

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, FEBRUARY 22, 2026

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Today's Mass Intentions are for

MAXI MASCARENHAS

PIERRETTE LEGAULT

Requested by

Jacques Beaulieu

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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 Laurencio

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 Forty Days

Readings: Page 188

Offertory Hymn: 683 – All That I Am

Recessional Hymn: 656 – Praise the Lord Ye Heav'ns, Adore Him

Birthday greetings for this week:

(23) Luigi Montanaro

(27) Regent Campion, Ashwin Mascarenhas

(21) Happy belated wishes to Valerio D'Iorio!

Celebrating an anniversary:

None listed

Mass Intentions for next Sunday

Luce Doyle

Requested by

Jacques Beaulieu

CATHOLIC SNACK

As some of you know, I am addicted to some programs on YouTube. The platform offers suggestions of some programs that I might like. These programs are unknown to me but are on subjects related to my interests. Last Sunday the platform suggested Catholic Snack and more precisely the program entitled Three Demands 40 Days LENT according to Pope Leo.

I strongly recommend everyone watch that program. It lasts less than 10 minutes but it is really worth it. It comes up with ideas that I found thought provoking and very profound, and concerning each one of us as both an individual and as a community. It does not point the finger at others but at oneself and at our Christian community.

For those who do not go online, let me give you a quick rundown of the Pope's strong message. The title talks about three *demands* for Lent: a strong term from a Pope in this day and age. The video insists on them as they are a **must do**, not something optional. Whether this is the Pope's actual message or not I cannot tell.

The first point is that **God is a listener**. He heard the cries of His people; He hears the cries of the poor, the afflicted, the downtrodden. This is an important attribute of God; I suppose that this is what makes Him a Father to all mankind. And certainly, it must be an attribute of us who aspire to be His children, His kin, His blood. Certainly we cannot inherit Eternal Life without being like Him in that way.

The second point is that Lent is a season for abstinence. Some stop eating chocolate, or deserts, or some food, or cut down on their portions, something that we would feed our mouths with. The Pope suggests instead or as well that we abstain from some words that come out of our mouths: words by which we wound others, smear them, make them feel small, put them in their place. I suppose you could say that instead of talking one should be listening...

The third point is that those two first points are something that concerns each one of us as a Christian Community, as an Assembly, as a Church. It is something that we should put in practice not only towards each other but towards others as a group. Christ said He is the Light of the World; but He also said that we must be the Light of the World. Again, we must copy God, we must be like Him, as this is again the only way to inherit Eternal Life.

So, this is the time to really help those in need; really give; really refrain from evil words; really show compassion and love, really give HOPE to those who have none left, those who are being marginalized, thrown out like garbage by bureaucracy, considered less than nothing. HOPE is not just a few people among us. HOPE is what we give as a Christian Community to those we know to be in great need.

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

Emma Lisi Joyce Montanaro
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EMERGENCY SPECIAL COLLECTION

As was announced on Sunday, February 15, one of our parish families is in the process of being deported. They require \$4500 in lawyer fees to file a Stop of Removal motion in order to continue their life in Canada. They have integrated well in the past three years and wish to continue this life for themselves and their three children. HOPE is conducting a special collection to help this family as much as we can. So far, your generosity in the past week has amounted to roughly \$2,500. Lyn and Timothy are deeply touched and are extremely grateful! Thank you for your continued support!

EASTER ACTIVITIES

As HOPE has done for decades at Easter time, HOPE will deliver gifts to the residents of Grace Dart Extended Care Hospital.

HOPE's schedule for wrapping and delivery will be available in the coming weeks. Please speak with a member of HOPE if you wish to help with wrapping and/or delivery. As Jacques so eloquently put it in his write up this week, "HOPE is not just a few people among us. HOPE is what we give as a Christian Community to those we know to be in great need."

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! ♥

IN THE MIDST OF WINTER

Lord:

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

In the midst of Winter, when days are short, dawn comes late, and dusk arrives early, remind us that in the darkness your light still shines.

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.



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.

POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTIONS

February 2026: Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

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, Feb. 15, 2026 – Thank you for your generosity!

St. Aloysius Parish: \$515.00
H.O.P.E.: \$1800.00

Christian Giving: \$0.00
Missals: \$0.00

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 physics, theology, dog parks or
 genealogy, all composed bilingually.*
You just might fancy
JacquesBeaulieu.ca
 A site by a 'so-so' singer,
 and a fellow parishioner. 😊
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Saints of the Week
22 nd : Saint Arision ??? - ???
23 rd : Saint Alexander Akimetes ??? - 403??
24 th : Saint Adela ??? - 1137??
25 th : Saint Ananias II ??? - ???
26 th : Saint Alexander ??? - 434??
27 th : Saint Anne Line ??? - 1601/02/27
28 th : Saint Caerealis ??? - ???

ON THE ROAD TO EASTER

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