

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 10, 2019



MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: FEBRUARY 9 - FEBRUARY 17

Saturday	Feb 9	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:30 pm	Maria & Joey Bastone	John Bastone
Sunday	Feb. 10	
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00am	Zenon Soares	Atwell & family
Monday	Feb. 11	
8:30 am	Mary Whyte	Gloria & Mike Brennan
Tuesday	Feb. 12	
8:30	Maurice Emsley	Lise & family
Wednesday	Feb. 13	
8:30 am	Maria Bastone	Rina Reda
Thursday	Feb. 14	
8:30 am	Deborah Rhodes	The Wells family
Friday	Feb. 15	
8:30 am	Margaret Linton	Atwell D'Souza & family
Saturday	Feb. 16	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:30 pm	Joann Brues	Bill & Maureen Kelly
Sunday	Feb. 17	
9:00 am	Our Parishioners	
11:00 am	Connie Schaffer	Carol & Alex Hamilton

SANCTUARY LAMP (Week)

February 10: Barbara and Frederick Kray, requested by Helen & Manfred Kray

February 17: Dominic Mancini, requested by Julie & Family

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS

FEB 2/3 Offerings: \$ 4,907.90

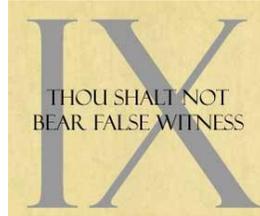
Next special collection: February 24 - Building Fund

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER! Join us on Tues. March 5 for food and fun at our annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper and Mardi Gras celebration. 5:30 - 7 pm. \$5.00 per person. Children 3 and under free. We need more volunteers to make pancakes or pre-cook sausages & serve. Rina 514-915-7586.

ANGELS NEEDED

Many parishioners and others come to Mass only at Christmas and Easter. It's a great opportunity to evangelize. \$2,000 would allow us to give a gift of a book or CD about the faith to each of these families, which might encourage some of them to return more often. Your contributions can be mailed to the parish office or given to the pastor after Mass.

IS LYING ALWAYS A SIN?



Lying is indeed a very serious matter and many do not even realize how serious it is. The Catechism of the Catholic Church quotes St. Augustine's teaching that "a lie consists in speaking a falsehood with the intention of deceiving" (CCC 2482). The Eighth Commandment forbids misrepresenting the truth in our relations with others. This is because God, who is the Truth, calls us to

live in truth.

The Catechism goes on to say that, "the gravity of a lie is measured against the nature of the truth it deforms, the circumstances, the intentions of the one who lies, and the harm suffered by its victims... to lie is to speak or act against the truth in order to lead someone into error" (CCC 2484). We can see, therefore, that every case must be considered and evaluated individually. We would do this in order to decide how grave the sin of the lie is, rather than to decide if the lie was itself good, because lying is never in itself a good thing.

Is it the same when you tell your friend that you like her new hairdo when in reality you do not, as when you tell your husband or wife that you were working late, when in reality you were out with someone else? In both cases, one might claim to be lying in order not to hurt the other person. The Catechism tells us that, "by its very nature, lying is to be condemned, but that the culpability is greater when the intention of deceiving entails the risk of deadly consequences for those who are led astray" (CCC 2485).

So, lying is never really good, but let us say that there may be certain situations when it would be morally permissible to withhold the truth. "The good and safety of others, respect for privacy, and the common good are sufficient reasons for being silent about what ought not be known or for making use of a discreet language. No one is bound to reveal the truth to someone who does not have the right to know it" (CCC 2489). In other words, sometimes people do not have the right to know the truth, such as when someone asks you questions about your personal life and they have no need to know. In such a case, you are not bound to give them the truth.

Sadly, today lying has become so habitual that people do not even seem to know the difference anymore. Children lie to their parents, spouses lie to each other, people lie on their tax forms and applications, and the list goes on and on. If we were to sit and meditate on it deeply, we would realize that in every situation where there is lying, something is always wrong. Sin is always at the root of every lie, even the most seemingly innocent ones. Why is it that Jesus called the devil a liar and the father of lies?

