



St. Aloysius Parish

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EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Sundays 9:30AM at Ste-Louise-de-Marillac Church
(corner Beaugrand & Ste Claire). Streamed live on Facebook and available on YouTube.

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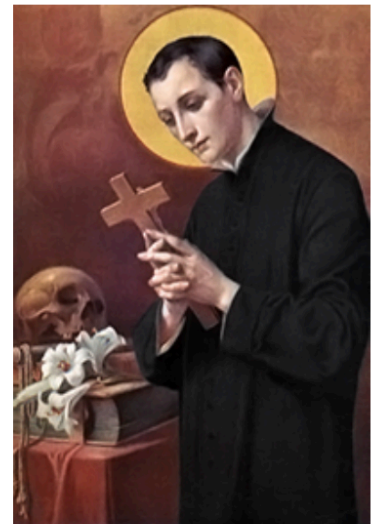
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MISSION STATEMENT

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**.



MARCH 9, 1568 – JUNE 21, 1591

SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 2026 SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER DEVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Today's Mass Intentions are for

MIKE MICHALISZYN on 2nd anniversary (April 5th)
NANCY McMAHON-LAPORTE on 2nd anniversary (April 6th)
DOROTHY WOLAK on her birthday-anniversary
MAXI MASCARENHAS

Requested by

His loving wife, Margaret
Mike, Patricia & André
Her loving daughter, Linda
Jacques Beaulieu

With special prayers of peace and healing for

Piers Corsi	Bobby Squires	Claris Mascarenhas	John Henry	Mathilda Dias
Jeannie Wayland	Roger Laporte	Anne Symonds	Pierre Guimond	Victor Lourenco
Sandra Lasnier				

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: 503 – The Strife is O'er
Offertory Hymn: 711 – Lord of All Power
Recessional Hymn: 536 – Allelulia! Sing to Jesus

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Birthday greetings for this week:
(18) Ayla Fournier

Celebrating an anniversary:
None listed

Mass Intentions for next Sunday
Luce Doyle
Pierrette Legault

Requested by
Jacques Beaulieu
Emma & Davide Lisi

NAMES...

Easter, Lent, Sundays in Lent, Easter Octave, Holy Week..., in French, in English, in Latin. I do not know about you, but I find all that rather overwhelming.

Remember, the Church as an organization was rather low key up to the reign of Emperor Constantine. It is he who basically established the Christian religion as the religion of his Empire. He called Ecumenical Councils in order to regulate it.

At one of these, the Council of Nicaea, in 325, the date of Easter was permanently fixed to fall on the Sunday following the first full moon following the Spring Equinox. That full moon is 14 Nissan in the Jewish Calendar, the day of the Jewish Passover. The term Passover is Pascha in Latin, and becomes Pasques or Pâques in French as the «accent circonflexe» is an «s». In English it becomes Easter, whose origin is somewhat debatable.

The period of forty days (excluding Sundays) before Easter is called quadragesima in Latin, which was the language of the Roman Empire, and makes reference to the length of the period. The French language mauled that Latin expression into carême. The English language, coming from the Germanic tongue, called the period Lent from the Old English Lencten which means lengthening days, the period when days are getting longer and longer.

We have two terms that are found only in English. One is Maundy Thursday. The term Maundy comes from the Latin «Mandatum», which means «commandment», or «mandate». It refers to Jesus giving His disciples the new commandment of love for one another symbolized by the washing of the feet. The other is Good Friday. The term Good here basically means «Sacred», or «Holy», and so does not seem to carry a special extra meaning.

Another Latin term is Hebdomada Sancta. The English and French translations for these are Holy Week and Semaine sainte. Those terms all refer to the week just before Easter, starting with Palm Sunday, the day we celebrate with palms the entrance of Jesus in Jerusalem as well as His Passion, and conclude with Holy Saturday. The Latin term for this last day is Sabbato Sancto, which translates as «Holy Sabbath». The sabbath, according to the book of Genesis, was the day when God rested from all His works.

Now, more is mentioned in Christian tradition. On Good Friday, Jesus died and obviously found Himself in Hell, in Sheol, where all the dead are found. There, He performed what is called the «Harrowing of Hell». Harrowing means despoiling. He emptied Hell of its inmates, taking the righteous into Heaven. His resurrection enabled the dead to rise themselves.

