



**Weekly Bulletin**

**St. Aloysius and St. Columban**

**MY CHURCH, MY COMMUNITY, MY FRIENDS**

**(the Secretary will be working from home until further notice)**

**-----MY CHURCH-----**

***24<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time***

***Sept 16/17, 2023***

Reading I	Sirach 27.30-28.7
Responsorial Psalm:	The Lord is merciful and gracious; slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.
Reading II	Romans 14.7-9
Gospel	Matthew 18.21-35

**MASS Intentions:**

Fri. Sept. 15	9:00 a.m.	For all parishioners
Sat. Sept. 16	4:30 p.m.	(St. Columban) For all parishioners
Sun. Sept. 17	11:00 a.m.	(St. Aloysius) For Clare Elder by Susan Arnold
	2:00 p.m.	St. Columban Cemetery Service
Fri. Sept. 22	9:00 a.m.	For all parishioners
Sat. Sept. 23	4:30 p.m.	(St. Columban) For all parishioners
Sun. Sept. 24	11:00 a.m.	(St. Aloysius) For Dan Ford by The Ford Family

**ST. ALOYSIUS COLLECTION - Sept. 10: \$578.00**

**Diocese Deposit from parishioners for August: \$600.00**

**THE SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION** is available fifteen minutes before all Sunday masses at St. Aloysius. This sacrament is an important part of our continual preparation for the eternal kingdom.

**FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH** Please pray for the sick of our Parish: Marvella Harvey, Pierre Léonard, Sharon Shaw, Adeline Gendron, and Diane Morey.

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### **Update from the St. Aloysius Finance Warden – 2023 Budget**

As we head into the final few 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. Additionally, this summer we have had to make some significant renovations imposed following a fire inspection report from the city in early spring. Of note are the replacement of 2 exit doors on the east and west sides of the church. Separately, some work in the office has been required because of water damage in the spring. These unexpected costs, in addition to our typical slow summer months have created a current deficit of \$8000 that we need to address before the end of the fiscal year on December 31st. I recognize that we are all facing rising costs in our personal finances due to inflation and our means of financial support to the church are being stressed. However, 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. Should you have any questions about our current finances, please do not hesitate to come see me after mass or contact me through the office at 819-663-5244.

Jim Brownrigg.

### **LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN**

Children ages 7 and up are invited to gather in the sacristy and listen to the Word. (Readings and Gospel). This activity is during mass and the children return to their parents just after the prayers of the faithful. Two adults will take turns in leading this activity.

### **SCRIPTURE REFLECTIONS**



If you would like to read, with a group of fellow parishioners, the Scripture readings of the following Sunday in order to better absorb them and let them speak to you during the week, send your e-mail address to the parish office and we will get in touch with you.

**ST. COLUMBAN MISSION CEMETERY SERVICE**

Once a year we gather as a community to remember our loved ones. St. Columban Mission Cemetery service will be held on Sunday, September 17th at 2:00 p.m. at the Cemetery. Please join us in remembrance and prayer.

**WELCOME BACK POT LUCK LUNCH** – Sunday Sept. 17th, after Mass, we will be welcoming each other back from holidays around a hearty pot-luck lunch. It will be fun to see how many names we remember and to share stories of our holidays. Once again it would be REALLY APPRECIATED if you contacted our social warden Ann Marie Plante at 819-663-0295 or by email at [annmarie.plante@bell.net](mailto:annmarie.plante@bell.net) to tell her what you intend to bring for sharing at the lunch. At the same occasion we will have a guest speaker from the organization “Les Petits Frères” who will help us in our effort to reach out to seniors. Looking forward to seeing you there!

**CEMETERY SERVICES:**

<b>St. Columban</b>	St. Columban rd.	Sept 17	2 pm
<b>Notre-Dame</b>	75 Blvd. Fournier, Gatineau	Sept 17	2 pm
<b>St-Antoine de Padoue</b>	5 ch. Saint-Joseph, Val-des-Monts	Sept 24	10:15 am

**ARCHBISHOP'S BRUNCH—SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7TH 10 A.M.—1 P.M.**

Would you like to support local organizations doing good work in our community while enjoying a wonderful breakfast in good company?

St. Mark's is proud to host the Archbishop's Brunch for the English Zone on Saturday, October 7th. After ten editions of the Archbishop's Golf Open, the diocese, in partnership with the newly created Novatio Foundation, and with the help of parishes across the region, will come together to support community organizations.

Tickets are just \$25 for adults and \$10 for children (12 and under) They can be purchased online—<https://rb.gy/f9r4y>. They will also be available at St Mark The Evangelist's parish secretariat or by contacting Marie-Christine Emmanuéla Adjobi by email [projets@diocesegatineau.org](mailto:projets@diocesegatineau.org) or by phone 819 771 8391 ext 305.

**13<sup>TH</sup> AUTUMN ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO ST-JOSEPH'S ORATORY** and 13<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the canonization of St-Brother André from the Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall taking place on Sunday, October 15, 2023. For information of departures, costs for the day, program check out the bulletin board at the main entrance to the church or contact Mike Budge at [mike.budge@bell.net](mailto:mike.budge@bell.net) or by phone 613-224-8110. Limited space.

-----**MY FRIENDS**-----

**BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARIES FOR SEPTEMBER**

Gaby & Mike McCann	20 <sup>th</sup> (54 <sup>th</sup> )	Pierre Léonard	21 <sup>st</sup>
Irene Lalonde	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Bella-Kristine Kamguia	23 <sup>rd</sup>
Ashley Fogu	25 <sup>th</sup>		

**CELEBRATION OF LIFE**

There will be a mass in memory of Daniel Ford, Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at St-Aloysius at 11:00. The family would like to invite you to come down to the parish hall afterwards and celebrate Dan's Life. Come join us to share fond memories, refreshments, and a light lunch. Hope to see you there!

The Ford Family