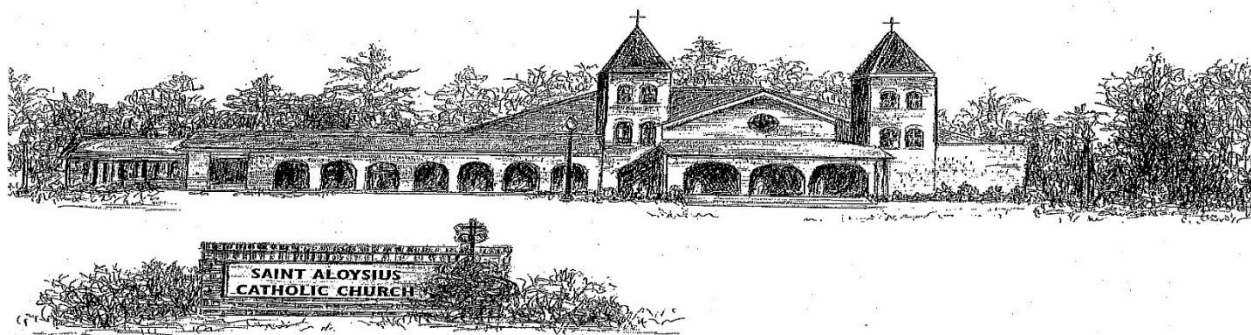




Saint Aloysius Catholic Parish

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Sunday, August 30th, 2026

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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	
<u>The Oaks on Parkwood</u> Jean Sullivan Rudy Cooper	
<u>Encompass Rehabilitation Center</u> 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@staloyusiuscc.org

MILITARY PRAYER LIST

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

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

Call the Church Office at 205-424-2984 or send an e-mail to info@staloyusiuscc.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

AUGUST 30 – SEPTIEMBRE 5 († = Deceased)		
Sunday 9:30am	August 30	† William Clowdus
Monday 6:30pm	August 31	Miguel Jimenez
Tuesday 12 Noon	September 1	† Renea Mareno † Len Gavin
Wednesday 12 Noon	September 2	† Janie & Roy Latino
Thursday 12 Noon	September 3	† Rowena Wiley Walker
Friday 12 Noon	September 4	Camille Owens family
Saturday 4:30pm	September 5	(BD) Aaron Gavin

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.

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 is taking a summer break from practicing on Wednesday nights. The choir will resume Wednesday night practice on **September 9th**. Anyone interested in joining the choir can contact Paula Clowdus (205) 382 0845, or 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.

Anyone who wishes to pray the Rosary is always welcome.

EUCCHARISTIC 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.

*All are welcome to spend time before
Our Lord in the Most Holy Eucharist.*

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

VOLUNTEER FAITH FORMATION TRAINING

The Diocese is offering a faith formation training session for anyone interested in volunteering to teach or assist with classes for our parish. The training will take place on **Saturday, September 19, 2026**, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church in Hoover.

Whether by offering your time or sharing your talents, you will make a significant difference in the lives of our children.

More information in the attached flyer.

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

A sign-up sheet will be available in the foyer for parents who wish to register their children for **First Communion** or **Confirmation**.

If you feel called to serve, we encourage you to sign up; we need volunteers to make these initiatives a reality.

EXPLORE THE CATHOLIC FAITH: RCIA 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 RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) classes. RCIA 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.

Classes are held every Tuesday from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m., starting on September 1st.

Whether you are considering becoming Catholic, preparing to receive the Sacraments, or simply curious about the Catholic faith, all are welcome! Contact the church office, 205-424-2984, for further information.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Parish Stewardship August 23:	
Weekly Budget Needs:	\$10,070.00
Donations:	\$8,769.55
Difference:	-\$1,300.45

Please keep the accessible entrance clear; do not park in the driveway during Masses

Thank you.

Sunday, August 30th, 2026

Twenty- Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

From the Gospel according to Matthew 16:21-27

Jesus began to show his disciples
that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer greatly
from the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes,
and be killed and on the third day be raised.
Then Peter took Jesus aside and began to rebuke him,
"God forbid, Lord! No such thing shall ever happen
to you."

He turned and said to Peter,
"Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle to me.
You are thinking not as God does, but as human
beings do."

Then Jesus said to his disciples,
"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny
himself, take up his cross, and follow me.
For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it,
but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.
What profit would there be for one to gain the
whole world and forfeit his life?
Or what can one give in exchange for his life?
For the Son of Man will come with his angels in his
Father's glory,
and then he will repay all according to his
conduct."

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/word-of-the-day/2026/08/30.html>

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:

September 6th, 2026, Sunday

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Ezekiel 33: 7-9

Psalm: Psalms 95: 1-2, 6-7, 8-9

Second: Romans 13: 8-10

Alleluia: Second Corinthians 5: 19

Gospel: Matthew 18: 15-20

WORDS OF SYMPATHY

The parish community extends its condolences and prayers to the family of **Nancy Franklin**, an 80-year-old, of Hueytown, who passed away on Thursday, August 13, 2026. She was preceded in death by her husband, Jim, and her mother, Barbara Fisher. She is survived by her children, Susan Dempsey, Chris Franklin, and Kim McCoy; her grandchildren, Carlie, Jack, Tessa, and Sydney; and her great-grandson, Barrett. Nancy graduated from Bessemer High School in 1964 and attended the University of Alabama. She was a parishioner of St. Aloysius Catholic Church in Bessemer. *Please keep this family in your prayers.*

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

September 1 . . . Oscar Velazquez

September 2 . . . Maribel Moreno

September 3 . . . Lisa Land, Julia R. Neely

September 4 Buster Antonio

September 5 Aaron Gavin



May God's blessings fill
your life with joy, peace,
and endless love today
and always."

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES



Congratulations on your
Wedding Anniversary



August 28 * **Joe and Beth Russo**

September 1 * **Jim and Diane Thomas;**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIRST SATURDAY OF ADORATION

First Saturday Adoration will be held on **Saturday, September 5th**, from 4:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

All parishioners are invited to spend time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

Those who are able to commit to a specific hour are encouraged to sign up on the schedule board in the vestibule (narthex). Parishioners who wish to attend without prior sign-up are warmly welcome.

FREE SUNDAY BREAKFAST OF THE MONTH

The monthly Sunday breakfast will be held on **Sunday, September 13**, this time. Everyone is cordially invited to join us in the parish hall immediately after Mass. We look forward to sharing this time of fellowship with you.

PARISH CARE LIST UPDATE

We are updating our parish list of the homebound, sick, and shut-in, as well as parishioners residing in nursing homes, retirement homes, or assisted living facilities. If you have any names to add or remove, please stop by the parish office or send an email to info@stalloysiuscc.org. Your help ensures that our community members receive the prayer, support, and pastoral care they deserve.

TRIP TO CHARLESTON, SC

We are organizing a group bus trip to beautiful **Charleston, South Carolina**, from October 5 to 9, 2026.

If you are interested in participating or would like more details, please contact us for additional information.

Joe Lovoy (205) 230 1127, (205) 477 9443

Marie Swift (205) 960 2029, (205) 956 6323.

Everyone is welcome!