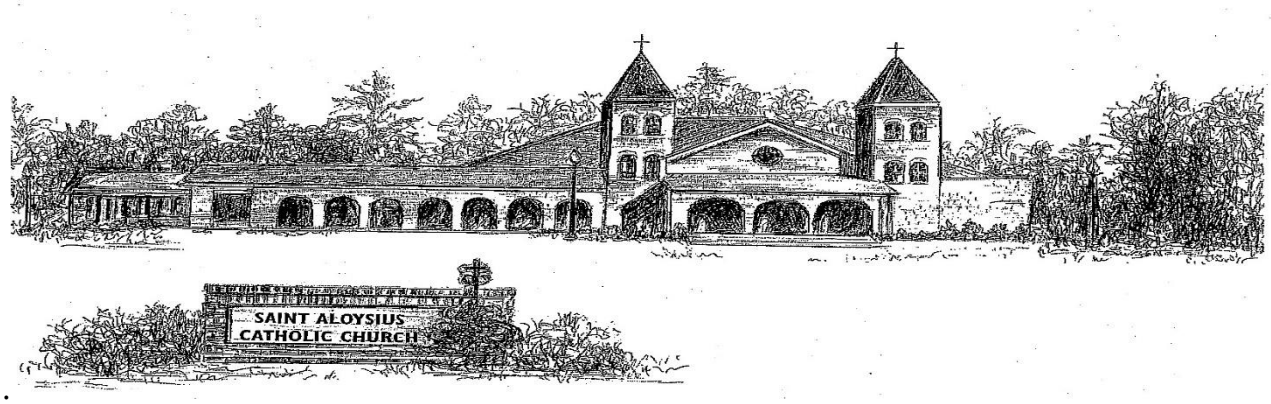

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July 25, 2021
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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 5:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & 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.

THE YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH

Memorare to Saint Joseph

O God, who by Thy ineffable Providence did vouchsafe
to choose Blessed Joseph for the spouse of
Thy most holy mother,
grant we beseech Thee, that he whom we venerate
as our protector on earth
may be our intercessor in Heaven. Amen

GOSPEL REFLECTIONS: JOHN 6:1-15

The following four weeks we will be meditating on the Holy Eucharistic Celebration—the Holy Mass.

■ Jesus is asking Philip how to feed the large crowd. Philip is not related to the crowd nor is he duty-bound to feed them. Still Jesus is asking him. Yes, in every Mass Jesus is asking you, can you feed the other? Jesus requests your help to feed. He demands you to be "the Eucharist."

■ Being shepherds many of them might have been carrying food with them. But only a boy was ready to 'share' what he had. Eucharist is an invitation to share the blessings you have received which may be Love, Kindness, Mercy, Care, Wealth, Health, Time, etc.

■ It's the offering that makes the Eucharist. If the boy didn't give whatever he was having, then this miracle would not have happened. Without your offerings, you cannot expect a miracle to happen to you. Your instrumentality/sharing is the base of Holy Mass.

■ The Holy Mass is all about feeding the hungry. Whatever needs you may have, come for the Mass, offer yourself and Jesus will surely feed you to full.

■ Jesus, taking the bread in His hands, thanked God. Every meal is a gift of God. Do thank God before each meal. The Eucharistic table is the dining table. Coming together and sharing the meal makes the Holy Eucharist.

SECOND COLLECTION—NEXT WEEKEND

The second collection next weekend will be the monthly Building and Grounds Fund collection.

MASS INTENTIONS

July 24 – August 1

(✞ = Deceased)

Saturday (4:30 p.m.) . . . . . ✞ Sherman & Martha Venz
Sunday (8:30 a.m.). . . . . ✞ Anne Wren
Sunday (11:00 a.m.). . . . . .Saint Aloysius Parishioners
Monday. . . . . ✞ Jesse Squires
Tuesday. . . . . ✞ Rosalie Giambrone
Wednesday. . . . . ✞ Brandon Wright
Thursday. . . . . ✞ Billy Howard
Friday. . . . . ✞ Patsy Latham
Saturday (4:30 p.m.) . . . . . .Ginger Russo Mosley
Sunday (8:30 a.m.). . . . . .Ronnie George
Sunday (11:00 a.m.). . . . . .Saint Aloysius Parishioners

FEAST DAYS FOR THIS WEEK

July 26: Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

July 29: Saint Martha

July 31: Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

SYMPATHY

The Parish Community extends prayerful sympathy to the family of **Sophie Cichocki**, who is survived by her children including Georgene (Carl) Addison, grandchildren, great-grandson, and other family members. Please keep this family in your prayers.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND CONFESSIONS

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is held on Mondays at 5:00 p.m. and on Tuesdays through Friday at 8:00 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 Sunday.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY

The **Holy Family Altar Guild** is collecting school supplies and/or gift cards to WalMart or Dollar General to deliver to families in Greene County. If you would like to contribute, please drop off your donation at the weekend masses or at the Church Office no later than Friday, August 13. If you would like to donate supplies, the following items will be helpful: spiral notebooks, paper, hand sanitizer, sanitizing wipes, pens, pencils, tissues, glue, and highlighters. The guild will deliver the supplies on Saturday, August 14 to Greene County. If you have any questions, please call Heather Lawley at 205-410-3759.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

August 1 – 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15

Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

John 6:24-35

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

	Last Week	Online Giving	Year-to-Date
Offertory	$4,345.54	$2,919.00	$242,725.91
Building Fund	$ 330.00	$ 75.00	$ 44,773.61

SAINT ALOYSIUS CHOIR

Saint Aloysius Parish's choir practice has been canceled until further notice.

