



Weekly Bulletin
St. Aloysius and St. Columban Bulletin
Baptism of the Lord

January 9, 2022

Reading I	Isaiah 40.1-5, 9-11
Responsorial Psalm:	O bless the Lord, my soul!
Reading II	Titus 2.11-14; 3.4-7
Gospel	Luke 3.15-16, 21-22

*******COVID RESTRICTIONS – UPDATE*******

As announced by the provincial government on December 30th, all places of worship are to be closed until further notice as of December 31st at 5pm.

During the shutdown, we will live stream the mass on the St. Aloysius Gonzaga Parish FaceBook community page. Make sure to “like” and “follow” our FaceBook page (see link below) to be able to view the live stream at 11am.

<https://www.facebook.com/StAloysius-Gonzaga-Parish-Community-141740569252256>

Given we cannot participate in the Eucharist, the following prayer will be read during communion:
[Prayer for Spiritual Communion Link]

The live stream will be saved on the FaceBook page and can be viewed at any time afterwards.

We are also discussing the option of broadcasting the mass via Zoom but this requires further technical support to implement.

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



Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

ST. ALOYSIUS COLLECTION

December 25:	\$4135.00
December 26:	\$ 330.00
Jan. 4:	\$522.75

**St. Columban Mission will be closed for January and February 2022.
The first mass in 2022 will be Saturday March 5 at 4:30 pm.**

MASS Intentions:

Sun. Jan. 9	11:00 a.m.	20 th Anniversary Mass for Cathy Daly by her mother, Shirley
Sun. Jan. 16	11:00 a.m.	For all parishioners

2022 ST-ALOYSIUS BUDGET APPROVED BY THE DIOCESE

On December 23rd, we received the approval from the diocesan bursar of our proposed budget for 2022. Although we continue to manage our finances within the context of a pandemic, our 2022 budget includes adjustments based on current realities and some additional revenues. As stated at the Annual General Meeting, priorities for 2022 include the replacement of the altar carpet, additional hall rentals throughout the year, and rent revenue from an additional priest staying in the rectory with Fr. Greg. As a result, the overall budget for 2022 is increased to \$91,036 for both revenue and expenses (an increase of 4.7% from 2021). The full 2022 approved budget has been posted on the bulletin board at the front of the church if you wish to review the details. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact Jim Brownrigg, our Finance Warden. He can be reached through the office at 819-663-5244.

St. Aloysius Wardens Board

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).

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

The 2022 collection envelopes are now available (new numbers)

The 2022 collection envelope boxes are now available at the back of the church. To help reduce our operating costs, we have reduced and consolidated the number of envelope boxes for 2022. As a result, **some of you may have a new envelope number assigned to you**. Please make sure you note the new number when providing donations without using one of your envelopes to ensure we properly record your donations. Should anyone like to register for collection envelopes, there is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church where the boxes are. A box with your name will be generated within a week. Thank you.

Jim, Finance Warden

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, John Harney and Linda Matthews (cousin of Dez).

ONLINE EVENTS

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 IN JANUARY

Alice Burich - 19th
Paulette Pearce – 26th
Mary Daly – 31st



A special thank you to all who participated in the fund raising for our needy families this Christmas Season. Because of your generosity we were able to give each of our families a bit extra on their food vouchers with the hampers. Thanks to your response, we felt it easier to give 28 families, with 26 children the assistance to make their Christmas more enjoyable. We particularly want to thank the School Children and Staff; The Canadian Legions, to our anonymous donors and you our Parishioners for your generous response. Thanks, also, to all those who helped make up the hampers and deliver a few.

Nancy Grenier, Chairman, St. Al's Charitable Fund.