



Saint Aloysius Catholic Church

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Office Hours: Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. (closed for lunch, Noon – 12:30 p.m.)

September 8, 2019

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

PASTOR

Rev. Gerald Holloway Office: 424-2984
Home: 424-1839
(e-mail: staloysiuspastor@bellsouth.net)

WEEKEND EUCHARIST

Saturday 4:30 p.m.
Sunday 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Sunday 1:00 p.m. (Spanish)

PASTORAL ASSOCIATE

Mrs. Stephanie Gerson 424-2984
(e-mail: staloysiusre@bellsouth.net)

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST

Monday 5:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:30 a.m.

CHOIR DIRECTOR

Mr. Quincy Hall 1-205-887-0083
(e-mail: quincyhall2010@gmail.com)

SUNDAY BULLETIN

Deadline for new items Tuesday 4:00 p.m.

CHURCH SECRETARY

Mrs. Judy Cacioppo 424-2984
(e-mail: staloysius@bellsouth.net)

HOLY DAYS

Please check Parish Bulletin

SACRAMENT of RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30 – 4:00 p.m.
(or by appointment)

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

Mr. Randy Clowdus 540-1394
(e-mail: rclowdus@bham.rr.com)

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.

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

Officer to be Elected

SACRAMENT of BAPTISM

Please contact Father Holloway for Baptismal Preparation.

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.

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.

ALTAR GUILD MEETINGS

The **Mother of Christ Altar Guild** will meet on Monday, September 9 at 6:30 p.m. in the Library. Hostesses are Marian Campbell, Josephine Culver, Mary Curry, Bernadette McFerrin, Rosie Schmalz, and B. J. Short.

The **Holy Family Altar Guild** will meet on Wednesday, September 18 at 6:30 p.m. For more information, please call Kellie Whitson at 296-3390 or Vickie Gavin at 451-5318.

SAINT ALOYSIUS MEN'S SOCIETY

The **Saint Aloysius Men's Society** will meet on Monday, September 9 at 6:30 p.m. in the Cafeteria. All men of the parish are welcome. For more information, please call Charles Ellis, President (365-5896), or Jim Galloway, Vice President (516-1645).

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The **Knights of Columbus** will meet on Tuesday, September 10 at 7:00 p.m. in the Library. 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.

SECOND COLLECTION—THIS WEEKEND

The second collection this weekend is 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.

SECOND COLLECTION—NEXT WEEKEND

The second collection next weekend will be the annual *One Voice* collection for the weekly newspaper published by the Diocese of Birmingham. The annual subscription is \$17.00 per family.

MINISTRIES FAIR

Our parish will highlight our various ministries with a Ministries Fair on three consecutive Sundays: September 8, 15 and 22. Information tables will be set up in the Narthex to describe each ministry and to sign up new members. All are invited to participate in one or more of the ministries we offer.

MASS INTENTIONS

September 7 – 15

(† = Deceased)

Saturday (4:30 p.m.)..... † Debra Albright
Sunday (8:30 a.m.)..... † Alex Folds
Sunday (11:00 a.m.)..... Saint Aloysius Parishioners
Monday..... Paula Costello Brown
Tuesday..... † Frank Smith
Wednesday..... † Monte Whitley
Thursday..... † Msgr. Eugene O'Connor
Friday..... Sr. Judith Dianne McGowan, R.S.M.
Saturday (4:30 p.m.)..... Debbie Rupert and Family
Sunday (8:30 a.m.)..... Saint Aloysius Parishioners
Sunday (11:00 a.m.)..... Charlene Mareno

SYMPATHY

The Parish Community extends prayerful sympathy to the family of **Juanita Farley**, who is survived by her son, Mark (Terri) Farley, and other family members. Please keep this family in your prayers.

CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME

Congratulations and welcome to **Marisol Kailini Arellano Hueramo**, daughter of Alejandro Arellano and Maria Hueramo Mejia, who was baptized on September 1.

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 will begin on Tuesday, September 10 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.

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.

COFFEE AND DONUTS

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

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

September 15 – 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14

1 Timothy 1:12-17

Luke 15:1-32

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

	Last Week	Online Giving	Year-to- Date
Offertory	\$5,404.57	\$1,280.00	\$312,926.27
Building Fund	\$2,083.57	\$ 110.00	\$ 27,350.99

SAINT ALOYSIUS CHOIR

The purpose of music ministry is to bring the message of the Gospel through music and song so that it can be understood in the heart, as well as the mind. Saint Aloysius welcomes musicians of all ability to collaborate with us in the choir, through solo instrument, and in our special services and concerts held throughout the year. If you are looking for a community of warmth, support, and fellowship while making beautiful and uplifting music, we encourage you to join us for rehearsals on Thursdays from 6:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. For more information, please contact Quincy Hall at quincyhall2010@gmail.com or 1-205-887-0083.

