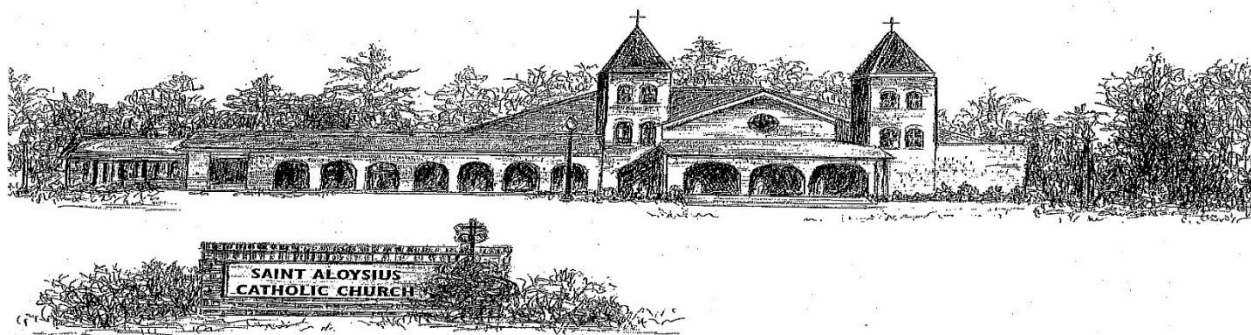




Saint Aloysius Catholic Parish

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Sunday, September 6th, 2026

Twenty-Third 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@staloyuscc.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@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

SEPTIEMBRE 6 – SEPTEMBER 12 († = Deceased)		
Sunday 9:30am	September 6	Kelly Jones † Aaron Goodwin
Monday 6:30pm	September 7	Melissa Jimenez
Tuesday 12 Noon	September 8	† Merrill Thompson
Wednesday 12 Noon	September 9	† Mary Vee Estes
Thursday 12 Noon	September 10	† Eugenia Batts
Friday 12 Noon	September 11	(S) Winifred Bratton
Saturday 4:30pm	September 12	(BD) Alice Sloan

*Sunday, September 13th, Donald A. Neely

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. For more information stop by the office.

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: OCIA 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 OCIA (The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) classes. OCIA 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 30:	
Weekly Budget Needs:	\$10,070.00
Donations:	\$4,932.00
Difference:	-\$5,138.00

September 6 th , 2026	
Families registered in the parish	274 / 500

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

Thank you.

Sunday, September 6th, 2026

Reflection

Scripture places love and truth together. Ezekiel is appointed as a watchman, responsible for hearing God's word and speaking it faithfully so that the sinner may turn from a destructive path. The psalm gives this responsibility its proper spirit: "If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts." Correction is meant to open a heart, not to condemn a person.

Jesus gives a careful path for addressing wrong: begin privately, then seek the help of others, and finally bring the matter to the Church. The purpose is clear—"you shall gain your brother." This is the love Paul describes, a love that does no evil and fulfills the law. Christian correction cannot be gossip, revenge, or public humiliation. It requires courage, humility, patience, and a willingness to listen. When hearts are resistant, the Church's discernment and prayer remain important, for Christ is present where even two or three gather in his name. In every difficult conversation, the question is whether our words are truly serving reconciliation.

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NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:

September 13th, 2026, Sunday

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Sirach 27: 30 - 28: 7

Psalms: Psalms 103: 1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12

Second: Romans 14: 7-9

Alleluia: John 13: 34

Gospel: Matthew 18: 21-35

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS



September 8 . . . Scott Woods

September 10 . . . Noel Rosas, John Virciglio

September 11 . . . Joe Russo, Nataly Perez

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOTHER OF CHRIST ALTAR GUILD MEETING

The Mother of Christ Altar Guild will meet every second Monday of the month. Next meeting is Monday, **September 14**, at 11:30 a.m. in the church. For more information, please contact Angie Cacioppo, President (205) 281 1901.

All meetings will begin at 11:30 a.m.

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.

INTERESTED IN FOOD, FRIENDSHIP AND GAMES?

There is a proposal to organize a monthly social gathering featuring a potluck-style meal after the noon Mass. If you are interested in participating, you will find a sign-up sheet in the church vestibule. Please indicate which day of the week works best for you and which games you prefer (cards, dominoes, backgammon, checkers, etc.); this will help determine if there is sufficient interest, as well as help decide the meeting day and which games will be offered. If you have any questions, please contact Paula Clowdus at 205-382-0845.

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@staloyusiuscc.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!