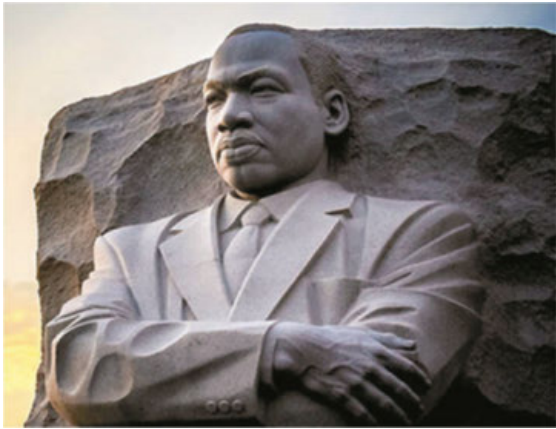


# Saint Aloysius

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3RDD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 23, 2022



Rev. James Goode, O.F.M.



Francis and Bartholomew I during Christian Unity Week

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 Sunday Masses:..... 10 am  
 Weekday Masses ((Wednesday).....11:30 am

**Reconciliation:** Before Sunday Mass or by appt.  
**Marriages:** Arrangements made at the Parish House at least 6 months prior to the date of the wedding.

**Baptisms:** Contact the Parish House.  
**First Communion, First Reconciliation:** Contact the Parish House.

**Anointing of the sick and Hospital Visits:** Contact the Parish House.

**Funerals:** All arrangements must be made at the Parish House before publication in Newspapers.

**Registration:** Everyone should be properly registered in the Parish. New parishioners should contact the Parish House. Those moving in or out of the Parish are asked to notify the Parish House.

## MISSION OF THE PARISH

We are a welcoming Catholic Parish  
 Embracing its African American culture,  
 Empowering its members  
 And sharing its love of Christ  
 Through service to the community.

# 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## **Markings** *...Questions, Quotations and Exclamations from the Pastor*

February is right around the corner, and we will once again observe and celebrate Black History Month. The first

Sunday of February, February 6, we will join in observing the National Day of Prayer for African American and African Families. This National Day of Prayer was created by Fr. James Goode, OFM in 1989. It is a day set aside to give special thanks to God for our families and place our every care in the arms of Jesus. Fr. Goode is a priest/historian from Atlanta, Georgia.

I invite you to extend an invitation to all the members of your families to attend mass with you on that Sunday. If you have photographs of your ancestors – living and deceased – that you could bring to church and place on the communion rail for that Sunday it would be a great way to celebrate and give thanks to God for our families and our family history.

I recently read an account of an article from the newspaper published by the Archdiocese of New York, which related the thoughts of Fr. Goode regarding Black Catholic History in a homily delivered in St. Patrick's Cathedral for the start of Black History Month, 1999. He is an excerpt from that article:

In an inspirational talk to some 1,500 people at the cathedral for the occasion, (Fr. Goode) asserted that blacks became and remained Christian even though it was also the faith of slave owners because "we are sophisticated enough to make a distinction between the real Christ and his message, and the so-called Christians who distorted the message and do sinful things in his name."

Blacks remain Catholic because "the Eucharist is his body and his blood." He remarked that black Catholics are a minority among Catholics in the U.S., but worldwide more blacks are Catholics than any other Christian denomination. Using a "street" expression that delighted his listeners, he said, "We remain Catholics because we believe in Jesus, and we ain't gonna let nobody turn us around."

Father Goode observed that "blacks view Christ differently than whites...Whites don't look at Jesus as a liberator because those who have never been oppressed don't see themselves as needing liberation." Reminding his listeners of the oppression blacks suffered after arriving in the U.S. as slaves, he spoke of the Constitution drafted in 1787 in which slaves counted as only three-fifths of a white person in terms of representation, and the 1857 Dred Scott decision, which stripped them of citizenship until the 14th Amendment restored it in 1868.

"And yet we have lived through this and maintained our humanity," Father Goode said.

Even so, he continued, with "the dark cloud of racism, the dark cloud of hatred, you find yourself walking precariously on the edge of hopelessness...where happiness doesn't bring you up and nobody calls your name." He said, "I don't know how we've handled it, but we've handled it...We have made it." Because of their spirit and spirituality, blacks have not only overcome their own oppression but have "revised history so that black pearls of history" have become part of the history of the nation. Now, he said, "we expose our youngsters and our elders to the glorious heritage of our black culture."

