



Weekly Bulletin
St. Aloysius and St. Columban
819-663-5244
My Church, My Community, My Friends

-----**My Church**-----

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- Office Hours:** Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays 9 to 2 pm
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- Website:** www.staloyisus-stcolumban.com
- 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.

Baptism of the Lord
January 12, 2024

- Reading I Isaiah 40.1-5, 9-11
Responsorial Psalm: O bless the Lord, my soul!
Reading II Titus 2.11-14; 3,4-7
Gospel Luke 3.15-16, 21-22

MASS Intentions:

Fri. Jan. 10	9:00 a.m.	For Brian Bryson by Erma and George Avon
Sun. Jan. 12	11:00 a.m.	For Pierre (Bugs) Fournier by The Gatineau Friendship Club
		For Victor and Emilia Baptista by The Family
Fri. Jan. 17	9:00 a.m.	For all parishioners
Sun. Jan. 19	11:00 a.m.	For Sanscia Nkwate by Raymond & Mirella Bernier

St. Aloysius Finances

Sunday collections –

December 22nd to 29th - \$4,990.05

January 1st to 5th - \$2,370.00

Thank you for continuing to support our Church.

Jo Anne Lambert
Finance Warden

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS CLEAN UP

Thank you to everyone who helped to decorate our Church for the Christmas season.

We will need to put these decorations away after mass next Sunday, January 12th.

Help with this will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you.

THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL is meeting January 14 at 7 pm. Should you wish to become involved in the parish this is a good place to start. The Council is looking for parishioners interested in participating in activities of the parish.



The Pastoral Council of St Aloysius asks you to **reserve the date: February 2nd** for the MEET and GREET after mass. Potluck lunch. Stay tuned for more details to come in the next bulletin.

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



to all who attended our December 8th Annual General Meeting. The lunch was delicious; the reports were interesting; it was heartening to see and feel the great interest that all showed for our parish family. We were blessed with the election of two wardens: Syveren Kamguia will be our hall warden and Chris Beninger our maintenance warden. We are still hoping and praying for a person to volunteer to accept a nomination for secretary warden. Maybe this is something you could consider as a New Year's resolution! Please call the office or speak to any one of the wardens if you are interested.

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

ST. AL'S MISSION OF PRAYER – 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

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

My Friends

BIRTHDAYS IN JANUARY

Alice Burich - 19th

Paulette Pearce – 26th

Mary Daly – 31st

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,
may the faith you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and
the flame of charity enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken
in us the blessed hope
for the coming of your Kingdom.
May your grace transform us
into tireless cultivators
of the seeds of the Gospel.
May those seeds transform from within
both humanity and the whole cosmos in
the sure expectation
of a new heaven and a new earth, when,
with the powers of Evil vanquished, your
glory will shine eternally.
May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in
us, Pilgrims of Hope,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May
that same grace spread
the joy and peace of our Redeemer
throughout the earth.
To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever. Amen