



Weekly Bulletin
St. Aloysius and St. Columban Bulletin
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 20/21, 2021

Reading I	Daniel 7.13-14
Responsorial Psalm:	The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.
Reading II	Revelation 1.5-8
Gospel	John 18.33b-37

*******DECONFINEMENT STATUS*******

Masses at St. Aloysius church now allow up to 144 attendees given our current configuration of pews. Pre-registration is NOT required for mass attendance.

Disposable tri-fold masks remain mandatory (FABRIC or CLOTH MASKS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE) as per diocesan directives. Masks may now be removed, once you are seated in the church.

Social distancing is now set at 1-meter. The pews have been adjusted accordingly.

Upon arrival and during mass, attendees are not to move about in the church but must remain in their pews. During communion, those wishing to receive the Eucharist are to stand in their pew and wait for a Eucharistic minister to bring the Eucharist to them.

Wednesday and Friday morning masses will follow the same protocols as Sunday mass.

We will keep you informed of any further changes as they arise.

ST. ALOYSIUS COLLECTION

November 14: \$655

SPECIAL COLLECTION – November 21 –Mission Chez Nous

MASS Intentions:

Fri. Nov. 19	9:00 a.m.	For all parishioners
Sat. Nov. 20	4:30 p.m.	(St. Columban) For all parishioners
Sun. Nov. 21	11:00 a.m.	(St. Aloysius) 2 nd Anniversary Mass for John Robert Cook by The Cook and Warden Families For Edward Peters by Jean-Charles Charron and Family
	2:00 p.m.	Baptism of Ellie Pilon daughter of Francois Pilon and Caitlyn Wylie
Wed. Nov. 24	9:00 a.m.	For all parishioners
Fri. Nov. 26	9:00 a.m.	For Sheila Brisson by Louise and Gord MacMillan
Sat. Nov. 27	4:30 p.m.	(St. Columban) For all parishioners
Sun. Nov. 28	11:00 a.m.	(St. Aloysius) For David Whitworth by Donna Whitworth and Peter Ennis and Family

Dear Parishioners

When we gather on Sunday mornings to celebrate the Eucharist, our worship is directed toward God the Father, through our Lord Jesus Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit. We pray to the Father, joining our Lord and brother Jesus in praise, in the unity of their divine Spirit. Therefore, our unity as a body of believers is in Christ, through our Baptism into his death and resurrection. We are, in effect, the Body of Christ in the world today. Personal devotions to Mary and the saints, although good and appropriate for one's personal prayer life, are out of place in our community worship. I mention this in order to clarify the issue of `private intentions` during Sunday Mass. Thanksgiving to Mary or a particular saint is inappropriate at this time, for they are personal and not public. The Parish will no longer accept such intentions. Intentions for the deceased, for the sick, etc., will continue as usual, but we would ask you to give particulars to the parish secretary when you make your request (i.e. full name of the person to be prayed for, or if several then the full name of the person requesting prayers. A request to pray for `Jim` by ``Doris`` is not acceptable). Thank you for your understanding.

Father Greg Murray, SCJ

PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENTS OF FIRST COMMUNION AND FIRST RECONCILIATION:

Registrations are now open for children 7 years old and up. First Reconciliation & First Communion will begin in early January on Sundays after mass (12:30 pm). An information session for parents will be held in November.

If you have any questions contact Louise MacMillan– 819-643-1156
or email gordandlouisemacmillan@gmail.com or Diane Brownrigg at djoanisd45@gmail.com.

Registration forms for sacraments are available on the wall at the back of the church or contact the parish secretary, Carol Leonard at the church office, 819-663-5244 or st.aloysius@bellnet.ca

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



Hi everyone, we are going to have an Annual General meeting, after mass, on **December 5th 2021**. It has been two years since the last one, because of the pandemic restrictions. We will be electing three new candidates, for the three vacant positions on your Wardens Board; secretary warden, hall warden and public relations warden.

The minutes and agenda, of the last 2019 meeting, will be emailed to you to print and look at. You can bring them to the meeting, as we will not have printed copies available.

