

# St. Aloysius Gonzaga Catholic Church

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**August 2, 2020**



## 18<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the crowds. They all ate and were satisfied. - Mt 14:19c-20

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Many people in our world are hungry and thirsty. This hunger and thirst go well beyond physical needs for food, security, and shelter. Many are emotionally and spiritually parched, too. Behind every act of violence is a soul who hungers. People live with relationships that actually starve them. They are abused, exploited, disrespected, laughed at, and marginalized. There is a lot of confusion and inner pain that needs to be acknowledged and expressed. We all long to be understood and loved, even when our inner demons or who I am make it difficult to be. Do you live with inner confusion and pain? Folks often wander through life without any real direction or purpose and take their cues from what seems satisfying or popular at the moment. The deeper dots of our lives can easily remain unconnect-

ed, and we can find ourselves without grounding, purpose, or real happiness. Life becomes shallow and without real purpose as we hunger and thirst for an ultimate love.

It's easier to see the physical hungers and thirsts. We try to respond to these as best we can. Much more needs to be done. With all that God's earth can provide, nobody ought to face sleep at night with a belly that's empty. It's sinful. It's unjust. But isn't all hunger unjust? It doesn't need to be, and it should not be. Just as no one ought to be physically hungry and thirsty, there is really no need to be emotionally or spiritually deficient either. If we have more privileges at our fingertips, it is easier to try to satisfy our emotional and spiritual hungers and thirst by acting on impulse or self-indulgence, carelessly following passions, or by seeking self-destructive ways to dull the ache of emptiness.

Folks need to know where to look for nourishment and need the right friends to help them find it. We may not think that we have enough to respond to and to satisfy all of the needs, but we do. It doesn't take much. Five loaves and two fish provided for a huge crowd. With God, all things are possible. Our faith provides the direction for where God's children must go to find the nourishment they seek. It also tells us how to structure life so that justice and equity can be a reality for all. It also tells us how to respond to pain, sinfulness, and confusion. Come to the water and then help another get there.

### 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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### St. Aloysius

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

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

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- 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 Zettle-moyer, Andrew Hailo, Fr. John Currin, Dennis Jacobs, Nellie Chadwick, Chuck Shonta, Laura Hager, Steve Buck, Bernie Roberts, Irene Bergeson, Connie Havens, Retta Matt, Christal Hailo, Roseann Farn-strom, Shirley Parmlee, Mark Golem-biewski, David Buck, Rob McLachlan, Brad Newby, Bonnie Wysocki, Jim Caczor

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, August 4, 2020**

**Weekday**

9:00 am For †Patricia Rohrbaugh req. by Diane Majestic

**Wednesday, August 5, 2020**

**Weekday**

9:00 am For †Marian Hamel req. by Family

**Thursday, August 6, 2020**

**Weekday**

9:00 am For the People of St. Aloysius Parish

**Friday, August 7, 2020**

9:00 am For the auxiliary bishops of the Archdiocese of Detroit

**Saturday, August 8, 2020**

**Weekday**

9:00 am For the religious ministering within the Archdiocese of Detroit

**Nineteenth Sunday Anticipatory Mass**

5:00 pm For Joan Lakes req. by the McLachlan Family

**Sunday, August 9, 2020**

**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 am For †Paul Beltramo req. by Lucille Beltramo

11:00 am For The Parishioners of St. AloysiusGonzaga Church

#### WHITE ELEPHANT

We are now accepting donations for our annual White Elephant Sale. Please contact the parish office for more information.

(Romulus will not host the annual Pumpkin Festival this year but we plan to have our White Elephant Sale anyway, only later, possibly in October.)

#### Career Opportunity:

The Knights of Columbus is seeking a Field Agent for a career opportunity representing their insurance program. We offer a complete benefits package with this full-time position. In order to qualify, one must be eligible for membership in the Knights of Columbus.

For more information, please contact, Jack Jerzewski, General Agent, at 313.334.6396 or Jack-Jerzewski@Kofc.org.



