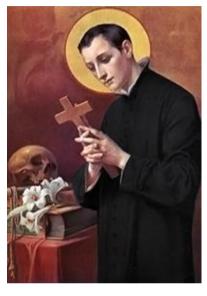


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#### ST. ALOYSIUS MISSION STATEMENT

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**.

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*For Today:* Sunday, February 9 Intentions are for:

Requested by:
Jacques Beaulieu

For Next Week:

Sunday, February 15

SHIRLEY DIORIO

Jacques Beaulieu

**BIRTHDAY GREETINGS** for this week go out to: Desiree Camacho, Ashlee Mitchell (10), Jonathan Andrade (13), Ana Letang (15)

**CELEBRATING AN ANNIVERSARY** this week: Marilyn and John Henry (11)

# Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"My heart is moved with pity," Jesus says in one of the gospels this week, and we see his compassion in the healing stories in this week's gospels. This seems like the perfect time for us to ask Jesus for the healing we need in our lives.

We can take one gospel and pray with it as if we were in the story - like Monday's story. Jesus and his disciples cross the sea and as soon as they land, people rush to bring those who need healing to him. We can imagine ourselves seeing Jesus, the crowds gathering, the jostle of people bringing their sick on mats. People yelling for Jesus' attention.

Then we can imagine a moment where Jesus steps away from the throng and takes us aside. With loving eyes he looks at us and asks us, "Where do you need healing? Where can I be with you?" It is there in that powerful moment that we can speak to Jesus as we would a friend. We can search our hearts and ask Jesus for the healing he already knows we need:

- "Help me, Jesus, with my impatience with my family. Let me not nag at those I love so much. Heal my lack of compassion for them."
- "Touch my heart, Jesus. Give me the selfless love I need in my marriage and help me avoid the temptation to 'keep score.' Only with your help can I continue to be loving, even when it feels like some days I am the only one carrying my marriage."
- "Jesus, I become afraid of failing and I feel like one of those people lying on a mat, waiting for you
  to touch my life. Yet when I sense your healing presence coming close, I roll away from you so
  you don't see me. Give me the courage I need to ask for your healing and to get up and answer
  your call for me to serve."

When we pray with a gospel, we can carry an image of that prayer with us all day long. As we get out of bed in the morning, cook meals or go about our day, we can be aware of Jesus standing with us, ready to heal us, if only we would ask.

What is it that needs healing in me this week? Where will I allow Jesus to touch my life?

# ST. ALOYSIUS BULLETIN

February 9, 2020



#### ST. ALOYSIUS' NEWS

#### 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.

# LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICES:

We are having our Lenten Penitential Service on **Sunday, March 22**, 2 p.m. at St. Brendan Parish (3542 Rosemont Blvd., Montreal). We are giving you plenty of notice so that you may make every effort to attend. This is a good opportunity to prepare yourself spiritually for Lent.

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

#### 2020 KINKORA PALOOZA FUNDRAISER



Join us on Sunday,
February 9 for KINKORA
PALOOZA and be
prepared for a spectacular

show! Enjoy an afternoon of fun and music, beginning with a silent auction followed by concert performances featuring *The People's Gospel Choir of Montreal* and *Aurora Chorealis*. Proceeds from this annual fundraiser go toward sponsoring campers and funding site enhancement projects for <u>Camp Kinkora</u>, which has been serving the local community since 1926, and is home to more than half

a dozen summer camps for all ages.

Doors open at 2 p.m.; concert starts at 3 p.m. Venue: Loyola High School's Eric Maclean Center for the Performing Arts (2477 West Broadway, Montreal, H4B 2A4). Tickets are \$15 for adults; \$10 for students, seniors, and children ages 5 and older. Free admission for children under 5. For more info or to purchase tickets, visit the Kinkora Palooza Event Page on Facebook, or contact 514-318-0254. or kinkorapalooza@gmail.com.

#### <u>DISCOVER SOIRÉE AT THE VILLA</u> SAINT MARTIN

Ignatius of Loyola offers a simple way of praying that helps many people enter more deeply into the Gospel. Come for a free introduction to Ignatian prayer facilitated by Fr. Gabriel Côté, S.J. and experience this way of entering into deeper relationship with God for yourself!

**Thursday, February 20**, 7-9:30 p.m. (9451 Gouin Blvd. West, Pierrrefonds, H8Y 1T2)

Donations to support our mission are accepted.

If you would like to join Fr. Gabriel for supper at 5:30 p.m. before the presentation, write him at : direction@jesuites.org (the meal costs \$20).

# THE GOVERNMENT WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU

# Consultation on the Ethics and Religious Culture of Study

I read this in *The Grapevine* and have heard it on several news platforms that the Quebec Government is collecting public opinion (through a survey) about the ERC program. We are putting the information in the bulletin to create awareness and encourage parents, students and QC citizens, in general, to participate and make their voices heard about approaches to religious education. – *Fr. Paul Pomkoski* 

#### GV, Issue 2, Vol. 15:

The Ministry of Education and Higher Education is currently conducting a consultation with a view to a thorough revision of the Ethics and Religious Culture curriculum, a mandatory part of the schooling process for young people, from first year of primary school to the fifth year of secondary school.

The Assembly of Catholic Bishops of Quebec will participate in the consultation process announced by the Minister and encourage those concerned with this issue to express their opinion by filling out the online questionnaire.

You have until **February 21, 2020** to make your views known. It should take you about 15 minutes to complete.

#### Please visit:

http://www.education.gouv.qc.ca/en/parents-and-guardians/consultations-on-the-ethics-and-religious-culture-program-of-study/

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

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