



Saint Aloysius Catholic Church

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Dear St. Aloysius Parishioners,

At the request of Bishop Baker, I have accepted a new assignment as pastor of Our Lady of the Lake in Pell City beginning on or around July 1, 2018. I had no intentions of moving, but the Diocesan Personnel Board has asked that I accept this assignment for the good of the Diocese. At this time, no announcement has been made concerning who the new pastor of St. Aloysius will be.

I am sad to leave, but I know that God works His mercy in all things. I believe God has a reason for this change as well. It has been a blessed two years for me. God will continue to provide for all of us no matter who the pastor of a particular parish is. In my 28 years as a priest, God has shown me that this is true.

One request I do have is that you be as loving and supportive of your new pastor as you have been of me. You are a good parish and any priest would be blessed to be your pastor. Your example of faith has been an inspiration for me. Let us continue to pray for each other.

Sincerely in Christ,

Father Bill Lucas