Please forward your nominations for these positions to Robert Nadeau at bnadeau@sympatico.ca or by telephone 819-663-6366 or to your Secretary, Carol Leonard at 819-663-5244.

There will be a lunch served before the meeting at 12 noon.

After the meeting, we will have the draw, for the beautiful artwork donated by Paulette Pearce.

This is your chance to serve your parish with the abilities the Lord has blessed you with. We need your help in order to continue to serve you in the best way possible. This is a very important meeting, and I'm hoping to see you all attending and involved.

Thank you for your response to our need.

Robert Nadeau, Chairman of your Wardens Board.

UPDATE FROM THE FINANCE WARDEN

As we head into the final months of the year, I wanted to provide you with an update on our current financial situation. As is typically the case after the quiet months of summer, we find ourselves in a deficit situation from a budget perspective. Although not as pronounced as the last couple of pandemic years, we are facing a \$3500 deficit that we need to address before the end of the fiscal year on December 31st. You have all been very generous recently in helping to raise the funds for our altar carpet replacement and those funds have been set aside for that much needed requirement. The current deficit pertains to our normal operating costs such as salaries, maintenance and office supplies, heating, and lighting. The cost of "running the plant". I am confident and thankful that you will all respond to this additional need through your weekly contributions as you have consistently done in the past. On behalf of the Wardens Board, I thank you for your continued support of our wonderful and blessed community.

Jim Brownrigg

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE



Let's spread the word about putting *People and Planet* first

Development and Peace's 2021-2022 campaign, ***People and Planet First***, is calling for Canada and Canadian corporations not to be complicit in violations against the planet and its inhabitants. The easiest way to take action is to [sign the petition](#) calling on the government to implement a due diligence law that would require its companies to respect human and environmental rights in their overseas operations.

However, there are several other options available to you if you have already signed and want to continue your commitment! You can follow the latest campaign news on our [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#) pages and even [update your profile](#) to show the campaign colors. If you'd like to delve into the subject deeper, take the time to read our printable [backgrounder](#). And what about sharing [the campaign video](#) with your friends and family? Whatever you choose to do, thank you for helping to spread solidarity! <https://devp.org/en>

[TAKE ACTION: Sign the petition!](#)

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[Join us! Visit www.devp.org](#)

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ST. ALOYSIUS PARISH IS LOOKING FOR A NEW CUSTODIAN

The Wardens Board is looking for interested candidates to fill our vacant Custodian position. This is a part-time paid contractual position. The Custodian is responsible for a number of maintenance and janitorial duties for the church, rectory and hall on a weekly basis. If you are or know a reliable and hard-working individual who may be interested in this position, please contact the Maintenance Warden, Mike McCann for further details. He can be reached via the church office at 819-663-5244.

In the interim, given the current vacancy, we are looking for volunteers to help out with some of the basic maintenance and janitorial tasks until such time as a Custodian is in place. If you can spare some time during the week to assist, please also contact Mike for further details. We appreciate your on-going support.

St. Als Wardens Board

FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Please pray for the sick of our Parish: Atreyu Harvey, Adeline Gendron, Diane Morey and John Harney.

St. Aloysius Annual Spaghetti Supper - Friday, December 10th



It has been some time since we were able to host a community gathering for our parish. The St. Aloysius Pastoral Committee in cooperation with the Wardens Board is pleased to invite all parishioners and guests to our Annual Spaghetti Supper which will be held on **Friday, December 10th**.

Since the Patron Saint of our parish was a native Italian – it is only fitting that we honor his memory by kicking off the pastoral social calendar with our annual Italian meal.

Our hall will be turned into an Italian Bistro with tables set up at social distances – tables for four or six + will be available. The meal service will be somewhat revamped to follow Covid Protocol. Hand sanitizing and the wearing of masks while moving about will be mandatory.

Covid Vaccine Passports will be verified on entrance.

To ensure that Covid Protocols regarding social distancing are respected in the hall, a maximum of **75 tickets** will be sold. *Take-Out dinners will also be made available on request, for those who are not able to attend.* (Pick-Up between 5:00 pm & 5:30 pm).

