



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 April 13th, 2025

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

ADMINISTRATOR

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HISPANIC COORDINATORS

Gabriel Lopez 205 434 7169
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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

HOMEBOUNDED 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

APRIL 15 - APRIL 20 († = Deceased)		
Tuesday 12:00 Noon	April 15	NO MASS Chrism Mass at St. Paul
Wednesday 12 Noon	April 16	(SU) Debbie Snelling Hill Family
Thursday 6:00pm	April 17	Holy Thursday
Friday 6:00pm	April 18	Holy Friday
Saturday 7:00pm	April 19	EASTER VIGIL
Sunday 9:30am	April 20	SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

**There will be NO MASS on Tuesday, April 15th.
Father Reju will be attending to the Chrism Mass
at the Cathedral of St. Paul at 10:30am.**

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.

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.

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.

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 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.

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

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

MOTHER OF CHRIST ALTAR GUILD MEETING

The Mother of Christ Altar Guild will meet **every second Monday** of the month. Next meeting is **Monday, April 14th**, at 11:30 a.m. in the church.

SAINT ALOYSIUS MEN'S SOCIETY

The Saint Aloysius Men's Society will meet on **Monday, April 14th**, at **6:30 p.m.** in the church. All men of the parish are welcome. For more information, call Charles Ellis, (205) 365 5896, or Jim Galloway, (205) 516 1645.

CANDY DONATIONS

Candy donations are welcome!!! We are collecting candies and eggs for Easter Egg Hunt. Bring them to the office by Tuesday, **April 15**.

GREENE COUNTY MISSION TRIP

If you would like to volunteer on the *Mission Trip* from **April 26th to May 2nd**, (one day or the whole week), excluding Sunday, April 27th, please contact Charles Ellis (205) 365 5896.

HOLY THURSDAY OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Thursday, April 17th

6:00 p.m. English Mass

8:00 pm Spanish Mass

Adoration to follow the 6:00 pm Mass in the Day Chapel and ending at 6:00 am Friday

FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Friday, April 18th * No Stations at 12:00 Noon*

1:00 pm Spanish Liturgical Service

2:30pm Live Way of the Cross (Spanish)

6:00 pm English Liturgical Service

EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT

Saturday, April 19th Blessing of Holy Water and Candles.

(You may bring water and candles to be blessed)

7:00 p.m. Easter Vigil in English

9:00 p.m. Easter Vigil in Spanish

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Sunday, April 20th

9:30am English Mass. **Easter Egg Hunt** to follow this Mass

11:00 a.m. Spanish Mass

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Start Date: Good Friday April 18, 2025

End Date: Saturday April 26, 2025

SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY 2:45PM Divine Mercy Chaplet & Prayers with Adoration (Bilingual)

Sunday, April 13th, 2025
Words of the Holy Father

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

From the Gospel according to Luke 22:14 - 23:56

On Calvary, two ways of thinking collided. In the Gospel, the words of the crucified Jesus are in sharp contrast with the words of those who crucified him. The latter keep saying: (...) Save yourself. This is the constant refrain of the world that crucified the Lord. Let us think about it. Against this self-centered mindset is God's way of thinking. The mantra "save yourself" collides with the words of the Savior who offers his self. Like his adversaries, Jesus speaks three times in today's Gospel (cf. vv. 34.43.46). Yet he did not claim anything for himself; indeed, he did not even defend or justify himself. He prayed to the Father and offered mercy to the good thief. One of his words, in particular, marked the difference with regard to the mantra "save yourself". He said: "Father, forgive them" (v. 34). let us gaze upon the crucified Lord. It is from his painful wounds, from the streams of blood caused by the nails of our sinfulness that forgiveness gushes forth. Let us look to Jesus on the cross and realize that greater words were never spoken: Father, forgive. Let us look to Jesus on the cross and realize that we have never been looked upon with a gentler and more compassionate gaze. Let us look to Jesus on the cross and understand that we have never received a more loving embrace. Let us look to the crucified Lord and say: "Thank you, Jesus: you love me and always forgive me, even at those times when I find it hard to love and forgive myself".

