



Saint Aloysius Catholic Parish

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

Tuesday – Thursday, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm (closed for lunch, Noon – 12:30 pm)

Sunday November 24th, 2024

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

ADMINISTRATOR

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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 (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:

OUR SICK
Robert Geisen Gloria McDaniel Kathleen Jones Joe Wright

HOMEBOUND SICK AND SHUT-IN	
Bernardine Chiarella Nancy Franklin 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> 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

MILITARY PRAYER LIST

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

<u>AIR FORCE</u> Daniel K. Hicks Shea Hicks James McKinney Lance Rosser Gabriel Petix	<u>ARMY</u> Blake Seidel Brandan Engel Luke Thomas Joseph R. Chiarella José Emmanuel García Kristopher Snelling
<u>U.S. INTELLIGENCE</u> Daniel Thomas Dulce Rivera	

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

MASS INTENTIONS

NOVEMBER 26 – DECEMBER 1ST († = Deceased)		
Tuesday	12 Noon	November 26 (S) Ronnie Gladney
Wednesday	12 Noon	November 27 (BD) Vickie Gavin
Thursday	12 Noon	November 28 Jackie Mareno
Friday	12 Noon	November 29 † Todd Sloan
Saturday	4:30pm	November 30 (S) Kathleen Jones (BD) Debbie Ray
Sunday	9:30am	December 1 † Charlene Mareno † 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 the Mass Intention, under Mass Stipends.

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. Anyone who wants to pray the Rosary is invited.

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.

ALOYSIUS CHOIR PRACTICES

Psalm 89 vs 2

The favors of the LORD I will sing forever, through all generations my mouth shall proclaim your faithfulness.

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**

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

December 1st, 2024

First Sunday of Advent

1st Reading Jeremiah 33:14-16

Psalms 25: 4-5, 8-9, 10, 14

Second First Thessalonians 3:12 — 4:2

Alleluia Psalms 85: 8

Gospel Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

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

Gabriel Lopez

Phillip Galloway

Eddie Blanco

Kellie Whitson

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS

Gloria McDaniel, Chairperson

Mike Snelling, Vice Chairperson

Ray Mernaugh, Secretary

MINISTRIES CONTACT PERSON

Mother of Christ Altar Guild

Diane McDowell (205) 902 5468

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

EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTER'S MANDATORY TRAINING

We would be having a One Hour Training for all (Existing & Aspiring) Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. This training is Mandatory for all, and is valid for Three years.

Make up day:

December 7, Saturday

Time: 5:30- 6:30 PM.

Training would be held in our Church.

All are welcome!!!

HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE

St. Aloysius along with **Holy Family Altar Guild** will be sponsoring a food drive for the Holiday Season!

We will have reusable grocery bags to bring your donations back to church. Please take one tote bag per family. Donations will be accepted through **Sunday,**

December 9.

Thank you for your support!



CHRISTMAS CONCERT

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.

The concert is **Saturday, December 14th at 6:00 PM.**

We hope to see you all there!



IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday, December 9th

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Solemnity (Holy Day of Obligation)

12 Noon Holy Mass (English)

6:00 pm Holy Mass (English)

7:30 pm Holy Mass (Spanish);

Thursday, December 12th

Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast

12 Noon Holy Mass (English)

4:30 pm Car procession

(meet at 4pm at Bessemer Civic Center)

Blessing of the cars.

7:00 pm Holy Mass (Spanish)

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John 18: 33-37
CHRIST: THE KING OF UNIVERSE

Today is the last Sunday in the Ordinary time of liturgical calendar. This Sunday we celebrate the Feast of our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. Today's Gospel passage opens with the question of Pilate "Are you the king of Jews?" And he himself gives the answer to his own question in Jn 19:19 "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews."

Today's feast invites us to profess our stand: Who is your king? And just like Pilate, we all should be having clear answer to this question of ours. Whether we know it or not, our answer to this question is already public! It is publically visible to all (through our way of life), just like the inscription on the cross!

