22: 10 am to 12 pm Day Café: *Creating Sabbath Space.* Presenter: Samia Boghdady. Location 8 Place Madeira, Kirkland. 514-694-3564.

Tues. Mar. 05, 7-9 pm *Catholicism #7 Word Made Flesh, True Bread of Heaven: The Mystery of the Liturgy and the Eucharist.*

Wed. Mar. 06, 7-9 pm *Vatican II, Dei verbum: Constitution on Divine Revelation.* Presenter: Margaret Million

N.B. There will be no Breaking Open the Word on Friday March 8.

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

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS FOR FEBRUARY 16/17:

Offerings: \$ 5479.00

The FECU Charity Organization is looking for a part time Secretary-Coordinator, to assist with clerical tasks and general administration. The candidate should be proficient in English, with a basic knowledge of French. Also required is ability to work in Word and Excel. Retirees are very welcome to apply. Please, contact Fr. David at 514-426-5593; or e.mail at dkiyngi@hotmail.com.

††† WEST ISLAND LENTEN RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE †††

Mar. 10, 2-7 pm	Jesus Light of the World (bilingual).
Mar. 16, 10:30-noon	St. John Fisher
Mar. 16, 1-2:30 pm	St. Thomas à Becket
March 19, 7:30 pm	St. Edmund of Canterbury
March 21, 7:00 pm	St. Luke
March 23, 10:30-noon.	St. Veronica



FAMILIES CAN MAKE LENTEN MEMORIES

Lent offers opportunities to pass on your faith to children. Here are some ideas for making Lenten memories:

- Pray together. Even if it's just an Our Father or Hail Mary, it unites the family.
- Let each family member mention one person or problem that they would like to pray for in a special way at dinnertime.
- Take the kids grocery shopping for the poor. Let them help you bring the food to your parish pantry or the local food bank.
- Let children light a candle at church for people throughout the world who are sick or hungry.
- Sample Lenten food favorites, such as hot cross buns or pretzels. Make "Resurrection" cookies on Holy Saturday. Here a link to the recipe: http://stthomasabecket.org/web2/upload/misc/resurrection_cookies.pdf
- Bring family and friends to our annual Youth Passion Play on Good Friday.

BECKET KNITPICKERS UPDATE: February 15 proved to be another incredible cornucopia of artistic talent and generosity. Dozens of warm and beautiful knitted items will be distributed throughout the city to people in need. Between meetings, we have also been sending lapghans to Sr. Dianna of St. Gabriel's Parish for the elderly in wheelchairs - these were delivered during the coldest days of the year (a special thanks to our deliverer). St. Thomas à Becket Parish is truly blessed with the spirit of selfless giving. Special thanks to John J. for his great idea and his gift of making the curly scarf prize for our Yarn Donation Appeal. Next meeting is March 15. ~ *Elizabeth Barroso*



FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION: March 1 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.

PRO-LIFE PRAYERS: All are invited to join us for Pro-Life Prayers on Sat., **Mar. 2, right after the 4:30 pm Mass.** Sponsored by Couples for Christ.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will be holding our Fourth Degree Exemplification on **Saturday March 2, during the 4:30 pm Mass.**

Approximately 50 knights and their spouses will be attending, and will sit in reserved pews. We thank the community of St. Thomas à Becket for welcoming the Knights for this ceremony, and hope that you will join us in prayer and support.

HEALING MASS at St. Thomas à Becket **Fri. Mar. 8**, with Fr. Michael Leclerc as celebrant. The evening will begin with the Rosary at 7:00 pm, followed by Mass. A priest will be available to hear confessions. Sponsored by The Healing Ministry of the C.C. S. M. Maureen 514-486-7734 or Fran 514-366-7388.

NB NEW PARISH EMAIL ADDRESS: Please be sure to update your email address for the parish: becketparish@gmail.com **OR** office@stthomasabecket.org All incoming mail goes to both addresses.