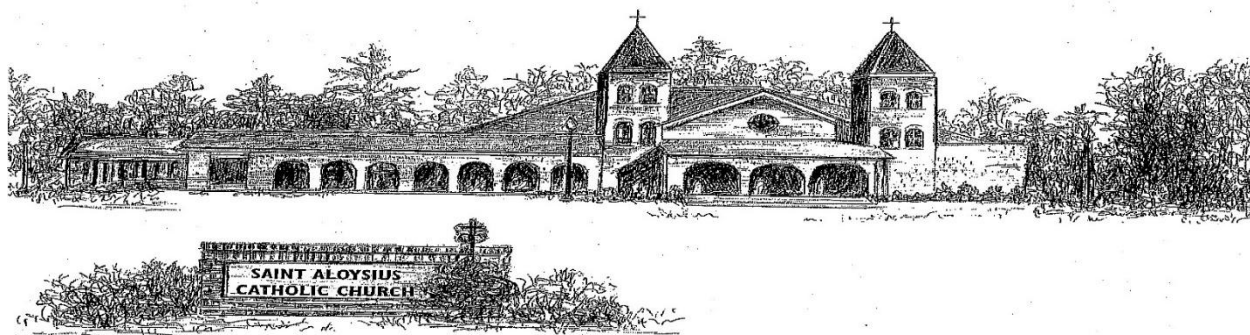




# ***Saint Aloysius Catholic Parish***

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Office Hours: Monday – Friday, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

## **Sunday, July 19th, 2026**

## ***Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time***

### **PASTOR**

Rev. Jose Chacko

(205) 563 8217

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### **BOOKKEEPER**

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### **PASTORAL ASSOCIATE**

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### **CHURCH OFFICE**

Yolanda Ruiz

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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

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.

### **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:

| <b>OUR SICK</b>                                                |  |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| Larry Jones<br>Mary Jones<br>Jim Galloway<br>MaryAnn Simonetti |  |

| <b>HOMEBOUND SICK AND SHUT-IN</b>                                |                                                                     |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Nancy Franklin<br>Robert Wilson<br>Sue Nielsen<br>Robert Vincent | John V. Jones Jr.<br>Meredith Jones<br>Dot Herald<br>Johana Findley |

| <b>NURSING / RETIREMENT HOMES<br/>/ ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENTS</b> |  |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| <u>The Oaks on Parkwood</u><br>Rudy Cooper<br>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:

| <u>AIR FORCE</u>                                                                 | <u>ARMY</u>                                                         |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Daniel K. Hicks<br>Shea Hicks<br>James McKinney<br>Lance Rosser<br>Gabriel Petix | Blake Seidel<br>Brandan Engel<br>Luke Thomas<br>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](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>JULY 20 - JULY 26</b><br>(† = Deceased) |         |                      |
|--------------------------------------------|---------|----------------------|
| Monday 6:30pm                              | July 20 | † Andrew Kane        |
| Tuesday 12 Noon                            | July 21 | Dr. Lilly Alexander  |
| Wednesday 12 Noon                          | July 22 | † Mary Curry         |
| Thursday 12 Noon                           | July 23 | (BD) Debbie Hudson   |
| Friday 12 Noon                             | July 24 | † William Clowdus    |
| Saturday 4:30pm                            | July 25 | † Grover McFerrin    |
| Sunday 9:30am                              | July 26 | (BD) Jenny Alexander |

### 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](mailto: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

### INSTALLATION MASS

*With gratitude to God's providence, we joyfully welcome **Father Jose**, who began his ministry at St. Aloysius.*

*We joyfully announce that he **will celebrate his Installation Mass on August 9 at 9:30 am**, with **Bishop Raica** presiding. This special liturgy marks Father Jose's formal installation as pastor and is an important moment for our parish community.*

*All parishioners and friends are warmly invited to attend and join in prayer as we welcome and support Father Jose in his pastoral ministry. A reception will follow Mass in the parish hall.*

*May the Holy Spirit guide and strengthen him as he serves our parish community, and may we be enriched by his priestly devotion, his prayer, and his faithful witness to the Lord.*

*Let us keep **Father Jose** in our prayers, that his time among us may bear abundant spiritual fruit and draw us ever closer to Christ and His Church.*