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

Jerry Joiner

(UAB)

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	John V. Jones, Jr.	Don & MaryAnna
Barbara Bridges	Meredith Jones	Schilleci
Jack Chiarella	Billy Monte	Steve Tate
Don Graham	Debbie Rupert	Powell Thompson
Mary Ann Graham		Irene Tutten

Nursing & Retirement Homes, & Assisted Living

<u>Self Health Care & Rehab.</u>	<u>The Woodlands at</u>
Jackie Russo	<u>Tannehill</u>
<u>The Oaks on Parkwood</u>	Jean Sullivan
Rudy Cooper	Kathy Whited
<u>Plantation Manor</u>	Lori Wiczorek
Claudia Charme	<u>Aspire (Hoover)</u>
	Charles Pardi

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

Micha McMeans, Vice Chairperson

Felicia Boyd, Secretary

Eddie Blanco

Phillip Galloway

Patricia Rector

Vickie Gavin

Chris Waits

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 plate or drop it off at the Church Office. Registration cards are located in the Narthex.

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!

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 531-0930 or kahytortorice@gmail.com.

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. For more information, please call Sheila Freeman at 477-7687.

JOB OPENINGS AT EWTN

EWTN is searching for qualified candidates for the following positions in Irondale: **Gift Shop Manager, Accounting Assistant, Groundskeeper, IT Support Technician II, Non-Linear Editor, Production Assistant, Traffic Assistant, On-Air Graphic Designer, and Viewer Services Representative.** Job requirements can be viewed at www.ewtn.com. E-mail cover letter, salary requirements, and résumé to humanresources@ewtn.com.

BENEDICTINE SISTERS RETREAT CENTER

The Benedictine Sisters Retreat Center in Cullman will host a one-day retreat entitled, "Flannery O'Connor and Walker Percy: The Search for Mystery and Meaning in Modern Life," on Tuesday, September 10. The speaker will be Dr. David King, Professor of English and Film Studies at Kennesaw State University and Director of RCIA at Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Atlanta. The cost for the day is \$30.00. For more information or to register, please contact the Benedictine Sisters Retreat Center at 1-256-734-8302 or e-mail at retreats@shmon.org.

BIBLICAL PROGRAM

Saint Francis of Assisi Parish (2400 7th Avenue North in Bessemer) will host a Biblical Program entitled, "The Greatest of These Gifts is Love," on Saturday, September 14 at 2:00 p.m. Come and hear Biblical characters tell their stories of true Christian love and of their love for God. Be inspired and learn why love is the greatest gift of all. There is no charge. Reception to follow.

BERNARD BLUES AND BBQ

Saint Bernard Prep. School in Cullman will host their 3rd Annual Bernard Blues and BBQ Arts and Music Festival on September 14—15. Come enjoy blues musicians and premiere crafters from across the Southeast. Delicious food includes smoked butts, ribs and chicken, Louisiana gumbo, fresh lemonade, kettle corn, and more. Participate in a drawing for more than \$10,000 in cash prizes; tickets are \$5 each or 6 for \$25. For more information, please visit www.stbernardprep.com.

MIDDLE EASTERN FOOD FESTIVAL

Saint George the Great Martyr Melkite Parish (425 16th Avenue South in Birmingham) invites all to their 38th Annual Middle Eastern Food Festival on September 19—21 from 10:30 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. In addition to delicious homemade food and pastries, church tours will be conducted throughout the day until 8:00 p.m. Vendors include a variety of handmade crafts, Byzantine icons, olive wood items from the Holy Land, stained glass art, and a church cookbook, *Our Favorite Recipes*. Adel Aldaoud will perform Friday and Saturday evenings and Arabic dancing will be performed by the church youth. Drive-thru will be available for take-out orders. Proceeds benefit Three Hots and A Cot, Pathways of Birmingham, and Habitat for Humanity. For more information, please visit www.saintgeorgeonline.org or on Facebook.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Celebrate your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend! A Weekend renews the romance and excitement you experienced during your dating days! The next weekend will be at Saint Bernard Abbey in Cullman on October 18—20. For more information or to register online, please visit www.ALFL-wwme.org or call Barney and Kathy Bellard at 205-530-3607.

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

Air Force

Daniel K. Hicks

Shea Hicks

Lance Rosser

U.S. Intelligence

Daniel Thomas

Army

Joseph R. Chiarella

Zach Edmonds

Blake Seidel

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 **George and Stephanie Gerson**, who are celebrating their Wedding Anniversary on September 12.

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

September 8. Felicia Boyd, Robert Coates, Juan Gonzalez, Jr., Scott Woods, Nancy Callahan
September 9. Martha Herring, Nicholas Cagle, Lizbeth Ruz, Julieta Arellano
September 10. Adeline Costabile, John Virciglio, Judy Clark, Noel Rosas
September 11. Eddie Blanco, Joe Russo
September 12. Ashley Broyles, Tre Smith
September 13. Piper Metcalf, Karma Brooks, Linda Maloy, Jisell Garcia Araujo, Judson Driscoll, Gary Williams, Rachel McMeans Miller
September 14. . . Norman Cacciatore, Martha Hamrick, Angie Cacioppo, Carol Alvarado, Angelina Canul