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.

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.

PARISH WEBSITE

The weekly bulletin, monthly calendar, Online Giving link, religious education information, etc. are accessible on our parish website at www.staloysiuscc.org. Scan from your smart phone for our Online Giving link:

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR
OUR SICK AND SHUT-IN

Greg Brooks	(Medical West)
Michael Edwards	(Medical West)
Norman Cacciatore	(Saint Vincent's East)
Ronnie George	(Saint Vincent's Birmingham)

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.

Eddie & Penny Allison	Rev. Len Gavin	MaryAnna Schilleci
Myra Antonio	Jerry Joiner	Stanley Szafransky
Ann Baker	John V. Jones, Jr.	Steve Tate
Barbara Bridges	Meredith Jones	Powell Thompson
Adam Doss	Ginger Russo Mosley	Irene Tutten
Nancy Franklin	Debbie Rupert	Suzanne Wannemuehler

Nursing & Retirement Homes, & Assisted Living

The Oaks on Parkwood	*The Woodlands at Tannehill*
Rudy Cooper	Jean Sullivan
Plantation Manor	Kathy Whited
Claudia Charme	

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.

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.

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.

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
Felicia Boyd, Secretary
Micha McMeans
Phillip Galloway
Patricia Rector
Vickie Gavin
Chris Waits

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS

Jim Keyes, Chairperson
Sharon Weathers
Mike Snelling

EUCHARISTIC 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, August 7 from 4:30 a.m. until 3:30 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 call Kathy Tortorice at 205-531-0930.

COFFEE AND DONUTS

Coffee and Donuts will not be served until further notice.

LADIES ROSARY GROUP

A group for ladies of the parish meets on Tuesdays after the 8:30 a.m. Mass in the Day Chapel to pray the Rosary.

CALENDAR DEADLINE

The deadline for submitting information in the August calendar is Tuesday, July 27.

CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL CONFERENCE

The 20th Annual Catholic Charismatic Renewal of Birmingham Conference will be held on July 30—31 at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish's Family Life Center (1728 Oxmoor Road in Homewood). The conference theme is "I can do ALL things through Christ who strengthens me." The speakers will be Father Paul Asih, Father Gray Bean, Father Frankline Fomukong, Jeff Anderson, Olga Coburn, and Jackie Smoke.

The fee for individuals is $25.00 and $65.00 for a family of 3 or more. Register online at www.catholiccharismaticrenewal.org or mail registration to: CCROB, 1206 David Drive, Pelham, AL 35124. For more information, please call Ray Makofsky at 205-999-8947. Everyone is welcome!

TRIP TO SEE REPLICA OF THE PINTA

The Italian American Society is planning a trip to Guntersville, Alabama to tour a replica of Columbus' ship, "The Pinta," on Sunday, August 15. The cost is $25.00 per person and must be paid in advance. The cost includes a ticket to the ship and bus transportation to Guntersville and back to Birmingham. This is an open invitation and is not limited to members. For more information or to make a reservation, please call Marie Swift (205-956-6323 or 205-960-2029) or Joe Lovoy (205-477-9443 or 205-230-1127.)

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. Our Fire of the Spirit Prayer Group meets every Thursday of the month (except second Thursday) in the Church at 7:00 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.

JOB OPENINGS AT EWTN

EWTN is searching for qualified candidates for the following positions in Irondale: **Recruiter, Accountant, Director of Mission Advancement Services, Spanish Radio Producer, Associate Producer/Call Screener, Broadcast Technician Trainee, Traffic Assistant, Closed Captioning Technician, Production Assistant, Viewer Services Representative, HVAC Technician, Maintenance Technician, Custodian, and Fulfillment Center Associate (temporary).** Job requirements can be viewed at www.ewtn.com. E-mail cover letter, salary requirements, and résumé to humanresources@ewtn.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

Air Force
Daniel K. Hicks
Shea Hicks
James McKinney
Lance Rosser

Army
Joseph R. Chiarella
Zach Edmonds
Blake Seidel

Call the Church Office at 205-424-2984 or send an e-mail to 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:

July 27. . . . . .Ian and Carla Smart
July 30. . . . . .Rickey and Fran Kornegay

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

July 25. . . . . Mike Perez
July 26. . . . . .Tim Tipton, Katie Bunn,
. . . . . Donna Pruitt, Dylan Zalewski
July 27. . . . . .Ann McMahon, Adam Lockhart,
. . . . . Tom Wickman, Paola Medina,
. . . . . .Karen Berryman, Jack Owens
July 28. . . . . .Nancy Franklin, Sharon Saber
July 29. . . . . .Patrick Metcalf
July 30. . . . . Mike Agan, Tahir Butt
July 31. . . . . Pam Giardina, Chris Waits,
. . . . . .Nicholas Lopez, Christian Malnar