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21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." - Mt 16:19

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The only way to know God is to love God. Our minds will never fully grasp the mystery of God, but our hearts and souls can learn to love the mystery. Years ago, when life had a more innocent quality to it, we believed what we were told or witnessed, unless there was direct evidence otherwise. This was especially true if the information came from someone in authority. In a sense, we were a bit more gullible on one hand but also more trusting on the other. The latter is an admirable quality that sadly can be eroded when we realize we have been duped. With education and technological advances, we find ourselves more skeptical and less likely to too quickly accept and believe what we see and hear.

For all of the good that social media can do, it can also easily distort reality and truth. Photoshop and a myriad of other

technological applications can add to, fabricate, and make even the non-existent seem real. It is amazing. How far do we allow this obviously justifiable skepticism to take us? Questioning and doubting are healthy elements of any good relationship as long as we don't allow them to turn us away from a deeper experience of love and encounter. If we cannot get our minds around something or empirically justify or prove it, we tend to declare it a hoax, untrue, or unauthentic and walk away. The very same trust that can quickly be eroded is exactly what is essential for all of our relationships, especially our relationship with God. With all things and people that make a profound claim on us, we have to trust in the absence of knowledge. Full self-investment involves plunging completely into the unknown!

Simon Peter said to Jesus, "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God." Peter came to this knowledge, which is not "head knowledge" because of the relationship he shared with Jesus and what God was able to reveal in and through that relationship. Peter simply "knew" because of love that this is who Jesus really is. The silent exchange of love between friends, and not an intellectual exercise of the mind, brought Peter to this place. When we stop and think about it, there are many things in life that we simply know but do not completely understand. When someone sacrifices their own well-being for another, it may not make intellectual sense when examined. But it makes a world of sense when it is carried out. The vastness of reality and an encounter with incomprehensible mystery all lead us to profound silence where we simply know something to be true. Have you trusted enough to allow your relationship with God to bring you to this place or are you still too skeptical?

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, Jack Kramer

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 25, 2020

Weekday

9:00 am No Mass

Wednesday, August 26, 2020

Weekday

9:00 am For †Cle Roberts req. by Marianne Curran

Thursday, August 27, 2020

Weekday

9:00 am For †Walter & Sylvia Rutkowski req. by Family

Friday, August 28, 2020

9:00 am For †the Souls in Purgatory req. by Darryl & Sharon Zilka

Saturday, August 29, 2020

Weekday

9:00 am For †Cindy Wegienka req. by Carol Gilliland

Twenty First Sunday Anticipatory Mass

5:00 pm For †Dorothy & Steve Ryznar req. by Genevieve Harrison & family

Sunday, August 30, 2020

Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am For The Parishoners of St. Aloysius Church

11:00 am For †Steve Ryznar Req. by The Hamel family

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 23, 2020

Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 [8bc]/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

Monday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/Jn 1:45-51

Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5 [1]/Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [1]/Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11 [5]/Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15ab and 17 [cf. 15ab]/ Mk 6:17-29

Next Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [2b]/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

Lay Minister Schedule August 29/30 2020

Altar Server

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

Reader

5:00 pm Pam
9:00 am Paul
11:00 am Sharon

EMHC

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



Third Lesson: On the Unity and Trinity of God Part II:

10. Q. Is the Son God?

A. The Son is God and the second Person of the Blessed Trinity.

11. Q. Is the Holy Ghost God?

A. The Holy Ghost is God and the third Person of the Blessed Trinity.

12. Q. Do "first," "second," and "third" with regard to the persons of the Blessed Trinity mean that one person existed before the other or that one is greater than the other?

"First," "second," and "third" with regard to the persons of the Blessed Trinity do not mean that one person was before the other or that one is greater than the other; for all the persons of the Trinity are eternal and equal in every respect. These numbers are used to mark the distinction between the persons, and they show the order in which the one proceeded from the other.

13. Q. What do you mean by the Blessed Trinity?

A. By the Blessed Trinity I mean one God in three Divine Persons.

14. Q. Are the three Divine Persons equal in all things?

A. The three Divine Persons are equal in all things.

15. Q. Are the three Divine Persons one and the same God?

A. The three Divine Persons are one and the same God, having one and the same Divine nature and substance.

16. Q. What do we mean by the "nature" and "substance" of a thing?

A. By the "nature" of a thing we mean the combination of all the qualities that make the thing what it is. By the "substance" of a thing we mean the part that never changes, and which cannot be changed without destroying the nature of the thing.

17. Q. Can we fully understand how the three Divine Persons are one and the same God?

A. We cannot fully understand how the three Divine Persons are one and the same God, because this is a mystery.

18. Q. What is a mystery?

A. A mystery is a truth which we cannot fully understand.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

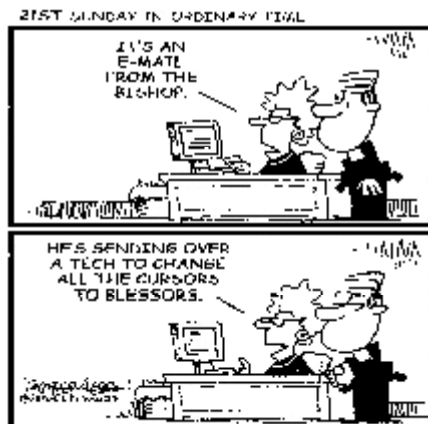
The Choice of Stewardship

What does it mean to be a good steward? Does it mean to be an active parishioner, or something more? Are we better stewards because we give more in terms of our money and time to our parish, or are we called to do even more than that?

The truth is that stewardship is a way of life. We are not simply called to be active parishioners, but instead be active disciples all the time. In fact, what we learn to do in our parish should serve as preparation for the mission field of the world. What have we really done if we only act like disciples of Jesus Christ while we are assembled with others who claim to be the same?

The choice before us is to give of ourselves in all aspects of our day and life. The call of Jesus will come in our everyday lives with our co-workers, family, and friends more often than it will within our parish community. First, if we can't become good stewards when we are among those who proclaim Jesus as Lord, how will we be able to do so when we are with those who are non-believers? Second, when our muscles of gratitude, generosity, and graciousness are strengthened within our parish community, we are more able to meet the challenges of this world. However, we do not become good stewards by accident. We must always choose to live this way. What will you choose?

- Tracy Earl Welliver



This Coming Week

Tuesday, August 25, 2020 9:00 am No Mass
Wednesday, August 26, 2020 9:00 am Mass 9:30 am Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions
Thursday, August 27, 2020 9:00 am Mass 9:30 am Infant of Prague Devotions 6:00 Legion of Mary Meeting
Friday, August 28, 2020 9:00 am Mass
August 29, 2020 9:00 am Mass 5:00 pm Mass
Sunday, August 30, 2020 9:00 am Mass 11:00 am Mass

NOTE REGARDING CONFESSIONS

Confessions are now being heard following the 9am morning Mass on the First Friday and First Saturday of each month. Confessions will also be heard at other times by pre-arranged appointment. Please contact the Parish Office to make these arrangements. Hopefully, we will return to our normal 3:30pm to 4:30pm Saturday. Confession schedule by the end of August.

OUR GIFTS OF LOVE

August 16, 2020

Envelopes Issued:	190
Envelopes Used:	52
Budget:	\$3,700.00
Amt. Received:	\$2,866.00

Your Continued Support is Needed

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.

It is quite simple, log into 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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