



St. Aloysius

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Gatineau, Quebec
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November 23/24, 2019

St. Columban

311 St. Columban Rd.
Gatineau, Quebec
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Sunday 11:00 a.m.

Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday & Friday 9:15 a.m.

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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 23/24, 2019

Reading I

2 Samuel 5.1-3

Responsorial Psalm:

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

Reading II

Colossians 1.12-20

Gospel:

Luke 23.35-43

ST. ALOYSIUS COLLECTION

November 17:

\$823.35

Attendance: 55

ST. COLUMBAN COLLECTION:

November 16:

\$316

Attendance: 25

Fri. Nov. 22	9:15 a.m.	For all parishioners
Sat. Nov. 23	4:30 p.m.	(St. Columban) for Joe Connolly by Phyllis Mulcahey
Sun. Nov. 24	11:00 a.m.	(St. Aloysius) For Marie Cook by Gord & Louise MacMillian
Wed. Nov. 27	8:00 a.m.	Eucharistic Adoration
	9:15 a.m.	For Ernie Maregmenby by Erle Cortez
Fri. Nov. 29	9:15 a.m.	For all parishioners
Sat. Nov. 30	4:30 p.m.	(St. Columban) For Angus, Mina and Kevin Burns by Gail Burns
Sun. Dec. 1	11:00 a.m.	(St. Aloysius) For Bert Braiden by Carol and Pierre Léonard

Christ The King

It was Pope Pius XI who brought the Feast of Christ the King into the liturgy in 1925 in order to bring Christ, his rule and Christian values back into lives of Christians, into society and into politics. We learned in history the story of the rise and fall of royalties and kings. Although emperors and kings now exist mostly in history books, we still honor Christ as the King of the Universe by enthroning Him in our hearts and allowing Him to take control of our lives. This feast challenges us to see Christ the King in everyone, especially those whom our society considers the least important, and to treat each person with love, mercy and compassion as Jesus did.

The first reading recalls the story of the anointing of David as the king of Israel. St. Paul in the letter to the Thessalonians states that, as the Image of the invisible God, Christ the King is preeminent to the prominent groups of angels like "thrones, dominions, principalities or powers." The messianic prophecies of the Old Testament point to Jesus as the King. Jesus is born in "the town of David called Bethlehem."; He is of the royal lineage. The Lord God will make him a King, as his ancestor David was, and He will be the King of the descendants of Jacob forever and His Kingdom will never end." (Lk:1,32-33). But Jesus kingship is something of a difference. This is clearly shown in the today Gospel.

At the beginning of his public life, Jesus is tempted in the desert. For one, He is tempted to exercise power and authority over the kingdoms of this world. But His kingdom is not of this world. His authority lies in powerlessness and service. Thus, He detests the kind of authority that refuses to busy itself in lightening the heavy burdens that people carry. Such an authority that will not lift a finger to help is in opposition to the values of Jesus. Jesus' authority came from His Father. His is the kingdom that looked out for people who are ignored, the poor and the wounded. It is not surprising that Jesus should end up being flanked by two criminals on the cross as today's Gospel shows. Such are the kind that he sought out in his ministry. He came to seek out the lost and He shared his forgiveness. He prayed for people's forgiveness even as He was about to give up the ghost. Jesus as king wears the crown of thorns and has the throne of the cross. This is Jesus' kind of royalty: one

where the king identifies with the 'low' of the society. This is Christ the King and we are called to live the values of this kingdom.

Brothers and sisters, since Christ was a serving King we are invited to be His loyal citizens by rendering humble service to others and by sharing Christ's mercy and forgiveness with others. As we celebrate this feast, we are invited to use all power or authority in the public or the private realms for Jesus by bearing witness to Him by the way we live. We accept Jesus as our King of love when we love others as Jesus loved, unconditionally, sacrificially and with agape love.

Happy Sunday!



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING : PUBLIC RELATION AND MAINTENANCE WARDENS NEEDED

We invite all parishioners to join us for St-Aloysius Annual General Meeting which will take place on Sunday December 1st in our church Hall following mass. We will be holding the election for two new wardens for the position of Public Relation and Maintenance. Should you feel you or know of someone that could fill these Warden positions please bring your nomination to any of our warden's board members or contact Carol at the office. We would like to thank our departing wardens Shannon Lortie and Michelle Cook for their support contribution and commitment to the board and to our beloved St-Als parish!

We greatly appreciate your support to assist us in filling this position, Looking forward to seeing you there!

Yours truly, St- Al's Warden's Board

St. Al's Annual Turkey Supper



**will be held on Saturday, December 7th at
6:00 pm**

For tickets see Ann Marie, Susan or Carol

Adults: \$15, Children 6 to 12: \$7

ST. COLUMBAN PARISHIONERS' Annual General Meeting and Fabrique Election.

The AGM will be held immediately after mass on Saturday, November 23, 2019. This meeting will provide a brief summary of the past year, identify priorities for 2020 and elect a new warden.

Paul Paiement's warden term will end on December 31, 2019.

The term for the new warden position will be from January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2023. Any parishioner who may be interested in serving as a warden is kindly asked to provide his/her name to Marc Maisonneuve. You may also nominate a parishioner of your choice for this position.

REGISTRATION PREPARATION FOR SACRAMENTS:

First Reconciliation, First Eucharist. Children must be able to read at grade 2 level or 7 years old or more in 2020 for First Communion & Reconciliation.

The preparation sessions for First Reconciliation & Communion will begin in Sunday January 19 2020 after mass (Two hours bring your lunch). An information session for parents will be held Friday night January 10th 2020 at 7 pm. If you have any questions contact Louise MacMillan – 819-643-1156 or email gordandlouisemacmillan@gmail.com or Louise Lortie, louise.lortie@hotmail.com

Registration forms for sacraments are available at the back of the church or contact the secretary, Carol Leonard at the church office, 819-663-5244. If your child was not baptized at St Aloysius, please bring a copy of their baptism certificate.

FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Please pray for the sick of our Parish: Ron Lortie, John Cook, Roger Seguin, Phyllis Seguin, Jack Wiggins, Adeline Gendron and Dave Whitworth.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

What is it?

Liturgy of the Word for Children is a program in which the Sunday scripture readings are proclaimed and explained on a level appropriate to children from ages 6 to 12 during most Sunday Masses from September through June. Any child in this age group may participate - no registration is necessary. Visitors can participate too.

