

# St. Aloysius Gonzaga Catholic Church

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**September 8, 2019**

## Ordinary Mass Schedule

*Please look inside bulletin for possible seasonal changes.*

**Daily Mass:** Weds., Thurs. Fri. & Saturday 9:00 a.m.  
Tuesday at 7:00 pm  
**Saturday Vigil:** 5:00 p.m.  
**Sunday:** 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

**Holy Hour:** Tuesday 5:30 pm

## Sacrament of Confession:

Tuesday evenings at 5:30 pm.  
First Friday and Saturdays of the month following morning Mass.  
Every Saturday: 3:30-4:30 pm.

**Rosary :** After each Mass

## Parish Directory

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**I**t's said that upon reading the Gospels, Gandhi commented that he very much liked Jesus Christ. It was Christ's followers he found troublesome. One wonders who Gandhi had met and if these Christians had truly counted the cost of their faith. Following Jesus, *really* following Jesus, is much more challenging than we may think. He emphasizes this with strong language in this Sunday's Gospel. He compares discipleship to the carrying of one's own execution device — "*his own cross*" — and for the need even to "*hate*" what could disrupt one's commitment. Some of this is standard hyperbole, exaggeration for effect common to the time period. Some of this should make us wonder how deep our discipleship goes.

*"Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost?"* Jesus imagines this construction project gone wrong. Someone may lay the foundation but not have enough resources to finish. We've received the firm foundation of the sacraments — our baptism, for one, along with weekly Mass attendance and regular confession. Yet how often do we find ourselves too distracted, exhausted, or uninterested to truly build our lives on our faith? We have all met such Christians.

Some days, we may be those Christians ourselves.

We become the incomplete tower that confuses and baffles the onlookers.

*"This one began to build but did not have the resources to finish!"*

For some of us, our cross may feel heavier than we expected upon the first lift. Building a tower means laying stone upon stone. It's a process. We don't arrive at completion overnight. Grace is always sufficient to provide the resources, but we need to keep saying yes to the task. This week, consider your own discipleship.

What is one area where you've become distracted or discouraged? How can that improve this week? Let God lay another brick on the tower.



*23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday*

IN ORDINARY TIME

*"Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple." - Lk 14:27*

## St. Aloysius

**Parish Registration** Complete and drop in the collection basket. We thank God for your presence here.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to become a parishioner.

I'm from out of town. Please add me to your mailing list.

### Mission Statement

St. Aloysius is a friendly parish with a sense of family. Gathered in the name of Jesus Christ to pray and worship, we serve one another with understanding and compassion. Our mission is to share, live and witness the Gospel, as we celebrate the sacraments and practice the works of Christian service, education, justice and peace. We support a vision for growth rooted in the belief that all things are possible when trusting in God.



Frances Massineo, Helen Thomas, Cathy Mulligan, Abigail Kay Zetlemoyer, Jeremy Liss, Andrew Hailo, Fr. John Currin, Theresa Matt, Dennis Jacobs, Nellie Chadwick, Judi Rowden, Chuck Shonta, Laura Hager, Steve Buck, Bernie & Cle Roberts, Irene Bergeson, Connie Havens, Angie Stambersky, Retta Matt

Father, your only Son took upon himself the sufferings and weakness of the whole human race; through his passion and cross he taught us how good can be brought out of suffering.

Look upon our brothers and sisters who are ill, whom we now remember in a special way. In the midst of illness and pain, may they be united with Christ, who heals both body and soul.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

To add someone to our prayer list, please contact the parish office.



## MASS INTENTIONS

**Tuesday, September 10, 2019**

**Weekday**

7:00 pm †Arlene Robson, req. by Marlene Ramm

**Wednesday, September 11, 2019**

**Weekday**

9:00 am For Sharon Wojtylko, req. by St. Aloysius Ushers

**Thursday, September 12, 2019**

**The Most Holy Name of Mary**

9:00 am For †Phillip Renke, req. by his wife, Michele

**Friday, September 13, 2019**

**St. John Chrysostom**

9:00 am For †Ron Collins, req. by Barbara

**Saturday, September 14, 2019**

**The Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

9:00 am For Laura Hager req. by St. Aloysius Ushers

**Sunday Anticipatory Mass—**

**Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 pm For †Ron Collins, req. by Hal & Sylvia Dubisky

**Sunday, September 15, 2019**

**Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 am For †Ron Collins, req. by Darryl & Sharon Zilka

11:00 am For the Parishioners of St. Aloysius Gonzaga Church

### Life's Tapestry

Life is a tapestry,  
The work of God's hand,  
With stitches added daily,  
Unnoticed by man.  
The picture that He's shaping  
Is hidden from view.  
We see only the underside  
With its threads of multi-hue.  
Some patches are bright,  
Showing joy's reflection,  
While others are dark,  
Marking times of dejection.  
We have no control o'er the pattern  
That's forming.  
It's not to be seen  
'Til eternity's morning.  
We need to have faith  
In the tapestry weaver,  
Living each day  
As befits a believer.  
Leave designing to Him,  
For the outcome, don't press.  
We are all most unique,  
Each a "work in progress."

