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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, AUGUST 23, 2026

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today's Mass Intentions are for

JOYCE MONTANARO

Requested by

Rosemary Kelahear – Lady of St. Anne

With special prayers of peace and healing for

Piers Corsi

Bobby Squires

Claris Mascarenhas

John Henry

Mathilda Dias

Jeannie Wayland

Roger Laporte

Pierre Guimond

Victor Lourenco

Léo Côté

Sandra Lasnier

Nancy Soulsby

Martin Simard

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: 621 – All People That On Earth Do Dwell, Verses 1&2

Readings: Page 472

Offertory Hymn: 689 – The Lord's My Shepherd

Recessional Hymn: 695 – God Gives His People Strength

Birthday greetings for this week:

(25) Lyn Khaka

(28) Joan Hayden, Bobby Squires

(29) Angie Lapierre

Celebrating an anniversary:

None listed

Mass Intentions for next Sunday

Fr. Joe Sullivan

Requested by

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JEWISH SECT?

Last Sunday's Gospel was somewhat about the range of Jesus' message. Was He sent **only** to the Jews? Or was He sent **first** to the Jews? We remember the Canaanite woman pleading for a miracle from Him, someone who was considered inferior to the Jews. Obviously, she was absolutely convinced that if He wanted to, He could cure her daughter. So, her trust, her faith in that Jewish healer was absolute. She blew up the customary barriers between Him and her by talking first, by talking over the disciples and retorting when Jesus seemed to see her plea as *ultra vires*. She absolutely refused to take «no» as an answer from Jesus, and she won the argument with Him. She got from Him what she wanted. What a tough cookie!

After the resurrection of Jesus, His apostles started to proclaim His message with great enthusiasm and the Jewish religious authorities decided that they were a definite challenge to the *status quo*. So did others. A persecution was then started against what most considered was a dangerous Jewish sect. Some secular leaders kept out of this, but others were quite happy to gain popularity by having some Christian leaders killed. (James, considered the first bishop of Jerusalem, is a case in point.)

As we know, Paul of Tarsus was among those who tried to eradicate that dangerous sect. Then he had a revelation on the road to Damascus and he became a proponent of Christianity. He was sent further afield to preach the message of Jesus and he found that non-Jews were much more receptive than his former coreligionists. What convinced them, he found, had only to do with Jesus' message and not with Judaism. He decided to forget about the latter and only go with the former. In other words, he saw Jesus not as the founder of a Jewish sect, but as the founder of a universal religion.

Of course, he knew that Jesus had been a Jew. But he also knew that He acted as if the rules and regulations that the Jews followed were not all essential. The commandments were. But the rules about the *Sabbath* were not; neither were the washing of hands, and so on. Paul considered Jesus' message as the only Christian message; so, for instance, circumcision was a Jewish requirement, not a Christian one.

Now this was not the point of view of all Christians. Some considered still Christianity as a new sect of Judaism, as the final development of it. Paul considered that Christianity was a new religion, a fundamentally new religion, founded somewhat on Judaism, but absolutely apart from it. The proof was in the pudding: non-Jews were joining in droves while Jews refused.

A final decision was taken by the Council of Jerusalem: and, as we know, the final decision was that Jesus had founded a new religion, a universal one, an original one. One that was to spread to all the World. Jesus was much more than just a Jew: He was the Son of God, come to invite us to share our Life with Him.



H.O.P.E COMMITTEE

Emma Lisi Joyce Montanaro
Joanne Trottier Tony Secondo



We lost our dear Joyce. She was a cherished member of our HOPE Committee. It was always a pleasure to gather for HOPE meetings on Saturday mornings and also take part in many conference calls on weeknights, both of which lasted longer than planned because of the laughs and side discussions. We also got down to business discussing upcoming projects. Joyce helped purchase school supplies and cook meals for Labre House, wrap gifts for Grace Dart and much more. We were a good team! We laughed together and enjoyed each other's company. Joyce often provided coffee and jokes to boot!

She will be truly missed; she already is. ❤️

BACK-TO-SCHOOL

Another mission has been accomplished! Thank you!!!



IT'S SAINT BROTHER ANDRE MONTH AT SAINT JOSEPH'S ORATORY

Celebrate our Montreal saint this month with one of the following activities designed to enlighten the spirit and live the humility and generosity of Saint Brother Andre.

August 23rd: The Birthplace of Brother Andre

August 30th: Pilgrimage in the footsteps of Brother Andre

Every Thursday: Thursday At the Garden

For more information, please see www.saint-joseph.org

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!

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!

POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTIONS

August 2026: Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

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, August 16, 2026 – Thank you for your generosity!

St. Aloysius Parish: \$370.00

H.O.P.E.: \$102.00

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A site by a 'so-so' singer,
and a fellow parishioner. 😊
Welcome and enjoy!



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Saints of the Week

23rd: Saint Rose of Lima
1586/?/? – 1617/08/25

24th: Saint Aurea
?/?/? – 270/?/?

25th: Saint Eusebius
?/?/? – 192/?/?

26th: Saint Bichier
1773/?/? – 1838/?/?

27th: Saint Anthusa the Younger
?/?/? – ?/?/?

28th: Saint Edmund Arrowsmith
1585/?/? – 1628/?/?

29th: Saint Adelphus
?/?/? – 4??/?/?

HELP THE CHILDREN'S PRAYERS REACH JESUS!

