



Saint Aloysius Catholic Parish

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Tuesday – Thursday, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm (closed for lunch, Noon – 12:30 pm)

Sunday, July 13th, 2025

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

ADMINISTRATOR

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HISPANIC COORDINATORS

Gabriel Lopez

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WEEKEND EUCHARIST

Saturday

Sunday (English)

Sunday (Spanish)

4:30 p.m.

9:30 a.m.

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 Kathleen Jones Sheila Zito Carl McDaniel |

| <i>HOMEBOUND SICK AND SHUT-IN</i> | |
|--|---|
| 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> | <u>ARMY</u> |
|--|---|
| Daniel K. Hicks Shea Hicks James McKinney Lance Rosser Gabriel Petix | Blake Seidel Brandan Engel Luke Thomas Joseph R. Chiarella |
| | <u>U.S. INTELLIGENCE</u> |
| | 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

| JULY 15 – JULY 20 († = Deceased) | | | |
|--|---------|-----------------------|--|
| Tuesday 12 Noon | July 15 | † Micky Bratton | |
| Wednesday 12 Noon | July 16 | † James A. Hudgins | |
| Thursday 12 Noon | July 17 | | |
| Friday 12 Noon | July 18 | † Marilyn West | |
| Saturday 4:30pm | July 19 | † Renea Mareno | |
| Sunday 9:30am | July 20 | † Bernadine Chiarella | |

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.

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.

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. Everyone who wants to pray the Rosary is welcome.

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 3rd. 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

JUBILEE YEAR PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY FROM ST. ALOYSIUS CHURCH (NEW DATES)

We are pleased to announce that everyone is invited to the Jubilee Year Pilgrimage to Italy with Father Reju on **April 13, 2026.**

Last day to reserve your seats:
December 30, 2025.

(Easter: April 5, 2026)

For More Info call:

(832) 406-7050, 1-844-400-9559,

Email:

info@nativitypilgrimage.com,

Website:

<https://trip.nativitypilgrimage.com/reju-2025>



WORDS OF SYMPATHY

The Parish Community extends prayerful sympathy to the family of Bernadine Chiarella. Bernadine passed away peacefully on June 28, 2025, at the age of 94. She is survived by her children, Sam A. Chiarella and Frank Chiarella (Phyllis); her grandchildren, Lauren Chiarella Johnson (Zack) and Allison Chiarella Savela (Matthew); and her great grandchildren, Reagan Martin, Caleb Johnson, Abby Jo Johnson, Riley Savela, Olivia Savela, and Hallie Savela.



Also, our Parish Community extends prayerful sympathy to the family of Rosalee Mareno Pocopanni, at the age of 80, of Bessemer, who passed away on Thursday, July 3, 2025. A loving wife and devoted mother and grandmother, she was a member of St Aloysius Catholic Church.

Rosalee was preceded in death by her parents, Frank and Annie Mareno, her loving husband, Jasper "J.C" Pocopanni of 45 years. She is survived by her sons, Vic (Pari) Pocopanni, Jay (Teresa) Pocopanni and daughter, Lisa (Allen) Brown, grandchildren, Blake (Claudia) Pocopanni, Erika (Austin) Sapp, Jasper Charles Pocopanni III, Tyler (Julia) Brown, and Carson Brown, great grandchild, Noah Pocopanni, her brothers, Greg "GC" Mareno, and Jack Mareno.

May God have mercy. May He receive their souls and grant them peace in His Eternal Paradise. May the promises of Christ comfort their family and friends.

*In the name of Jesus, our Savior, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.
Amen.*

Sunday, July 13th, 2025

From the Gospel according to Luke 10:25-37

*There was a scholar of the law who stood up to test
Jesus and said,
"Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"
Jesus said to him, "What is written in the law?
How do you read it?", He said in reply,
"You shall love the Lord, your God,
with all your heart,
with all your being,
with all your strength,
and with all your mind,
and your neighbor as yourself."
He replied to him, "You have answered correctly;
do this and you will live."*

*But because he wished to justify himself, he said to Jesus,
"And who is my neighbor?"*

*Jesus replied,
"A man fell victim to robbers
as he went down from Jerusalem to Jericho.
They stripped and beat him and went off leaving him
half-dead.*

*A priest happened to be going down that road,
but when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side.*

*Likewise, a Levite came to the place,
and when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side.*

*But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him
was moved with compassion at the sight.*

*He approached the victim,
poured oil and wine over his wounds and bandaged them.*

*Then he lifted him up on his own animal,
took him to an inn, and cared for him.*

*The next day he took out two silver coins
and gave them to the innkeeper with the instruction,*

'Take care of him.

*If you spend more than what I have given you,
I shall repay you on my way back.'*

*Which of these three, in your opinion,
was neighbor to the robbers' victim?"*

He answered, "The one who treated him with mercy."

Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

July 20th, 2025

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading Genesis 18: 1-10a

Psalms 15: 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5

Second Colossians 1: 24-28

Alleluia: Luke 8: 15

Gospel Luke 10: 38-42

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

July 13... Pedro Gonzalez

July 14... Hunter Antonio

July 15... Marcellus Bierman,

July 16... Lisa Andrzejewski, Jacob Scherzer,

July 17... Alejo Almazan

July 18... Cindy Arvay

July 19... Barb Andrzejewski,

July 20... Kelli Gwin, Maria Araujo

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations on your Wedding Anniversary

*July 16 * Frank and Sheila Lito*

*July 18 * Rod and Bernadette McFerrin;*

THANK YOU

I am filled with gratitude for your unwavering spirit of generosity. By contributing, you participate directly in the Church's missionary activities in India, extending a hand of fellowship to the farthest reaches of our world and ensuring that everyone knows that Christ leaves no one behind, nor does He forget anyone. Your gifts echo the love and hospitality of the divine banquet to which we are all invited.

For those who still would like to donate to the missions, please make checks payable to Father Reju.

With prayers and blessings to you and your families!

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

| Parish Stewardship 2025 | | | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|---------------|------------|
| Sunday - July 6 | | | | |
| Fund | Online Giving | Sunday Collection | Total By Fund | YTD |
| General Fund | 1,599.00 | 5,439.50 | 7,038.50 | 170,803.53 |
| Building Fund | 645.00 | 2,296.50 | 2,941.50 | 58,029.50 |
| Parish School of Religion | 25.00 | 75.00 | 100.00 | 8,026.41 |
| Total | 2,269.00 | 7,811.00 | 10,080.00 | 236,859.44 |
| Total given this week: \$10,080.00 | | | | |

Italy and Medjugorje

10-DAY PILGRIMAGE



MILAN
ASSISI
ROME
MEDJUGORJE

APRIL 13 – 22, 2026

FR. REJU PYNADATH

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR

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