



## *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 March 16th, 2025** *Second Sunday of Lent*

### **ADMINISTRATOR**

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### **PASTORAL ASSOCIATE**

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### **CHURCH OFFICE**

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### **HISPANIC COORDINATORS**

Gabriel Lopez 205 434 7169  
Gabriel Arellano 205 765 2936

### **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:**

<b>OUR SICK</b>	
Robert Geisen Gloria McDaniel Kathleen Jones	

<b>HOMEBOUNDED SICK AND SHUT-IN</b>	
Bernardine Chiarella 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> Daniel K. Hicks Shea Hicks James McKinney Lance Rosser Gabriel Petix	<b><u>ARMY</u></b> Blake Seidel Brandan Engel Luke Thomas Joseph R. Chiarella José Emmanuel García Kristopher Snelling
<b><u>U.S. INTELLIGENCE</u></b> Daniel Thomas Dulce Rivera	

*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>MARCH 17<sup>th</sup> - MARCH 23<sup>rd</sup></b> († = Deceased)		
Monday (Private Mass)	March 17	† Viktoria Cobb St. Patrick's Day
Tuesday 12:00 Noon	March 18	Debora Turner
Wednesday 12 Noon	March 19	St. Joseph's Day
Thursday 12 Noon	March 20	(SU) Charles Tortorice
Friday 12 Noon	March 21	(S) Anthony Artale
Saturday 4:30pm	March 22	† Todd Sloan
Sunday 9:30am	March 23	† Paul LaRussa

**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.

**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

### **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

### **STATIONS OF THE CROSS (Every Friday)**

12 noon Holy Mass followed by Stations in March and April.

March 7th / March 28<sup>th</sup> (English) 12:00 Noon  
March 14th / April 4th (Indian) 6:45 P.M.  
March 21st / April 11<sup>th</sup> (Spanish) 7:00 P.M.

### **CONFESSIONS SATURDAY, APRIL 12th**

2:00 pm Talk by Priest from EWTN  
2:30 to 6:00 pm Confessions (English and Spanish)  
4:30 pm English Mass

### **PALM SUNDAY BLESSING OF THE PALMS**

#### **SATURDAY, APRIL 12TH**

4:30 p.m. Blessing of Palms and Mass (English)

#### **SUNDAY, APRIL 13TH** Blessing of the Palms

9:30 a.m. English Mass  
12:00 pm Spanish Mass

### **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 19<sup>th</sup>** 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**

9:30 a.m. 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, March 16th, 2025

**From the Gospel according to Luke**

Lk 9:28b-36

*Jesus took Peter, John, and James  
and went up the mountain to pray.  
While he was praying his face  
changed in appearance  
and his clothing became dazzling white.*

*And behold, two men were conversing with him,  
Moses and Elijah,  
who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus  
that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem.*

*Peter and his companions had been  
overcome by sleep,  
but becoming fully awake,  
they saw his glory and the two men  
standing with him.*

*As they were about to part from him,  
Peter said to Jesus,  
“Master, it is good that we are here;  
let us make three tents,  
one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.”*

*But he did not know what he was saying.  
While he was still speaking,  
a cloud came and cast a shadow over them,  
and they became frightened when they entered  
the cloud.*

*Then from the cloud came a voice that said,  
“This is my chosen Son; listen to him.”*

*After the voice had spoken,  
Jesus was found alone.  
They fell silent and did not at that time  
tell anyone what they had seen.*

**NEXT SUNDAY’S READINGS**

**March 23rd, 2025 \* Third Sunday of Lent**

**1st Reading Exodus 3: 1-8a, 13-15**

**Psalms 103: 1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11**

**Second First Corinthians 10: 1-6, 10-12**

**Verse Before the Gospel Matthew 4: 17**

**Gospel Luke 13: 1-9**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAYS**

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

March 17 . . . Mayra Barajas

March 18 . . . Brent Morris, Wilyn Lucas

March 19 . . . Monica Washington

March 20 . . . John Combs, Jr., Alison Tomberlin

March 22 . . . Andrew Farr, Abigail Arellano

March 23 . . . Daniel Spidle, Oscar Gonzalez

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

*Congratulations on your Wedding Anniversary*

March 17 \* *Johnny and Mary Curry*

March 20 \* *LTC Brian & Cathy Wittman*

March 20 \* *Paul and Carol Boykin*

*1 Corinthians 13:4-5*

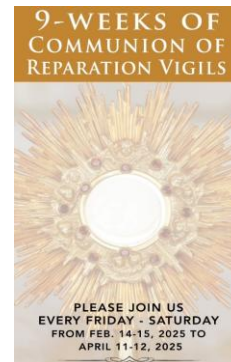
*“Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not  
boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not  
self-seeking, it is not easily angered, and it keeps no record  
of wrongs.”*

**REPARATION NOVENA VIGIL**

Adoration begins with a  
Holy Mass at **6:30pm.**

Every Friday until April 11<sup>th</sup>.

In light of the current  
global challenges and  
peace in the world,  
Our Lord and Our Lady  
urge us to respond to Their  
**URGENT CALL for  
PRAYER and PENANCE.**



**CEMETERY PLOTS AVAILABLE**

**(High Land Memorial Gardens)**

3115 18<sup>th</sup> Ave. North, Bessemer, AL 35020

We have four plots in the Highland Memorial Gardens Cemetery at the Catholic Section, near to the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes, available for sale.

They are lot – 69D SP 1, 2, 3 and 4.

If anyone is interested, please contact the church office at (205) 424 2984.

**PARISH STEWARDSHIP**

Parish Stewardship 2025				
Sunday - March 9				
Fund	Online Giving	Sunday Collection	Total By Fund	YTD
General Fund	1,661.00	6,374.25	8,035.25	55,736.19
Building Fund	840.00	273.00	1,113.00	12,779.34
Parish School of Religion	70.00	399.00	469.00	3,371.91
Total	2,571.00	7,046.25	9,617.25	71,887.44
Total given this week: <b>\$9,617.25</b>				