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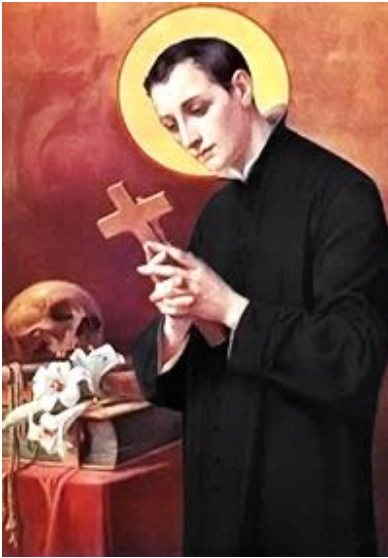
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Date: December 10, 2023



ST. ALOYSIUS MISSION STATEMENT

*We, as a Christian Community, Inspired by the Holy Spirit, Strive to live our Baptismal Promises by using our time, talent and treasure to reach out to others **as Jesus did.***

PAROCHIAL ADMINISTRATOR

FR. DONBOSCO MAWDSLEY, SMA

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

SUNDAYS 9:30AM at STE. LOUISE-DE-MARILLAC CHURCH
(corner Honoré-Beaugrand & Ste. Claire)

SECRETARY

JOANNE TROTTIER

CONFESSIONS

QUARTER OF AN HOUR BEFORE AND AFTER MASS

BAPTISMS

CONTACT OFFICE FOR INFO

WEDDINGS

CONTACT OFFICE MINIMALLY SIX MONTHS BEFORE MARRIAGE

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ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Blue Mondays: MONDAYS - 8:00PM
ST. ALOYSIUS PARISH CENTRE
(8402 de Marseille St., Montreal)

*Meetings to resume soon: details TBA

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

SUNDAYS - 8:00PM
ST. BRENDAN'S HALL
(5740 15th Ave., corner Rosemont)



MASS INTENTIONS



For This Week:

Sunday, December 10
and

Intentions are for:

GIOVANNI AND BRIGIDA LISI
PEGGY BRUNET

Requested by:

Scolastica Calce
Jacques Beaulieu

For Next Week:

Sunday, December 17
and

Intentions are for:

MARINA CHANCEY
JOHN WILSON ON THE 10TH
ANNIVERSARY OF HIS PASSING

Her loving mother, Patricia

His loving children, Carol, Michael
and the late Johnny Wilson

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS for this week:

Trinette Mascarenhas (11), Robert Pollock (13),
Anna Bellisario (14)

CELEBRATING AN ANNIVERSARY:

Ashwin and Trinette Mascarenhas (15)

Saint Jeanne d'Arc

We examined last week the life and death of Saint Jeanne d'Arc; that she was basically rejected by the very party she was championing; that obviously the English party could not understand why God would do such a thing as choosing a peasant girl to fight them for Charles VII. For them she had to be a dangerous religious lunatic who should be burnt at the stake and so they made sure to get the desired result.

Jeanne's trial was highly irregular. In fact, some time after her death her parents requested a revision from the Church. That went all the way to the Pope. Of course, the original trial's minutes had been kept and everything could be reviewed. It was noted that Jeanne had asked for a lawyer to no avail; she requested the Pope's involvement which was denied; she requested that some of the Ecclesiastical Judges come from Charles VII's side to no avail. She should have been kept under the care of nuns instead of the English army. She complained that there were rape attempts on her. It became quite clear that cross dressing was necessary for protecting her virginity and for going into battle.

Basically, it became clear to those who reviewed the trial for the Pope that there was no case for burning her at the stake. It was thus decided to reverse the decision and acquit Jeanne. That meant that the Church had to accept that some of her officials were in the wrong when they found her guilty. And of course, that was the result Jeanne's family was hoping for: they wanted to clear her name.

It became clear that Jeanne's answers under questioning were well above her own knowledge and resources. She had answered trick questions as she had studied theology all her life. She showed great humility while maintaining that she had seen Saint Michael the Archangel as well as saints Catherine and saint Margaret. She went through all her actions and was always consistent in what she was told to do and what she told of events she could not have known. When got to the part about what she revealed to the Dauphin about his thoughts the day they first met, she refused to say what they were as she was not at liberty to do such a thing.

The problem for Jeanne is that she knew she had a mission from God and she had to follow it. Her mission was to kick the English out of France, and that job was far from over. Why she was given such a mission, she did not know. She just obeyed her voices. Her answers at her trial were also part of her mission. Her behaviour at the stake was also part of her mission.

