



Saint Aloysius Catholic Church

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September 3, 2017

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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, and Thursday

8:30 a.m.

Friday

8:15 a.m.

SUNDAY BULLETIN

Deadline for new items

Tuesday 4:00 p.m.

HOLY DAYS

Please check Parish Bulletin

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 Bill for Baptismal Preparation.

SACRAMENT of MARRIAGE

Couples planning marriage must meet with Father Bill 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.

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.

VOCATION REFLECTION

If you wish to follow Jesus, deny yourself, take up your cross and follow. Are you courageous enough to follow as a priest or deacon, brother or sister?

ALTAR GUILD MEETING

The **Mother of Christ Altar Guild** will meet on Monday, September 11 at 6:30 p.m. in the School Library. Hostesses are Marian Campbell, Mary Curry, Susan Frost, Bernadette McFerrin, and B. J. Short.

SAINT ALOYSIUS MEN'S SOCIETY

The **Saint Aloysius Men's Society** will meet on Monday, September 11 at 6:30 p.m. in the School Cafeteria. All men of the parish are welcome. For more information, please call Frank Batusic, President (477-1670 or 305-8903), or Jim Galloway, Vice President (516-1645).

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The **Knights of Columbus** will meet on Tuesday, September 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the School Cafeteria. All Catholic men of the parish are welcome to attend. Not a member yet? Come as a guest and learn more about the projects and activities of Council #2631! For more information, please call Grand Knight, Joey Ceravolo, at 966-1842.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL MEETING

The first formation meeting for parishioners interested in joining the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul at our parish will be Monday, September 18 at 6:30 p.m. in the Church. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

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 School Subsidy collection.

CHURCH AND SCHOOL CLOSED

The Church and School will be closed on Monday, September 4 in observance of Labor Day and will re-open on Tuesday, September 5.

WELCOME

The Saint Aloysius Parish Community welcomes **Jerry Ragusa** as a new member.

MASS INTENTIONS

September 2 – 10

(† = Deceased)

Saturday (4:30 p.m.) Saint Aloysius Parishioners
Sunday (8:30 a.m.) † Karen Pollet
Sunday (11:00 a.m.) Saint Aloysius Choir
Labor Day
Monday (change in time: 8:30 a.m.) † Hazel Contorno
Tuesday Aaron Gavin
Wednesday Margaret Blake
Thursday Marian Campbell
Friday † Charlotte Schilleci Lewis
Saturday (4:30 p.m.) † James Hudgins
Sunday (8:30 a.m.) Larry and Mary Jones and Family
Sunday (11:00 a.m.) Saint Aloysius Parishioners

SYMPATHY

The Parish Community extends prayerful sympathy to the family of **Mattie “June” Stabile**, who is survived by her husband of 58 years, Claude, sons, Stacy Stabile and Christopher Stabile, several 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! Classes are on Tuesdays from 6:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. in the Day Chapel. For more information, please contact Stephanie Gerson or Father Bill in the Church Office.

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. *There will be no Faith Formation classes this Sunday, September 3, due to Labor Day. Classes will resume next Sunday, September 10.*

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION REGISTRATION

Registration for First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation continues this weekend. First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion classes will start in September. The starting date for Confirmation classes has not yet been determined.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

September 10 – 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ezekiel 33:7-9

Romans 13:8-10

Matthew 18:15-20

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

	Last Week	Online Giving	Year-to- Date
Offertory	\$6,577.11	\$688.00	\$255,887.37
Building Fund	\$ -0-	\$110.00	\$ 20,711.94

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 contact Will Krysiak at music.staloyusius@gmail.com or 1-770-598-2707.

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.

LABELS AND PULL TABS

Please save Boxtops for Education coupons, Campbell's UPCs, and pull tabs from aluminum cans for our school to redeem items for the students. Place your labels and aluminum pull tabs in the wooden box on the table in the Narthex. *Nestle water labels are no longer being accepted.* Thanks for your help!

PARISH WEBSITE

The weekly bulletin, monthly calendar, Online Giving link, religious education information, etc. are accessible on our parish website at www.staloyusiuscc.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

Margaret Blake

(The Oaks Rehab.)

Johnnie Lowery

(Lakeshore Rehab.)

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.

