

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Dec 7-13, 2020**

**Monday** (Memorial) *St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor*

**8:00 am** - Intentions of Father David Avila – A. Pacheco  
+ Edward Moore – Helen Delaney

**Tuesday** (Solemnity) *The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

**8:00 am** - Int. of Arminda Pacheco – Lee Ann Paiva  
- Int. of Mary O'Malley

**7:00 pm** + Eleanor Freeman – Bob and Kathie Borys  
- Int. of the Rayoff, Delavin, Smith Family - Carol

**Wednesday** (ferial)

**8:00 am** + Hortencia Avila – Arminda Pacheco  
+ Stephen Altman – Mary Black

**Thursday** (ferial)

**8:00 am** - Int. of Eduarda Avila – Lee Ann Paiva  
+ Deceased Friends and Family of Lois Tessner

**Friday** (ferial)

**8:00 am** + Betty Borys – Darlene Lustic  
+ Stan Bolger – Karl & Ruth Ann Gmach & Family

**Saturday** (Feast) *Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas*

**8:00 am** + Susanna Conner – Rita Proulx  
+ Eleanor Freeman – The CWL

**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**



\* **Bambinelli Sunday (bring your Baby Jesus figurines to be blessed)**

**Sat 5:00pm** + Albert Wilkinson – Carol and Robert Wilkinson

+ Maria Teresa & Alfredo Rodrigues – Maria Fernandes

**Sun 9:00am** + Jennie Kubrak – Milka Persin  
+ David Milne – The Jubilee Choir

**Sun 11:00am** + Nora Atienza – Farah and Joemar Atienza  
- Int. of Veronica Baccus - Mom

**Sun 7:00 pm** - Int. of the Parishioners of St. Aloysius Parish and those written in our Parish Book of Life

**Parish News**



**WELCOME TO ST. ALOYSIUS PARISH!** We are very excited that our Parish is open for Public Mass! In order to help stop the spread of Covid-19, we are following health and safety guidelines from the Province of

Ontario. **The Obligation to return to Sunday Mass has been suspended until further notice.**

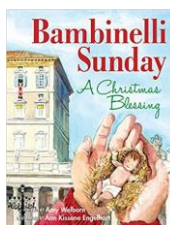


**Mask Wearing is mandatory when coming to Mass** and to our Parish Office. Please continue to be kind and charitable and follow the direction of local

health authorities. A mask is primarily to protect others, and the second reason to wear a mask is to protect yourself. Let's work together at St. Aloysius to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

**If you choose to return to Mass at this time, please read these important guidelines below:**

- All Masses are first come first served
  - Masks must be worn at Church
  - Seating is limited to only 30% capacity and physical distancing measures are in place.
  - **Doors Open 30 minutes prior to Mass and will lock during Mass or prior to Mass if we have reached our Church capacity.**
  - **Please arrive at the main door of St. Aloysius (all other doors will be locked) at least 15 minutes before Mass time.** We need to allow extra time in between Masses to thoroughly clean the Church.
  - Entrance is NOT permitted to those who have an elevated temperature, or are suffering from a cough or cold symptoms, shortness of breath, undue fatigue, loss of appetite, muscle aches, runny nose, chills involving shakes, loss of taste or smell
  - If you are sick, please stay home
  - If you have traveled outside Canada within the past 14 days, you are not to enter the Church until you have completed the period of self-isolation
  - Everyone is to use the hand sanitizer provided
  - Please Maintain a two metre (6 foot) distance
- Please follow the direction of Ushers will seat you at the available designated seats



**Bambinelli Sunday – Third Sunday In Advent – Dec 13**

The blessing of the 'Bambinelli' reminds us of the true meaning of Christmas.

