



## **Saint Aloysius Catholic Church**

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*The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)*

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### **HOLY DAYS**

Please check Parish Bulletin

### **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.

### **WEEKEND EUCHARIST**

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Sunday 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Sunday 1:00 p.m. (Spanish)

### **WEEKDAY EUCHARIST**

Monday No Mass

Tuesday 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday through Friday 8:30 a.m.

### **SUNDAY BULLETIN**

Deadline for new items Tuesday 3:00 p.m.

### **SACRAMENT of RECONCILIATION**

Saturday 3:30 – 4:00 p.m.

(or before and after daily Mass except Sunday)

### **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.

### **SACRAMENT of BAPTISM**

Please contact Stephanie Gerson in the Church Office for Baptismal Preparation.

### **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.

**GOSPEL REFLECTIONS: JOHN 6:1-15**

**❖ FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI ❖**

■ *The Catechism of the Catholic Church (1324-1327)* states that, “The Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life! All other sacraments and ecclesiastical ministries and apostolates are oriented to Eucharist. For in the Blessed Eucharist is contained the “whole spiritual good of the Church,” namely Christ Himself. Eucharist is the “Sum and Summary” of our faith.”

■ Saint John Paul II had declared a “Year of the Eucharist” and it was from October 2004 to October 2005. On that occasion, Pope exhorted the world to always keep in mind and pray, “Stay with us, Lord, for it is almost evening” (Luke 24:29). Jesus agreed to this prayer. He stays with us always in the “breaking of the bread.” It was this Lord who ‘explained’ the Scriptures to them and ‘opened their eyes’ to recognize Him. So children, up to the last moment of your life, don’t ever forget to pray “Stay with us Lord, for it is almost evening.”

■ We know that even Judas received communion from the Lord Himself. Jesus didn’t deny it! But we know what happened next. Thus Judas received the very first sacrilegious communion, according to Saint Paul, which makes the receiver “guilty of the blood.” In the Old Testament, ‘blood guilt’ is murder. So sacrilegious communion renders one guilty of murder.

■ Blessed Alexandrina da Costa lived for the last 13 years of her life only with Holy Eucharist. She died on October 13, 1955. Another servant of God, Flores de Jesús, better known as Lola, was born in Brazil in 1913 and died in 1999 at the age of 86. This servant of God, Lola, lived her last 60 years on the Eucharist alone. Martha Robin from France, who died at the age of 79 in 1981, lived only on the Holy Eucharist for the last 50 years of her life. So we all can live on the Holy Eucharist alone because it is love and life-giving love.

■ Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta, India is a real miracle of the Holy Eucharist. She said, “If we have our Lord in the midst of us, with daily Mass and Holy Communion, I fear nothing for my sisters nor for myself. Jesus will take care of us. But without Him I cannot be; I am helpless.” So dear friends, without worthy reception of the Holy Eucharist, you cannot be a child of God. So whenever possible, you should come for Mass and receive communion.

■ In today’s Gospel we see Jesus feeding more than five thousand people with five loaves and two fishes. The real hero in this miracle is the boy who gave those five loaves of bread and two fishes to the Lord. If at all this boy didn’t give it to the Lord, this miracle would not have taken place. If you expect any miracle from the Lord, then you should be ready to offer Him something. Without your offerings God cannot help you.

Sirach 35:6 reads, “Do not appear before the Lord empty-handed.”

Verse 35:10, “Be generous when you worship the Lord.”

Verse 35:12, “Give to the Most High as He has given to you.”

And verse 35:13, “For the Lord is the one who repays and He will repay you sevenfold.”

In Malachi 3:10, “Test me in this, says the Lord Almighty, and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it.”

So the Eucharist is a miracle God gives you depending upon your offerings to Him. Amen.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**June 18 – 26**

(† = Deceased)

- Saturday (4:30 p.m.) . . . . . † Sherman & Martha Venz
- Sunday (8:30 a.m.) . . . . . Carl Addison
- Sunday (11:00 a.m.) . . . . . Saint Aloysius Parishioners
- Monday . . . . . No Mass
- Tuesday (5:30 p.m.) . . . . . † Philip Antonio
- Wednesday . . . . . † Rosalie Giambrone
- Thursday . . . . . Carl McDaniel
- Friday . . . . . † Tillie Barnhill
- Saturday (4:30 p.m.) . . . . . Bernadette McFerrin
- Sunday (8:30 a.m.) . . . . . † Joe Simonetti
- Sunday (11:00 a.m.) . . . . . Saint Aloysius Parishioners

**CONFIRMATION**

Bishop Emeritus Robert Baker will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation at Saint Aloysius Parish on Thursday, June 30 at 6:00 p.m. in the Church. All are welcome.

**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS**

June 26 – 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21

Galatians 5:1, 13-18

Luke 9:51-62

**PLEASE PRAY FOR  
OUR SICK AND SHUT-IN**

Amy Russo

(Spain Rehab.)

