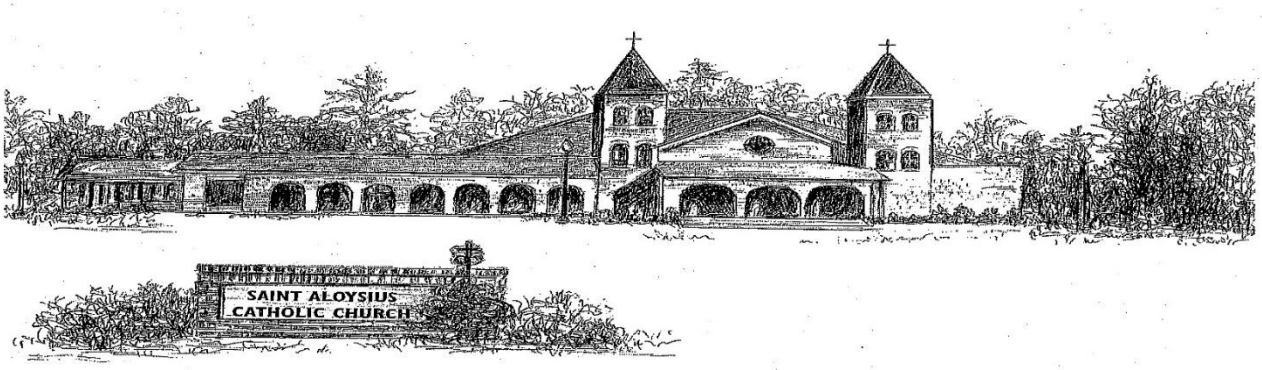

Saint Aloysius Catholic Parish

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Telephone: 205-424-2984 Website: www.staloysiuscc.org
Office Hours: Monday – Friday, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Sunday, October 11th, 2026

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

PASTOR
Rev. Jose Chacko (205) 563 8217
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HISPANIC COORDINATORS
Gabriel Lopez (205) 434 7169
Gabriel Arellano (205) 765 2936

WEEKEND EUCHARIST
Saturday 4:30 p.m.
Sunday (English) 9:30 a.m.
Sunday (Spanish) 12:00 p.m.

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST
Monday 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday through Friday 12:00 p.m. Noon

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
For more information contact the Church Office or the priest for Baptismal Preparation.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturday 3:30-4:00 p.m. (or before and after daily Mass except Sunday)

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE
Couples planning marriage must meet with the priest at least six months before your proposed date.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK
The Church recommends this sacrament to all who are seriously ill or in danger of death. Please contact the Church Office or Fr. Jose.

FUNERALS
In order to secure the services of a priest or the use of the Church, it is necessary to contact the Church Office *before* making arrangements with a funeral home.

SUNDAY BULLETIN
Deadline for new items Tuesday 3:00 p.m.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is held on the *first Saturday of every month*, from 4:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

OUR SICK
Larry Jones Mary Jones Jim Galloway MaryAnn Simonetti

HOMEBOUND SICK AND SHUT-IN	
Robert Wilson Sue Nielsen Robert Vincent John V. Jones Jr.	Meredith Jones Dot Herald Johana Findley

NURSING / RETIREMENT HOMES / ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENTS	
The Oaks on Parkwood	
Jean Sullivan	Rudy Cooper
Encompass Rehabilitation Center	
Eddie Allison	

If you need any assistance for the spiritual needs of the sick or shut-in, or know someone who is well enough to be removed from this list, please contact the Church Office at (205) 424 2984, or email to: info@staloysiuscc.org

MILITARY PRAYER LIST

Pray for our military throughout the world to fight for the freedom and security of our country, including:

AIR FORCE	**ARMY**
Daniel K. Hicks Shea Hicks James McKinney Lance Rosser Gabriel Petix	Blake Seidel Brandan Engel Luke Thomas Joseph R. Chiarella
MARINE	**U.S. INTELLIGENCE**
Grace Oldham	Daniel Thomas

Call the Church Office at 205-424-2984 or send an e-mail to info@staloysiuscc.org *with the names of the military personnel and their branch of service to be placed on or removed from this prayer list.*

E-MAIL PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayer is powerful and we need all the prayer warriors that we can get. *Sheila Zito* e-mails prayer requests for the parish, Mother of Christ Altar Guild, and the Choir. If any parishioner has a prayer request or wishes to be notified of other people's requests, contact *Sheila* at fsz321@bellsouth.net.

