

March 06

2016

Fourth Sunday of Lent



DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME begins at 2:00 a.m. on March 13. Remember to turn your clocks forward one hour on Saturday night, March 12, before you go to bed.

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: MARCH 05 TO MARCH 13

Please note that Mass is offered at 8:30 am and 7:15 pm every Monday.

(L) indicates a living intention

Saturday	Mar. 05	Fourth Sunday of Lent	
4:30 pm	Sarah Teddy Ann Onley		Phil & Blaize Pereira
Sunday	Mar. 06		
9:00	Our Parishioners		
11:00	Floriana Pirah		Emil & Flora Markic
Monday	Mar. 07		
8:30 am	Mr. & Mrs. L. Johnson		The Family
7:15 pm	Mary Ross		Audrey & Gerry Poisson
Tuesday	Mar. 08		
8:30 am	Giuseppe Reda		Rina Reda & family
Wednesday	Mar. 09		
8:30 am	Nellie Flynn		Nora & Paul Mongeau
Thursday	Mar. 10		
8:30 am	Zenaida Mulchandani		Elvyn Obregon
Friday	Mar. 11		
8:30 am	Thomas O'Grady & Lucy Sheehan		Walter & Irwin O'Grady
Saturday	Mar 12	Third Sunday of Lent	
4:30 pm	Our Parishioners		
Sunday	Mar. 13		
9:00	Vito Tarica & Emilia Massullo-Tarica		Tarica family
11:00	Rosa Aloys & Anton Hvalica		Emil Markic

SANCTUARY LAMP

Week of:

Mar.06: Domenic Mancini requested by the Rivera family

Mar.13: Domenic Mancini, requested by Becket's Knights of Columbus

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS:

February 27/28

Offerings:	\$ 4, 386.07
Building Fund:	\$ 1, 742.00

PARISH WISH LIST: We need a night table, 18" square, preferable with a drawer, for the sacristy fridge.

LORD, GRANT MERCY AND LASTING PEACE to those who died recently, and strength and comfort to those who mourn them:
George Gaudet, husband of Gaye Gaudet.

WYD NEWS:

Becket's World Youth Day pilgrims will be heading off to Poland on July 17. Our pilgrims participated in their first spiritual retreat on Saturday, Feb. 27, in preparation for their trip. It was a wonderful 10 hours of prayer, reflection, fellowship and fun. Thank you to everyone who has been supporting us so far on this wonderful journey!



LIFE AND FAITH SESSIONS

“O’ Mercy!” Thursday, March 17, 7 - 9 p.m. –

With Lucie McElligott

"The Eucharist is the Source and Summit of our Christian life" ccc 1324 Together, following the example of Saint Patrick, we will explore our response, through Jesus Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit, to God's great Mercy, in our celebration of the Liturgy.

“The Mercy of Jesus” Friday, March 18, 5-6 p.m. Repeated 6:45-7:45 p.m.

With Elizabeth Koessler

In this year of Mercy, what are the various ways in which Jesus showed mercy to the people that he met. How does he help us to discover the merciful God that Pope Francis often speaks to us about?

50TH JUBILEE NEWS

BOWSER & BLUE are coming to Becket April 8th. Tickets will be sold after masses. Don't delay. Tickets are selling fast. No reservations please. For more info 514-915-7586



FESTIVAL OF NATIONS: Save the date, June 18, 2016, when we will be celebrating Becket's cultural diversity at this event, as part of our Golden Jubilee celebrations. You and your family, can come and savour the taste of different cuisines and also be entertained by traditional dances. If you would like to highlight your country or be part of a team please contact Gina Robertson Tel: 514-626-3648, Marieta Lawton Tel: 514-696-6311 or Vita Lewis Tel: 514-694-1118 .

BECKET PANTRY NEEDS: tea, gravey, crackers, fruit, stew, baby carrier, cloth diapers.

FAITH FIRST

UPCOMING EVENT:

Confirmation Reconciliation Celebration: **Saturday, March 12 at 10am**

Mercy is the true power that can save humanity and the world from sin and evil.
~ **Pope Francis**

PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY: CELEBRATE OUR 50TH AND THE YEAR OF MERCY

Our Pastor, Fr. Peter Sabbath, will be leading the pilgrimage, September 25 - October 7, 2016, that will also raise some funds for the parish.

We will be departing Montreal for Rome, where we will celebrate Mass at the tomb of St. John Paul II, enter the Holy Door at St. Peter's and the other basilicas, attend an audience with Pope Francis, and visit all the important sites in Rome. Then we travel to Monte Cassino (St. Benedict), San Giovanni Rotondo (St. Padre Pio), Assisi (St. Francis), Florence, Padua (St. Anthony), Lanciano and more. Returning to Montreal from Venice. Contact Liz Dachuk at lizdachuk@connaissancetravel.com or 877-701-7729, ext. 239.

+++WEST ISLAND LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICE SCHEDULE+++

St. Edmund:	Wed.	March 09	7 pm
St. Thomas à Becket:	Sat.	March 12	10 am -12 noon ***
St. John Fisher:	Sat.	March 12	7 pm
Jesus Light of the World (MQP)	Sun.	March 13	3 - 7 pm
St. Veronica	Sat.	March 19	10:30 am- 12 noon

***part of Becket's Confirmation reconciliation celebration

REFLECTIONS ON FORGIVENESS & MERCY (Part 1)



Reconciliation sounds great as an idea, but how do you reconcile with someone who's bitterly hurt you and won't even acknowledge that he or she has done wrong? Isn't forgiveness a two-way street? Forgiving those who hurt us is our business. Making our forgiveness contingent on the other person's admission of guilt is just another way of demanding justice and insisting on our "rights." That's a subtle form of pride. Jesus forgave his murderers even as they mocked him on the cross. His forgiveness was a free gift, no strings attached. We can't follow him unless we do the same.

Reconciliation is the work of God. Seeking reconciliation is our work. We need to do whatever we can to make peace with others, and then leave the rest in God's hands. But if justice is a good thing, why would I simply walk away from it when it comes to my own needs?

You shouldn't. It's always reasonable to insist on being treated fairly and honestly, and we're obliged to treat others in the same way. Unfortunately, you and I and everyone else are also sinners—which means that, inevitably, we'll treat others unjustly and be treated unjustly ourselves. As a result, life can very quickly become a web of angry claims and counter-claims against each other, many of them just, and most of them unresolvable.

The only way to cut our way out of this tangle is to forgive. Forgiveness is an act of freedom. It creates new possibilities. It frees us from the burden of our own wounded selfishness, and it releases others to forgive and get free as well. Handing our claims over to God unburdens us of a huge weight—a weight which will cripple us, no matter how legitimate our complaints, if we carry it too long.

The great paradox of God's plan is that we only achieve justice through the practice of mercy. Mercy changes both the giver and the receiver. It softens the hardened heart. That's why Scripture so often likens mercy to water in a desert: It brings new life. It encourages conversion and love, which breed acts of justice, which builds peace. So if you want justice for yourself and for others, forgive. Put mercy first. Justice will follow.

~ Archbishop Charles Chaput of Philadelphia

EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS: 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 Easter flower box. 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 Easter bulletins.