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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 live on Facebook and available on YouTube.

### PAROCHIAL ADMINISTRATOR

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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, OCTOBER 26, 2025

### THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today's Mass Intentions are for

**MARGARET MARTELL**

**LISE ST AMANT**

**ALBERT MAROCCO** on sixth anniversary

Requested by

Lynn Valenta

Jacques Beaulieu

His loving daughter Glna

With special prayers of peace and healing for

Piers Corsi

Bobby Squires

Claris Mascarenhas

John Henry

Mathilda Dias

Jeannie Wayland

Mary Bardo

Roger Laporte

Anne Symonds

Pierre Guimond

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:** 603 – Faith of Our Fathers

**Readings:** Page 565

**Offertory Hymn:** 687 – Father, I have Sinned

**Recessional Hymn:** 694 – They'll Know We Are Christians

**Birthday greetings for this week:**

(29) Mary Bardo

(31) Donna Melotti Briand, Leo Dixon Alphonse

**Celebrating an anniversary:**

No anniversaries listed

Next week's Mass Intentions will be for

Our dearly departed loved ones who have gone to their rest

Requested by

Parishioners

## MARTYRS?

It has been said that «the blood of martyrs is the seed of the Church». I find this a strange saying. The word martyr is also a strange word, when you know its original Greek term. In fact, it is a legal term. It simply means «witness».

As we all know, in a trial, facts have to be clearly ascertained. These are established by people who testify to the truth. How do you testify to the truth? By taking an oath, where the witness proclaims that he will «tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help me God». Before the word “God”, it used to be Jove, or another deity. Now it is just a promise, which has the great advantage of involving one less person in the act of perjury.

In the case of Christian martyrs, they would be asked if they were so. If they answered in the affirmative, so the story goes, they would be transported to an amphitheatre and fed to wild beasts.

I don't know, but it seems to me that one had a tough time during the transport and while waiting for the next date on the circus calendar, plus a very unpleasant time during the spectacle. But at least the ordeal would then be over and Heaven would definitely follow.



Unfortunately for many, martyrdom was and still can be of a very different kind, a kind much more in line with present day bureaucratic practice. Instead of having you killed and sent quickly to Heaven, in this form of martyrdom they essentially confiscate all your assets. You still live, but much poorer. So would all those who depended on you. All your friends would see you poor, without influence. So would your enemies. And this could last forever.

You might say: I have never heard of this form or these people! Indeed, these have the worst of both worlds: they do not actually die for their faith and so do not get a straight entry into Heaven. They do not find themselves in the official martyrs list since they are alive, did not shed their blood; they only basically lost everything.

A famous doctor of the Church, a fantastic autobiographer and philosopher, made bishop of Hippo, Augustine, had some problems with those Christians, who had lost everything and who, embittered, simply refused to worship with other Christians who had used loopholes and tricks to save their assets...

I very much doubt that we will have to face the very overt form of martyrdom. Of course I cannot guarantee it. The problem is the second form of martyrdom. In that one we still profess our faith, but basically the effect is to lose credibility, which makes attacking us much easier, and makes our life much more difficult...

For you this might not seem like a martyrdom, but I really feel for those obscure martyrs, who did not shed their blood but definitely suffered for their faith for the rest of their lives...



All Souls' Day will be celebrated on Sunday, November 2nd at St. Aloysius Parish. During the month of October, you are invited to write the names of your dearly departed loved ones in a book which will be left at the back of the church. For those of you who cannot attend mass, please leave me a phone message at the office with the names of those you want added for prayers. Thank you, Joanne.

### 2025/2026 SUNDAY MISSALS

Your 2025/2026 Sunday Missals will be available at the back of the church as of Sunday, October 19, 2025. A donation of \$5 would be greatly appreciated to help cover the costs. Thank you!



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

Emma Lisi                      Joyce Montanaro  
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### CHRISTMAS GIFT CARDS / ADOPT-A-CHILD

During the months of October, November and December, all HOPE collections will go towards our annual Christmas Basket (gift cards) and Adopt-a-Child Campaign. Included in those we help, are families from two local schools. We will have more details on the number of families and children we are helping as soon as available.

The families we help from year to year are most grateful to our parish. We sincerely thank you for your kindness and support.

### 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.

♥ **THANK YOU SO MUCH!** ♥

### LIGHT FOR THE JOURNEY LEARNING TO DISCERN GOD'S WILL IN OUR LIVES

For young men and women between the ages of 18 and 35. Bring your own lunch, but post-Mass pizza will be available.

Saturday, November 22, 2025, 10am to 6pm, Mass at 5pm  
Church of the Gesu  
1283 Bleury, Montreal

For more info, please contact Father Francky at [jguerrier@jesuites.org](mailto:jguerrier@jesuites.org)

### 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!

### POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTIONS

**October 2025:** Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice and human fraternity.

### 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, Oct. 19, 2025 - Thank you for your generosity!**  
St. Aloysius Parish: \$170.00              Propagation of Faith: \$25.00  
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A site by a 'so-so' singer,  
and a fellow parishioner. 😊  
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**Saints of the Week**

**26<sup>th</sup>: Saint Bean**  
?/?/? - ?/?/?

**27<sup>th</sup>: Saint Frumentius**  
?/?/? - 380/?/?

**28<sup>th</sup>: Saint Jude Thaddeus**  
?/?/? - ?/?/?

**29<sup>th</sup>: Saint Abraham Kidunaia**  
296/?/? - 366/?/?

**30<sup>th</sup>: Saint Alphonsus Rodriguez**  
1532/07/25 - 1617/10/31

**31<sup>st</sup>: Saint Wolfgang**  
?/?/? - 994/?/?

**1<sup>st</sup>: Saint Valentine Berrio-Ochoa**  
?/?/? - 1861/?/?

**SAINTS WORD SEARCH**

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| CATHERINE OF SIENNA   | DYMPHNA     |
| CLARE OF ASSISI       | JOSEPH      |
| FELIX OF SPOLETO      | JUDE        |
| FRANCIS OF ASSISI     | LUCY        |
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| MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL | PETER       |
| ROSE OF LIMA          | PHILOMENA   |
| TERESA OF AVILA       | RITA        |
| THERESE OF LISIEUX    | SEBASTIAN   |
| THOMAS AQUINAS        | VALENTINE   |