MASS INTENTIONS

OCTOBER 11 - OCTOBER 17 (✞ = Deceased)			
Sunday	9:30am	Oct. 11	✞ Rita Minor
Monday	6:30pm	Oct. 12	
Tuesday	12 Noon	Oct. 13	✞ Jeremiah Kane
Wednesday	12 Noon	Oct. 14	
Thursday	12 Noon	Oct. 15	
Friday	12 Noon	Oct. 16	Jordan Snelling
Saturday	4:30pm	Oct. 17	✞ Jim Franklin

*Sunday, October 18th, ✞ *Viktoria Cobb* / ✞ *Concetta LaRusa*

NOTE FROM THE OFFICE: MASS INTENTIONS

Mass intentions are received weekly during office hours by phone, mail or in the office. You can also register on **Online Giving App** or website and request a Mass Intention, under Mass Stipends.

FIRE OF THE SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP

The Lord has blessed each of us abundantly by giving us the gift of His Holy Spirit. Come learn how He desires to work in your life every day. The group meets **every Thursday** of the month (**except the 2nd Thursday**) in the Church at **6:30 p.m**. Come join us in prayer and worship and release your gifts of the Holy Spirit! All are welcome.
For more information, please contact Kathy Tortorice at (205) 531-0930 or kathytortorice@gmail.com.

ALOYSIUS CHOIR PRACTICES

The choir practices on **Wednesdays** at **6:00 p.m**. at the church. Anyone who wants to join the choir can contact *Paula Clowdus* at (205) 382-0845 or talk to any choir member.

SAINT ALOYSIUS ROSARY GROUP

All are invited to join the Rosary group on Wednesdays at 11:30 am during Adoration to pray the Rosary together.
All are welcome to pray the Rosary.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:

October 11th, 2026, Sunday

Twenty- Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: *Isaiah 45: 1, 4-6*

Psalm: *Psalms 96: 1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10*

Second: *First Thessalonians 1: 1-5b*

Alleluia: *Philippians 2: 15d, 16a*

Gospel: *Matthew 22: 15-21*

SAINT ALOYSIUS PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

As Catholic Christians and members of the Parish Family of Saint Aloysius Catholic Church, we are committed:

- To provide all our members (adults and youth) opportunities for spiritual development through worship, prayer, religious education and social interaction.
- To spread the Word of God and support our Parish Family with the gifts He has given us by using our time, talent, and treasure to His glory.
- To strive continually to witness our faith as we journey toward the future that God has promised those who accept His Word.
- To reach out to the larger community of the Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama and the world.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Charles Ellis, *President (205) 365 5896*
Vickie Gavin, *Vice Chairperson (205) 451 5318*
Michael Tomberlin, *Secretary (205) 260-8821*
Charles Tortorice *(205) 965 4066*
Phillip Galloway *(205) 213 4314*
Kellie Whitson *(205) 296 3390*
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Gloria McDaniel, *Chairperson (205) 515 5307*
Mike Snelling, *Vice Chairperson (205) 213 0647*
Ray Mernaugh, *Secretary (615) 972 6554*
Gabriel Lopez *(205) 434 7169*

MINISTRIES CONTACT PERSON

Mother of Christ Altar Guild
Angie Cacioppo *(205) 281 1901*

Holy Family Altar Guild
Kellie Whitson *(205) 296 3390*

Knights of Columbus
Anthony Rupert *(205) 428 6600*

Men's Society
Charles Ellis *(205) 365 5896*
Jim Galloway *(205) 516 1645*

Music Ministry
Paula Clowdus *(205) 382 0845*

PRIESTS' RETREAT

Priests serving in the diocese will travel to St. Bernard Abbey on Monday-Thursday, Oct. 12-15 to attend the annual retreat for priests.