### UPDATING ST. ALOYSIUS CHURCH RECORDS

*Father Jose* invites all parishioners to complete a registration form as we update our parish records. Whether you are registering for the first time or updating your information, your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Registrations will take place after each mass. *Thank you.*

### WORDS OF SYMPATHY

The Parish community extends its condolences and prayers to the family of **Tim Morris**. Tim is the brother of our accompanist Sam Morris. Tim died the morning of the 12th of July. *Please keep the family in your prayers.*

*Merciful Father, receive Tim's soul and grant him Your Eternal Peace in Your Paradise. May the Promises of Christ comfort all who mourn his loss. Praise and Glory to You, Lord, for Your Saving Grace.*

### PARISH STEWARDSHIP

| Parish Stewardship July 12: |             |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Weekly Budget Needs:        | \$10,070.00 |
| Donations:                  | \$8,680.00  |
| Difference:                 | -\$1,390.00 |

\*Please keep the accessible entrance clear; do not park in the driveway during weekend Masses\*  
*Thank you.*

**Sunday, July 19th, 2026**

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*From the Gospel according to Matthew 13: 24-43*

*Jesus proposed another parable to the crowds, saying:*

*"The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everyone was asleep his enemy came and sowed weeds all through the wheat, and then went off.*

*When the crop grew and bore fruit, the weeds appeared as well. The slaves of the householder came to him and said, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where have the weeds come from?'*

*He answered, 'An enemy has done this.'*

*His slaves said to him,*

*'Do you want us to go and pull them up?'*

*He replied, 'No, if you pull up the weeds you might uproot the wheat along with them.*

*Let them grow together until harvest; then at harvest time I will say to the harvesters, 'First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles for burning; but gather the wheat into my barn.'"*

*He proposed another parable to them.*

*"The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that a person took and sowed in a field.*

*It is the smallest of all the seeds, yet when full-grown it is the largest of plants.*

*It becomes a large bush, and the 'birds of the sky come and dwell in its branches.'"*

*He spoke to them another parable.*

*"The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed with three measures of wheat flour until the whole batch was leavened."*

*All these things Jesus spoke to the crowds in parables.*

*He spoke to them only in parables, to fulfill what had been said through the prophet:*

*I will open my mouth in parables, I will announce what has lain hidden from the foundation of the world.*

*Then, dismissing the crowds, he went into the house.*

*His disciples approached him and said,*

*"Explain to us the parable of the weeds in the field."*

*He said in reply, "He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom.*

*The weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sows them is the devil.*

*The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels.*

*Just as weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age.*

*The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all who cause others to sin and all evildoers. They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Whoever has ears ought to hear."*

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/word-of-the-day/2026/07/19.html>

#### **NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:**

**26 July 2026, Sunday**

**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**1st Reading:** First Kings 3: 5, 7-12

**Psalm:** Psalms 119: 57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130

**Second:** Romans 8: 28-30

**Alleluia:** Matthew 11: 25

**Gospel:** Matthew 13: 44-52

#### **HAPPY BIRTHDAYS**

July 20 . . . Jason Shourds, Kelli Gwin

July 21 . . . Frances Sanders, Daniel Bello Sr.

July 23 . . . Debbie Hudson

July 24 . . . Aislynn Alvarado Andino



*Birthday Blessings*

#### **WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**



*Congratulations on your  
Wedding Anniversary*



**July 24 \*Jimmy and Sheila Freeman**

#### **REMINDERS**

**Friday, July 24, 6:00 p.m.**

The [Knights of Columbus](#) "Meet and Greet" at St. Stephen the Martyr Chapel in Birmingham. For more information and to RSVP, please call or text (205)903 9786.

**Friday-Saturday, July 24-25**

The 26th annual [Conference of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal of Birmingham](#) will be held at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church, in Homewood. For more information, please e-mail Jeannie Wade at [Jwade3585@outlook.com](mailto:Jwade3585@outlook.com) or Beth Russo at [betrusso85@gmail.com](mailto:betrusso85@gmail.com). To register, visit [catholiccharismaticrenewal.org](http://catholiccharismaticrenewal.org).

*Everyone is welcome!*