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St. Aloysius Parish

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EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Sundays 9:30AM at Ste-Louise-de-Marillac Church

(corner Beaugrand & Ste Claire). Streamed on Facebook and available on YouTube.

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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.



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2024

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT – A TIME FOR RENEWAL

Today's Mass Intentions are for

FR. JOSEPH P. SULLIVAN

ROB ROXBURGH

Requested by

Jacques Beaulieu

Joyce and Luigi Montanaro

With special prayers of peace and healing for

Piers Corsi

Bobby Squires

Claris Mascarenhas

John Henry

Mathilda Dias

Diane Vanin

Jeannie Wayland

Dan Hunt

Stephane Pomerleau

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

Opening Hymn: 482 – Lord Who Throughout These 40 Days

Readings: Page 185

Offertory Hymn: 711 – Lord of All Power

Recessional Hymn: 695 – God Gives His People Strength

Birthday greetings for this week:

Charley Radack (19), André Lavigne (21),

Luigi Montanaro (23)

Celebrating an anniversary:

Michele and Ravindran Kanniah (21)

Next week's Mass Intentions will be for

MARINA CHANCEY

THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE SULLIVAN FAMILY

Requested by

Her loving mother

The Sullivan Family



We started the season of Lent last Wednesday, called Ash Wednesday. On that day the faithful receive ashes on their foreheads with the following admonitions: «Remember, O Man, that you are dust, and into dust shall you return». or «Repent and believe in the Gospel». The first one is for most a rather sobering thought. It is a season of preparation for the great feast of Easter. It is a season of fast and abstinence, of prayer and of alms giving. It lasts for forty days, the time that Jesus spent in the desert just before the beginning of His public life, the time Jesus prayed, and fasted, and worked out how He would proceed, how He would preach the «Good News», the Gospel. The Israelites spent 40 years in the desert before entering the Promised Land, that land flowing «with milk and honey», that land prefiguring Heaven, while the desert prefigures our life on Earth, a life in difficult circumstances for most of us, but a life through which we hope in faith for an afterlife in Heaven.

Holy Mother the Church provides four books for the Breviary, in which are found the prayers to be recited by priests, nuns, brothers, and the lay people who wish to do so. I have already talked about this before. The two longish texts chosen in the Office of Readings for the very start of Lent are 1) a beautiful text from the prophet Isaiah Chapter 58 verses 1 to 12 which you can check in your Bible and 2) a set of excerpts from the long letter of Pope Clement to the Corinthians. That letter is one of many that the Church has considered important as it was composed by the disciples of the Apostles themselves and so reflect the Church of the generation following Saint Paul and Saint Peter.

You probably know that Saint Paul wrote two letters to the Corinthians. The people of that Church were very headstrong and excelled at infighting and bickering, so the need for Paul to write them two letters. Well, that was not sufficient; Pope Clement had to write one to them also. He had to admonish them by reminding them, among other things, the following sayings of our Lord Jesus: «Be merciful, so you may have mercy shown to you. Forgive, so that you may be forgiven. As you treat others, so you will be treated. As you give, so you will receive. As you judge, so you will be judged. As you are kind to others, so you will be treated kindly. The measure of your giving will be the measure of your receiving». Clement here teaches us how to «repent and believe in the Gospel», by calling our God «Father» and acting like Him.

By the way, translations of the Apostolic Fathers are available in e-book format on amazon.ca. Their writings are well worth reading. I strongly recommend reading those texts just like I strongly recommend reading the Isaiah text listed above.

PALM SUNDAY SERVICE

Palm Sunday Mass will take place on Sunday March 24th at 9:30AM. The mass will be presided over by Father Jean-Marc Laporte.

We look forward to welcoming you!

GOOD FRIDAY, STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Good Friday, Stations of the Cross Service will take place at the Parish Centre on Friday March 29th at 6 :30PM. Please join us for quiet moments of music, prayer, and reflection on Christ's journey to the cross.

The Parish Centre is located at 8402 de Marseille corner St. Donat.

EASTER SUNDAY

Easter Sunday Mass will take place on Sunday March 31st. Please note that the mass will begin at **9:00AM** and will be presided over by Fr. Donbosco.

LE P'TIT PÈRE: APPEAL FOR DONATIONS OF SHOES/BOOTS

Fr. Jean-Pierre Couturier devotes much of his time repairing and donating shoes and boots to the homeless. If you have men's shoes and/or boots that you no longer need, we would greatly appreciate it if you would donate them to this cause. You can bring them directly to the church or drop them off at the office. Thank you in advance for your help!



H.O.P.E COMMITTEE

Manon Legault Emma Lisi
Joanne Trottier Joyce Montanaro
Tony Secondo

ACTION REPORT

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

IMPORTANT NOTICE

All cheques for H.O.P.E. must be made out to 'St. Aloysius Parish' (memo line: '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.



REQUEST FOR YOUR PRAYERS MRS. ESTERINA ALOI – 1930–2024



Recently called home to the Father on Sunday, February 11th, Mrs Esterina Aloï, beloved mother of Diane Vanin and grandmother of Lara Vanin. Mrs. Aloï passed away peacefully at the age of 93. The funeral service will take place on Monday February 19th from 2:00PM to 5:00PM and from 7:00PM to 9:00PM at Urgel Bourgie Funeral Home, located at 1255 Beaumont Avenue. A service will be held on Tuesday February 20th at 1:00PM.

Our heartfelt condolences are sent to Diane, Lara, Marco and all of Esterina's family and friends during this difficult time.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
And let perpetual light shine upon them.
May the souls of all the faithful departed,
Through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
"Amen"*

THE CHOSEN – SEASON 3

A synodal discussion, inspired by the popular series based on the life of Jesus, continues with Season Three over four Friday evenings (Feb. 23 – Mar. 15), 7PM EST, online via ZOOM. Open to all those seeking a space dedicated to:

- taking part in a synodal exchange
- creating opportunities to foster a pastoral conversion
- praying for one another

REGISTER TODAY!

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NEW BULLETIN FEATURES

Spaces are now available at the back of the bulletin for parishioner's special intentions and messages such as Birthday/Anniversary wishes, spiritual acknowledgments, congratulations on special moments, etc. See back of bulletin for more information.

Check out the corner for kids of all ages!

FR. DONBOSCO 438-937-3767

Fr. Donbosco is available for:

- blessing homes
- blessing graves
- visiting the ill
- bringing communion
- baptisms & weddings
- confessions (15 mins. before & after mass)

Fr. has no car but can easily manage close-by visits. For further away visits, a lift would be appreciated.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Sunday, February 11, 2024

St. Aloysius Parish: \$380.00

H.O.P.E.: \$138.35

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KID'S CORNER - WHAT JESUS DID

ACROSS

1. Reign over this
5. They have gazillions of frequent-flyer points
6. Italians never eat this with pasta
7. Nine times four plus four

DOWN

2. Hot, dry, sandy place
3. All 32 live here with a smile
4. If you clap, they will follow
7. _____ and furious and hungry