Please keep the priests in your prayers.

Please check the Mass schedule:

MONDAY October 12, 8:00AM MASS
TUESDAY October 13 - THURSDAY 15 NO MASS
FRIDAY October 16 - 12Noon Mass

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY 2026

The diocese will hold a second collection on the weekend of *October 17-18* in all parishes to support *World Mission Sunday*, which helps extend the Church's missionary work to places where it has a limited presence, faces severe persecution, or lacks the resources to sustain itself. All funds go directly to diocesan missions around the world.

I encourage you to respond generously, knowing that your support makes a real difference in the lives of those who might otherwise never hear the Gospel.

We are all called to be a part of this mission work.

FIRST POTLUCK SOCIAL & FELLOWSHIP DAY



PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Parish Stewardship Oct. 4:	
Weekly Budget Needs:	$10,070.00
Donations:	$8,500.13
Difference:	-$1,569.87

October 11th, 2026	
Families registered in the parish	*305 / 500*

Church ANNOUNCEMENTS

2027 DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL



Pledge cards for the 2027 Annual Diocesan Appeal will be distributed on the weekend of October 17 and 18—known as "Commitment Sunday"—under the theme "The Way Forward." The pledges made by the faithful that weekend will not only fund diocesan programs and ministries but will also support Christ's work in the lives of others: providing food when the pantry is empty, assisting with rent or utility payments, or offering guidance to marriages and families facing difficulties.

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

Parents can register their children for Faith Formation classes, including ***First Communion*** and ***Confirmation*** preparation, signing the sign-up sheet in the church foyer.

EXPLORE THE CATHOLIC FAITH: OCIA CLASSES

Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? Have you been thinking about becoming Catholic, or simply want to deepen your understanding of the Church?

You are warmly invited to join us for OCIA (The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) classes. OCIA is a welcoming opportunity to explore the Catholic faith, ask questions, learn about the teachings and traditions of the Church, and discover what it means to live a life of faith.

Whether you are considering becoming Catholic, preparing to receive the Sacraments, or simply curious about the Catholic faith, all are welcome!

Classes are held every Tuesday from 6:00 to 7:30p.m. Contact the church office 205-424-2984, or Phil Neely, pneely@j-neely.com for further information.

MOTHER OF CHRIST ALTAR GUILD MEETING

The Mother of Christ Altar Guild will meet every second Monday of the month. Next meeting is ***Monday, October 12th***, at 11:30 a.m. in the church.

For more information, please contact Angie Cacioppo, *President* (205) 281 1901.

MAGNIFICAT BREAKFAST



Hosted by the "Mary, Woman of Faith" chapter, Saturday, October 24, 2026. Guest speaker: *Lynn Pepe*. Join us for breakfast from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Doors open at 9:10 a.m. The Rosary will be prayed at 8:45 a.m. in an adjoining room.

Location: St. Elias Maronite Catholic Church, In the parish hall: 836 8th Street S. Birmingham, AL 35205.

No tickets will be sold after October 18th or at the door. Ticket price includes a delicious catered breakfast!

$20.00 per person, $15.00 per Student (13 to age 22), Religious tickets are complimentary

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE: **Ticket order link**

MASS INTENTIONS

Please visit the parish office to request a Mass intention for a loved one. Mass intentions may be offered for the deceased, for those in need of healing and good health, in celebration of birthdays, or for other special intentions. The customary stipend is a $10 donation, which includes a Mass card.

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS



October 11 . . . Brian Wannemuhler
October 14 . . . Amy Metcalf
October 16 . . . Bill Wright, Flannery Tomberlin

PRAYER

Father of mercy, you prepare a table for your people and call us into the joy of your kingdom. Open the eyes of our hearts to recognize the hope of your invitation. Keep us from becoming so occupied with our own concerns that we neglect your voice. Through Christ who strengthens us, teach us to remain faithful in abundance and in need. Clothe us with repentance, charity, and a sincere desire to live as guests worthy of your feast. Shepherd us through every darkness, wipe away our tears, and lead us home to dwell with you. Amen.