When: Friday, December 10, 2021 at 6:00 pm in the church hall

What: Pasta, Meat Sauce, Buns, Dessert, tea and coffee, BYOB

How much: \$5.00 per ticket

A 50/50 draw will also be held to help raise funds for the church operating expenses.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE – St. Al's and St. Columban



The annual Christmas food drive has started. Please feel free to donate canned food, pickles, pasta, rice, toothpaste, laundry detergent, etc. We need everything. We will be collecting specifically for the Christmas food baskets up to December 17th, but please continue to donate throughout the year. Thank you for your cooperation in bringing a Merry Christmas to the less fortunate in our community.

The Charitable Fund

FUNDRAISER - RAFFLE – DRAW on Dec. 5th



Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5

You still have time to get your tickets, from Carol at the church office 819-663-5244 or Ann Marie at 819-663-0295.

Draw will take place at our Annual Meeting on December 5th. Good Luck!

ONLINE EVENTS

CHRISTMAS 2021 MIXED BAG TRIVIA – via ZOOM



Yes, trivia is back. This time, for the St. Aloysius Trivia Zoom social distancing event, we have a mixed bag trivia evening with threads of a Christmas theme. Your host, all the way from PEI, (Michelle Cook) will have....

3 rounds: ROUND 1 - general multiple choice, ROUND 2 - questions about Christmas, ROUND 3 - another general fill in the blanks and the BONUS ROUND will be name the Christmas song from lyric excerpts.

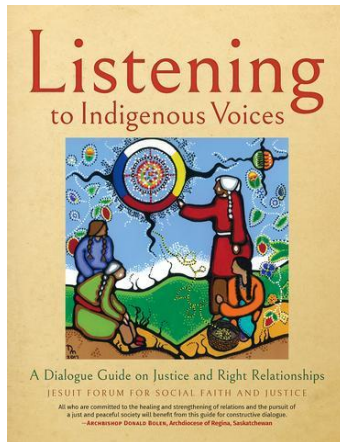
If you still haven't gotten a chance to check it out on ZOOM, you still can. On Friday, December 3rd, 2021 at 7:30 pm.. Come join in the fun.

Don't delay and register for this fun event now! Do not forget to add your fun Christmas themed team name when you register. For more details and to register please visit <https://www.staloysius-stcolumban.com/events/trivia>

Registration is free; however, donations to the church are greatly appreciated.



THE VOICE OF THE CHILDREN –



Many have expressed deep concern following the news of the discovery of the bodies of 215 Indian children buried near a residential school in British Columbia. We were horrified and wondered “what can we do about this?”

The Jesuit Forum in Toronto recently published a book **Listening to Indigenous Voices**. In its presentation it states:

“To engage in this process, we need to listen deeply to what Indigenous Peoples are saying, open ourselves to be transformed by their words, and act based on what they are telling us so that we can begin to address injustices, heal relationships, and bring about a post-colonial Canada.”

The book provides a method for 11 group sessions to do just that: **listen, open ourselves, act.**

If you would like to participate in these group sessions, please register at this link: www.staloysius-stcolumban.com/news-events/thevoiceofthechildren Please also invite others, especially friends and neighbors who feel that their culture is not respected, who could add a lot to our discussions.

We will be meeting on Zoom bi-weekly on Tuesday nights, 7 :00 p.m. starting July 6th until Nov. 23.

REFLECTION ON SCRIPTURE – Food for Eternal Life

Our Monday night 7:00-8:00 p.m. zoom meetings for **Reflection on Scripture** has resumed. All are most welcomed to join in when you can; simply go to www.staloysius-stcolumban.com/news-events to register and the link will be sent to you (register again even if you registered last term). It is really an opportunity and a privilege as a group to truly listen to what God is saying to us, enriching each other with our insights and then letting that seed germinate within us during the week, a week spent attentive to God’s voice. So register now before you forget.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES IN NOVEMBER

Roger Seguin	- 23 rd
Michael Lalonde	- 23 rd
Diane Cyr & Keith May	- 28 th
Michelle Warden Cook	- 28 th
Paul Luc Lalonde	- 30 th