Now, Easter, just like Christmas, is a very special day. In fact, it is so special that Easter lasts eight days, and so is an «octave». The last day is now called «Divine Mercy Sunday». Our Holy Mother Church considers these eight days as eight Sundays when it comes to the Breviary.

To finish, we have a last group of days called the Easter Triduum. This is a very strange setup. It consists of a set of three days according to the way days are understood in the Hebrew Scriptures. The first day starts at sunset on Good Friday's eve and the third at Sunset on eve of Easter. Between these two sunsets is found Holy Saturday, when Jesus is among the dead. On the first of these days, we have the washing of the feet, the institution of the Eucharist (Friday eve, i.e. Maunday Thursday), followed by Jesus' Passion and death on the Cross on Good Friday, Jesus dead in Hell on Holy Saturday, and then His resurrection during the eve of Easter, that is the most important Christian celebration, the Easter Vigil.

WITH GRATITUDE

Heartfelt gratitude to all our parishioners who have donated treats, juices, cups, coffee, the coffee machine and funds for our 'After Mass Coffee'n'Treats'. It is much appreciated!

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!

SAINT JOSEPH'S ORATORY – MAY 1st



Special masses will be celebrated honouring the foster father of Jesus, who was born in Bethlehem, Palestine and worked as a carpenter in Nazareth, Israel.



H.O.P.E COMMITTEE

Emma Lisi Joyce Montanaro
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'K-FAMILY' EMERGENCY SPECIAL COLLECTION

On Monday April 6th a cheque for \$4500 was sent to the lawyer in an attempt to help the Khaka family remain in Canada. As news comes in, we will keep you posted. Once again our deepest gratitude to all of you who contributed so generously.

♥ **THANK YOU SO MUCH!** ♥

4 facts about Divine Mercy Sunday



- 1 Christ asked **SAINT FAUSTINE** to celebrate it on the **SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**
- 2 **ST. JOHN PAUL II** established it in 2000
- 3 You can obtain a **PLENARY INDULGENCE**
- 4 It's a great day to go to **CONFESSION**



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Food bank distribution is open Tuesdays at 2:30 p.m., corner Sherbrooke East/Henri-Bourassa East. Delivery and/or group meal prep may be available. For more information, call 514-640-6024.

POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTIONS

April 2026: Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

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)

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

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Sunday, Apr. 5, 2026 – Thank you for your generosity!

St. Aloysius Parish: \$511.00 Christian Giving: \$0.00
H.O.P.E.: \$199.00 Missals: \$0.00

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physics, theology, dog parks or
genealogy, all composed bilingually.*

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A site by a 'so-so' singer,
and a fellow parishioner. 😊

Welcome and enjoy!



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Saints of the Week

12th: Saint Allerius
?/?/? – 1050/?/?

13th: Saint Caradoc
?/?/? – 1124/?/?

14th: Saint Abundius
?/?/? – 564/?/?

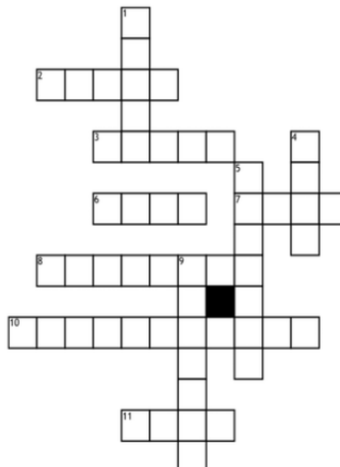
15th: Saint Paternus
482/?/? – 565/?/?

16th: Saint Benedict Joseph Labre
1748/?/? – 1783/?/?

17th: Saint Donan
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18th: Saint Agia
?/?/? – 714/?/?

GOD IS MERCIFUL



Across

2. Psalm 28:2 "Hear the voice of my _____ for mercy, when I cry to you for help"
3. Jude 1:2 "May mercy, _____, and love be multiplied to you"
6. Ephesians 2:4 "But God, being _____ in mercy"
7. Psalm 119:77 "Let your mercy come to me, that I may _____"
8. Psalm 23:6 "Surely _____ and mercy shall follow me"
10. Daniel 9:9 "To the Lord our God belong mercy and _____"
11. Luke 1:50 "And His mercy is for those who generation" _____ Him from generation to generation"

Down

1. 1 Timothy 1:2 " _____ mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord"
4. Psalm 25:6 "Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast _____"
5. Matthew 5:7 " _____ are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy"
9. Jude 1:21 "waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to _____ life"