

February 21, 2010 First Sunday in Lent

Saturday, February 20	5:00 p.m.	People of the Parish
Sunday, February 21	9:00 a.m.	John Mauro by his Daughter Lucia
	11:00 a.m.	Celestina Libero by Her Daughter Lena
Monday, February 22	9:00 a.m.	<i>Chair of St. Peter</i> Rolande Kirkwood by Jim, Audrey and Gail Kirkwood
Tuesday, February 23	9:00 a.m.	Tony Oxley by Irene Vinet
Wednesday, February 24	9:00 a.m.	Glenda Morren by Mary and Piero
Thursday, February 25	9:00 a.m.	Ellen and James Kenny by the McKenna Family
Friday, February 26	9:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Saturday, February 27	5:00 p.m.	Samy and Maher Sydhom by the Bishara Family
Sunday, February 28	9:00 a.m.	People of the Parish
	11:00 a.m.	Catherine and David Demers by Brenda Demers

The offerings made in support of the Parish last weekend amounted to \$2,710.20. Thank you for your continued support.

During Lent we prepare to celebrate the death and Resurrection of Christ who, by his death, carried out the will of the Father and showed his love for humanity. As we journey through Lent we focus on our need to be more like Jesus, particularly in our acts of love for others. Through prayer, fasting and almsgiving we accomplish this, especially as we intercede for and show kindness toward others and are generous in giving time and financial assistance to those in need. Lent is also a time for conversion. We might want to consider the need to change in areas such as: being thankful rather than complaining; thinking kind thoughts rather than judging; trusting in God rather than worrying; forgiving rather than holding on to resentment or bitterness; being more patient rather than becoming angry; overlooking the faults of others rather than criticizing; accepting the ideas of others rather than wanting our way.

Vocation Angel

The following parishioners will be taking home the Vocation Angel and Prayer Card for the coming week:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Mass*	The Hamel Family
Sunday 9:00 a.m. Mass	The Ashley Family
Sunday 11:00 a.m. Mass	The Swidzinski Family

**Lent is a good time to visit with Our Lord in our
Chapel of Eucharistic Adoration**

Daily Reflections for Lent

Daily reflections for Lent will be sold for \$2.00 after all Masses this weekend or weekdays at the Rectory office.

Let Us Pray for Those Who Are Sick

Those in need of our prayers: Brock Barrett, Kevin Batty, Theresa Beaver, Margaret Chappell, Monica Connor, Adam Coules, H el ene Daoust, Alban deSouza, Christopher Elliot, Joan Farley, Laly Fernando, David Ferraro, Harry Fischer, Father Donald Flynn, Nicholas & Steve Francis, Barbara Friemann, Gabrielle, Duilio Guaiani, Sheena Hinch, Therese Le Blanc, Pauline Lalancette, Frances Lalonde, Little Lenny, Frank Mancuso, Rafael Manrique, Michael Manuk, John Masella, Dan McColgan, Cathy McDonald, Kathleen McPhee, Daniel Mitchell, Margaret and Jean Morgan, Hugh Morrison, Elizabeth O'Brien-Walker, Kathleen O'Conner, Julie Ouelette, Sheila O'Shaughnessy, Margaret Poulin, Ethel Salvador, Linda and Mike Shovlain, Ross Smith, Suzanne Timm, Robert Ward.

Faith First Confirmation Retreat

This Sunday, February 21 at 1:00 p.m.

All students are asked to bring their Community Service Books for update.

Shrove Tuesday – Thank You

A special thank you to our Ladies Group for all their hard work in preparing a very successful Shrove Tuesday supper. Many thanks to all (120) who attended our annual celebration.



Rosary For Teenagers and Young Adults

We are all invited to join a new group meeting each Monday, 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Adoration Chapel to pray for teenagers and young adults. Fellowship follows in the Beverley Room. For more information, please contact Teresa at 697-3006.

Haiti - February Helping Others Collection

If you missed the Helping Others Collection, it's not too late. Envelopes for "Haiti" are on the table at the back of the church. Your donation will be matched by the Government of Canada as the Parish made a commitment before the February 12 deadline.

St. John Fisher Parish Presents

Seminar: End of Life Issues

A Seminar not to be missed with Father Manus Bradley, Parochial Administrator at St. Ignatius of Loyola Parish, a well-known speaker on these important moral issues. The seminar will be held this Wednesday, February 24 at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall. Excellent presentation. All are welcome.

World Day of Prayer

Friday, March 5 at 1:30 p.m. at the Anglican Church of the Resurrection. The theme is from *Cameroon, Africa*. For more information, call 683-5341.

Development and Peace Share Lent Campaign

Lent is a time when we strive to live a true Christian life. It is a time for sacrifice and positive action. It is a time to stand in solidarity with the poor and oppressed. It is a time to put God's will in the forefront. This Lent let us partner with Development and Peace to work for the Reign of God. Read the Development and Peace material available at the back of the church.

Benedict Labre House

A community center serving daily meals to homeless men and women in Montreal. Our Parish has been providing a 'meal team' once a month for the past three years. The next meal service will be Sunday, February 27. If you would like to help out (preparing, serving, organizing) please sign up in the vestibule or online at our new user-friendly website: wallpaperdepot.com/blh.

Support for KAIROS Funding

KAIROS is a Canadian faith-based ecumenical organization comprising seven Christian denominations including the Catholic Church. It is inspired by a vision of God's compassionate justice. KAIROS effects social change through advocacy, education and research programs in: *Human Rights, Ecological Justice, Economic Justice, Energy and Extraction, Just and Sustainable Livelihoods, and Indigenous Peoples*. These programs are networked with organizations in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Middle East and with local Canadian grassroots groups. Regretfully, our Federal Government (CIDA) has de-funded KAIROS to the amount of \$7 million after a 35-year history of support. After all Masses this weekend we are invited to sign a letter asking Prime Minister Harper to re-instate its funding to KAIROS. Please show your support for this honourable organization.

Catholic Weekend Retreat for Youth

A Challenge Weekend is a retreat that offers all youth (18-25) a chance to learn more about Christ and themselves. If you are interested in exploring the Catholic faith with an open mind, whether you are a participating believer or seldom go to church, Challenge will provide you with an opportunity to learn, to share, and to grow in faith. Next weekend retreat is Friday, March 5 at 7:00 p.m. to Sunday at 5:00 p.m. For more information please go to www.challenge.adventures.org, or call Aaron at 514-265-1718, e-mail: mtlchallenge@hotmail.com. We can support those on the Challenge Weekend with our prayers. There are sign-up sheets in the church vestibule and in the chapel if you would like to offer a particular hour of prayer.

<p>Income tax receipts for 2009 donations are available in the sacristy</p>
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