



Shepherd's Corner

Dear Parishioners,

I appreciate your help in operating this parish community. I am thankful for all of your support. Many have offered services which I have not hitherto taken advantage of. This is a change I need to make in the new year. Call it a resolution! This for the common good of the parish.

Gratitude. I am also thankful for your flexibility in accepting my leadership of the parish. Submitting to another's leadership is always hard. Life requires us to submit. Not all submission is good—only when directed by right reason. Never submit, for instance, if anyone asks you to sin!

Submission. Some of you will only submit to the theoretical leader who exactly agrees with you in all things—this is not really submission at all; that leader will never exist. Some of you will submit only after indulging in negativity for awhile. Is this really helpful to anyone? Keeping your own negativity to yourself is bad enough—a poison in your own heart; expressing the negativity to others is spreading the poison. Be careful, you are responsible.

Questions and Answers. Encouraging submission to authority is not for the purpose of shutting down debate. Seeking the truth through discussion is not negativity. Consultation is for the purpose of seeking the truth. Sharing opinions is also encouraged, if it accompanied with good will.

Positive Thinking. Pop psychology aside, there's an interesting lesson from the Dachau Concentration Camp from a book called "Priest's Block." Those inmates who actively entertained hope of survival, however remote that hope was, survived in remarkably higher rates than those who indulged in hopelessness and general negativity. These last got sick more easily, and went crazy more frequently. So much for 'realism.' God's reality, on the other hand, is always fundamentally positive.

Let's make some good resolutions for the coming year, beginning with an increase in the quality or quality (or both) of our prayer life with God.

A blessed New Year! — *Fr. Rob Novokowsky, FSSP*



Altar crew after the candle-lit Midnight Mass 2019.



Bulletin of Information

29 December, 2019

St. Aloysius Parish

Traditional Latin Mass Apostolate

Diocese of St. Catharines

Served by the

Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter

Sunday Mass Times: 9 am (low) and 11 am (high)
Weekdays: please see inside cover.

Confessions: 30 minutes before each Mass and
Wednesdays 5:30 to 6:30 pm, or by appointment.

Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:
Wednesday 8:30am to 6:30pm ending with Benediction.

Baptism: Contact the office one month prior to proposed date.

Marriage: Contact the office six months prior to proposed date;
preparation is required.

Holy Face of Jesus Devotion: Tuesday following 7:30 am Mass.

First Friday: Hour of Reparation 6-7pm, followed by 7 pm Mass.

First Saturday: Rosary Meditation.

Legion of Mary: Praesidium Meeting Thursdays, 7 pm.

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Schedule of Masses and Intentions

Date	Liturgy	Mass Intention	Requested by
Sun. 29 Dec.	Sun. in the Octave of Christmas, 2nd cl.	9 am + Paulina Rosianna 11 am Pro populo	Timothy Ratelle —
Mon. 30 Dec.	6th Day in the Octave of Christmas, 2nd cl.	7:30 am Jim Hesse	Sherrie Hesse
Tues. 31 Dec.	7th Day in the Octave of Christmas, 2nd cl. (Comm St. Sylvester)	7:30 am + Jean Paul Monast	Marie Monast-Helmers
Wed. 1 Jan.	Circumcision of the Lord, 1st cl.	9 am Soli Sisters 11 am Pro Populo	D & J Nohara —
Thurs. 2 Jan.	Feria in Christmastide, 4th cl.	7 pm + Paul Nohara	Helen Kump
Fri. 3 Jan.	Feria in Christmastide, 4th cl (Sacred Heart of Jesus)	7 pm + Maria Bak	Anne Smith
Sat. 4 Jan.	Saturday of Our Lady, 4th cl.	9 am + Karen Haley	Lorraine Redford
Sun. 5 Jan.	Holy Name of Jesus, 2nd cl.	9 am Somogyvari & Shtanenberg Families 11 am Pro Populo	J & N Somogyvari —



Announcements

- A warm welcome to our visitors today.** Please join us in the basement hall for coffee after the 11 am Mass Sundays.
- Thank you:** To all who helped with our new arrangement of our Christmas Decorations this year. Generous help lead to a job well done. For the glory of God, thank you.
- Confessions at St. Denis:** “The Light is ON.” Beginning Jan. 6, 2020, the Sacrament of Confession will be available every weekday from 8 to 9 pm. Every week, Mon. to Fri. inclusive. I’m taking Thursdays. St. Denis is located at 230 Lake St. St. Catharines. (This is a city wide effort.)
- Fundamentals of Catholicism.** I’m will be teaching a course for adults to renew or be introduced to the fundamentals. Meeting room at St. Denis, Thursdays, 6:30 to 7:30 pm, beginning Thurs. 23 Jan. Details to follow.
- 2020 Collection Envelopes:** If you can’t find one with your name on it, please let the office know: 289-352-1598.
- 2020 Calendars with Liturgical Information:** Available for \$10 in the bookstore (basement) after the 11 am. Please see Marie, or call the office.
- New Years Schedule:** Regular Sunday Schedule on Wed. 1 Jan., that is, 9 & 11 am. Please note, the Mass on Thurs. 2 Jan. is at 7 pm.
- Monday Masses:** “Father, you need to take care of yourself.” Yes, good idea. All Monday Masses will be cancelled beginning 13 Jan. 2020.
- Building:** The bishop has given permission to fundraise for the projects below, diocesan tax free. Building Fund envelopes are available for this purpose. **(#1)** The Front Entrance Canopy—installed this week. **(#2)** A free-standing, fixed-screen confessional. **(#3)** Organ and Choir Platform: this will elevate our music program literally and figuratively. **(#4)** An open vestibule which is separate from the nave of the church.
- Building Fund Envelopes:** Available on the back table. Funds will be used for tax-free improvement projects, not operating funds.
- Cyber presence: Visit** our website: www.staloysius-latinmass.ca for the latest, and the unofficial Facebook page, facebook.com/LatinMassNiagara.
- Offertory Collection for 22 & 25 Dec.:** Offertory—\$3940; Building Fund—\$1810; Sisters—\$1290; Cathedral Appeal—\$300; Candles—\$245; Thank you for your generosity. Please remember the parish in your will.
- Mass Intention Requests:** Please use the envelopes provided. Thank you.