Carol Allison; Myra Antonio; Jim Bradley; Barbara Bridges; Tracy Brooks; Pat Clarke; Joan Dawson; Jack & Ginger Dempsey; Rosalie Giambrone; Don Graham; John V. Jones, Jr.; Meredith Jones; Edwina Martin; Brynette Mathis; Leon Messina; Sharon Miglionico; Don Schilleci; Frank Smith; Sam & Caroline Tamburello; Steve Tate; Irene Tutten

Nursing & Retirement Homes, & Assisted Living

Philip Antonio, Jackie Russo (*Self*); Rudy Cooper, Margie Lee (*The Oaks on Parkwood*); Claudia Charmie, Charles Pardi, Dorothy Perry (*Plantation Manor Retirement*); Kathy Whited, Lori Wieczorek (*The Woodlands at Tannehill*); Tina Kilpatrick (*Maplewood Lane*); Lucille Hum (*Shelby Ridge Rehab.*); Bill Vaughan (*Brookdale University Park*); Jean Contorno (*Chateau Vestavia*)

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 Bill 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

Stacy Small, Chairperson
Jeff Evans, Vice Chairperson
Randy Clowdus, Secretary
Falencia Marshall
Patricia Rector
Jena Shourds
Chris Waits
Pat Lambert
Geoff Bull

FALL BIBLE STUDY

The Fall Bible Study is on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the Church. The subject is the Gospel of Matthew. All are welcome to attend any or all of the sessions. *There will be no Bible Study on September 13, due to the Priests' Retreat.*

BESSEMER FARMERS MARKET

Locally grown food is healthier than food that is shipped across the country. Come purchase locally grown vegetables, cage-free eggs, honey, fresh herbs, baked goods and more at the Bessemer Farmers Market! Most of the food sold is picked on the day of, or the day before, the market. There are now two locations: Thursdays at Alex Bradford Park in downtown Bessemer at the corner of 1st Avenue and 19th Street (4:00 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.) and Mondays at Medical West Hospital (11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.). Cash, debit, SFMFP (Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program), SNAP, and EBT are accepted.

PARISH REGISTRATION

If you or your family have recently transferred from another parish or have requested offering envelopes and would like to join Saint Aloysius Parish, please complete a registration card and place it in the collection basket or drop it off at the Church Office. Registration cards are located in the Narthex.

PARISH MINISTRIES

Saint Aloysius Parish has a critical need for Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, and Sacristans at all of our weekend Masses. Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers must be 14 years of age or older and be a practicing Catholic in good standing with the Church. Sacristans must be a practicing Catholic in good standing with the Church and will be responsible for setting up for Mass, turning on all lights, and purifying the vessels. For more information, please contact Stephanie Gerson in the Ministries Office.

SPONSOR A CANDLE

Sponsor a Candles can be lit in honor of a living person or in memory of a deceased loved one. Envelopes are on the cabinet behind the baptismal font or on the table in the Narthex. Pick up your burned down Sponsor Candles on the table in the Narthex. If you don't see one that you requested, keep in mind that it takes six days for one candle to burn so check back again!

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.

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 School 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 426-1797 or kahytortorice@gmail.com.

CATHOLIC HOMESCHOOL MASS

All Catholic Homeschoolers from the Diocese of Birmingham are invited to a Beginning of the Year Mass on Friday, September 8 at 10:00 a.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Paul (2120 3rd Avenue North in Birmingham). A reception will follow; please bring a dish to share. For more information, please e-mail Susan Fay at staabhm@gmail.com.

BERNARD BLUES AND BBQ FESTIVAL

Come to the Bernard Blues and BBQ Festival on the campus of Saint Bernard Prep. School in Cullman! The festival will be held on September 9—10 and will be filled with live music by Microwave Dave, Chimney Branch, Sweet Licks Dixieland Jazz Band, arts and crafts from all over the Southeast, and lots of barbecue and desserts. A grand prize of \$10,000 will be awarded at the end of the show. Gates open at 9:00 a.m. For more information, please visit www.stbernardprep.com and click on the Bernard Blues and BBQ icon at the bottom of the page.