(Homily, Palm Sunday, St. Peter's Square, 10 April 2022)
[Gospel and Word of the Day - 13 April 2025 - Vatican News](#)

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

April 20th, 2025; Easter Sunday,
The Resurrection of the Lord

1st Reading Acts 10: 34a, 37-43

Psalms 118: 1-2, 16-17, 22-23

Second Colossians 3: 1-4 or

First Corinthians 5: 6b-8

Alleluia First Corinthians 5: 7b-8a

Gospel John 20: 1-9 or

Matthew 28: 1-10 or Luke 24: 13-35

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

April 14 . . . John Culver, Alfredo Caraveo

April 15 . . . Donna Wilson, Becky Colpack, Hawk

Andrzejewski, George Mugoya, Angel Alcantara

April 16 . . . Will Shourds, Carol Tate, Roger Ballard,

Jackie Higginbotham, Anthony Alesce

April 17 . . . Jessica Vines, Floyd Doss

April 18 . . . Carl McDaniel, Alma Aviles Cano

April 19 . . . Joseph Kornegay, Ana Gabriela Garcia

Araujo, Kevin Arellano, Anna Mareno,

April 20 . . . Karen Blanco, Gabriel Arellano, Luz del
Carmen Juarez

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

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

Congratulations on your Wedding Anniversary

April 16th * *Buster and JoAnne Antonio*

April 17 * *Jacob and Claire Scherzer*

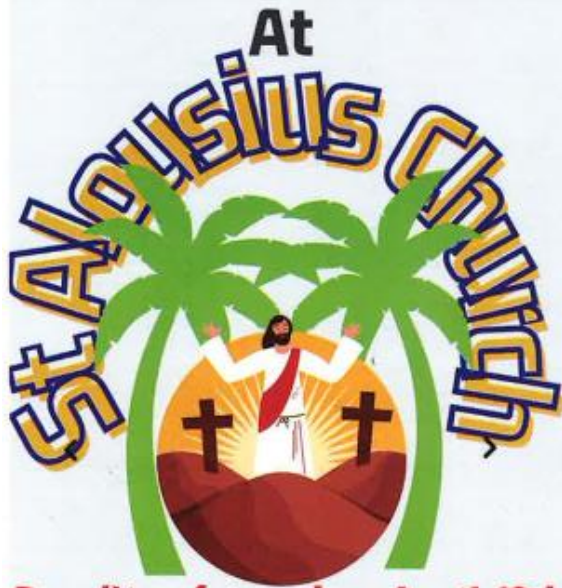
SECOND COLLECTION

The second collection this weekend is the monthly Parish School of Religion collection. Funds from this collection will take care of costs associated with Faith Formation classes in addition to ensuring the maintenance of our buildings.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Parish Stewardship 2025				
Sunday, April 6				
Fund	Online Giving	Sunday Collection	Total By Fund	YTD
General Fund	1,211.00	9,300.50	10,511.50	77,567.09
Building Fund	795.00	19,255.50	20,050.50	33,449.84
Parish School of Religion	25.00	45.00	70.00	3,633.91
Total	2,031.00	28,601.00	30,632.00	114,650.84
Total given this week: \$30,632.00				

G.R's Smokehouse



Deadline for orders April 13th
Pickup is Easter Sunday
April 20th 2025
at 10:30
in the parking lot

ONLINE ORDERING



MENU ONLINE



Smoked Salmon 1lbs \$26

G.R'S SMOKEHOUSE 205-881-7010

LOCAL BBQ DONE RIGHT

G. R's Smokehouse



Join us for your next meal. We get the juices flowing. BEST RIBS EVER! and Chicken, Salmon.

SLAB of BABY BACK RIBS \$35



Chicken Breast \$9



Jumbo Chicken Leg Quarter \$8

GREENE COUNTY MISSION TRIP – 2025

With the Guadalupan Missionary Sisters of the Holy Spirit

Participant Information

Name: _____ Age: _____

Parish (circle): St. Aloysius___ St. Mark___ St. Paul___ OLV___ St. Thomas___

St. Stephen___ Holy Rosary___ St. Peter___ POP___ Other _____

Family Participants: _____ Age: _____

_____ Age: _____

_____ Age: _____

T- Shirt Sizes - Small, _____ Med, _____ Large, _____ XL, _____ 2 XL _____

Communication: email _____

Address: _____

Cell Phone: _____

I am available to work: April 26 – May 2 excluding SUNDAY April 27

All Week: ___ Sat ___ Mon ___ Tues ___ Wed ___ Thurs ___ Fri ___

My Skills are:

Willing but limited: _____

Gifted but lack experience:

(A) Electrical _____ (B) Plumbing _____

(C) Roofing _____ (D) Carpenter _____

Skilled (explain) (A) Electrical _____

(B) Plumbing _____

(C) Roofing _____

(D) Carpenter _____

Return to: Charles Ellis

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