By the way before she died, she prophesied that a city, much more important than Orléans would be lost to the English within the next eight years That city she did not name. But we know that the City of Paris went to Charles VII just within that time.

She was God's servant and nothing more. By confessing her mission all the way to death she became a martyr.



ST. ALOYSIUS' NEWS

HYMNS FOR

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2023

- **OPENING: 443 – On Jordan's Bank**
- **OFFERTORY: 698 – Prayer of St. Francis**
- **RECESSIONAL: 712 – Help Us to Help Each Other, Lord**

FATHER DONBOSCO:

AVAILABILITY FOR MINISTRIES

Please note that **Fr. Donbosco** is available to bless homes and cemetery graves upon request. He is also willing to visit the ill and bring communion.

For any requests, you can call Fr. Donbosco directly at 438-937-3767 or leave a message at the office. Please note that Father does not have a car. He can easily manage if the visits are close to the parish. If someone is able to bring him to a hospital or residence in question it would be most appreciated.

COLLECTION ENVELOPES

Your 2024 Collection envelopes will be available in the next few weeks. If you do not have a parishioner number and would like to receive a box of collection envelopes for tax purposes, please see Joanne.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

Sunday, December 3, 2023:

St. Aloysius Parish: \$510.00

H.O.P.E.: \$715.00

Sunday Missals: \$5.00

HELP NEEDED

One of our parishioners is looking for some work. If anyone would like some help with household chores, please Joanne at mass or call the office and she will put you in contact with our parishioner.

REQUEST FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Recently called home to the Father is **Ms. Maria Malorni**, who passed away on Wednesday, Dec. 6 at the age of 60 after a long battle with cancer. Maria is the beloved sister of parishioner Roberto Malorni. Our heartfelt condolences go out to Roberto, his mother Elvira Ricci, and her family and her friends. Please accept our heartfelt condolences and prayers during this difficult time. ***May her soul rest in eternal peace***

Also called home to the Father, **Mr. John (Willy) Wilson**, son of longtime St. Aloysius parishioners, the late John and the late Maria Wilson. John passed away at the end of November at the age of 67. His funeral took place Saturday, Dec. 9. Our heartfelt condolences to his wife Debbie, siblings Michael (Monique) and Carol (Mike) and to the rest of his family and friends. Please accept our heartfelt condolences and prayers during this difficult time. ***May his soul rest in eternal peace***

H.O.P.E. COMMITTEE:

CHRISTMAS GIFT CARDS/ ADOPT-A-CHILD CAMPAIGN

Through the months of October, November and December, all of H.O.P.E.'s collections will go towards our annual Christmas Baskets (gift cards) and Adopt-a-Child Campaign. Once again, we are helping families from two local schools along with families in need in our community. We thank you in advance for your generosity. It is through your kindness that we are able to help those in need during the Christmas season.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

All cheques for H.O.P.E. must be made out to 'St. Aloysius Parish' (memo 'H.O.P.E.'). **Most importantly**, cheques **cannot** be combined with donations to both H.O.P.E. and St. Aloysius Parish. Unfortunately they will be returned to you. We are sorry for this inconvenience and appreciate your understanding.

STAYING SAFE

Sadly, about 30 meters from the parish office, a man lost his life to a house fire on the evening of Nov. 29. His smoke detector was not working. The next morning members of the fire department were making their rounds in the neighbourhood. When visiting one of our tenants on St. Donat, he was told that although the detector was fully functional it was advised to get a new one since his was quite old. The internal detectors have a limited lifespan. We purchased new detectors for all our tenants. This is a friendly reminder to check your smoke detectors. If they are functional yet old, it would be wise to replace them.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

Please see below the dates and times of our Masses:

- **Sunday, Dec. 24:** Christmas Eve Morning Mass (Fourth Sunday of Advent), 9:30 a.m.
- **Sunday, Dec. 24:** Christmas Eve Mass, 9:30 p.m.
- **Sunday, Dec. 31:** New Year's Eve Morning Mass, 9:30 a.m.
- **Monday, Jan. 1st,** New Year's Day Mass, 9 a.m.

Please note that there will be **no Mass** held on Christmas Day.

All our masses will be held at Ste-Louise-de-Marillac Church (7901 Ste-Claire t., Montreal, H1L 1W2). We look forward to welcoming you during this Christmas season.

PRAYER FOR PEACE, HEALING

In your prayers, please remember in a special way **Mark, and Faith Halsey**, and all those who are ill and suffering.

May I be at peace.

May my heart remain open.

May I be aware of my true nature.

May I be healed. May I be a source of healing to others.

May I dwell in the breath of God.

- Saint Teresa of Avila

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