

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 25, 2013



Weekday Mass Schedule:

Mass is celebrated at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday to Friday

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: AUGUST 24 TO SEPTEMBER 01

Saturday	Aug. 24	Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:30 pm	Maureen Scott	Larry & Joyce Fairholm
Sunday	Aug. 25	
9:00 am	Gerses Makhlouf	Mary Makhlouf & children
11:00 am	Our Parishioners	
Monday	Aug. 26	
	No Mass	
Tues.	Aug. 27	
8:30 am	Gabriella Ambrosio	Roberto Notarmaso
Wed.	Aug. 28	
8:30 am	Kenneth Alexander	Marjorie Duguay
Thurs.	Aug. 29	
8:30 am	Erminia Perri	Maria & John Bastone
Friday	Aug. 30	
8:30 am	Jane D'Lima	family
Saturday	Aug. 31	Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:30 pm	Our Parishioners	
Sunday	Sept. 01	
9:00 am	Pauline Jasmine Raymond Desormeaux Sr.	Marjorie Ramchandran
11:00 am	Elio, Luigi & Frank Genio	Chiara Genio

Weekday Readings

Mon	Aug.26	1 Thes 1: 1-5, 8b-10	Mt 23: 13-22
Tues.	Aug.27	1 Thes 2: 1-8	Mt 23: 23-26
Wed.	Aug.28	1 Thes 2: 9-13	Mt 23: 27-32
Thurs.	Aug.29	1 Thes 3: 7-13	Mk 6: 17-29
Fri.	Aug.30	1 Thes 4: 1-8	Mt 25: 1-13

SANCTUARY LAMP:

Week of Aug. 25: Cecile Th eroux, requested by her family.

VOCATIONS REFLECTION: The Lord is calling people from the east and west, north and south as deacons, priests, sisters and brothers. Are you one of them? Diocesan Vocations Office: 514-925-4348.

vocationsmtl@diocesemontreal.org

BECKET PANTRY NEEDS: Stew, tinned ham, tinned fruit, crackers, jello, pudding, tomato juice, cookies, jam, fruit juice, toilet tissue, tea, jam, cookies, cake & muffin mix, jello, shampoo. (Only the above items please.)

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Reading I: Isaiah 66:18-21 (Gathering Nations)

Reading II: Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13 (The Discipline of the Lord)

Gospel: Luke 13:22-30 (The Narrow Gate)

Adult: What daily choices are you making that will allow you to be recognized at the doorway of the Reign of God?

Child: What good habits are you practicing in order to be a good Christian?

VIA CON DIOS FR. MICHAEL!

The BBQ is sold out, but all are most welcome to join us for our dunk the pastor fundraiser! All proceeds go to Becket Pantry. August 31, 2:00 to 3:30 pm
\$2 per ball or 3 for \$5



ALTAR GUILD MEETING: September 18 at 9:15 a.m. in Cahill hall. New members are most welcome. What do we do? A parish altar guild takes care of the sacred vessels and vestments, make preparations for the various liturgies, provide the necessary articles to be used at Mass, and attend to the light housekeeping of the sanctuary. Parish altar guild members learn about the names of all parts of the church, church seasons and colours, names of vestments, linens, sacred vessels, and church symbols.

SQUARE DANCE WITH A+ SQUARES Good healthy FUN for everyone, young and old! Break the intergenerational gap and learn to square dance with A+ Squares. We go into senior residences and bring them joy. Experience the essence of freely giving. Call Vita 514-694-1118.

THURSDAY MORNING PRAYER AND STUDY GROUP

This is a group of parishioners and friends who wish to explore with others how to live out their faith more meaningfully and joyfully in everyday life. The format is kept simple and friendly, and consists of prayer, study exercises based on Scripture, and faith-sharing.

Our main study this fall is taken from a book entitled, "Walking the Sacred Path," which consists of a series of suggested prayer exercises loosely based on the on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola.

Our regular meetings will resume on Thursday morning, September 19, at 9:15 in Cahill Hall. For more information, call Louise at 514-825-5198.

KNITPICKERS UPDATE: Thanks to all of you who attended last Friday's meeting - we even welcomed a new member! Imagine, after 14 months of existence, we are still attracting new artists. We have tossed around the idea of raising money for purchasing yarn and have decided to be present with some very special items at St. Thomas à Becket's Arts and Crafts Fair this October 19 and 20. It will give us a chance to meet with many of our supporters and express our gratitude. Who knows, you may see a shawl or afghan that speaks to you. Keep your eyes open for more news!

THE MONTHLY WOMEN'S DAY RETREAT PROGRAM resumes **Wednesday, September 11** at Villa Saint-Martin at 9:15 a.m. Animator: Sr. Pat O'Neill, SNJM. Presentations with references to Scriptural passages and the works of renowned spiritual writers; related music; quiet time for personal reflection and prayer; Mass and sharing for those who wish to participate. ALL women welcome. Please bring a brown bag lunch. Coffee and tea provided. Suggested donation: \$15. Info. (514) 684-1290.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS:

August 17/18

Offerings: \$ 4785.00

FOR BETTER & FOREVER!

An invitation to: *The Marriage Preparation Course*

All couples considering marriage (whether currently engaged or not) are encouraged to learn how to lay the foundation for a relationship that will last a lifetime. *The Marriage Preparation Course* is ideal for couples who wish to discover more about themselves, and married life, before they say "I do!"

The key to having a great marriage is not finding the right spouse, but being the right spouse! You are invited to join us over 5 weekly sessions in a relaxed, warm atmosphere, starting the week of September 9, in Kirkland.

There is absolutely no group work and all discussions remain completely private between you and your partner. The fee for the course is \$45.00 per couple.

Please call Nathalie or John Bondyra at 514-695-7896 for info or to register.

FAITH FIRST NEWS

Late Registration: Please note that the deadline to register is Wednesday, September 4, 2013. You can register online at stthomasabecket.org on the Faith First page.

Book Pick-up: **NEW DATE**

ONE WEEKEND ONLY

Sat., Sept. 7 from 1pm-7pm & Sunday, Sept. 8 from 9am-2pm - in Cahill Hall

Do to availability of space, time and resources, these are the ONLY 2 days for book pick-up. Therefore if you cannot make it, please send a family member, friend or ask another faith first parent to retrieve your book.

Confirmation Info Meeting (parent & child): **NEW DATE**

Tuesday, Sept. 17 at 6:30pm - in the Church

First Communion Info Meeting (parent only): **NEW DATE**

Tuesday, Sept. 17 at 8:00pm - in the Church

Committed Journey Parent Meeting (New Families & table leaders):

****NEW DATE****

Thursday, Sept. 19 at 7:00pm - in the Church

Tweet, Tweet! For quick reminders of upcoming events and activities follow us at twitter.com/BecketFF exclusively for Faith First families.

(Tweets also appear on our webpage: stthomasabecket.org - Faith First)

N.B. Our twitter account is for *outgoing messages only*. We will not respond to incoming tweets.

You can also follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/stthomasabecket or call us during office hours 514-626-4485.

BECKET ARTS AND CRAFTS FAIR

The Parish Council is organising an Arts and Crafts Fair to be held here at Becket on **October 19 and 20**. Anything created by the exhibitor, him or herself, can be entered. A modest charge will be made for small or large tables, and the proceeds from any sale remains with the exhibitor. Please join us and show off your talents or those of anyone you know. For more information please call

Darroch 514-626-3648, Dawn 514-694-2984 or Rina 514-695-6995.

Reservations will close on September 30.

