

Saint Aloysius Catholic Parish

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Office Hours: Monday and Friday, 9:00 am – Noon

Tuesday – Thursday, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm (closed for lunch, Noon – 12:30 pm)

OCTOBER 29, 2023

Sunday Thirtieth Sunday in ordinary Time

ADMINISTRATOR

Rev. Reju Pynadath Johny Office: 205 424 2984
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PASTORAL ASSOCIATE & DIRECTOR of RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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CHURCH OFFICE

(e-mail: info@staloyusiuscc.org) 205 424 2984

HISPANIC COORDINATORS

Gabriel Lopez 205 434 7169
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WEEKEND EUCHARIST

Saturday 4:30 p.m.
Sunday 8:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.
Sunday 12:00 p.m. (Spanish)

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST

Monday (Father celebrates his 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

Please contact Patricia Rector in the Church Office for Baptismal Preparation (English) & Hispanic Coordinator for Spanish.

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**

Deacon Walter Henderson	Joanne Lape	Walter Henderson
Mike Wheeler	Baby Banks	Roger Ballard
Louis Hussey	Mary Curry	Billy Jones
Stephen Earwood	Allene Armstrong	Linda Miller
Lance & Megan Rosser	Susan Melton	Dolores Carroll
Marty Drake	Gloria	Bobby Livingood
Becky Colpack	Mary Simonetti	Bonnie Sealy
	Vicki Whitley	Ann Lane
		Pam Davidson

HOMEBOUND SICK AND SHUT-IN

Bernardine Chiarella	Dot Herald
Nancy Franklin	Charlene Mareno
Robert Wilson	Caroline Tamburello
Sue Nielsen	Stephen Tate
Robert Vincent	Marilyn West
John V. Jones Jr.	Jerri Jones
Meredith Jones	

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@stalloysiuscc.org

NURSING / RETIREMENT HOMES / ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENTS

<u>The Oaks on Parkwood</u>	<u>Plantation Manor</u>
Rudy Cooper	Claudia Charme
Jean Sullivan	<u>Baron House</u>
	Nella Globetti



MILITARY PRAYER LIST

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

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

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

MASS INTENTIONS

 October 31 – November 3 († = Deceased) 		
Tuesday 12:00 Noon	October 31	(S) Tina Artale
Wednesday 12 Noon	November 1	(S) Tina Artale
Thursday 12:00 Noon	November 2	† Thomas Hammet
Friday 10:30AM	November 3	All Souls in the Purgatory (S) Winifred Bratton
Saturday 4:30pm	November 4	† Elizabeth Williams † All Souls †
Sunday 8:30am	November 5	† All Souls †
10:00am		† All Souls †

NOTE FROM THE OFFICE: MASS INTENTIONS

Mass intentions are received weekly during office hours by phone, email or by completing an office form and dropping it into the Narthex drop box.

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.

CHILDREN'S OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Saint Aloysius Parish offers children's offertory envelopes for those families who wish them. They are available after the weekend Masses in the Ministries Office or during the week in the Church Office.

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.

SAINT ALOYSIUS ROSARY GROUP

A group of parishioners (men and women) meet on **Thursdays** during Adoration from **11:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** to pray the Rosary. Anyone who wants to pray the Rosary is invited. October is the month of the Rosary.

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, Chairperson
Vickie Gavin, Vice Chairperson
Michael Tomberlin, Secretary
Gabriel Lopez
Phillip Galloway
Eddie Blanco
Kelly Whitson
Yolanda Ruiz

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) 491 7931
Holy Family Altar Guild
Heather Lawley (205) 410 3757
Knights of Columbus
Anthony Rupert (205) 428 6600
Men's Society
Charles Ellis (205) 365 5896
Music Ministry
Paula Clowdus (205) 382 0845

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

TUESDAY October 31, Bilingual Mass 6:30 pm. Follow by a procession, we all are invited to dress up as a Saint. No Mass @ 12 Noon. Candy donations are welcome!!! Bring them to the office by October 29.

WEDNESDAY November 1st & THURSDAY November 2nd:
12 Noon Mass,
7:00pm Spanish Mass.

FRIDAY November 3rd. First Friday
NO Mass at 12 Noon
Night Vigil. Adoration starts 6:30PM,
follow by Mass at 8:30PM, and then 12:15AM

FIRST SATURDAY ADORATION November 4
4:30AM – 4:00PM

NO MASS FROM TUESDAY – FRIDAY NOVEMBER 7 - 10

CLEANING DAY

Volunteers are needed to clean the pews and kneelers, for Saturday, **November 11, from 8:30a.m. – 12 Noon.** For more information or to volunteer, please contact Paula Clowdus at (205)382 0845.

CHURCH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

We are very excited to announce that it's time for a New Church Directory. It will contain color portraits of all the families along with a membership roster. **The photography sessions will be November 13 through November 18.** Weekdays: 2:00 pm - 8:30 pm; Saturday: 10:00 am – 4:30 pm. We need volunteers, sign up in the office. Thank you for your support.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY ALBUM WILL NOT BE COMPLETE WITHOUT YOU!!

