



Shepherd's Corner

Dear Parishioners,

We need to listen when our Lord quotes Sacred Scripture. During the Last Supper, He quotes Zacharias. Let's read the passage in St. Mark: "And Jesus saith to them: *You will all be scandalized in my regard this night. For it is written: I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep shall be dispersed. But after I shall be risen again, I will go before you into Galilee. But Peter saith to him: Although all shall be scandalized in thee, yet not I. And Jesus saith to him: Amen I say to thee, to-day, even in this night, before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny me thrice. But he spoke the more vehemently: Although I should die together with thee, I will not deny thee. And in like manner also said they all,*" (14:27-31).

In the face of this proclamation 'You will be scattered': (1) Peter twice accused Jesus of being wrong, (2) Peter claimed to be better than the others, and (3) all of the apostles did the same. The prophesy was already true. Harmony and trust between shepherd and sheep, and sheep and sheep was broken.

The apostles were too busy contradicting Jesus to ponder the scripture He quoted. The Prophet Zacharias offers stunning details of the passion. He predicts the triumph of Palm Sunday: "Shout for joy, o daughter of Jerusalem: *BEHOLD THY KING will come to thee ... riding upon an ass,*" (9:9). He talks about the betrayal of Judas: "And I took the thirty pieces of silver, and I cast them into the house of the Lord to the statuary," (11:12). He mentions the scattering in the garden: "And the mount of Olives shall be divided in the midst thereof," (14:4). He talks about the crucifixion: "And they shall look upon me, whom they have pierced," (12:10).

Zacharias: When he discusses the scattering of the sheep, it is a time of both great evil and great good. Idols will be destroyed, and yet prophets will be accused of lying. Listen: "And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the Lord of hosts, that I will destroy the names of idols out of the earth, ... and I will take away the false prophets ... And it shall come to pass, that when any man shall prophesy any more, his father and his mother that brought him into the world, shall say to him: Thou shalt not live: because thou hast spoken a lie ... *Awake, O sword, against my shepherd, and against the man that cleaveth to me, saith the Lord of hosts: strike the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered: and I will turn my hand to the little ones. And there shall be in all the earth, saith the Lord, two parts in it shall be scattered, and shall perish: but the third part shall be left therein. And I will bring the third part through the fire, and will refine them as silver is refined ... I will say: Thou art my people: and they shall say: The Lord is my God,*" (Zach.13:2-9).

The persecution comes mysteriously, from God himself. Those who think themselves better than others are guilty of pride and doomed to failure. Even the 1/3 remnant must still be purified, nonetheless, which carries the best of promises: Thou art my people.

We will get through this together. Thank you for your support,

— Fr. Rob Novokowsky, FSSP



Bulletin of Information

10 May 2020

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, Saturdays 4—5 pm
or by appointment.

Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Wednesday 8:30
am—6:30 pm, with Benediction; First Fridays 6—7 pm.

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

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

Legion of Mary: Praesidium Meeting, Tuesdays 2 pm.

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 and Meditation after 9 am Mass.

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Schedule of Masses and Intentions



Announcements

Date	Liturgy	Mass Intention	Requested by
Sun. 10 May	4th Sun. after Easter 2nd cl.	10 am Pro Populo	_____
Mon. 11 May	Ss. Philip and James, Ap., 2nd cl.	_____	_____
Tues. 12 May	Ss. Nereus, Achilleus, Domitilla, Pancras, 3rd cl.	7:30 am Patrick & Marla Pietruszko & Family	Genevieve Nohara
Wed. 13 May	St. Robert Bellar- mine, B, C, 3rd cl.	7:30 am In honour of Our Lady of Fatima	Alexander Kubisheskie
Thurs. 14 May	Feria of Pascaltide, 4th cl.	7:30 am + Maria & Jon Bak	Private
Fri. 15 May	St. John Baptist de la Salle, C, 3rd cl.	7 pm Hesse Family	M & C Arsenault
Sat. 16 May	St. Ubaldus, B, C, 3rd cl.	9 am Deceased of the Gensens Family	R & L Gensens
Sun. 17 May	5th Sun. aft. Easter, 2nd cl.	10 am Pro Populo	_____

 Shading indicates a special schedule.

1. **A real welcome to our virtual visitors.** Coffee time is postponed until further notice.
2. Please note: there is no public Mass on Monday.
3. **Our YouTube Channel:** Search for “**St. Aloysius—Thorold**” or click this link : https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMUg3-27shTAtUo87XRrUpg?view_as=subscriber
4. **Masses and Visits to Churches Cancelled:** Bishop Bergie has cancelled even visits to churches and Premier Ford has forbidden gatherings of more than 5 people.
5. **Sacraments.** During the pandemic, Confession and Holy Communion are available **by appointment only**, and following **strict protocols**. (Strange times call for strange measures, no? Thank you. **No Mask?** No problem! I’ll hear your confession just as soon as you get one, but not before. If you can’t buy a mask, make one!
6. **Why Face Masks?** To answer this question, we need look no further than Hong Kong, where all wore masks and they still attended to their daily lives, with no deleterious effects.
7. **Email Communication:** If someone you know is NOT currently receiving email notices from this parish office, they can request to be on our mailing list by sending that request to: **stalloysiuspastor@yahoo.ca**. Non parishioners are also invited to be on the list.
8. **Fundamentals of Catholicism:** Postponed until further notice.
9. Bequest: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Murphy who has given us a nice bequest of \$1000. May she rest in peace.
10. **Offertory Collections:** (Correction: The SOLI Sisters received in April by envelope: \$1,015.) Offertory: \$2,517; Building: \$60; SOLI \$205; [Please pray for a generous American donor and their family who contributed \$1,375 CAD this week.] Thank you.
11. Can I contribute to the Building Fund or the SOLI Sisters by “**Interac e-Transfer?**” Yes, just specify in the memo line, as you would on any cheque. From your online banking portal, you can send funds to the parish by naming our email address: **stalloysiuspastor@yahoo.ca**. The funds are automatically transferred into the parish account.