Mary Lou Reifsteck



"In the same way, anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." -Lk 14:33

### Readings for the Week September 8, 2019

**Sunday:** Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17 [1]/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33

**Monday:** Col 1:24—2:3/Ps 62:6-7, 9 [8]/Lk 6:6-11

**Tuesday:** Col 2:6-15/Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11 [9]/Lk 6:12-19

**Wednesday:** Col 3:1-11/Ps 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab [9]/Lk 6:20-26

**Thursday:** Col 3:12-17/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 [6]/Lk 6:27-38

**Friday:** 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11 [cf. 5]/Lk 6:39-42

**Saturday:** Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 [cf. 7b]/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

**Next Sunday:** Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19 [Lk 15:18]/1 Tm 1:12-17/Lk 15:1-32 or 15:1-10

### Lay Minister Liturgy Schedule September 14/15, 2019

#### Altar Server

5:00 pm Pam  
9:00 am Levi  
11:00 am William & Pierre

#### Readers

5:00 pm Paul  
9:00 am Kim  
11:00 am Steve



#### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

5:00 pm Darryl, Sharon & Sub  
9:00 am Viviane, Peggy & Sub  
11:00 am Jean, Irene & Debra

The weapon of the second Eve and

Mother of God is prayer.

-Bl. John Henry Cardinal Newman

**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP -  
RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR  
ORDINARY MOMENTS**

Reach Out in Love

We are all called to be accountable to one another. As brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ, we have a responsibility to reach out in love when we see someone lost and to offer support when the need is the greatest. In that same regard, we must never stand between a loved one and him. Our goal when it comes to those we love is to lead them toward heaven and eternal life with the source of all love, Jesus Christ.

This is the "why" of our stewardship. Our generosity and our giving of very selves back to God need to bear witness to the transforming power of Jesus. It is easy to fall into the trap of loving someone so much that we place them before God. We make our human relationships the main thing and ultimately make decisions that keep our loved ones away from that which they need the most. If we truly love another, we will offer them the example of how we love God even more than them.

We live in a world where romantic and parental love are seen as the highest forms of affection. Stories are often told in books and on the screen of how nothing will keep someone from his or her beloved. Although we are called to love one another, we must never be trapped into the portrayal of love that comes from the world. We are gifts from God to one another, and like all other gifts given to us, we are accountable to God for that which He has given. If you can give a loved one back to God completely, then you are worthy of their love in the first place.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

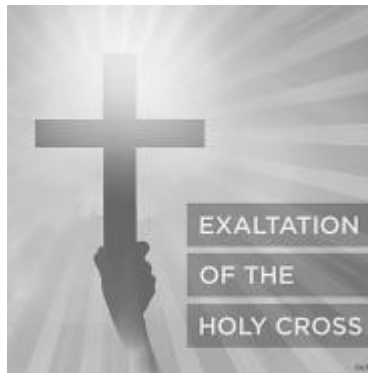


**Classes begin September 18 at 6:00 pm.**

Our Religious Education program are for children grades kindergarten to 8th grade.

Registration is happening right now. Registration forms are available in the church vestibule or the parish office.

Need additional information? Contact our DRE, Kimberly Gilliland at 734 941-3730 or at [dre.st.aloysiuschurch@gmail.com](mailto:dre.st.aloysiuschurch@gmail.com)



The cross was once the most horrible way to die, fit only for the lowest of criminals whose crimes were nailed above their heads as examples to those who would see them. Christ humbled himself, by being born in a barn, by living as a man, and by dying on a cross with the words "King of the Jews" written above his head for all to see. As Christ transformed himself through his death and resurrection, and changed death from something to be feared to the beginning of new life, he transformed the cross from an object of fear to a symbol of hope, and from a sign of death to the greatest symbol of love, and everlasting life.

**This Coming Week**

- Tuesday, September 10, 2019**  
5:30 pm Holy Hour  
5:30-6:15 pm Confessions  
7:00 pm Mass  
7:30 pm Rosary
- Wednesday, September 11, 2019**  
9:00 am Mass  
9:30 am Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions  
9:45 am Rosary
- Thursday, September 12, 2019**  
9:00 am Mass  
9:30 am Infant of Prague Devotions  
9:45 am Rosary  
6:00 pm Baptism Prep  
6:00 pm Legion of Mary
- Friday, September 13, 2019**  
9:00 am Mass  
9:30 am Rosary
- Saturday, September 14, 2019**  
9:00 am Mass  
9:30 am Rosary  
3:30-4:30 pm Confessions  
5:00 pm Mass  
6:00 pm Rosary
- Sunday, September 15, 2019**  
9:00 am Mass  
10:00 am Rosary  
11:00 am Mass  
12:00 pm Rosary  
1:00 pm Ushers Greek Town Casino Trip

**Ushers' Club Greek Town Casino Trip**  
**Sunday, September 15, 2019**  
**\$30.00 per person**  
Round Trip transportation via deluxe motor coach, everyone will receive \$15.00 in coin play and a \$5.00 food voucher!

The bus will depart St. Aloysius parking lot at 1:00 pm and return at 6:30 pm.

For reservations and information, contact JoAnn Hewitt at 734 697-2061. Registration forms are available at the parish office.

*Don't forget the following restaurants are within walking distance of the casino: Pegasus, Olympia and the Blue Nile.*

**Festival Fund**  
Just a reminder that on the 22nd of September we will have our Festival Fund drawing for all those who have donated a minimum of \$100.00 to this fund. For every \$100.00 donated your name will be entered to win one of three prizes, \$1000.00, \$500.00 or \$250.00. The drawing will take place after the 11:00 am Mass.



## The Lord's Prayer

(In Memory of Joseph and Verna Kotlarek)

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.  
Your Kingdom come, your will be done, on earth  
as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin  
against us. Lead us not into temptation, but  
deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power  
and the glory are yours. Now and forever.  
Amen.

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