The chief priests and the Jewish people handed Jesus over to Pilate whereby they denounced Jesus' Kingship. They denounced Jesus for political gain. Do I denounce Jesus for anything else? Whenever I give more preference to my partner and children (Family) than Jesus, I am denouncing Jesus and having partner and children as my king.

If I am more concerned about securing a better future, earning more wealth; then my profession and wealth become my king!

If I am more interested in my own pleasure and leisure or health and beauty, then I push Jesus to a second place.

Handing over Jesus to Pilate makes it clear that they disown Jesus. My lifestyle will prove whether I own or disown Jesus as my king. If Jesus is my true and real king, then that Kingship will affect my way of life.

May the king of universe be our King and give us peace on earth,
Amen

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

We celebrate those who are present, and we remember in prayer those who have gone ahead ☩.

- November 25 Mary Christiansen, Susannah Goolsby, Nallely Landaverde
- November 26 Rod McFerrin, Carol Boykin, Stephen Weber
- November 27 Dixie Lenseigne, Vickie Gavin
- November 28 Fonza Smith, Daphne Holdridge, Atzel Zamora, Ramiro Alcantara, Mauricia Romero, David Angel
- November 29 Greg Brooks, Brent Brooks, Brianna Rodriguez, Mayra Flores, Alejandro Arellano, Maria de Jesus Galera
- November 30 Anthony Rupert, Juan Gonzalez, Jaquelin Alvarado Herrera, Ivan Ramirez

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

We celebrate those who are present, and we remember in prayer those who have gone ahead ☩.

David and Frances Sanders November 25

WORDS OF SYMPATHY

The Parish Community extends prayerful sympathy to the family of Renea Mareno, age 81, of Bessemer, Alabama, passed away peacefully on November 6, 2024, with her husband, Anthony Mareno and family by her side. They were married for 58 years. Please keep this family in your prayers.

Also, our Parish Community extends prayerful sympathy to the family of Charlene Mareno, who passed away. Please keep Jackie Mareno in your prayers.

ONLINE GIVING LINK

You can make your contribution at www.osvhub.com. This requires you to have an available email address.

You can also give via Text Message to (205)708-0221. Please call the office for assistance.

PARISH STEWARSHIP

Parish Stewardship 2024				
Sunday - Nov 17				
Fund	Online Giving	Sunday Collection	Total By Fund	Jan - Nov
General Fund	825.00	4,052.80	4,877.80	\$ 277,928.93
Building Fund	540.00	10,710.43	11,250.43	\$ 98,021.40
Parish School of Religion	110.00	417.00	527.00	\$ 15,987.36
	1,475.00	15,180.23	\$16,655.23	\$391,937.69
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NINE CONSECUTIVE NIGHT VIGILS

October 2024

Pope's urgent call for Fasting & Prayers:

Pope Francis invited the entire humanity to be united in prayers and fasting for the peace in the world. Pope Francis explicitly requested prayers for an end to the war in the Middle East, specifically calling for a day of prayer and fasting on October 7th, marking the one-year anniversary of the Hamas attack on Israel, to invoke peace through the intercession of the Virgin Mary.

The pope's call for prayers is primarily focused on the ongoing conflict between Israel and Hamas in the Gaza strip. Pope says that "in this dramatic hour of our history, while the winds of war and the fires of violence continue to devastate entire peoples and Nations," the Christian community is reminded of its call to, Pope says, "I ask everyone to take part in a day of prayer and fasting for peace in the world."

We join together to pray for the victims of natural calamities, especially in Florida. And we pray for peace in our country and everywhere in the world.

With all these Special Intentions we would be having NIGHT VIGIL

*Services for the upcoming NINE Consecutive Fridays,
starting with October 18 through December 13.*

*We will start with Holy Mass in English at 6:30 p.m.,
Adoration, Recite Four complete Rosaries (English, Spanish and Latin)
and conclude with Holy Mass in Spanish at 12:05 a.m.*

All are welcome.

Let us do some real Sacrifice and Penance for the World Peace!