**Recently Discharged From Hospital**

**Sick and Shut-in**

This list is intended for homebound members of Saint Aloysius Parish. Those from our parish recently discharged from the hospital will be listed for two weeks. Individuals outside our parish community may be placed on this list for a two-week period only. All the sick are remembered weekly in our General Intercessions.

**PARISH STEWARDSHIP**

	Last Week	Online Giving	Year-to- Date
Offertory	\$5,914.09	\$2,724.00	\$199,019.05
Building Fund	\$ 650.00	\$ 105.00	\$ 50,788.62
Sch. of Religion	\$ 658.40	\$ 390.00	

**SAINT ALOYSIUS MUSIC: A FEW NOTES**

Saturday 4:30 p.m. Masses will be spoken for the time being. Please follow along in the missalette for the Mass of Renewal in order to read aloud the Kyrie; Gloria; Holy, Holy; The Mystery of Faith; The Great Amen; and the Lamb of God. Due to our shortage of cantors at present, this seems a practical solution. As we continue to progress toward more normalcy, our hope is we will have additional cantors and choir members. Many thanks to our present cantors who are so diligent and generous. Please consider joining in music: choir, cantor or accompanist.

Eddie Allison	Ronnie George	Debbie Rupert
Myra Antonio	George Gerson	MaryAnna Schilleci
Ann Baker	John V. Jones, Jr.	Stanley Szafransky
George Bratton	Meredith Jones	Caroline
Joe Ciza	Carl McDaniel	Tamburello
Adeline Costabile	Ginger Russo	Steve Tate
Kathy Evans	Mosley	Powell Thompson
Jim & Nancy Franklin		Marilyn West

**Nursing & Retirement Homes, & Assisted Living**

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

**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).

*If you are or you know of someone on the shut-in list who's well enough to be removed from this list, please call the Church Office.*

**CHILDREN'S OFFERTORY ENVELOPES**

Saint Aloysius Parish offers boxed 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. Please sign the list by the number of the box that you receive so we can properly credit the children who contribute.

**NURSING HOME AND ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENTS**

If any parishioner knows of a nursing home or assisted living resident who is Catholic and is not on the above list, please call the Church Office.

**PARISH WEBSITE**

The weekly bulletin, monthly calendar, Online Giving link, religious education information, etc. are accessible on our parish website at [www.staloyuscc.org](http://www.staloyuscc.org). Scan from your smart phone for our Online Giving link:

**VISITING HOSPITALS, NURSING HOMES, AND HOMES**

Father Reju would be happy to visit the sick in hospitals and nursing homes if the person or family requests a visit. Father will also visit parishioners in their home with communion or hear confessions. Call the Church Office to schedule an appointment.

**SICK, SHUT-IN, AND NURSING HOME RESIDENTS**

If a lay minister is not visiting you on a regular basis, please call the Church Office so we can make the proper arrangements.



You can also give via Text Message to 205-708-0221.

### **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**

Randy Clowdus, Chairperson  
Eddie Blanco, Vice Chairperson  
Secretary (position to be filled)  
Micha McMeans  
Phillip Galloway  
Patricia Rector  
Vickie Gavin  
Chris Waits

### **PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Jim Keyes, Chairperson  
Mike Snelling, Vice Chairperson  
Sharon Weathers, Secretary

### **FEAST DAYS FOR THIS WEEK**

*June 19:* The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

*June 21:* Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious

*June 22:* Saint Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; Saints John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs

*June 23:* The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist

*June 24:* The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

*June 25:* The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

### **CALENDAR DEADLINE**

The deadline for submitting information in the July calendar is Tuesday, June 21.

### **SYMPATHY**

The Parish Community extends prayerful sympathy to the following families: **Bernice Dabbs**, who is survived by three children, several grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and other family members; and **Tom Reid**, who is survived by his wife, Marcie, four children, numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and other family members. Please keep these families in your prayers.

### **CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME**

Congratulations and welcome to **Beily Razo-Wuenses** and **Edwin Razo-Wuenses**, children of Elias Razo-Chavez and Magnolia Wuenses-Chavez, who were baptized on June 11.

### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

Father Reju will celebrate First Holy Communion for our Hispanic Community this Sunday, June 19 at 1:00 p.m. in the Gym. All are welcome.

### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

He gave His whole life for us. Can we give one hour a month for Him? Our parish's monthly Eucharistic Adoration will be on Saturday, July 2 from 4:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. A sign-up list will be in the sanctuary to keep a record of who is attending Adoration and at what hour. For more information, please contact Kathy Tortorice at 205-531-0930 or [kahytortorice@gmail.com](mailto:kahytortorice@gmail.com).

### **SECOND COLLECTION—NEXT WEEKEND**

The second collection next weekend will be for the annual Mission Cooperative Appeal. The funds received support various dioceses in India, Mexico, Cameroon, Nigeria, Nicaragua, and the Pontifical Ecclesiastical Academy in Rome. Your generosity is appreciated.

### **SAINT ALOYSIUS ROSARY GROUP**

A group of parishioners (men and women) meet on Thursdays after the 8:30 a.m. Mass in the Day Chapel to pray the Rosary. Anyone who wants to pray the Rosary is invited.



