

Weekly Bulletin
St. Aloysius and St. Columban Bulletin
12th Sunday of Ordinary Time
June 19/20, 2021

Reading I Job 38.1-4, 8-11

Responsorial Psalm: Give thanks to the Lord; his steadfast love endures forever.

Reading II 2 Corinthians 5.14-17

Gospel Mark 4.35-41

Jesus Calms the Storm

Background on the Gospel Reading

As we continue in Ordinary Time, our reading today is taken from the Gospel of Mark. Mark's Gospel presents a vivid portrait of Jesus, whose words and deeds show that he is the Son of God. Today's Gospel describes the end of a day of teaching in Jesus' ministry. Jesus taught the crowd in parables and then offered explanations of these parables to his disciples. Jesus then led his disciples away from the crowds and into the boats that they will use to cross the Sea of Galilee. The sea and its surrounding area are the settings for Jesus' teachings and miracles in this part of Mark's Gospel. Today's reading describes how Jesus calmed a storm at sea. It is the first of four miracles that are presented in sequence at this point in Mark's Gospel.

As is typical in Mark's Gospel, Jesus' disciples are frightened by the sudden storm; they do little to inspire confidence in the reader. Mark notes the contrast between the disciples' terror and Jesus' peace. Jesus is sleeping, untroubled by what is going on around him.

This Gospel is a metaphor for our lives. We are in the boat; the storms of life are raging around us. Worries and concerns are part of human life. Jesus teaches us, however, that we ought not to let worries and concerns consume us. Jesus teaches us that our faith ought to lead us to trust in God's protection and love, no matter how strong the whirlwind going on around us. Like the disciples, we can bring our worries and concerns to Jesus in prayer. When we bring our worries to God in prayer, we might just begin to learn to see things from God's perspective. Jesus will hear our cries for help. He knows that our faith can be fragile, and he will act so that our trust in God will be strengthened.

(Reflection from Loyola Press)

*****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. Masks may now be removed, once you are seated in the church.

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 \$1,435.60 Carpet Fundraising: \$240.00

MASS Intentions:

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
Sat. June 26	4:30 p.m.	(St. Columban) For Mark Foley by Amanda, Marty and Hannah
Sun. June 27	11:00 a.m.	(St. Aloysius) For those of our parish struggling emotionally, physically or financially because of the pandemic

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 Marrevee 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 the McCarthy family on the passing away of Joe's brother, Jim, who passed away last week. Jim leaves behind his wife, Marie and two children, Patrick and Kimberly. May he 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 Bylaws 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

CLEAN-UP

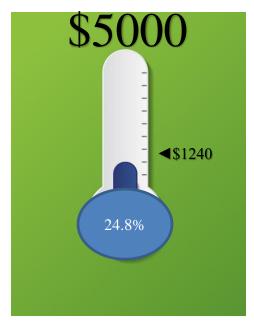


Our new priest, Father Gregory Murray will be arriving on July 1st but before we welcome him, we need to do a complete cleanup in all the areas of the rectory. I am hoping that I can get a few volunteers to tackle these tasks as early as next week. There will be a lot of items that can be donated or just discarded and some painting to do.

Please supply your own cleaning materials, pails, rags, gloves, etc.

You can contact me via email, mash.mccann@videotron.ca or by phone call, 819-893-2621.

CHURCH ALTAR CARPET REPLACEMENT FUNDRAISING



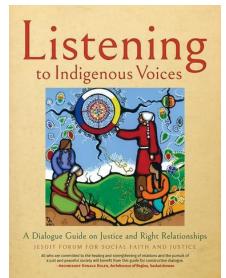
As you may have read in the recent maintenance update in the bulletin, the church altar carpet needs to be replaced as a priority. The current carpet was installed back in 2007 and is currently guite worn and has buckled in several spots creating a hazard for anyone walking in those areas. As a result, 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

THE VOICE OF THE CHILDREN - Many have expressed deep concern following the news of the



discovery of the bodies of 215 Indian children buried near a residential school in British Columbia. We were horrified and wondered "what can we do about this?"

The Jesuit Forum in Toronto recently published a book **Listening to Indigenous Voices**. In its presentation it states:

"To engage in this process, we need to listen deeply to what Indigenous Peoples are saying, open ourselves to be transformed by their words, and act based on what they are telling us so that we can begin to address injustices, heal relationships, and bring about a post-colonial Canada."

The book provides a method for 11 group sessions to do just that: <u>listen</u>, <u>open ourselves</u>, <u>act.</u>

If you would like to participate in these group sessions, please

register at this link: www.staloysius-stcolumban.com/news-events/thevoiceofthechildren
Please also invite others, especially friends and neighbors who feel that their culture is not respected, who could add a lot to our discussions.

We will have an initial zoom meeting on Tuesday June 29th at 7:00 p.m. to decide on a calendar for our meetings. In the meantime, you can order the book at www.novalis.ca

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 <u>STILL</u> 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.staloysius-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.staloysius-stcolumban.com/newsevents

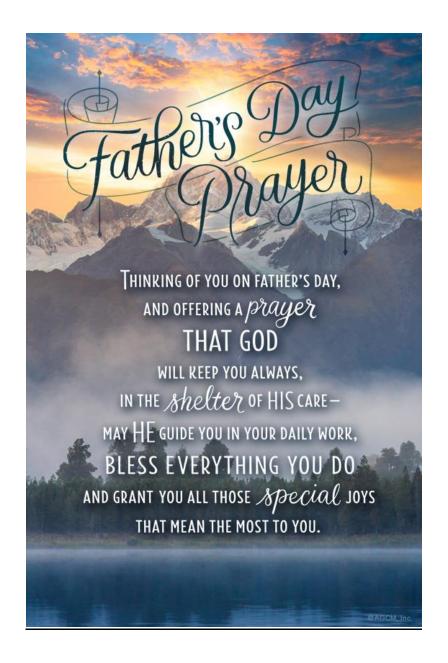
THE MASS - WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT



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	5 th	Margaret Paiement	9^{th}
Adeline Gendron	14 th	Kathy Amyot	17 ^t
Jane Pickering	17 th	Carole Fraser	19 ^t
JoAnne Lambert	20 th		
Paulette & Ron Pearce – 24 th			

