

**March 3,
2013**

**Third Sunday
of Lent**



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

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: MARCH 02 TO MARCH 10

Saturday	Mar. 02	Third Sunday of Lent	
4:30 pm	Vanessa Empsall		The Smith family
Sunday	Mar. 03		
9:00 am	Sandra Potten		M. St. Pierre-Gauthier
11:00 am	Our parishioners		
Monday	Mar. 04		
	No Mass		
Tuesday	Mar. 05		
	Bronislava Kulmacz		Mary & Walter Brandt
Wed.	Mar. 06		
8:30 am	Bronislava Kulmacz		W. & S. Tomaszewski
Thurs.	Mar. 07		
8:30 am	Mrs. Maude McAuliffe		Henri & Marie-Lise Schmit
Friday	Mar. 08		
8:30 am	Bronislava Kulmacz		Marianne Kowalczyk
Saturday	Mar. 09	Fourth Sunday of Lent	
4:30 pm	Catherine Boyle		The Lyons family
Sunday	Mar. 10		
9:00 am	Our Parishioners		
11:00 am	Walter Symms		M. & C.Pereira &family

Weekday Readings:

Mon. Mar. 04	2 Kgs 5: 1-15b	Lk 4: 24-30
Tues. Mar. 05	Dn 3: 25, 34-43	Mt 18: 21-35
Wed. Mar. 06	Dt 4: 1, 5-9	Mt 5: 17-19
Thurs. Mar. 07	Jer 7: 23-28	Lk 11: 14-23
Fri. Mar. 08	Hos 14: 2-10	Mk 12: 28-34

SANCTUARY LAMP: Week of March 3: Kathleen Ellis, Douglas Floreani & Daniel Bagshaw.

VOCATIONS REFLECTION: *The Lord is kind and merciful*, and calls us to proclaim his name. Considering a call to the priesthood or religious life?
Diocesan Vocations Office: 514-925-4348. vocationsmtl@diocesemontreal.org

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.



DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS March 10 at 2:00 a.m.

Don't forget to set your clocks *forward* one hour before bed on Saturday, March 9.

GO see the HABS, GO!!! This weekend and next students from Loyola High school will be selling raffle tickets for a chance to win one of TWO sets of tickets to see the Habs play the Rangers on Saturday March 30. Each prize includes a parking voucher for the Bell Centre, two tickets to the game in the Desjardins section and free food from the concessions. Tickets are \$3 each, or 2 for \$5 and are available after all the Masses. The drawing will take place March 10 after the 11am Mass. All proceeds will go to help fund the renovations in Cahill Hall.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Reading I: Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15 (The Burning Bush)

Reading II: 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12 (Examples for Us)

Gospel: Luke 13: 1-9 (The Fig Tree)

Adults: What important work could bear fruit in your life right now if you have more confidence in God's loving care?

Children: What great work would you like to do as you grow older? What can you do to begin now?

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

I show(ed) I believe in God when I...

believe that anything is possible. **Pierre W.**

receive communion at church. **Emma M.**

stood up for a friend at school. **Adam H.-M.**

baked cookies for someone who was sick. **David F.**

helped my sister do the sign of the cross. **Savannah D.**

set up the prayer table for Children's Liturgy. **Luca & Massimo D.**

say my prayers every night. **Anthony D.**

listen in church. **Ava B.**

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!

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

Fridays, March 08, 15, 22: 10 am to 12 pm Day Café: *Creating Sabbath Space.* Presenter: Samia Boghdady. Location 8 Place Madeira, Kirkland. 514-694-3564.

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 23/24

Offerings: \$ 5701.00 Building Fund: \$ 1174.00

COME AND SEE: Interested in learning about the Priesthood? Join us for an informal get-together, **March 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

††† 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

PALM WORKSHOP: March 20, 7-9 p.m. Come and learn how to make beautiful palm crosses and flowers to help us prepare decorations for the Sanctuary for Holy Week and Easter, and crosses for distribution on Palm Sunday. Join us in the parish hall. All welcome.



BE AN EASTER FLOWER DONOR: We invite you to make a donation toward our Easter Flower Fund for your personal intentions. Donations may be sent to the parish office or dropped in the collection basket any weekend Mass. Please include on the envelope: name of your intention or loved one (memorial) along with your name (donor). Please also include your parish envelope number if you have one. Names of loved ones and intentions will be included in upcoming holiday bulletins. God bless.

KNITPICKER UPDATE: We thought we would share where donations have been made in the last two months (I had only mentioned St. Gabriel's last week - oops!) A kind-hearted hubby of one of our members lugged almost 3 supersized bags full of preemie and newborn hats (about 300) to St. Mary's Hospital - almost 40 hats and scarves went out to the Angels of Mercy and The Montreal Women's Shelter received 2 large bags of prayer shawls, children's blankets and hats, gloves and slippers. We are now in the process of making prayer shawls for each of the Shelter's selfless employees. They are unsung heroes! Now, is this good news or what?
~ Elizabeth Barroso

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.

BY ANY OTHER NAME The word "Lent," from the Germanic for "spring," was first used in the late Middle Ages when pastors began to preach homilies in the vernacular instead of Latin. Before that, the season was called by the Latin term quadragesima, meaning the "40th day" before Easter. Romance languages retain this sense, for example, Spanish cuaresma, Portuguese quaresma, French carême and Italian quaresima.

LENTEN MISSION hosted by St. Luke and Jesus Light of the World Parishes from **Thursday, March 14 to Saturday, March 16** at St. Luke Parish. Fr. Gabriel Côté, SJ will guide us on a journey of prayer, reflection, and sharing on Thursday and Friday evenings at 7 pm and Saturday at 5 pm. Contact Wendy at 514-684-6488 or wendy@st-luke.ca.

CHRISTIAN LIFE PROGRAM: Would you like to experience God's power and glory in your life? Come and join the Christian Life Program (CLP) sponsored by Couples for Christ on Saturday, March 9, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. in Cahill Hall. Info: Francis or Aurora Apgao 514-630-6586 or 514 983-6586.