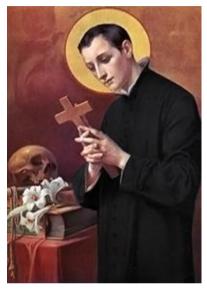


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For Today: Sunday, January 26 Intentions are for: BETTY TROTTIER Requested by:
Rosemary Kelahear

For Next Week:

Sunday, February 2 BETTY TROTTIER

Pierre Guimond

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS for this week go out to: Natasha McArdle (26), Lorraine McArdle (28)

CELEBRATING AN ANNIVERSARY this week:

No anniversaries listed.

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

This is a week where Jesus speaks of seeds being planted and of growing. We are still at the beginning of a new year, and this is a good time to answer the call in our hearts to spend more time with Jesus, in prayer.

"I'm not very good at prayer," we might say. "I don't have the time to pray." Jesus is not waiting for us to be perfect before we talk to him - he is simply waiting, right now, for us to come to him in our own humanity. This week we are invited to uncover the light of our faith, the light that warms the longing we feel in our souls for something different or deeper in our relationship with God. At this beginning of the year, we might step back and examine the ways we talk with Jesus - and the ways we hold him at arm's length.

We are being called into a relationship, a friendship, with someone who delights in us and waits for us to release our fears and come out of hiding. Where do we start? With the desire.

It can be so simple to take the empty moments of our day and just tell the same Jesus who healed and loved on earth, what is in our hearts. In the early morning moments before we get out of bed, while in the shower or traveling to work, cooking or walking the dog - we can stop and open our hearts. "Jesus, you know what is in my heart. You know what my needs are. Help me to be more open to the way you are calling me in my life."

Our prayer can be as simple as opening our hands on our lap for a moment and saying in our own words, "Show me how to come out of hiding. Give me the courage to let go of my fears and bring myself to you in honesty. Let me drop the many defenses I carry that keep me from feeling how deeply you love and accept me."

There is no right or wrong way to approach Jesus - the only right thing is that we come with an open heart and our own desire for something deeper.

Every evening as we end our day, we can sit at the edge of our bed with our hands open and say, "Thank you." We can reflect on the many ways we felt the love of God in our lives that day. What tiny seed was planted in my life to bloom? Where did I shine the light of my own faith on someone?

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January 26, 2020



ST. ALOYSIUS' NEWS

NOTE OF THANKS

Margaret Martell wishes to thank all of you for your prayers. She is feeling a little better and continues to get stronger day by day. Please continue to keep her in your prayers. She looks forward to coming back to mass as soon as possible.

ASH WEDNESDAY

Mark your calendars for this year's Ash Wednesday services, which will be held on **Wednesday**, **February** 26:

- 4 p.m. at St. Aloysius Parish Centre (8402 de Marseille, Montreal, H1L 1P9)
- 7:30 p.m. at St. Brendan Parish (3542 Rosemont blvd., Montreal, H1X 1K8)

LENTEN PRAYER REFLECTION

All are welcome to take part in a Lenten Prayer Reflection designed to help prepare ourselves for our spiritual journey through Lent. Led by Fr. Paul Pomkoski, the reflection will be held on **Saturday**, **February 29**, from 1 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. (3542 Rosemont Blvd., Montreal, H1X 1K8).

TUESDAY EVENING MASS AND HOLY HOUR OFFERED WEEKLY

Please note that Tuesday Mass and Holy Hour are offered **Tuesday evenings** at St. Brendan Parish (3542 Rosemont Blvd., Montreal, H1X 1K8). Holy Hour begins at 6 p.m. followed by Mass at 7 p.m. All are welcome.

COMMUNITY NEWS

PARISH SECRETARIES' DAY AT THE DOWNTOWN DIOCESAN CENTRE

All parish secretaries have been invited to take a day out from their usual routine and meet at the Diocesan Centre on Thursday, January 30 for Secretaries' Day!

Up to 37 parishes (English, bilingual and cultural) across the diocese will be represented by their secretariat teams and/or administrative assistants.

They will learn about the major reform for parish registers which came into effect January 1st for all dioceses of Quebec, and will have an opportunity to talk to secretaries from neighbouring parishes and share their own challenges of responding to the needs of parishioners on a daily basis.

We ask you to pray for them as they come together for this day of fellowship, especially through their exchange and sharing of pastoral concerns, resources and best practices. This day is dedicated to helping them feel recognized for, and supported in, their invaluable roles in our parish communities.

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY

Every year Worldwide Marriage Encounter and the Archdiocese of Montreal invite married couples to celebrate World Marriage Day (WMD).

The theme for World Marriage Day has been permanently adopted as "Love One Another". This phrase is the commandment given us by Jesus in John: 14. It speaks to us in a simple but challenging way of how our Father wishes us to live. Loving one another is a daily decision – simple, but challenging.

His Holiness, Saint John Paul II imparted his Apostolic Blessings on World Marriage Day in 1993. Sponsored by the Worldwide Marriage Encounter movement, WMD desires to honour husbands and wives as the foundation of the family, and to support them in the vows they made on their wedding day. This day is celebrated annually throughout the world on the second Sunday of February.

Special Mass at the Cathedral

All married couples are invited to attend a special, bilingual mass on **Saturday, February 8**, 5 p.m. at Mary Queen of the World Cathedral (corner René-Lévesque Blvd. West and Mansfield, downtown Montreal) near Bonaventure Metro. Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Christian Lépine. During the celebration, couples will be invited to remember the day of their marriage and renew their wedding vows.

Have a wonderful week everyone, thank you for your stewardship, and keep up the excellent work! ©

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