

Saint Aloysius Catholic Church

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February 2, 2020
The Presentation of the Lord

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PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

Officer to be Elected

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.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study is held each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the Cafeteria. The book, "Breaking Open the Word," is the basis of study. Everyone is invited.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The **Parish Pastoral Council** will meet on Monday, February 3 at 6:00 p.m. in the Library. All are welcome.

ALTAR GUILD MEETING

The Mother of Christ Altar Guild will meet on Monday, February 10 at 6:30 p.m. in the Library. Hostesses are Mary Adams, Frances George, Toni Giardina, Micha McMeans, and Renea Mareno.

SAINT ALOYSIUS MEN'S SOCIETY

The **Saint Aloysius Men's Society** will meet on Monday, February 10 at 6:30 p.m. in the Cafeteria. All men of the parish are welcome. For more information, please call Charles Ellis, President (205-365-5896), or Jim Galloway, Vice President (205-516-1645).

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The **Knights of Columbus Council #2631** will not meet in February; meeting will resume in March. For more information, please call Grand Knight, Joey Ceravolo, at 205-966-1842.

SECOND COLLECTION—THIS WEEKEND

The second collection this weekend is the monthly Building and Grounds Fund collection.

SECOND COLLECTION—NEXT WEEKEND

The second collection next weekend will be the monthly Parish School of Religion collection. Funds from this collection will take care of costs associated with Faith Formation classes in addition to ensuring our former school buildings are maintained for future use.

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.

FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar this weekend are in memory of **Kyle Mabrey**, given by the family.

MASS INTENTIONS

February 1 – 9

(⊕ = Deceased)

Saturday (4:30 p.m.)
Sunday (8:30 a.m.) \mathsection Joe Giardina
Sunday (11:00 a.m.) Saint Aloysius Parishioners
Monday
Tuesday Judith Knight
Wednesday
ThursdayMargaret Blake
Friday Jack Mareno
Saturday (4:30 p.m.)
Sunday (8:30 a.m.)
Sunday (11:00 a.m.) Saint Aloysius Parishioners

SYMPATHY

The Parish Community extends prayerful sympathy to the family of **Helen Montalto**, who is survived by three children including Carmela (Perry) Ezell, several grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and other family members. Please keep this family in your prayers.

RCIA

Have you or someone you know thought about joining the Catholic Church or simply had questions about the Church? Are you Catholic but, for whatever reason, did not receive First Holy Communion or Confirmation? If so, then RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is for you! Class is on Tuesdays from 6:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. in the Cafeteria (a light supper will be served at 6:00 p.m.). For more information, please contact Stephanie Gerson or Father Holloway in the Church Office.

PREVIEW DAY AT JOHN CARROLL

John Carroll Catholic High School (300 Lakeshore Parkway in Birmingham) will hold a Preview Day this Sunday, February 2 from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. for Rising 5th—12th graders. Come tour the campus, meet student ambassadors, faculty, and administrators, meet and greet current John Carroll families, Q & A session, and learn about tuition assistance. For more information, please visit www.jcchs.org.

MARDI GRAS PARTY

The **Holy Family Altar Guild** will host a Mardi Gras Party on Saturday, February 22 from 6:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. in our Gym. Join us for traditional Mardi Gras food, music, and entertainment! BYOB, set-ups provided. Tickets cost \$20.00 and can be purchased after the weekend Masses.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

February 9 – 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Isaiah 58:7-10 1 Corinthians 2:1-5 Matthew 5:13-16

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

	Last	Online	Year-to-
	<u>Week</u>	Giving	Date
Offertory	\$7,708.01	\$1,271.00	\$32,569.44
Building Fund	\$ 265.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 2,604.64

SAINT ALOYSIUS CHOIR

Saint Aloysius welcomes singers and musicians to join our music ministry! Weekly choir practice is on Thursdays from 6:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. in the Church. For more information, please see Tim Tipton after Mass or contact him at 205-706-9500 (texts and calls) or staloysius4music@gmail.com.

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

Joe Russo (Princeton)

Recently Discharged From Hospital

Sick and Shut-in

This list is intended for <u>homebound</u> 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	Sherry Ciza	Billy Monte
Ann Baker	Don Graham	Debbie Rupert
Margaret Blake	Mary Ann Graham	MaryAnna Schilleci
Barbara Bridges	Jerry Joiner	Steve Tate
Sue Brooks	John V. Jones, Jr.	Powell Thompson
Jack Chiarella	Meredith Jones	Irene Tutten

Nursing & Retirement Homes, & Assisted Living

The Oaks on Parkwood	The Woodlands at
Rudy Cooper	<u>Tannehill</u>
<u>Plantation Manor</u> Claudia Charme	Jean Sullivan Kathy Whited
Catherine Hagerty	<u>Aspire (Hoover)</u>
Brookdale Rehab.	Charles Pardi
Dudley Gulledge	

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.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Randy Clowdus, Chairperson
Eddie Blanco, Vice Chairperson
Felicia Boyd, Secretary
Micha McMeans
Phillip Galloway
Patricia Rector
Vickie Gavin
Chris Waits

COFFEE AND DONUTS

Coffee and Donuts are served after the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays in the Narthex. Come join us!

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation Classes, for students in grades 1-8 who are attending schools other than Catholic schools, are on Sunday mornings from 9:45 a.m. until 10:45 a.m. in the school.

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 Library from 6:30 p.m. until 8:00 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: Security Officer, Librarian Assistant, Groundskeeper, IT Support Technician II, On-Air Graphic Designer, Non-Linear Editor, Viewer Services Representative, and Customer Service Representative. 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:

Navy
Luke Reiter
Daniel Thomas

Air Force
Daniel K. Hicks
Shea Hicks
Lance Rosser

Duss. Intelligence
Daniel Thomas

Army
Joseph R. Chiarella
Zach Edmonds
Blake Seidel

Call the Church Office at 205-424-2984 or send an email to staloysius@bellsouth.net with the names of people and their branch of service to be placed on or removed from this prayer list.

THANK YOU

Sue Brooks wishes to thank everyone for their thoughts, prayers, cards, and get well wishes during and after her recent surgery. She's home now and is feeling better every day. May God bless you always.

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

February 2	Jill Vann
February 3	Angela Morris, Denise Rozas
February 4 Lauren Ga	lloway, Jerry Higginbotham,
	Judith Knight
February 5	Jocinda McSwain
February 6	bella Antonio, John Boolos,
	Adriana Arellano
February 7 Jacob	McGuire, Tellis Jolivette, Jr.
February 8	Mary Walker