“COME AND SEE” MEETING

Are you being called to a deeper understanding of Faith and Truth? Answer the call as a Lay Dominican! The Birmingham Lay Dominican Blessed Giorgio Frassati Chapter will hold a “Come and See” informational meeting next Sunday, September 10 at 2:00 p.m. at Saint Rose Academy (1401 22nd Street South in Birmingham). The life of a Dominican layperson is all about having a passion for the Word of God and living a Catholic life with a Dominican spirituality in the secular world.

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS

The Confraternity of Christian Mothers will meet on Thursday, September 14 at the Cathedral of Saint Paul (2120 3rd Avenue North in Birmingham). Mass will be at 7:00 p.m. followed by the meeting and a potluck dinner in the Cathedral Room. This month we welcome families to join as new members are enrolled. Parking is available in the lot on 22nd Street North and security is provided (enter and exit by the side gate on 22nd Street). For more information, please contact Lori Donellan at ccmbham07@gmail.com.

MIDDLE EASTERN FOOD FESTIVAL

Saint George the Great Martyr Melkite Parish (425 16th Avenue South in Birmingham) will hold their 36th Annual Middle Eastern Food Festival on September 14—16 from 10:30 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. In addition to delicious food and desserts, church tours will be conducted throughout the day until 8:00 p.m. Vendors include a variety of handmade crafts, Byzantine icons, olive wood artifacts from the Holy Land, and a church cookbook, *Our Favorite Recipes*. There will be live entertainment on Friday evening, Saturday afternoon, and Saturday evening. Drive-thru will be available for take-out orders. Proceeds benefit local charities including Three Hots and A Cot, Pathways of Birmingham, and Habitat for Humanity. For more information and menu items, please visit www.saintgeorgeonline.org or on Facebook.

EUCCHARISTIC YOUTH CONGRESS

The Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama is hosting a Eucharistic Youth Congress entitled, “He Has Done Great Things,” on Saturday, September 23 from 10:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. at the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament (3222 County Road 548 in Hanceville). Youth of all ages in the diocese are invited to come listen to the keynote speaker, Father Agustino Torres, C.F.R. and a concert by P.J. Anderson. Bishop Robert Baker will celebrate the Mass at 4:00 p.m. For more information, please contact the Diocesan Office for Youth at 838-8301.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Have a good marriage? Want to have a great, exciting and romantic one? Why settle for merely good when you can have the exciting and romantic relationship you both dreamed about just a few years ago? Now is the time to reach out for more and attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. The next weekend is scheduled on October 13—15 at the DoubleTree Hotel-South in Huntsville. Register online at www.ALFL-wwme.org or call Bob and Joy Hernandez at 1-678-985-0125.

ONE-WOMAN SHOW

Holy Family Cristo Rey Catholic High School will host a one-woman show entitled, "Saint Catherine of Siena: A Woman for Our Times," performed by Sister Nancy Murray, O.P. on Wednesday, October 18 at 7:00 p.m. at Saint Francis Xavier Parish (2 Xavier Circle in Birmingham). Sister Nancy is the older sister of famed actor Bill Murray so acting runs in the family! Tickets cost \$25.00 in advance and \$30.00 at the door. For more information or purchase tickets, please visit www.hfcristorey.org/siena.

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

Lt. Paul M. Byrne III
Luke Reiter

U.S. Intelligence

Daniel Thomas

Air Force

Daniel K. Hicks
Shea Hicks
Lt. Col. Michael Todd
Zach McDuff

Army

Joseph R. Chiarella
Alan Chandler
Maj. Teri Bossard

Call the Church Office at 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 **Sam and Caroline Tamburello**, who are celebrating their Wedding Anniversary on September 5.

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

September 3. . . .Lisa Land, Lou Hickey, Terry Hammett
September 4.Buster Antonio, Pauline Vines,
.Brandon Smith, Dalton Troncalli, Tony Hodges,
.Mackie Rose, Angela Arnold
September 5.Frances George, Suzanne Vernon,
.Tootsie Salvago, Aaron Gavin, Roman Knowles
September 6.Emilie Medina
September 7Sue Brooks, Nick Lambert,
.Johnnie Lowery, Mike "Chop" Richards, Ian Blake
September 8.Felicia Boyd, Robert Coates,
.Henry Tortorici, Juan Gonzalez, Jr., Scott Woods
September 9. Martha Herring, Nicholas Cagle,
.Lizbeth Ruz, Julieta Arellano, Denise Antonio