NOVEMBER MONTH DEVOTED TO THE DEPARTED SOULS (ALL SOULS DAY)

As usual, the office will be happy to collect the mass Intentions from you all for All Souls' Day. Please feel free to give the names of your deceased love ones as soon as possible, to distribute those names through all weekend masses in the month of November. You can submit the names in writing to the office or by email them at: info@staloysiusccc.org

THANK YOU NOTE FROM JOINER

We would like to thank everyone for the kind cards, thoughts and prayers in memory of our grandson Jordan Lewis.

From the Joiner (Jerry & Janie)

NOVEMBER 29, 2023 HALLOWEEN

2,000 years back there lived a group of people called Celts in the present Ireland and northern France. They celebrated their new year on November 1st. For them it marked the end of summer and the beginning of winter. They associated this time of the year with human death. And they believed that on the night before the new year the boundary between the world of the living and the world of the dead became blurred. This previous night was celebrated as Samhain, and it was believed that the ghosts of the dead returned to the earth that night. In the Celtic tradition a bonfire would be lit, sweets would be prepared, and costumes would be worn to ward off evil spirits. This is the story about 2000 years back!

By A.D. 43, the Roman Empire had conquered the majority of the Celtic territory. Romans commemorated the 'passing of the dead' in late October. During their rule for 400 years the Romans combined their commemoration of the dead with the traditional Celtic celebration of Samhain.

Meanwhile Catholic Church started to influence the entire world through Roman Imperial rule and missionary efforts. On May 13, A.D. 609, Pope Boniface IV dedicated the Pantheon (a monumental Dome in Rome) in honor of all Christian Martyrs and started to celebrate the Feast of All Martyrs on that day. Later, Pope Gregory III included the memorial of All Saints to this Feast and moved it from May 13th to November 1st when he dedicated a Chapel at the Vatican in honor of all Saints. In 837 Pope Gregory IV ordered its general observance in the Universal Church.

The earliest Catholic Missionaries never attempted to uproot the local traditions, culture and festivities. Instead, they Christianized all the local traditions. By the 9th century the Christianity spread into Celtic lands and christianized their celebrations and traditions. In A.D. 1000, the Church made November 2nd All Souls Day and thus Christianized the Celtic Samhain!.

All-Saints Day (November 1st) celebration was also called All-hallows or All-hallowmas (from Middle English "Alhallowmesse" meaning All Saints Day) and the night before it, the Celtic Samhain night, began to be called All-Hallows Eve, and eventually, Halloween. "Hallow" means Saint and so Halloween is a Holy Evening where the Catholics remember and honor the Holy departed souls. This evening marked the beginning of "Allhallowtide," the time in Liturgical Year dedicated to remembering the dead, including Saints (Hallows), Martyrs and all the faithful departed.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

November 5th 2023, Thirty-First Sunday in ordinary Time

1st Reading Malachi 1: 14b - 2: 2b, 8-10

Psalms 131: 1, 2, 3

2nd Reading First Thessalonians 2: 7b-9, 13

Gospel Matthew 23: 1-12

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

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

October 30 . . . Carrie Radice, Shirley Artale, Amy Cruz

October 31 . . . Cindy Galloway

November 1 . . . Frances Tucker, Amber Butler

November 2 . . . Gloria McDaniel, Taylor Land, Chris

Nichols, Matt Herring, Guadalupe

Vasquez Alvarez

November 3 . . . Mary Jones, Lillian Walker

November 4 . . . Fran Kornegay, Eric Donaldson, Robert Hathcock

November 5 . . . David Rosas, Virginia McClusky

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is held on **Tuesdays through Fridays at 11:30 a.m.** All are welcome to pray the Rosary before mass begins.

WORDS OF SYMPATHY

The Parish Community extends prayerful sympathy to the family of Jordan Lewis, grandson of Jerry & Jeanie Joiner. Please keep this family in your prayers.

WORDS OF SYMPATHY

The Parish Community extends prayerful sympathy to the family of Kathryn Szafransky, who is survived by her daughter Victoria Hathcock, and other members of the family. Please keep this family in your prayers.

<u>Parish Stewardship</u>				
Sunday - October 22				
Fund	Online Giving	Sunday Collection	Month To Date	Month To Date
Offertory	\$ 1,811.00	\$ 3,630.00	\$ 24,378.83	\$ 70,583.22
Building Fund	\$ 625.00	\$ 555.00	\$ 6,975.58	\$ 38,318.65
Parish School of Religion	\$ 60.00	\$ -	\$ 2,292.00	\$ 7,535.75
	\$ 2,496.00	\$ 4,185.00	\$ 33,646.41	\$116,437.62
		\$6,681.00		



SATURDAY MASS
NOVEMBER 4TH



Tom Beard
Walter E. Manasco
Mary Elizabeth Hussey
William Louie Hussey
Barbara Jean Short

Stanley Henry Szafransky
Kathryn Manian Szafransky

Tate Metcalf
Janice Metcalf
Warren Hersey
Sophie Hersey
Fred Metcalf Sr.
Pauline Metcalf

