



Whoever is not
against us is for us

Mark 9:40

Weekly Bulletin
St. Aloysius and St. Columban
819-663-5244
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.

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 29, 2024

Reading I Numbers 1.25-29
Responsorial Psalm: The precepts of the Lord are right and give joy to the heart.
Reading II James 5.1-6
Gospel Mark 9.38-43, 45, 47-48

MASS Intentions:

Fri. Sept 27	9:00 a.m.	For all parishioners
Sat. Sept 28	NO MASS AT ST. COLUMBAN	
Sun. Sept. 29	11:00 a.m.	(St. Aloysius) For †John Nadeau by Mike McGrath And Louise D’Entremont
Fri. Oct. 4	9:00 a.m.	For all parishioners
Sat. Oct. 5	4:30 p.m.	(St. Columban) For Guy and Ronald Cyr by The Cyr Fammily
Sun. Oct. 6	11:00 a.m.	(St. Aloysius) For all parishioners

ST. ALOYSIUS FINANCES

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	July, 2024	August, 2024	Jan to Aug, 2024
Revenues -	\$ 6,177.66	\$ 5,409.55	\$ 67,551.21
Expenses -	<u>\$ 11,657.83</u>	<u>\$ 6,465.82</u>	<u>\$ 72,124.16</u>
Net Income –	minus \$ 5,480.17	minus\$ 1,056.27	minus \$ 4,572.95

Sunday collection - \$527.00 – September 22nd

Note: As you can see, the revenues during the summer did not meet our expenses and so we are running a deficit at the moment.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish.

Jo Anne Lambert, Finance Warden

Special Collection: Needs of the Canadian Church - September 29, 2024

OCTOBER, MONTH OF THE ROSARY –



October has traditionally been observed as the month of the rosary with October 7th as the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. Consequently, **every Sunday of October, starting October 6th, a rosary will be lead before Mass** in the church starting at 10:35. There is so much to pray for, personally, locally, in our nation, in our world! If you so wish, you can deposit your prayer intention(s) in the lovely box for the purpose at the entrance near the main aisle. Those intentions are then placed in a basket and deposited next to the tabernacle.

MAINTENANCE WARDEN – According to Quebec Law (this is not a Church law but a Quebec provincial law) every parish must have 6 wardens just like any other Corporation must have a Board of Governors. Our Wardens' Board has assigned specific tasks to each warden so as to share the load. The Maintenance Warden post is vacant since June and legally should have been filled by now. PLEASE consider offering your time and talent for this position. The responsibilities as listed in the Board's Rules and Regulations:

a) responsible for the upkeep of the church building including the rectory and hall, and to solicit contractors for property maintenance such as snow removal and lawn maintenance, and other required maintenance/repair services;

b) responsible to keep the security company up to date of those whom require an alarm access code to enter the church building and to keep an updated list of those who have physical keys for this access;

c) responsible to add or remove parishioners from the access code list and physical keys;

d) responsible to establish and manage a contract for custodian services and communicate with the custodian regarding their duties;

e) as required, forms and presides over a maintenance committee.

USHERS NEEDED

I still need a few more volunteers to be Ushers. I hope to start implementing the collection with Ushers in the fall.

If you would like to volunteer as an Usher, please contact Jo Anne Lambert at 819-663-9620 or jlambert204@hotmail.com. Thank you.

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.

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

ST. COLUMBAN MASS SCHEDULE UPDATE

The schedule for St. Columban Mission masses are listed below, mass time remains at 4:30 p.m.

Saturday 05 October - Father Greg

Tuesday 24 December – Christmas Eve Mass : 7 p.m.

No masses will be said on dates other than those listed. If there are any questions, please contact Amanda Foley.

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. ALOYSIUS RAFFLE:



This beautiful Queen Size Quilt made by St. Al's ladies is yours to win if you buy tickets at 99c or 6/ \$5. **The draw will be made at our Annual Spaghetti Supper on November 22nd.**

This is a fund raiser for the parish. If you can help sell tickets to your friends, family, neighbors during your summer gatherings, that would be great! See Pauline Leduc for tickets.

OUR PARISH FOCUS ON PRAYER – The Parish Pastoral Council is inviting us, as a community, to focus on prayer. The following is a tool that can help us in this. In the comfort of our own homes we can listen to these webinars. Even if you are not free on Thursdays at 1:00 p.m. you can register anyway and, at the end of the series, the registrations will be e-mailed to you. This is the advertisement sent to us by the Canadian Council of Catholic Bishops: The CCCB *Ad hoc* Committee for the Preparation for the Jubilee 2025 is hosting a series titled, "A Great Symphony of Prayer" which will enable the faithful one meaningful way to participate in the Year of Prayer which was announced by Pope Francis on 21 January 2024.

Dr. Josephine Lombardi (St. Augustine's Seminary) presents the [Fall Series: "A Great Symphony of Prayer: Mary, the Saints and Scripture"](#)

- 5. Thursday, October 3 (1:00 – 2:30 pm EDT): Praying with Mary/The Rosary
- 6. Thursday, October 10 (1:00 – 2:30 pm EDT): Praying with the Saints/St. Teresa of Avila
- 7. Thursday, October 17 (1:00 – 2:30 pm EDT): The Prayer of Jesus/John 17
- 8. Thursday, October 24 (1:00 – 2:30 pm EDT): Lectio Divina/The Storm at Sea

[Registration for the fall series \(English\) is now open.](#)

ST. AL'S MISSION OF PRAYER – As presented at the Meet and Greet, 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. More details will be given on how and when this will start.

Thursday evenings 7 pm – Rosary – Zoom meeting

Month of Mary in October - Rosary before mass

Friday morning 9 am - Mass and Rosary

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)

ROSARY-, whoever so wishes can join a zoom meeting on Thursday nights at 7:00 p.m. to pray the rosary as a parish community. There is no obligation to join each week but it would be appreciated if you send an email to gordandlouisemacmillan@gmail.com or by phone at 819 319 4121 to indicate if you wish to join or not on a given Thursday. Thursday Sept. 26th will be a test run for every Thursday evening thereafter. The link to the zoom meeting is below. Please copy and paste the link in your own calendar. Email it to your friends who wish to attend.
Join Zoom Meeting



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

Meeting ID: 819 2246 2787

Passcode: 3Peqzg

My Community



We are extremely grateful and extend an enormous **THANK YOU to Jim Brownrigg** who spent countless hours this summer assessing the computer hardware and software in our church office and replacing it as required. Most of it was hopelessly outdated and no longer technically supported. A new laptop and printer were purchased. Jim then acquired and installed up-to-date Office and Accounting software and migrated all the data from the old to the new system.

This, as we all can imagine, is an enormous task! The cost of the project, not including the endless hours of Jim's work, was about \$1600, **all of it donated by anonymous parishioners.** No words can adequately express our appreciation.

HALL RENTALS - please contact our hall warden, Brian Peters, at 613-600-1987.

My Friends

BIRTHDAYS IN OCTOBER

Mary Jane Champagne 13th
Michael McCann 19th

Margaret Burns 21st