One way to avoid the sin of lying is to pray and ask God for His help and merciful guidance. We cannot do it alone. If we are sincere and ready to do all we can to change and live a life of truth as He wishes for us, He will grant to us the strength and grace to be victorious in overcoming this temptation. It is always a wonderful thing to know a truthful person. Telling the truth is a great witness to the Christian faith.

~ *Grace MacKinnon*

CONFERENCE ON THE FUTURE OF PALLIATIVE CARE



Presented by the Physicians Alliance against Euthanasia. Intended for primary care physicians, however all are welcome. The last hour of the conference is open to the public. April 6, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm at the Holiday Inn, 999 St. Urbain. For tickets or info: 438-938-9410 or info@collectifmedecins.org

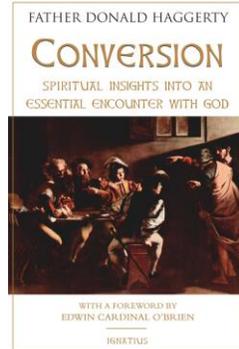
FAITH FIRST:

Eucharist Gathering #5 Tuesday, Feb 12

First Communion Reconciliation Celebration Saturday, Feb 16, 10 am-noon

HEALING SERVICE: We invite you to join us on Monday, February 18 at 7:30 p.m. Our evening includes Eucharistic Adoration, prayerful music, scripture, and reflection. The sacrament of Reconciliation is available as are our Prayer Teams.

WORTHWHILE READING



Conversion: Spiritual Insights into an Essential Encounter with God by Fr Donald Haggerty

Contemporary spiritual writer Fr. Donald Haggerty offers penetrating observations of the phenomenon of Christian conversion. Arranged as a collection of concise, meditative reflections, this book discusses the essential elements of a soul's return to God, including the repercussions of sin, the proper understanding of mercy, and the importance of a more radical response to God's will. Fr. Haggerty also explores the fruits of conversion that make the difference between a mediocre relationship with God and a truly holy

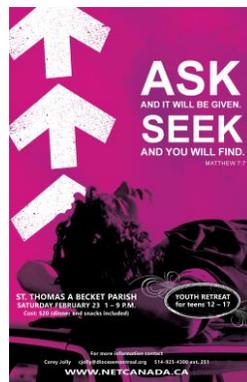
life. He identifies these special graces as love for the poor, simplicity of lifestyle, and devotion to the Eucharist.

APPEAL FOR EYE WEAR DONATIONS: Prescription, reading or sun glasses

A group of local volunteers will be heading down to the Dominican Republic at the end of February, in collaboration with the organization [Go. See. And Do!: Empowering Communities in the Dominican Republic](#). With the aid and support of a team of high school students, the group will be building a classroom to an existing school in a rural area. In addition, with an eye hospital located in the area, the group plans to help establish an eye clinic as well. Donations of prescription glasses, reading glasses and sun glasses are currently being collected to help supply the future clinic. Would you or someone you know have eyewear to donate? If so, please contact Eric at ericlasotao7@bell.net. Thank you.

WIDOWS' SUPPORT GROUP Members of the Widows' Support Group continues to meet each first Monday of the month from 9:30-11 a.m. at St. Edmund of Canterbury Parish (105 Beaconsfield Blvd, Beaconsfield, H9W 3Z8). The next meeting will be February 4. New members are very welcome. Info: Cathie Macaulay cmacaulay@diocesemontreal.org We are planning a group for widowers in the spring; details to follow.

THE SEARCH



Everybody wants to be happy, but happiness never seems to last. We are all born with an ache in our hearts that can't be satisfied by anything on this earth, because our heart was made for something more, something greater. National Evangelization Team (NET) Ministries of Canada is a national youth ministry organization that "challenges young Catholics to love Christ and embrace the life of the Church", helping them to come to know God's unending love for them.

This retreat, for High School students is offered **Saturday, February 23** 1- 9 p.m. at St. Thomas à Becket Parish. The cost is \$20 per participant, which includes snacks and lunch. The afternoon will be filled with talks, testimonies, games, small group sharing and opportunity for prayer time.

"The (NET) retreat) was great! Now I understand why I am being confirmed and how wonderful God is." ~ Grade 7 student.

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