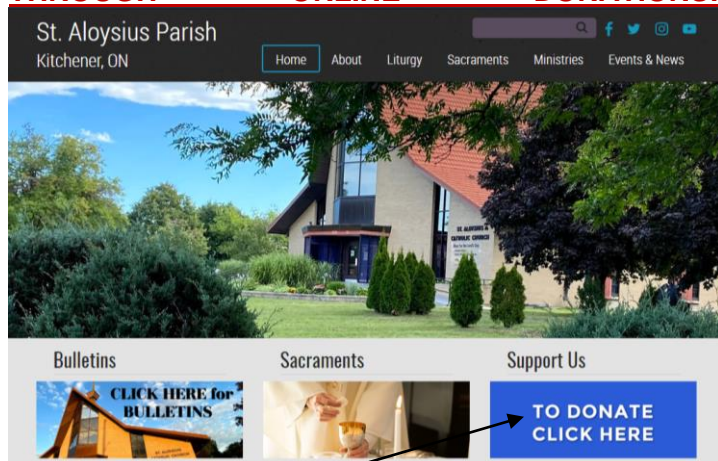
**All are invited to bring your Baby Jesus figurines from your homes to all Masses at St. Aloysius on Sunday, Dec. 13** to be blessed as we celebrate our own Bambinelli Sunday. After the blessing you are encouraged to take your 'Bambinelli' home and place it in a gift box, wrap the box and save it for Christmas. Let this be the first gift you open on Christmas day.



**Tax Receipt information for 2020 Church Offerings:** Please note that you must have 2020 offerings to the Church no later than **December 29** if you wish it to

be reflected in the 2020 tax receipt. Donations that come in after this date including those made on December 31<sup>st</sup>, will be put towards your 2021 tax receipt.

## YOU CAN NOW SUPPORT ST. ALOYSIUS THROUGH ONLINE DONATIONS!



**ONLINE DONATION** is now available for those who would like to support St. Aloysius Parish through Credit Card or Pay-Pal! To make a donation through CanadaHelps at; <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/55515> or visit our website at [staloyusius.on.ca](http://staloyusius.on.ca) and click on the **'Donate' button** on our homepage.



**Your 2021 Offertory envelopes are available at the back of the Church after all weekend Masses.** The envelopes are filed numerically. Please be ready with your envelope number when picking up your envelopes. If you

are not returning to Mass at this time, please contact our Parish Office to make arrangements to pick them up at the office.



**We are looking for help with the St. Aloysius Food Pantry – Christmas Hamper Program.** This year we are accepting financial donations, and families in need will be receiving gift certificates to a local grocery store. Toys will also be available to families who are eligible under the program. If you can help to support the program financially, you can find envelopes in

the main lobby of St. Aloysius Church.

**We only have a few more 2021 Sunday Missals for sale. Purchase them after all weekend Masses, and in our Parish Office for \$5 each.** Get them before we run out! We have the regular Missals and the St. Joseph Missal. Please have the exact change.



**Let's Pray the Rosary together! COVID-19 has created a lot of anxiety and fear amongst many.**

The CWL have been saying the Rosary every Wednesday morning after Mass to aid in the safety and protection of students and staff, and for the discovery of a COVID-19 vaccine. You are invited to join them in praying the Rosary every Wednesday.



**Thank you for your continued support of St. Aloysius Parish.** Those who are financially able to support us have been helping us greatly during these difficult times.

During Mass, there is currently no offertory collection, but you can deposit your offering in the basket as you leave the Church. If you are not returning to Mass at this time, you can drop off your Sunday collection into our Parish Mailbox. Please do not drop off cash in our mailbox (cheques only) or make a donation online on our Parish Website at [staloyusius.on.ca](http://staloyusius.on.ca) through CanadaHelps.

### Gospel Reflection 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent – Dec 6 2020



Today's Gospel is taken from the beginning of Mark. Unlike Luke and Matthew, Mark does not include any details of Jesus' birth. Instead Mark begins with

the appearance of John the Baptist in the desert. On this the Second Sunday of Advent, we are invited to reflect upon the role of John the Baptist, who prepared the way for Jesus and the salvation that he would bring to us.

Mark's description of the appearance of John the Baptist highlights John's continuity with the Jewish prophetic tradition. Mark combines quotations from the Old Testament books of Malachi, Isaiah, and Exodus. Mark's description of John as an ascetic, living in the desert, clothed in camel hair, and eating locusts and wild honey, is reminiscent of the description of the prophet Elijah found in Second Kings.

John the Baptist is presented to us as a model during Advent. We, too, are called upon to prepare a way for the Lord. Like John the Baptist, we are messengers in service to one who is greater than we are. Our Baptism commissions us to call others to life as disciples of Jesus.

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