



# ST. ALOYSIUS PARISH



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Date: December 31, 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

## H.O.P.E. COMMITTEE

EMMA LISI  
JOYCE MONTANARO  
JOANNE TROTTIER  
TONY SECONDO  
MANON LEGAULT

## WARDENS

MICHELE NARAYANAN  
JAMES PIERRE GUIMOND  
ALEX BELLISARIO-GIGLIO  
JACQUES BEAULIEU  
TONY SECONDO

## ONLINE MASS COMMITTEE

JACQUES BEAULIEU  
TONY SECONDO  
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## PARISH E-BULLETIN

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## ALMAGE 50+ CENTRE

8680 Hochelaga St.  
(West of des Ormeaux St.)  
Tel: 514-355-1712

## 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 15<sup>th</sup> Ave., corner Rosemont)



# MASS INTENTIONS



**For This Week:**

Sunday, December 31  
9:30 a.m. Mass

Monday, January 1, 2024  
9 a.m. Mass

and

**Intentions are for:**

OUR BELOVED PARENTS:  
STANLEY AND EUNICE SMITH &  
PHILOMENA MONTANARO

LINDA BEAULIEU

BETTY TROTTIER AND  
ALMA CORMIER

**Requested by:**

Joyce and Luigi Montanaro

Her loving husband,  
Jacques Beaulieu

Joanne, Chloe and Chelsea

**For Next Week:**

Sunday, January 7

**Intentions are for:**

LORENZO CALCE

Scolastica Calce

**BIRTHDAY GREETINGS** for last week:

Elisa Squires (27)

**BIRTHDAY GREETINGS** for this week:

Rohit Mascarenhas (31)

**CELEBRATING AN ANNIVERSARY:**

No anniversaries listed.

## Christmas and our World

Last Christmas, we in the West essentially were facing one major war. This year, we are up to two major wars and they both may spread afield. We find lots of people who say in all earnestly that their opponents are animals, subhuman, the kind of language which was quite common in World War II.

Certainly, these opinions are not in line with what the Roman Catholic Church teaches, even if the many seem to agree with them. Christianity is about God coming in His world to set things right. And this starts with basically the birth of a little boy in definitely humble conditions. With our crèches and Angels singing in the field and shepherds keeping watch, it nearly sounds idyllic. But immediately the real world, our world, bursts in. No idyll, just murder! A King decides to get rid of a few infants to kill someone who might try to unseat him in the future (Saint Innocents; December 28<sup>th</sup>). We have tens of children being killed everyday in the same area of the world where Jesus was born. The first Christian was murdered for having unorthodox views as far as some religious groups are concerned (Saint Stephen; December 26<sup>th</sup>). We have now many people who are ostracized in our world for unorthodox views as we are all supposed to believe what we are told – or else.

This message of God-made-Man was especially important to one of Jesus' followers, John the Evangelist. He was the "disciple that Jesus loved" especially. His Gospel is of extraordinary significance to us now as then. His feast is between the other two, on December 27<sup>th</sup>.

So that day is between the first martyr and the slaughtered babes; that day is a reminder that Jesus on His cross told John that Mary, Jesus' real mother, who at Bethlehem gave birth to Him, was now John's mother. And so, he took her to live with him. Two days after celebrating Jesus's birth from Mary, we remember that Jesus was to die on the Cross; and that both Mary and John would be witnesses to that terrible death. While Mary lost her only child, through John, we gained Mary to be our Mother forever.

Jesus came into a world very much like ours today; a world of murder, a world of violence, a world of hate. A world where thousands are crucified day after day to the advantage of the few, a world where the many are turned into zombies. Christmas is God become man in our real, nasty, terrible world.

— *Authored by Jacques Beaulieu*

# ST. ALOYSIUS BULLETIN

December 31, 2023



## ST. ALOYSIUS' NEWS

### HYMNS FOR

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2023

##### 9:30 a.m. Mass

- **OPENING: 660 – Sing a New Song**
- **OFFERTORY: 458 – O Come, All Ye Faithful**
- **RECESSIONAL: 454 – Joy to the World**

#### MONDAY, JANUARY 1, 2024

##### 9 a.m. Mass

- **OPENING: 621 – All People That On Earth Do Dwell**
- **OFFERTORY: 708 – I Will Never Forget You**
- **RECESSIONAL: 472 – Go, Tell It On the Mountain**

### 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.

### NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

Please see below the dates and times of our Masses:

- **Sunday, Dec. 31:** New Year's Eve Morning Mass, 9:30 a.m.
- **Monday, Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>,** New Year's Day Mass, 9 a.m.

Both masses will be held at Ste-Louise-de-Marillac Church (7901 Ste-Claire t., Montreal, H1L 1W2).

We look forward to welcoming you into the New Year.

### FUNERAL DETAILS FOR OUR BELOVED LONGTIME PASTOR,

#### THE LATE FR. JOSEPH P.

#### SULLIVAN (1940-2023)

##### VISITATION

Thursday, Jan. 4, 2024, 6 p.m -9 p.m. at Transfiguration of Our Lord Parish (11775 Filion St., Montreal, H4J 1T4) \* *A prayer service will be held at 7:30 p.m. presided by Msgr. Francis Coyle, CSS.*

##### FUNERAL MASS

Friday, Jan. 5, 2024, 11:00 a.m. at Transfiguration of Our Lord Parish with Fr. Peter Lavolette as celebrant. \**A reception will be held in the parish hall following the Funeral Mass.* Read full obituary [HERE](#).

### CARPPOOLING TO

#### FR. JOE'S FUNERAL

We have a few parishioners who would very much like to attend the funeral and pay their respects but they don't drive. If any of you are heading to the funeral on either January 4 or January 5, would you kindly call the office and let us know if you would be able to drive one or two people to the funeral. Your help would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

### H.O.P.E. COMMITTEE

Our 2023 H.O.P.E. Action Report is now available at the back of the church. It is also posted on our website.

Thank you,  
The H.O.P.E. Committee

### LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

#### Sunday, December 24, 2023 -

- **9:30 a.m. Mass:**  
St. Aloysius Parish: \$930.00  
H.O.P.E.: \$25.25
- **9:30 p.m. Mass:**  
St. Aloysius Parish: \$232.00

### 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.

### WARDENS' ELECTIONS:

#### RESULTS

A meeting of parishioners was held on **Sunday, Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023** for the purpose of electing two wardens and the renewal of another. Congratulations to **Emma Lisi** and **Michael Lacombe** as they prepare for their first term as wardens. As well we would like to congratulate **Jacques Beaulieu** as he begins his second term. We would also like to extend our gratitude to **Cynthia Hansen** and **Alex Bellissario-Giglio** for their dedication during their terms as wardens. Thank you for your service.

### 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.

### 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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