

*December 01,  
2013  
First Sunday  
of Advent*



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

**MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: NOVEMBER 30 TO DECEMBER 08**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Nov. 30</b>	<b>First Sunday of Advent</b>
4:30 pm	Deceased members of the Menezes family	Pat and Donny
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Dec. 01</b>	
9:00 am	Stella Hyjek	Linda Saukas
11:00 am	Our Parishioners	
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Dec. 02</b>	
	No Mass	
<b>Tues.</b>	<b>Dec. 03</b>	
8:30 am	Carol Fulton	Fr. Mike Shaw
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>Dec. 04</b>	
8:30 am	Antonio Tilli	Mary
<b>Thurs.</b>	<b>Dec. 05</b>	
8:30 am	Alain Kennedy	Fr. Mike Shaw
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Dec. 06</b>	
8:30 am	Annible Tilli	her sister Mary
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Dec. 07</b>	<b>Second Sunday of Advent</b>
4:30 pm	Irene Reid	Mr. & Mrs. Jean Héroux
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Dec. 08</b>	
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Peter Nicklepolous	Fr. Mike Shaw

**Weekday Readings**

<b>Mon</b>	<b>Dec. 02</b>	Is 4: 2-6	Mt 8: 5-11
<b>Tues.</b>	<b>Dec. 03</b>	Is 11:1-10	Lk 10: 21-24
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>Dec. 04</b>	Is 25: 6-10a	Mt 15:29-37
<b>Thurs.</b>	<b>Dec. 05</b>	Is 26:1-6	Mt 7: 21, 24-27
<b>Fri.</b>	<b>Dec. 06</b>	Is 29:17-24	Mt 9: 27-31

**SANCTUARY LAMP: Week of December 01:** Gerry MacDonald requested by Reda MacDonald & family.

**FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION: December 06** 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.

**PRAYING FOR YOUR FAMILY:** Please join us on every First Friday of the month from 5:00 to 6:00 pm to pray for your family in our church in front of the Blessed Sacrament.

**FIRST SATURDAY PROLIFE PRAYERS:** Please join us in the church next **Saturday December 7**, immediately following the 4:30 pm Mass for pro-life prayers. Sponsored by Couples for Christ.

## BECKET ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BASKET PROJECT IS UNDERWAY!

Please remember to pick up a food slip (or a few!) from the basket at the back of the church. Each slip of paper contains a food item that we will need to build our Christmas Baskets. Please drop off the items at church the following weekend. Your generosity is much needed this year as there are a growing number of families in need.

**TURKEY NOTICE:** The Christmas Basket Committee have already purchased 45 turkeys. We need 20 more. As freezer space is limited, we would appreciate monetary donations since we have no room to store any more turkeys. Thank you for your kindness and generosity. Info: Norma Cook 514-620-2019

### QUESTION OF THE WEEK

First Reading: Isaiah 2:1–5 (The Lord Gathers)  
Second Reading: Romans 13:11–14 (Salvation is Near)  
Gospel: Matthew 24:37–44 (Stay Awake)

**Adult:** What will you do during Advent so that others can see that you have put on the light of Jesus Christ?

**Child:** What will you do during Advent so that others can see the light of Jesus in you?

### FAITH FIRST NEWS

#### UPCOMING GATHERINGS:

Eucharist Gathering #4: Tuesday, December 3  
Confirmation Gathering #3: Thursday, December 5  
High School Gathering #4, Sunday, December 15

Below are some reflections that the children shared with us last weekend:

*I was a disciple of Christ when I...*

gave my sister a gift. **Ashley L.**

played kindly with my friends. **Lindsay L.**

helped my mom with the groceries. **Myriam L.**

helping mom with cleaning up! **Jacob F.-S.**

took care of my plant. **Michela C.**

be nice with my family. **Juliet M.-B.**

be nice with my sister. **Anais M.B**

kept my dad company. **Gabriel F.**

when I did my chores. **Madeleine C.**

helped my mommy while daddy was away. **James L.**



**LIFE AND FAITH SESSIONS.** LAFs invite us to discover more about our Christian traditions and spiritual heritage and enrich our life of prayer. Open to all.

**Breaking Open the Word. Every Friday Evening 7-8pm** Enjoy a relaxing evening reflecting on the upcoming Sunday scriptures to better prepare to receive the Word. In Cahill Hall.

