

Serving the English Catholic Community in East End Montreal since 1908



St. Aloysius Parish

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EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

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

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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, JANUARY 5, 2025

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Today's Mass Intentions are for

ANN SNOW AND KAY TAYLOR

Requested by

Saint Aloysius Parish

With special prayers of peace and healing for

Piers Corsi

Bobby Squires

Claris Mascarenhas

John Henry

Mathilda Dias

Diane Vanin

Jeannie Wayland

Stephan Pomerleau

Margaret Martell

Mary Bardo

Roger Laporte

Lise St. Amant

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: 461 – What Child Is This

Offertory Hymn: 683 – All That I Am

Recessional Hymn: 454 – Joy to the World

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Birthday greetings for this week:

(7) Monica Valade, (10) Doug Best,

(11) Dan Briand, Joanne Trottier

Celebrating an anniversary:

None listed

Next week's Mass Intentions will be for

Peter Pierog

Three, separate, private healing intentions

Requested by

Cynthia Hansen

Nancy Curran

Thomas a Becket and Pope Sylvester

We have been living through the Octave of Christmas, which started Christmas Eve and ended with the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. These eight days constitute the Solemnity of the Incarnation, when the Word, the Son of God, became at the same time and forever the Son of Mary, God-Made-Man. This was, as Saint John (Feast-Day 27th of December) clearly states in his Gospel, the King of the Universe, as the Holy Innocents (Feast day 28th of December) were murdered by Herod to save his Kingship, and as the first martyr of the Church, Stephen, proclaimed at the right-hand of God the Father (Feast-Day 26th of December) and was stoned to death.

Jesus is God Incarnate, that became man in Mary's womb, like any human being needs a mother to be born into this world, and as Mary is His Mother, it follows that Mary is the Mother of God. Jesus is fully God and fully man, as the Church clearly shows Him as a naked baby-boy in Mary's arms.

As you know all too well, the 26th of December is mostly called Boxing Day – it is a term both less religious and definitely more commercial. Another day is also more socially acceptable: New Year's Eve. In the past at least, that day was called Saint Sylvester's Day, as it is the day the Roman Catholic Church celebrates this Pope among the Saints. That used to be the case in the last century at least in France and Poland, two Catholic countries.

So let me say a few words on this saint; his name is not very popular these days. He became Pope on January 21st 314 and died on the 31st of December 335. He was not a martyr; he was not known to have been a very dogmatic man. Each time there was an Ecumenical Council, he did not go himself but sent representatives. He had to cope with Emperor Constantine, a rather strong minded individual. Many histories have been written about him and Constantine, but those were all written well after the facts and were forgeries. He saw to the building of many churches in Rome.



Another individual who had a very difficult relationship with the secular power and died on December 29th was Thomas a Becket. He was a priest who at first became the Lord Chancellor of the English King Henry II. As Lord Chancellor, he definitely took his orders from the King and was a very good servant to the King. Henry II decided to name him Archbishop of Canterbury. In that role he defended the Church against the powers of the King, to the latter's annoyance. It got to the point that some knights, trying to please the King, went and murdered him in his cathedral while saying mass... Becket did not follow Sylvester's golden rule to delegate rather than opiate.

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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.

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 P RE: 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!

2025 COLLECTION ENVELOPES

Your 2025 Collection envelopes are available at the back of the church. If you do not have a parishioner number and would like to receive a box of collection envelopes for tax purposes, please see Joanne.



H.O.P.E. COMMITTEE

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The Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord is a feast day that celebrates the manifestation of Jesus as the Messiah and Savior of the world.

The word "epiphany" comes from the Greek word epiphainen, which means "to shine upon," "to manifest," or "to make known". The feast celebrates the many ways that Christ has made himself known to the world, including: the visit of the Magi to baby Jesus (Mathew 2:1-12), the baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River (Mark 1:9-11), the miracle at Cana (John 2:1-11). The feast invites people to consider how Christ is manifest in their own hearts.

The visit of the Magi (Three Wise Men) is emphasized today, while Christ's baptism is celebrated next Sunday. The Magi brought Baby Jesus gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Gold was to symbolize kingship. Frankincense was offered to acknowledge Jesus' divine nature and myrrh was offered to honour Jesus and to profess faith in Jesus' saving power.

Traditionally, Epiphany is celebrated on January 6. Since 1970, it's celebrated on the first Sunday after January 1st, which can be between January 2nd and January 8th. Some Eastern Catholic Churches who use the Julian calendar celebrate it on January 19th.

POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTIONS

JANUARY 2025: Let us pray for migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

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

Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2025 - Thank you for your generosity!
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