**Pray More Rosaries**



**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

Have your New Year’s Resolutions started to fade? Start again now with a renewed commitment to your spouse. What better way to celebrate the gift of your unique love than to make time to focus on each other and your marriage? Consider making a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend to renew those feelings you had during your first few years together. The next Weekend is scheduled on July 30—31 at John Carroll Catholic High School in Birmingham and will be a non-residential weekend. You will be able to spend Saturday night in the comfort of your own home and return to John Carroll on Sunday morning. To register, please visit [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org) or call Frank and Kathryn Wessling at 205-530-3607.

**CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL OF BIRMINGHAM**

The 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Catholic Charismatic Renewal of Birmingham (CCROB) Conference will be held on July 29—30 in the Family Life Center at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish (1728 Oxmoor Road in Homewood). The theme is “Thy Will Be Done.” Speakers will be Andi Oney along with Father Frankline Fomukong and Jackie Smoke. The registration fee for individuals is \$25.00 and \$65.00 for a family of three or more. Register online at [www.catholiccharismaticrenewal.org](http://www.catholiccharismaticrenewal.org) or mail registration to: CCROB, 1222 Hueytown Road, Hueytown, AL 35023. For more information, please contact Kathy Tortorice at 205-531-0930 or [kahytortorice@gmail.com](mailto:kahytortorice@gmail.com).

**MILITARY PRAYER LIST**

Please pray for our military that have been deployed around the world to fight for the freedom and security of our country, including:

U.S. Intelligence

Daniel Thomas

Army

Joseph R. Chiarella

Zach Edmonds

Blake Seidel

Air Force

Daniel K. Hicks

Shea Hicks

James McKinney

Lance Rosser

Call the Church Office at 205-424-2984 or send an e-mail to [staloysius@bellsouth.net](mailto:staloysius@bellsouth.net) with the names of people and their branch of service to be placed on or removed from this prayer list.

**CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to the following couples who are celebrating their Wedding Anniversaries:

June 24. . . . . Larry and Mary Jones

June 24. . . . . Michael and Jessica Vines

**HAPPY BIRTHDAYS**

June 19. . . . . Mel Evans, Georgene Addison,

. . . . . Raymond Rozell

June 21. . . . . Kristi Brooks, Valeria Flores Merced,

. . . . . Ana Quintila Plata, Jacob Antonio

June 22. . . . . Katie Keyes

June 23. . . . Anthony “Doc” Mareno, Yaneli Alcantara,

. . . . . Mandy Keyes, Greg Dreveny,



. . . . . Mary Margaret Weatherly

June 24. . . . . Ryan Radice, Girhaldy Higuera

June 25. . . . . Joe Ciza, Luis Rivera



June 21  
Feast Day of Saint Aloysius Gonzaga



## Saint Aloysius Catholic Church

Bessemer, Alabama



Saint Aloysius Church will celebrate our country's independence with a patriotic concert on Friday, July 1 at 6:30 p.m. Songs that form the foundation of the United States of America—  
The Star Spangled Banner  
America the Beautiful  
God Bless America  
God Bless the U.S.A.  
and more—will be led by members of the Saint Aloysius Choir and others—  
Waylighters Gospel Quartet  
- Voices of the South  
Barbershop Chorus  
- Harmony Hills Chorus

The Lake View American Legion Post 2011 will present the Colors and Service Flags from each branch of the military, including the POW. Please accept this invitation to honor our country and our service men and women. Come join us for a fun, patriotic birthday celebration for our nation!

Saint Aloysius is located at 751 Academy Drive Bessemer, Alabama.

Audience participation invited as we sing our national songs.



**I Love America Concert**  
**July 1, 2022 - 6:30 pm**  
**Our 8th Year**





# Patriotic Concert: 6.30 - 8.00 pm

## July 1st, 2022

G.R's Smokehouse at  
St Aloysius Church, Bessemer  
751 Academy Drive  
Food Truck 4:30pm

REMEMBER & HONOR

### MENU

#### BBQ Sandwiches

#### BBQ Plates

- #1 Baby Back Rib Plate ★ \$16  
3-4 bone with 2 sides of your choice
- #2 Smoked Chicken Leg Quarter ★ \$13  
Chicken Leg Quarter with 2 sides of your choice

- #3 BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich ★  
Pulled Pork Sandwich with Chips..... \$10
- #4 BBQ Pulled Chicken Sandwich ★  
Pulled Chicken Sandwich with Chips ..... \$10

#### Sides

- Potato Salad 4oz ★ extra side \$2
- Coleslaw 4oz ★ extra side \$2
- Vegetable Rice 4oz ★ extra side \$2
- Baked Beans 4oz ★ extra side \$2

#### Nachos

- #5 Pork Nachos Loaded ★ \$10
- #6 Chicken Nachos Loaded ★ \$10
- #7 Nachos & Cheese only ★ \$6

#### Drinks

Water, Coke, Sprite, Diet Coke ★ \$1

Come early and eat with us... All is Welcome...G.R's Smokehouse 205-881-7010