He also offered a long list of historical black figures for congregants to draw upon when young people ask about their heritage. "Tell them that the whole human race began in Africa," he said, his voice taking on more emotion as he continued. "Tell them about blacks in the Old Testament, tell them about...the Queen of Sheba," he said. "...Historians tell us it was a black man who was the pilot of Columbus' flagship...Tell them about Crispus Attucks, the first American who shed his blood in the Revolutionary War, a black man. Tell them about the 5,000 blacks in the Revolutionary War, the 150,000 in the Civil War. "We have shed our blood in every war in this country," he said. "It's our land too."

### MASS INTENTIONS JAN 23—30, 2022

Sunday	10 am	Art Melton
Wednesday	11:30 am	Margaret Ponivkar
Sunday	10 am	Margaret Ponivkar

### PRAYER INTENTIONS

Ronald Redmon	Sterling Uitenham
Toni E Payne	Marlene Jones
Henrietta Broadus	Michelle Triska
Barbara Williams	Miles Frierson
Paulette Jones	John Berry
Keli Harland	Dorene Gantt
Jermaine Harland	James Harland

### HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOMES

Mary Ann Melton	Ruby Gibson
August & Jackie Reese	Margaret Atwell
Donna Beard	Kevin Strickland
Evelyn Davis	Leanna Wysinger
Rosemary McKeon	Letcher Epps
Colleen Holt	Vyrdye Hopes

## EVENTS THIS WEEK

<b>Sunday</b>	Jan 23	<b>10 AM Mass</b>
<b>Monday</b>	Jan 24	
<b>Tuesday</b>	Jan 25	<b>5-6 PM Community Meal</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	Jan 26	<b>11:30 AM MASS</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	Jan 27	
<b>Friday</b>	Jan 8	
<b>Saturday</b>	Jan 29	
<b>Sunday</b>	Jan 30	<b>10 AM Mass</b>

### Catholic Cemeteries Grief Support

The Catholic Cemeteries Association offers free, safe, and compassionate monthly Grief Support meetings in-person in six of our offices and virtually: For details, visit: <https://www.clecem.org/Information/Bereavement.aspx>. For more information or questions, call Rhonda at 216-930-4866.

### Food Pantry News

Our Tuesday Community Meal will resume on Tuesday, January 25 as a take-out meal.

### National Catholic Schools Week

Since 1974, National Catholic Schools Week is the annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States. It starts the last Sunday in January and runs all week, which in 2022 is January 30 – February 5. The theme for National Catholic Schools Week 2022 is "Catholic Schools: Faith. Excellence. Service." Schools typically observe the annual celebration week with Masses, open houses and other activities for students, families, parishioners and community members. Through these events, schools focus on the value Catholic education provides to young people and its contributions to our church, our communities and our nation. Watch this space for more information about this year's celebration of Catholic Schools Week at St. Aloysius.

### COLLECTION FOR

	<b>1/16/22</b>
Offertory	\$1960.50
Renovations	\$74.35
Special Collection	\$ 42.00
Target Year to Date	\$58,000.00
Collection Year to Date	\$63,095.15

### SUNDAY READINGS

**1st Reading:** Nehemiah 8:2-6,8-10 The Jewish refugees are read the Law for the first time..  
**2nd Reading** 1 Corinthians 12:12-30 Paul tells us we are the body of Christ in this world.  
**Gospel Reading:** Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21 Jesus says that he is fulfilling Isaiah's prophecy.

### WEEKLY SCRIPTURES

Mon Jan 24 2 Samuel 5:1-7,10; Mark 3:22-30  
 Tues Jan 25 Acts 22:3-16; Mark 16:15-18  
 Wed Jan 26 2 Timothy 1:1-8; Mark 4:1-20  
 Thurs Jan 27 2 Samuel 7:18-29,24-29;  
 Mark 4:21-25  
 Fri Jan 28 2 Samuel 11:1-10,13-17; Mark 4:26-34  
 Sat Jan 29 2 Samuel 12:-7,10-17; Mark 4:35-41  
 Sun Jan 30 Jeremiah 1:4-5,7-9;  
 1 Corinthians 12:31—13:13; Luke 4:21-30

### SCHOOL NEWS

We are officially halfway through the current school year as we finish the first semester. As we start the second semester, we are grateful for all of our scholars, faculty, and staff for their dedication and commitment to our school community. Please pray for a smooth and healthy second semester. Go Tigers!


### Week of Prayer for Christian Unity January 18-25

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity has a history of over 100 years, in which Christians around the world have taken part in an octave of prayer for visible Christian unity. By annually observing the WPCU, Christians move toward the fulfillment of Jesus' prayer at the Last Supper "that they all may be one." (cf. John 17:21)

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