#### Readings for the week of August 2, 2020

Sunday: Is 55:1-3/Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18 [cf. 16]/Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21

Monday: Jer 28:1-17/Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102 [68b]/Mt 14:22-36

Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23 [17]/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13 [cf. 10d]/Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9 [1a, 9a]/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9

Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41 [39c]/Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Hb 1:12—2:4/Ps 9:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [11b]/Mt 17:14-20

Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33

#### Lay Minister Schedule August 8/9 2020

##### Altar Server

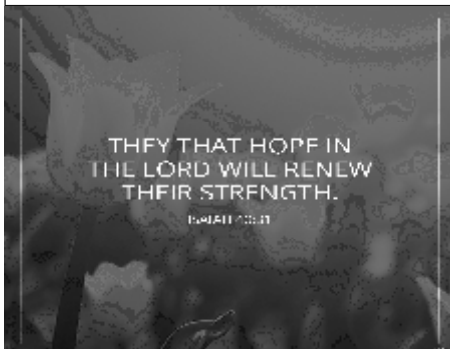
5:00 pm  
9:00 am  
11:00 am

##### Reader

5:00 pm Elizabeth Beger  
9:00 am Nancy Farmer  
11:00 am Jackford Kolk

##### EMHC

5:00 pm  
9:00 am  
11:00 am



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

The Power of a Simple Action

I remember seeing a story on a morning news program about a little girl who wanted to give an elderly man in a grocery store a hug. She had no way of knowing that this man had just lost his wife of many years and now felt so very alone and depressed. Her reaching out to the man seemed odd to her mom at first, but the girl was so insistent about giving a hug she moved the shopping carts close together so the exchange could take place. No one knew that from that moment on the little girl would ask to visit her new friend at least once a week for the next four years until he passed away. In an interview soon after the initial encounter, the man said, "I haven't been this happy in some time." Imagine the joy that relationship brought to them both over the years!

It was just a moment. It was a simple gesture. Yet, it had a large impact that no one could have predicted. You never know what will result when we give just a little of ourselves. That uncertainty too often leads us to hold back or refrain from the simple actions of love or gestures of generosity that could come so easily for us if we wanted. We should never doubt the power of a simple random act of kindness. Generosity does not need to be grand to make a big difference. The time is now, and the opportunity presents itself often to plant a small seed that God can water and nourish so that something beautiful can grow.

- Tracy Earl Welliver



**What is lectio divina?**

Spiritual reading of Sacred Scripture, especially the Gospels, is an important form of meditation. This spiritual reading is traditionally called lectio divina or divine reading. Lectio divina is prayer over the Scriptures. The first element of this type of prayer is reading (lectio): you take a short passage from the Bible, preferably a Gospel passage and read it carefully, perhaps three or more times. Let it really soak-in.

The second element is meditation (meditatio). By using your imagination enter into the Biblical scene in order to "see" the setting, the people, and the unfolding action. It is through this meditation that you encounter the text and discover its meaning for your life.

The next element is prayer (oratio) or your personal response to the text: asking for graces, offering praise or thanksgiving, seeking healing or forgiveness. In this prayerful engagement with the text, you open yourself up to the possibility of contemplation.

Contemplation (contemplatio) is a gaze turned toward Christ and the things of God. By God's action of grace, you may be raised above meditation to a state of seeing or experiencing the text as mystery and reality. In contemplation, you come into an experiential contact with the One behind and beyond the text.

**Prayer During A Health Crisis**

Compassionate and loving Father, in the face of confusion and concern impart to us the calm of your presence.

Through you allow us to find hope and healing.  
Be with those who serve the sick and give them your caring hands.  
Be with those who lead and give them your Spirit of Wisdom.  
Be with those who have fallen ill and give them your comforting heart.  
Wrap your arms around our world and hold us in your love.  
Allow us at this time of trial to then serve as instruments of that love to all we meet.  
We ask this in Jesus name.  
Amen.

**This Coming Week**

<b>Tuesday, August 4, 2020</b> 9:00 am Mass
<b>Wednesday, August 5, 2020</b> 9:00 am Mass 9:30 am Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions
<b>Thursday, August 6, 2020</b> 9:00 am Mass 9:30 am Infant of Prague Devotions 6:00 Legion of Mary Meeting
<b>Friday, August 7, 2020</b> 9:00 am Mass
<b>August 8, 2020</b> 9:00 am Mass 5:00 pm Mass
<b>Sunday, August 9, 2020</b> 9:00 am Mass 11:00 am Mass

**Please Note:**

Confessions are being heard privately, to schedule an appointment, please call the parish office. Because we are on limited or summer hours, please leave a message and we will return your call as soon as we can.

**OUR GIFTS OF LOVE**

July 26, 2020

Envelopes Issued:	190
Envelopes Used:	46
Budget:	\$3,700.00
Amt. Received:	\$3,504.00

Your Continued Support is Needed and Appreciated.

For safety precautions donations can also be mailed to the parish office, to the following address:

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**On Line Giving Now Available**

For your convenience the Archdiocese of Detroit has a new on line giving program through [give.aod.org](http://give.aod.org).

It is quite simple, log into [give.aod.org](http://give.aod.org) and fill in the appropriate information needed. Please make sure that you choose St. Aloysius, Romulus under the organization name.

Your donation will appear in our LDP savings account. Thank you in advance for supporting your church family,

## 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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