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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, MARCH 1, 2026

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Today's Mass Intentions are for

LUCE DOYLE

Requested by

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

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: 637 – How Great Thou Art

Offertory Hymn: 569 – I Am The Bread of Life

Recessional Hymn: 714 – Be Not Afraid

Readings: Page 197

Birthday greetings for this week:

(1) Jeremy Letang

(7) Ashwin Mascarenhas

Celebrating an anniversary:

None listed

Mass Intentions for next Sunday

Maxi Mascarenhas

Requested by

Jacques Beaulieu

ADAM AND EVE

Last Sunday, we had part of the story of Adam and Eve in the first reading, followed by Apostle Paul's understanding about Jesus being the antidote to our first parents' sin. I want to go back to the reading of Genesis.

Now God had told our first parents not to eat the fruit of one tree planted in the middle of the garden. That tree was called the «tree of the knowledge of good and evil». The devil told them why God forbade them to eat from it: «your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil». Of course, God had also predicted death to those who ate from that fruit, but that was such a small detail, far in the future... It was definitely worth it to be like God in the present.

Just like in our first reading of that day, let us skip some text and see what happened to their children, Cain and Abel. Both had to live from the sweat of their brow. Both worked hard, but both had very different results, as shown by their tithes to God. Cain had very little to look at for his efforts while his brother Abel had an abundance. Cain judged that this was not fair, and thus decided to settle the score by killing Abel. So here, we have an effect of the knowledge of good and evil. Cain judged and killed his brother.

Unfortunately, the story does not stop there: Abel's blood judges Cain guilty of murder and demands his head. Both brothers are judging, both brothers want the death of the other one, both consider that things are not fair, both want the elimination of the other. This is the result of Adam and Eve's union after eating the fruit of the tree: a family of fratricides.

It is interesting to notice that the couple made sure to have only one more child: Seth. One can also notice that God did not satisfy Abel's actual call for vengeance, but just exiled Cain... with a mark of protection.

Perhaps I should also mention the last point in our actual reading: that, both Adam and Eve decided to wear clothes... Why is such a thing mentioned? Why did the knowledge of good and evil require clothes? Why could they be happy naked before that?

Nakedness has one obvious advantage: everyone is equal; there is no way to differentiate the various naked individuals. You may say that young is better than old, but as it was said by an Oxford don at Parson's Pleasure where men bathed naked and who, in the presence of women had covered his face with his book: «Its by my face that they know me...»

Clothes are the way you normally know if someone is rich or poor, educated or not. It signifies society's judgment of the individual, as well as the requirement to belong here or there. Nakedness puts everyone on an equal footing. Exactly what our society does not want.

Eating the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, resulted in direct consequences and also for further actions and further judgements which spiral from these all of which try to draw us further and further away from God.

TAX RECEIPTS

Your 2025 tax receipts will be available Sunday March 8th after the 9:30am mass. Receipts not picked up will be placed in the mail. Thank you.

EASTER SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday Mass: 9:15am
 Good Friday Stations of the Cross: TBA
 Easter Sunday Mass: 9:30am



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 two weeks has amounted to roughly \$4,050. 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, "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!** ♥

Belated birthday wishes to our dearest Bertha who celebrated her 90th birthday on Tuesday February 24. We wish you much health, happiness and love. We are grateful for all that you do for the parish.
 Happy Birthday Bertha, From your St Aloysius Family!

NOVENA AND FEAST OF SAINT JOSEPH
 MARCH 10 TO 19, 2026 AT SAINT JOSEPH'S ORATORY OF MOUNT ROYAL

Saint Joseph
 and God's
Unexpected
 Action

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

March 2026: Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

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. 22, 2026 – Thank you for your generosity!

St. Aloysius Parish: \$120.00 Christian Giving: \$0.00
 H.O.P.E.: \$1645.00 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

1st: Saint Aubin
?/?/? - ?/?/?

2nd: Saint Angela of the Cross
1846/01/30 - 1932/03/02

3rd: Saint Anselm of Nonantola
?/?/? - 803/?/?

4th: Saint Adrian
?/?/? - 875/?/?

5th: Saint Caron
?/?/? - ?/?/?

6th: Saint Baldred
?/?/? - 757/?/?

7th: Saint Ardo
?/?/? - 843/?/?

CAN YOU SOLVE THIS MAZE?

