

Weekly Bulletin
St. Aloysius and St. Columban
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My Church, My Community, My Friends

------My Church------

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Confession: Available 15 minutes before weekend Mass.

Baptism: By appointment. Registration required. Please call or email the office

First Communion &

Confirmation: Registration required. Please call or email the office.

Wedding: Couples are asked to call the office for an appointment at least one year prior to

their date of marriage to allow adequate preparation time. A marriage course is

required.

Visiting the sick: Father Greg is available for visits with the sick, either in the hospital or at home.

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time January 19, 2025

Reading I Isaiah 62.1-5

Responsorial Psalm: Declare the marvellous words of the Lord among all the peoples.

Reading II 1 Corinthians 12.4-11

Gospel John 2.1-12

MASS Intentions:

Fri. Jan. 17	9:00 a.m.	For all parishioners
Sun. Jan. 19	11:00 a.m.	For Sanscia Nkwate by Raymond &
		Mirella Bernier
		For Zonorod & Julia El-Chidiac by The Family
Fri. Jan. 24	9:00 a.m.	For all parishioners
Sun. Jan. 26	11:00 a.m.	For Sanscia Nkwate by St. Al's Wardens Board
		For Yves, Guy and Ronald Cyr by Gloria Cyr

St. Aloysius Finances

Sunday collection - January 12th - \$555.00

Thank you for continuing to support our Church.

Jo Anne Lambert Finance Warden

MEET AND GREET – February 2nd.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION: - EUCHARIST AND RECONCILIATION

First Session: January 26, 2025 Introduction with the parents.

- Mass at 11 am, Lunch, Sessions begin at 12:30 until 2 pm.
 Registration forms available at the entrance of the church, west wall.
 \$35.00 Registration Fee (cash or cheque only, payable to St Aloysius Parish) (Fee includes: family workbooks, instruction and other materials.
- We Prepare for Reconciliation: Family Book (Child and Parent)
- We Share in the Eucharist: Family Book (Child and Parent)

Contact Louise MacMillan for details. 819 319 4121

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

FUTURE PLANNING FOR OUR CHURCH RENEWAL (changed from Feb 2nd to Feb 9th)

You are invited to meet with Monique Washnuk, pastoral agent from the diocese. She has agreed to assist us in the process of future planning for St Aloysius. She will speak on this important initiative on February 9th after mass she will answer questions and provide more details. Beverages and snacks will be provided.

<u>ST. AL'S MISSION OF PRAYER</u> – The Parish Pastoral Council invites us, as a community, to focus on prayer. Based on the survey we were asked to fill, it was determined that many of us pray with the rosary. Consequently, the following are opportunities that will be offered to us to pray as a community.

Thursday evenings 7 pm – Rosary – Zoom meeting

https://us05web.zoom.us/j/81922462787?pwd=JVXJApqCypbxbHyMj2nAO1kcWLbPAV.1

Meeting ID: 819 2246 2787

Passcode: 3Peqzg

Friday morning 9 am - Mass

Devotion of our Lady of Perpetual Help

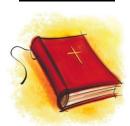
Prayer Intentions box

Devotion to Mary (Audio CD by Fr. Jim Duffy - St Louis de Monfort's True Devotion to Mary for group listening and discussion)

LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN

Children ages 7 and up are invited to gather in the hall 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 take turns in leading this activity.

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 MASS SCHEDULE

St. Columban Mission will be closed until April 2025. If there are any questions, please contact Amanda Foley.

------My Community------



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 52 children the assistance to make their Christmas more enjoyable. We particularly want to thank the Greater Gatineau School Children and Staff; The

Canadian Legions, Union of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipefitting Industry (Local 71) and 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.

TRAINING FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION AND ALL THOSE BRINGING COMMUNION TO THE SICK

The diocese is organizing two training sessions for all communion ministers of the archdiocese, especially those bringing communion to the sick in health centers or at home, including family members. Anyone interested is also welcome.

Dates to remember:

• May 24, 2025

Time: 10 AM to 12.30 PM

Location: Diocesan Center, (Grande Salle)

Contact: chancelier@diocesegatineau.org or phone 819-771-8391 ext. 307



You're invited to the last brunch of the second edition of the Archbishop's Brunches at Sainte-Trinité parish, on January 26, 2025. Tickets are \$25 for Adults and \$10 for children 12 years and under). For tickets, see our Parish Secretary, Carol 819-663-5244

------My Friends------

ST. MARK'S PARISH INVITES YOU TO JOIN THEM FOR THIS EVENT.

SYNODALITY AND THE FUTURE OF THE CHURCH:

The recently concluded Synod of Bishops on the theme, "For a Synodal Church," has called for important changes to the way of proceeding in parish and diocesan life. What might this mean for our parish and diocesan communities?

We are delighted to announce that Catherine Clifford will be the presenter at our next Faith Formation Session on Monday, February 17, 2025 - 7 pm. Catherine is a professor at St. Paul's University in Ottawa, and was one of the lay people who was chosen to attend the Synod on Synodality at the Vatican. We are delighted that she is taking time to be with us, sharing about the Synod, and the path forward. Please mark your calendar for Monday, February 17, 2025 at 7:00 pm

BIRTHDAYS IN JANUARY

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