



## ***Saint Aloysius Catholic Parish***

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Office Hours: Monday and Friday, 10:00 am – Noon

Tuesday – Thursday, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm (closed for lunch, Noon – 12:30 pm)

### **Sunday, November 9th, 2025**

### **Feast of the Dedication of the**

### **Lateran Basilica in Rome**

#### **ADMINISTRATOR**

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#### **CHURCH OFFICE**

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#### **HISPANIC COORDINATORS**

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#### **WEEKEND EUCHARIST**

Saturday

Sunday (English)

Sunday (Spanish)

4:30 p.m.

9:30 a.m.

12:00 p.m.

#### **WEEKDAY EUCHARIST**

Monday (Father celebrates the mass privately for your intention)

Tuesday through Friday

12:00 p.m. Noon

#### **SUNDAY BULLETIN**

Deadline for new items

Tuesday 3:00 p.m.

#### **SACRAMENT of BAPTISM**

For more info contact the Church Office for Baptismal Preparation English & Hispanic Coordinator for Spanish Baptism.

#### **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 Father Reju at least six months before your proposed date. Weddings will not be performed after 2:00 p.m. or before 6:30 p.m. on Saturdays.

#### **SACRAMENT of ANOINTING of the SICK**

The Church recommends this sacrament to all who are seriously ill or in danger of death. Please call the Church Office.

#### **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. Father Reju is ready to help with funerals.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

<b>OUR SICK</b>
Kathleen Jones Sheila Zito Carl McDaniel Larry Jones Sam Morris

<i><b>HOMEBOUND SICK AND SHUT-IN</b></i>	
Nancy Franklin Robert Wilson Sue Nielsen Robert Vincent	John V. Jones Jr. Meredith Jones Dot Herald Johana Findley

<b>NURSING / RETIREMENT HOMES / ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENTS</b>
<u>The Oaks on Parkwood</u> Rudy Cooper Jean Sullivan

*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@staloyuscc.org](mailto:info@staloyuscc.org)*

### MILITARY PRAYER LIST

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

<b><u>AIR FORCE</u></b>	<b><u>ARMY</u></b>
Daniel K. Hicks Shea Hicks James McKinney Lance Rosser Gabriel Petix	Blake Seidel Brandan Engel Luke Thomas Joseph R. Chiarella
	<b><u>U.S. INTELLIGENCE</u></b>
	Daniel Thomas

*Call the Church Office at 205-424-2984 or send an e-mail to [info@staloyuscc.org](mailto:info@staloyuscc.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](mailto:fsz321@bellsouth.net).

### MASS INTENTIONS

<b>NOVEMBER 11 - NOVEMBER 16</b> († = Deceased)		
Tuesday 12 Noon	November 11	† Rosina Giardina
Wednesday 12 Noon	November 12	(BD) Mary Curry † Bernadine Chiarella
Thursday 12 Noon	November 13	† Ira Cobb Jr.
Friday 12 Noon	November 14	(S) Charlie & Baye Mareno
Saturday 4:30pm	November 15	† Robert Geisen
Sunday 9:30am	November 16	Jennifer Gardner † Renea Mareno

### 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 Mass Intention, under Mass Stipends.

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is held on Tuesdays through Fridays at 11:30 a.m. All are welcome to pray before mass begins. Confessions can also be heard during Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament or after daily Mass. No confessions will be heard on Sundays.

### SAINT ALOYSIUS ROSARY GROUP

A group of parishioners (men and women) will now meet on **WEDNESDAY at 11:30 AM during adoration** to pray the Rosary. Everyone who wants to pray the Rosary is welcome.

### 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](mailto:kathytortorice@gmail.com).

### ALOYSIUS CHOIR PRACTICES

The Choir started back to practice on **Wednesday nights at 6:00 pm** at the church. Anyone interested in joining the choir can contact Paula Clowdus (205) 382 0845, or any choir member.

***Make a Joyful Noise***

### **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  
Vickie Gavin, Vice Chairperson  
Michael Tomberlin, Secretary  
Charles Tortorice  
Phillip Galloway  
Kellie Whitson  
Eddie Blanco  
Oliver Lopez  
Ginna Lopez

### **PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Gloria McDaniel, Chairperson  
Mike Snelling, Vice Chairperson  
Ray Mernaugh, Secretary  
Gabriel Lopez

### **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

### **MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is an enrichment for married couples who value their relationship and desire a richer, fuller life together. It is also for priests and religious who want to strengthen their relationships with their church communities.



**WorldWide  
Marriage  
Encounter**

**Married Couples and Priests  
"Live Your Best Life in Love"**

Enrich and Renew your Sacramental relationship by attending a Marriage Encounter Experience, a retreat where you will learn the tools to restore communication, renew your commitment, and rekindle the Joy of your Sacrament!