*Faith, so what? - What difference does it make* will explore how we can enter the season of Advent with great faith & hope and how we can share this with our children. **Tues. Dec. 3, 5-6pm repeated 6:45-7:45pm.** We will be hosting a special guest speaker from Mission of the Redeemer Ministries, Michael Dopp.

*Another Game of Thrones - St. Thomas à Becket vs King Henry II.* Come and learn about the extraordinary clashes between church and state in 12th century England, and how St. Thomas Becket's devotion to the Church earned him the wrath of a king and a brutal death. **Wed. Dec. 4, 7-9 pm** with Heidi Thibodeau.

**BECKET CHURCH MICE PRODUCTIONS REHEARSALS:** Nativity Play rehearsals take place **Dec. 01 and 08 at 12:30 pm** in the church, and **Dec. 15 at 1:30 pm** in the church hall. The day of the play **Dec. 22, we will rehearse at 3pm** followed by a family pot luck dinner in the church hall. Info: 514-624-1562.

**CIARAN PRITCHFORD** will be ordained to the Permanent Diaconate on **Friday, December 6, at 7:30 pm**, at Mary Queen of the World Cathedral 1085 de la Cathedral, Montreal, presided by The Most Reverend Christian Lepine. All are invited. Info: [ciaran.pitchford@videotron.ca](mailto:ciaran.pitchford@videotron.ca)

**FABRIQUE AND H.O. COMMITTEE ELECTIONS DEC. 08, 2013, 12 PM**  
All parishioners are invited to the election of Churchwardens and Helping Others Committee members on **Dec. 08 after the 11 a.m. Mass**. All parishioners of full age (18yrs), of the Roman Catholic Faith, and who live within the parish boundaries are entitled to nominate, be nominated, and vote at the Meeting of Parishioners. (Act Respecting Fabriques).

**TIS THE SEASON FOR FRIENDSHIP, FUN & FOOD!** Introducing a NEW Catholic Singles group inviting individuals between the ages of 30-40 to join us for a Holiday Potluck and fun activities on **Saturday, December 14 at 5:30 pm** in Cahill Hall. RSVP by December 9 on [montrealcatholicsingles@gmail.com](mailto:montrealcatholicsingles@gmail.com)  
Hope to see you all at our first event and feel free to invite a friend!

**ANNUAL BREAKFAST WITH SANTA/ST.NICHOLAS: Dec. 15, 12 Noon.**  
Join us for a hearty breakfast and gifts for the children. Reserve early to enjoy. Contact [lorneflavelle@hotmail.com](mailto:lorneflavelle@hotmail.com) or 514-620-9723.

**BECKET CHRISTMAS CONCERT / SING-A-LONG: Sun. Dec. 22, 7 pm.**  
Bring your family, relatives and friends to the Christmas Concert. The evening will start with a short Nativity skit featuring the Becket Church Mice, followed by Christmas songs sung by various Becket choirs/groups, and ending with a Christmas sing-a-long. All children in the audience are encouraged to come up front and help lead the sing-a-long.

**GREETERS WANTED** We are looking for folk who would like to help as greeters (not necessary to be a regular greeter) and door openers (young people we need you) for the events and Masses during Christmas. Please sign the notice in narthex. For further information call Norma Cook 514-620-2019.

**WELCOME IN THE NEW YEAR** at the St. Thomas à Becket Annual New Year's Eve Dinner & Dance on **Tuesday Dec. 31, at 6:30 pm**. Enjoy a gourmet catered meal, Prime Rib or Salmon, great music & dancing. Come dance the night away. Tickets available until Dec 23. \$45.00 each. Meal choice can be ordered at time of ticket purchase. 16 & older, BYOBeverage. Info. Gord 514-421-8699 or Guy 514-887-4898.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS FOR NOVEMBER 23/24**

Contributions: \$ 5061.00  
Building Fund: \$ 1396.00

**WEST ISLAND ADVENT RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE**

Saint Veronica	Dec. 07	10:30 am - 12 noon
Saint Thomas à Becket	Dec. 11	7:30 pm
Saint Luke's	Dec. 12	7:00 pm
Saint John Fisher	Dec. 14	10:30 am – 12 noon
Jesus Light of the World (MQP)	Dec. 15	3:00 pm
Saint Edmund of Canterbury	Dec. 17	7:30 pm

*“Advent: the time to listen for footsteps - you can't hear footsteps when you're running yourself.” ~ Bill McKibben*