



Weekly Bulletin
St. Aloysius and St. Columban Bulletin
11th Sunday of Ordinary Time
June 12/13, 2021

Reading I	Ezekiel 17.22-24
Responsorial Psalm:	Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.
Reading II	2 Corinthians 5.6-10
Gospel	Mark 4.26-34

Reflection:

When I don't produce the results I desire, it is very easy to feel I have failed. No matter where I find myself in life, every day presents new tasks and challenges.

Today's readings remind us that by doing our best, we have succeeded in God's eyes. We are seeds. In striving to please the Lord we continue to grow. The reading from the book of Ezekiel details how God plants the tree on the mountain, giving it life. As with the tree, He has given each of us a life and everything that stems from it.

The second Letter to the Corinthians tells us to please Him, because this demonstrates gratitude for one's life. As the mustard seed of the parable demonstrates, even the smallest seed has the capacity to grow into the largest shrub.

God works through each of us in ways we can't even imagine. By doing our best, we have pleased God; we have not failed.

*******DECONFINEMENT UPDATE*******

Masses at St. Aloysius church now allow up to 60 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.

Social distancing of 2 meters between individuals must be maintained. 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 morning mass will follow the same protocols as Sunday mass.

For those unable to attend the Sunday mass in person, we will continue to live stream the mass on St. Aloysius Gonzaga Parish Community page on Facebook (viewing the LIVE mass as it takes place). Make sure to “like” and “follow” our FaceBook page (see link below) to be able to view the live stream at 11 a.m.

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

The live stream will be saved on the FaceBook page to be viewed at any time.

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

ST. ALOYSIUS COLLECTION

June 6 \$960.00

Carpet Fundraising: \$400.00

MASS Intentions:

Sat. June 12	4:30 p.m.	(St. Columban) For Arthur and Violet Foley by the Family
Sun. June 13	11:00 a.m.	(St. Aloysius) For Sheila Berrea by her family
Sat. June 19	4:30 p.m.	(St. Columban) For all parishioners
Sun. June 20	11:00 a.m.	(St. Aloysius) For the members of the Dwyer and Léonard Families by Carol and Pierre

GOOD BYE MESSAGE FROM FATHER AL!

Saying goodbye is not always easy! After about seven years of seeing you, knowing you all, working with you and working for you, I have mixed feelings as I prepare to leave. Generally, my memories have been beautiful. The sense of community in all our churches is overwhelming. Over these years, the cooperation from our parishioners has been wonderful, whether it is from the Fabriques, the pastoral teams, our able secretaries, and other volunteers, past and present.

I am enamoured especially by the commitment and ready disposition to volunteer in various aspects of our parish and community life, despite the fact that ours are parishes of mostly aging population. Considering our number, some parishioners volunteer in many things to keep our parishes alive. I learned commitment and never-get-tired disposition from you all. May God continue to strengthen you all! I cherished your wonderful cooperation and collaboration in ministry all these years.

As hard as it may be, change is an inevitable part of our life. I will be going to embrace new responsibilities and challenges that would come with my new assignments, whatever they may be! I am looking forward to be a little closer to my families. As I go, I will relish all the great memories and friendships we have shared together both in the liturgical settings as well as the social gatherings. They will be ever green in my mind and heart.

Personally, I think I gave it my best in all. But I also know that my best may not be good enough for everyone. That is the fact of life. Ours is to do our best within the circumstances available. As we hear in this Sunday message: our job is to sow the seed; God takes care of the growth. I am sorry if any feel disappointed of me. May God make up for my lack! One of my favourite biblical themes is **immanuel** : God is with us! We must always remember that it is in God's world we live and His Spirit is always at work. Our job is to press on and in our small way further the kingdom of God in our midst.

Finally, I thank you all for your prayers, good will messages and gifts as I prepare to leave. I will miss all of you so dearly. But wherever I will be, I will keep all of you in my thoughts and prayers. I solicit your prayers too as I go to face new challenges in uncertain future. Unfortunately I cannot see all those who are sick and shut-in because of the present situation but know that I have you all in my thoughts and prayers. I enjoin you all to give our new pastor, Fr Gregory, your maximum cooperation as he ministers among you.

Signed: Fr Albanus U. Ogowuihe

APPOINTMENT OF OUR NEW PRIEST

We would like to announce that our new priest for the four parishes (St. Aloysius, St. Columban, St. Malachy and Our Lady of Victory) will be Rev. Gregory Murray of the Congregation of the Sacred Heart. Fr. Murray is presently living in Montreal and will arrive in our diocese to celebrate the four masses of July 3rd and 4th. In the interim, Archbishop Paul-André Durocher has indicated that he will celebrate the four masses on June 19th and 20th and the following weekend masses on June 26th and 27th , Fr. Bill Marreeve will celebrate with us. We will be having NO Weekday Masses until further notice.

FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

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

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy to Sarah Milko, Robbie, Avery and Reece Miller on the passing away of Robbie's mother, Helen Miller. May she rest in peace.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT FUNERALS

Les Jardins du souvenir is a nonprofit organization affiliated with the Diocese. They offer complete funeral services, prearranged funerals and cemetery products. Because they are a nonprofit organization, they guarantee that you will pay less for funerals and prearrangements. They also offer a 15% discount on all services offered by them, to all volunteers including members of the fabrique council, liturgy committees, pastoral committees, members of the choir, diocesan committees, members of religious organizations such as Knights of Columbus, Daughters of Isabella, etc. They also offer a 2% rebate to parishes, for each contact signed to use their services. For complete information on all the professional services they offer, visit their website at www.lesjardinsdusouvenir.com

APPROVED REVISION OF THE ST. ALOYSIUS GENERAL REGULATIONS AND BY-LAWS OF THE PARISH WARDENS BOARD DOCUMENT

After many months of discussion and numerous revisions, the St. Aloysius Wardens Board has received diocesan approval and signoff from the Bishop of its new General Regulations and By-laws document. The newly revised document, which hadn't been updated since 1997, outlines the roles and responsibilities, the authorities, and mechanisms to function as a Board under the Fabrique Act in order to manage the administrative affairs of the parish. A copy of the document has been posted on our web site and can be found under the About Us – Staff, Wardens & Pastoral Team tab following the list of current St. Al wardens. I encourage all parishioners to take a look at the document and become familiar with the important roles and functions of our Board.

Bob Nadeau
Chairperson – St. Als Wardens Board

CHURCH ALTAR CARPET REPLACEMENT FUNDRAISING



As you may have read in the recent maintenance update in the bulletin, the church altar carpet needs to be replaced as a priority. The current carpet was installed back in 2007 and is currently quite worn and has buckled in several spots creating a hazard for anyone walking in those areas. As a result, we are looking to replace the carpet in late summer or early fall and have received several quotes to complete the work. It is estimated that it will cost \$5000 to remove and replace the carpet around the altar. We are seeking financial support from the parish to raise the funds necessary to cover these costs as our current budget will not allow us to do so. If you wish to contribute towards this initiative, simply drop off your contribution in the collection basket at the back of the church on Sundays. If you are using a collection envelope, please indicate "Carpet replacement fund" on

the envelope and how much is offered for the fund. A standard envelope will do as well but be sure to indicate the carpet replacement fund on it. Include your envelope number, if pertinent. All contributions from individuals will be eligible for income tax receipts. We thank you in advance for your support to the parish and your generosity in maintaining our beautiful church.

Maintenance Warden.

ONLINE EVENTS

MIXED BAG TRIVIA – via ZOOM



Another mixed bag trivia evening for the St. Aloysius Trivia Zoom social distancing event. Your host (Michelle Cook) will have....

3 rounds of different types of general questions, name that theme song, artist and/or movie/show and this time, a Father's Day questions **bonus round**. If you STILL haven't gotten a chance to check it out on ZOOM, you still can join

in on the fun. On **Friday, June 25, 2021 at 8:00 pm**. Don't forget to think up a team name for yourself.

Don't delay and register for this fun event now! For more details and to register please visit <https://www.staloyisus-stcolumban.com/events/trivia> Registration is free; however, donations to the church are greatly appreciated.

A MIND-OPENING WAY TO SPEND A MONDAY EVENING.



Pauline Leduc is hosting a Monday evening at 7:pm session on Reflection on Scriptures. The participants are asked to read over the scriptures for the up-coming Sunday. Everyone is asked to take a few minutes to really reflect on what is written. The discussions that follow are very heartfelt and mind opening.

We are finding that each participant, when celebrating the mass the following Sunday, listens to and understands the homily more meaningfully. Join us by Registering on our web site. <http://www.staloyisus-stcolumban.com/newsevents>

THE MASS - WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT



The Bishop has not yet concluded his youtube series on the Mass Unconfined so we have come to the end of what is presently available.

This attentive study of the Eucharistic Prayers has made us aware of how rich they are! The Preface gives us a multitude of reasons to give thanks. We call on the Holy Spirit to make us one body to give thanks with the saints and angels in heaven, our brothers and sisters on earth, with Jesus who offers Himself as food and drink. We proudly proclaim the very core of our faith. We pray for the Church, for our loved ones, for our community, for our deceased relatives and friends, for the whole world. All this we do with Jesus, for the glory of God, in the unity of the Holy Spirit. Little wonder that we can

firmly state our AMEN!

JUNE BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

June Quinn 5th
Adeline Gendron 14th
Jane Pickering 17th
JoAnne Lambert 20th
Paulette & Ron Pearce – 24th

Margaret Paiement 9th
Kathy Amyot 17th
Carole Fraser 19th