Sam Renta
Virginia Renta
Walter Odom
Emma Odom
Kirk Houston

Philip Antonio
Natch & Rose Antonio
Buddy & Maxine Antonio
Chris & Lena Artale
Curren Family



SUNDAY MASS
NOVEMBER 5TH 8:30 AM

Louis Manzella
Marie Manzella
LeRoy Bush
Mary Bush
Lauren Marie Mancella
Steve Wilson
Gloria Carter

William J. Dawson
WM Lawrence Morrissey
Marion Morrissey
WM. J. Morrissey

Karen Snelling
C.B. & Jean Snelling
Ray & Billy Thompson
Teagan Cook
Tommy Thompson
Clarence & Ora Snelling
Fred & Helen Clay

David & Jewel Whitley
Cathie Barron
Monte Whitley
Hugh & Estelle Bryant
Joyce Carlin
Jan Carlin

Albert & Dolly Schober
Tilly Barnhill & Betty Hill
Matilda & John Lyons
Virginia & r John McMahon
Mary Virginia Thren
Sr. Mary Gentle
Father Regen
Bishop Foley



SUNDAY MASS
NOVEMBER 5TH 10:00 AM

Joseph Giardina
Rosalia Giardina
Agnes Adams

Sam Petix
Vincent Petix
Josephine Marino
Frank Marino
Lile Clowdus
Nancy Clowdus
Todd Chaney
Austin Chaney
Paul Hester

Family of Norman & Rose Marino
Family of Vincent & Marie Petix

Steve Wilson
Manzella Family
Wilson Family
Cacioppo Family
Mareno Family

Herman & Catherine McKinley
Jerry & Joan Higginbotham

Nash Allen Whitson
Gus Winstead
Inez & Richard Winstead
Bearnard LaRussa

Judi Hobbs
Pervy Wilson
Melleknee Wilson
Betty Toney
Lysandra Maddox
Bragan Ingle



FIRST FRIDAY - FIRST
SATURDAY COMMUNION
OF REPARATION



**URGENT CALL for
PRAYER and PENANCE**

**Everyone is invited to join us
this First Friday Mass and
Vigil and First Saturday
Devotion.
Hope to see you there!**



**SAINT ALOYSIUS
CATHOLIC PARISH**

**751 Academy Dr.
Bessemer, AL 35022
(205)424-2984**

NOVEMBER 3-4, 2023

- 6:30 pm** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Holy Rosary
30-Minute Talk
Holy Rosary
Consecration Prayers
Holy Rosary
- 8:30 pm** Reposition
First Friday Mass in Honor of the
Sacred Heart of Jesus
- 9:30 pm** Exposition
Nine Offices of the Sacred Heart
- 11:20 pm** Procession and Rosary
- 12: 00 am** Benediction and Reposition of the
Blessed Sacrament
Office of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 12:10 am** First Saturday Mass in Honor of the
Immaculate Heart of Mary



You are Cordially Invited!

Her Choice Birmingham Women's Center Fundraising Banquet

Thursday, November 9, 2023 7:00 PM.

We are Extending the Footprint of Life to embrace
every human life.

Please, make your reservation now, consider hosting a table of eight, or make a life-saving donation. There is no cover charge to attend but an appeal will be made to help support this work of mercy and hope. Her Choice Birmingham Women's Center, the only Pregnancy Help Center in Birmingham proper, exists to help women facing a crisis pregnancy to choose life, and to help support them with that decision. Her Choice also offers post-abortion recovery services.

The Club

1 Robert S. Smith Drive, Birmingham, AL 35209

Keynote, Attorney Jor-El Godsey

President of Heartbeat International

To register or donate: 205.447.879 · hcbanquet@herchoicebirmingham.org
www.herchoicebirmingham.org · 2120 7th Ave. South, Birmingham, Al 35233





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We are very excited to announce that it's time for a New Church Directory. It will contain color portraits of all the families along with a membership roster.

Each family that is photographed and selects a pose, will receive Absolutely Free:

**An 8x10 Portrait of Directory Pose, and
A Church Family Album featuring all participating families.**

There is absolutely NO OBLIGATION to purchase portraits. If you choose to order portraits, you will receive top quality studio work at competitive prices without any kind of a sitting charge.

Do you know all fellow members by name? Are there families whom you do not know? Your Directory Committee feels that this full color Church Family Album will help you to know each other better and build stronger unity and closer fellowship.

SAVE THE DATE!

The photography sessions will be **November 13 – 18,**

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Saturday: 10:00 am – 4:30 pm

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We need volunteers, sign up in the office.
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GREAT NEWS

Rejoice and thank God St Aloysius...

We received the written permission to go ahead with the construction of the St Aloysius Parish Hall, from the Bishop's office. Parish Hall will be build next to the Church and close by the soccer field. It will be a total of 4000/sq. ft. area. Once we get the "Building Permit" are plan to do it in six months.

We have already opened a new Building Fund account. Please designate all your donations / contributions to "Building Fund" and it all will be Tax Free.

