



Saint Aloysius Catholic Church

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November 29, 2020

First Sunday of Advent

PASTOR

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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

Officer to be Elected

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

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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.

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 4:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT of RECONCILIATION

Saturday

3:30 – 4:00 p.m.

(or by appointment)

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 office.

SACRAMENT of BAPTISM

Please contact Father Holloway for Baptismal Preparation.

SACRAMENT of MARRIAGE

Couples planning marriage must meet with Father Holloway 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.

ONLINE GIVING

If you are sick and unable to attend Mass, Online Giving is a convenient option to continue to support your church and its mission. Go to www.staloyuscc.org and click on the Online Giving link, it's quick and easy! You can also give via Text Message to 205-708-0221.

SECOND COLLECTION—NEXT WEEKEND

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

COFFEE AND DONUTS

Coffee and Donuts will not be served until further notice.

LADIES ROSARY GROUP

The Ladies Rosary Group has been canceled until further notice.

FIRE OF THE SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP

The Fire of the Spirit Prayer Group is meeting online via Zoom. For more information, please call Kathy Tortorice at 205-531-0930.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Our parish's monthly Eucharistic Adoration will not be held in December.

TOURS AND SHADOW DAYS AT JOHN CARROLL

John Carroll Catholic High School is currently scheduling tours and student Shadow Day for the month of December. Eighth graders and prospective transfer students are invited to experience the value of a John Carroll education. To schedule your Tour or Shadow Day, please contact Tina Wos, Admissions Director, at twos@jcchs.org or 205-940-2400.

MASS INTENTIONS

November 28 – December 6

(† = Deceased)

Saturday (4:30 p.m.) † Andy Thompson
Sunday (8:30 a.m.) † Frank Smith
Sunday (10:00 a.m.) Saint Aloysius Parishioners
Monday † Patsy Grubbs
Tuesday † Nina Pitts
Wednesday † Sam Alfano
Thursday Carl McDaniel
Friday Sandra LaRussa
Saturday (4:30 p.m.) Franny Albano & Family
Sunday (8:30 a.m.) † Debra Albright
Sunday (10:00 a.m.) Saint Aloysius Parishioners

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

The Liturgy for The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation, will be celebrated on Tuesday, December 8 at 8:30 a.m., Noon, and 6:30 p.m.

JOB OPENINGS AT EWTN

EWTN is searching for qualified candidates for the following positions in Irondale: **PT Donor Care Specialist, Data Hygiene Specialist, Email Marketing Coordinator/Manager, Sustainer Program Manager, Grant Writer, Legacy Giving Assistant, Legacy Giving Officer, Marketing Support Manager, Custodian, Safety and Security Officer, and View Services Representative (full-time and part-time).** Job requirements can be viewed at www.ewtn.com. E-mail cover letter, salary requirements, and résumé to humanresources@ewtn.com.



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NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

December 6 – 2nd Sunday of Advent
Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11
2 Peter 3:8-14
Mark 1:1-8

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

	Last Week	Online Giving	Year-to- Date
Offertory	\$4,736.35	\$2,311.00	\$316,238.43
Building Fund	\$ 65.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 26,724.84

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Thank you for returning your Catholic Charities pledge card. Our response thus far is as follows:

Number of Pledge Cards Returned to Parish.	7
Amount of Pledges Returned to Parish.	\$ 2,940.00
Amount of Pledges Sent to Diocese.	<u>16,844.00</u>
	\$19,784.00
Parish Goal.	\$35,000.00
Difference.	– \$15,216.00

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.staloyuscc.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**

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.**

Myra Antonio	Linda Collins	Billy Monte
Ann Baker	Nancy Franklin	Debbie Rupert
Serene Bateh	Don Graham	MaryAnna Schilleci
Susie Benefield’s Mom	Mary Ann Graham	Stanley Szafransky
Margaret Blake	Jerry Joiner	Steve Tate
Ray Brasher	John V. Jones, Jr.	Powell Thompson
Barbara Bridges	Meredith Jones	Irene Tutten
Jack Chiarella		

Nursing & Retirement Homes, & Assisted Living

<u>The Oaks on Parkwood</u>	<u>The Woodlands at</u>
Rudy Cooper	<u>Tannehill</u>
	Jean Sullivan
<u>Plantation Manor</u>	Kathy Whited
Claudia Charme	
Catherine Hagerty	

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 AND NURSING HOMES

Father Holloway would be happy to visit the sick in hospitals and nursing homes if the person or family requests a visit.

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.

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

November 29. .Judy Webb, Greg Brooks, Brent Brooks,
 Brianna Rodriguez, David Angel Rosas,
 Mayra Flores, Alejandro Arellano
 November 30. Anthony Rupert, Juan Gonzalez,
 Jaquelin Alvarado Herrera
 December 1. Ronnie George, Aylin Cruz
 December 2. Daniel Pruitt, Lee Lancaster,
 Maria Hueramo, Margarita Hueramo,
 Carmela Ezell, Liam Rivera
 December 3. Margy Thrailkill
 December 4. Bonnie Farr, Sydney McCoy,
 Charles Cagle, Adam Stoves
 December 5. . Jack Chiarella, John London McCullough

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Chairperson (officer to be elected)
 Eddie Blanco, Vice Chairperson
 Felicia Boyd, Secretary
 Micha McMeans
 Phillip Galloway
 Patricia Rector
 Vickie Gavin
 Chris Waits

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 with the names of people and their branch of service to be placed on or removed from this prayer list.