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EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Sundays 9:30AM at Ste-Louise-de-Marillac Church
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MARCH 9, 1568 – JUNE 21, 1591

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, JANUARY 18, 2026 SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

Today's Mass Intentions are for
MAXI MASCARENHAS

Requested by
Francis & Claris Mascarenhas and Family

With special prayers of peace and healing for

Piers Corsi
Jeannie Wayland

Bobby Squires
Mary Bardo

Claris Mascarenhas
Roger Laporte

John Henry
Anne Symonds

Mathilda Dias
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: 687 – Father I Have Sinned

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Offertory Hymn: 698 – Make Me A Channel Of Your Peace

Recessional Hymn: 712 – Help Us to Help Each Other, Lord

Birthday greetings for this week:

(18) Maureen Kelahear (21) Jordan Letang
(23) John Henry

Celebrating an anniversary:

None listed

Mass Intentions for next Sunday
Rao Narayanan
Pierrette Legault

Requested by
Jeannie & Allen Wayland
Jacques Beaulieu

REMINISCING ON BROTHER ANDRE - I

Saint Brother Andre, was a Quebecer, a Canadian. I first wrote about him at this time last year and I feel that we should think about him again this January, since his feast is celebrated this month. I used to frequent Saint Joseph's Oratory on Queen Mary Road every Sunday. This was when Raymond Daveluy, the organist at the Basilica, gave organ recitals there at 3:30 pm. He was playing a Von Beckerat organ, which had been installed in 1960. So, while I was going there for the recitals, I got acquainted with the place. Under the Basilica is the crypt, with its church and Brother André's coffin. At that time, the Basilica was basically concrete except for the organ. I had known Raymond Daveluy as a music teacher at Collège Brébeuf, quite close to the Oratory. My parents were living on a small street west of the college.



Mother told me about the people who had lined up to pass next to his coffin in 1937: about one million. She was among them. Why would she do that? Well, Brother André was known as a «miracle worker» during his lifetime. People would come to him to pray for their healing. He would pray with them to ask for their healing through the intercession of Saint Joseph. And many were healed. Why was the Basilica built there? The shrine is across the street from Collège Notre-Dame de Montréal, a college run by the Holy Cross Fathers. Brother André was a brother working at the college. He was basically the doorman and the college authorities got tired of seeing all these sick people coming to Brother André to cure them.

The easiest solution was to send him to the other side of the street to meet the sick. Thus, he began working at the college as a menial worker and seeing to the sick across the street. Slowly, he managed in 1904 to get a small chapel built on that land and spent some time in prayer there. It was only when Brother André's little chapel became a place of pilgrimage that the Holy Cross Fathers started to build the shrine. The Fathers only built when they had enough money, and it is one of the reasons why it took so long.

Brother André really had nothing to do with the Basilica, its organ and the even the crypt. This was all done by the Holy Cross Fathers. Due to the economic crises, the work had been suspended in 1931 and had not restarted by the time he died in 1937.

This being said, who was brother André? He was born in a dirt-poor family. He was orphaned at 12 years old. He was sickly and frail all his life. Yet people came to him to get cured! He was a great man of prayer, and for him the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ as well as a devotion to Saint Joseph were the two pillars of his prayer life.

Saint Brother Andre lived from 1845 to 1937 and his feast day is celebrated here on January 7th.

WINTER PRAYER

Lord, In the midst of Winter,
when the days are cold and wind can pierce,
remind us of the warmth of your love.

When days are short, dawn comes late,
and dusk arrives early, remind us that in the darkness
your light still shines.

When the flowers of spring still lie hidden in the earth,
when leaves are off the trees, and the world can seem
bleak remind us that Easter is but a short time away.

And when in our lives we feel as if we are experiencing
a season of winter, reach out to us with the power
of your resurrection so that we may feel the warmth of
your love and see your light that alone can take away
the darkness of our soul.

Amen.

WARDENS' MEETING

On Wednesday, January 21st, 2026 at 8:00pm, a
meeting of the parish wardens will take place.

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

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Joanne Trottier Tony Secondo

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!** ♥



NOVENA FROM MARCH 10 TO 18, 2026 – LIVE ON YOUTUBE

- Preaching in English at 12.15 P.M. except Sunday March 15 at 11.15 A.M.
- Preaching in French live at 2 P.M. and 7.30 P.M. *participation of Les Petits Chanteurs du Mont-Royal in the 2 P.M. preaching*

FEAST OF SAINT JOSEPH ON THURSDAY MARCH 19, 2026.

Live on YouTube

- Live at 2.30 P.M.

RESOURCE FOR FAMILIES/INDIVIDUALS: LOCAL FOOD BANK

If you or someone you know who resides in the following areas: Montreal-East, Tétraultville, Anjou, Pointe-aux-Trembles or Rivières-des-Prairies, are in need of a food bank, **Cuisine Collective à Toute Vapeur** can provide some assistance.

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

January 2026: Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

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, Jan. 11, 2026 (includes January 1st).

St. Aloysius Parish: \$235.00 Local Missionary: \$25.00
H.O.P.E.: \$10.00 Missals: \$0.00

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A site by a 'so-so' singer,
and a fellow parishioner. 😊
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Saints of the Week

18th: Saint Volusian
?/?/? – 496/?/?

19th: Saint Ammonius
?/?/? – 250/?/?

20th: Saint Fabian
?/?/? – 250/?/?

21st: Saint Agnes
291/?/? – 304/?/?

22nd: Saint Vincent Pallotti
1795/?/? – 1850/?/?

23rd: Saint Ildephonsus
607/?/? – 667/?/?

24th: Saint Francis de Sales
1567/08/21 – 1622/12/28

READING THE BIBLE IS EASIER THAN YOU THINK