**It is the perfect gift for your spouse on this Thanksgiving**

**Join us NOVEMBER 16-16, 2025**  
at St. Bernard Abbey in Cullman, Alabama

For more info: [wwme.org](http://wwme.org)  
or Call: **Frank & Kathryn 205-530-3607**

For more info visit the website: <https://wwme.org/>

### **MOTHER OF CHRIST ALTAR GUILD MEETING**

The Mother of Christ Altar Guild will meet **every second Monday** of the month. Next meeting is **Monday, November 10th**, at 11:30 a.m. in the church. For more information, please contact Angie Cacioppo, President (205) 281 1901; or email to Bernadette McFerrin, Secretary at [bmcf3608@bellsouth.net](mailto:bmcf3608@bellsouth.net)

### **SAINT ALOYSIUS MEN'S SOCIETY**

The Saint Aloysius Men's Society will meet every second Monday of the month. Next meeting is Monday **October 13th, at 6:30 p.m.** in the church. All men of the parish are welcome. For more information, please call Charles Ellis, President (205) 365 5896, or Jim Galloway, Vice President (205) 516 1645.

### **PARISH STEWARDSHIP**

Parish Stewardship 2025				
Sunday, Nov. 2				
Fund	Online Giving	Sunday Collection	Total By Fund	YTD
General Fund	551.00	4,809.53	5,360.53	278,264.47
Building Fund	565.00	1,620.50	2,185.50	78,419.26
Parish School of Religion	0.00	35.00	35.00	15,759.51
Total	1,116.00	6,465.03	7,581.03	372,443.24
Total given this week: <b>\$7,581.03</b>				

Sunday, November 9th, 2025

**From the Gospel according to JOHN 2:13-22**

### **'My Father's House Vs Market Place'!!!**

Today we celebrate the feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome. In the first reading from The Book of Ezekiel we have the vision of 'waters of life' that flows from the sanctuary of the Temple. Sanctuary is the source of life. This water flows like a river and on the banks, we have fruit trees of every kind. It's fruits serve for food and the leaves for medicine. As it merges into the sea, it makes the salt water fresh! The Temple/Sanctuary is the source of life.

In the second reading, St. Paul makes it clear that we are the temple of God and the Holy Spirit dwells within us. As the temple of God, we are Holy.

In the Gospel Jesus is trying to differentiate between the Father's House and a marketplace. In the marketplace the mode of activity is buying. The general nature of any marketplace or mart would be: 'what can I buy', 'what would be my profit' etc. Where as, in a 'house', the family members would be competing as to 'what/ how much more can I give?' In a house the mode of activity is giving. The house/ family is based on love. Love is the base of giving in the house and so there is no question of gain or profit in the house. The peak point of this giving out of love, is self giving/ self emptying.

Jesus is claiming that His body is a house. It is full of love and is engaged in the activity of giving. The peak of His giving is the Cross: giving Himself completely for us. He is ready to sacrifice His body for love of us.

By the very act of cleaning the Jerusalem temple, Jesus is inviting every one of us to clean ourselves. We have to examine ourselves: 'What is the mode of our activities: profit or giving?' What is the mode of our spirituality: that of a marketplace or of a house? We must return from the marketplace-spirituality to a

spirituality of Father's House; where there is only giving out of love.

As Jesus did, and as St. Paul teaches us, let us keep our bodies as the Temple of God, dwelling place of the Holy Spirit. Let us try our best to give (out of love) not expecting anything in return. So that, the Loving God may reward us in abundance!

God may dwell in us all, Amen

Father Reju Pynadath J.

### **NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:**

**November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**1st Reading** Malachi 4: 1-2a

**Psalms** 98: 5-6, 7-8, 9

**Second** Second Thessalonians 3: 7-12

**Alleluia:** Luke 21: 28

**Gospel:** Luke 21: 5-19

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAYS**



November 10 . . . Taylor Shourds Woods, Brigitte

Wright, Ella Jones, Michael Jones, Steve Graham

November 11 . . . Tonya Troncalli, Sebastian Bohannon,

Melissa Clifton

November 12 . . . Sandy Miranda, Mary Curry,

Lindsey Cobb, Santiago Serrano

November 13 . . . Scott Alley

November 14 . . . Joan Dawson, Alexandra Farias

November 15 . . . Myra Antonio, Torey Stanley,

Paul Boykin

November 16 . . . Tony Antonio, Jenny Antonio,

Patricia Luna

### **WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**



**Congratulations on your  
Wedding Anniversary**



November 10 \* **John and Denise Rozas**

November 12 \* **Mike and Alison Tomberlin**

November 16 \* **Mike and Debbie Renta**





# Food drive

*Holy Family Altar Guild and Parish Council are sponsoring a food drive to benefit the Catholic Center of Concern, Guadalupe Missionary Sisters, and Multicultural Services of Greene County of Birmingham Dioceses.*

**We will have green reusable grocery bags, feel free to take one and fill it with non-perishable food items, but mostly cans of green beans and corn; and bring your donations back to the church.**

*Please take one tote bag per family.*



**Donations will be accepted through Sunday, November 30, 2025.**

*Thank you for your support!*





Please join the combined  
**St. Aloysius Church Choirs**  
(English, Spanish and Indian)  
in a festive and joyous Concert  
of both sacred and secular  
Christmas Music.

Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup>,  
at 6:00 PM.

*We hope to see you all*