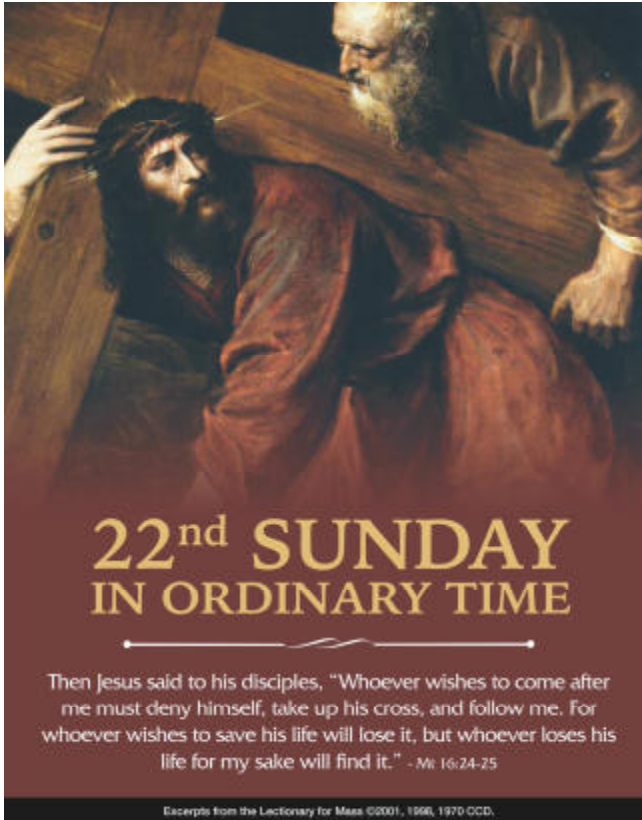


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August 30, 2020



Secular pursuits only bring a temporary amount of satisfaction and fulfillment. As much as we may think that achieving worldly success, economic security, personal well-being, and self-fulfillment are worthy goals to obtain, they all are dependent on external variables and can lead to emptiness. We are trained to be very pragmatic and productive. Unless we are able to check off all of the boxes or comply with specific measurable requirements, our value and worth becomes questionable. Corporations, educational institutions, systems, structures, and secular ideology rarely consider deeper, more spiritual, and human contributions a person can and needs to make.

To the secular mind, the wisdom and ideals of the Gospel are making less and less sense. Consider for a moment this question: "What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?" While Jesus is asking this very challenging question to people who are considering his message, many in our world are in a quite different place. Whether we realize it, many folks are asking a much different question. Why would you not want to gain the whole world and secure your life? If you look at where a lot of folks are investing their time, energy, and resources, it becomes obvious where current priorities rest.

Modern day comforts and possibilities are backing us out of our relationship with God. The fire burning in every human heart is trying to find its satisfaction in the things that humans have created and not God. Being altruistic and offering compassion for those most in need becomes a political responsibility or responsible gesture. We realize that our hearts need to be centered on something and someone who calls us out of ourselves, but we struggle and battle with naming the source of that call. God places the desire to seek, find, and love Him in the core of every soul. We are not abandoned and left to fend for ourselves. But we can easily get confused. We know that when we extend ourselves to another self-sacrificially, we are doing what is just and right. We know that we can work through suffering and loss and come out better and more whole on the other side.

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: _____

Address: _____

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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 Zettle-moyer, Andrew Hailo, Fr. John Currin, Nellie Chadwick, Chuck Shonta, Laura Hager, Steve Buck, Bernie Roberts, Irene Bergeson, Connie Havens, Retta Matt, Christal Hailo, Roseann Farnstrom, Shirley Parmlee, Mark Golembiewski, 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, September 1, 2020

Weekday

9:00 am For †Cle Roberts req. by Mary Collins

Wednesday, September 2, 2020

Weekday

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

Thursday, September 3, 2020

Weekday

9:00 am For †Ken Johnson req. by The Klein Family

Friday, September 4, 2020

9:00 am For the Deacons of the Archdiocese of Detroit

Saturday, September 5, 2020

Weekday

9:00 am For the Priests of the Archdiocese of Detroit

Twenty Third Sunday Anticipatory Mass

5:00 pm For The Parishioners of St. Aloysius Church

Sunday, September 6, 2020

Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am For †Steve Ryznar Req. by Michele Reneke

11:00 am For †Mary Dolencic req. by Phyllis Taylor

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Due to COVID19 restrictions, the Parish Office remains CLOSED for casual visitors but we are maintaining shortened hours to conduct business and to allow those who must come into the office the opportunity to do so. Please be sure to wear a mask if you must come into the Office.

For the foreseeable future our Office Hours will be:

Monday:

8am until 1pm

Tuesday thru Thursday:

10am until 2pm



Readings for the week of August 30, 2020

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

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5/Ps 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102 [97]/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14 [17]/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21 [12]/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [1]/Lk 5:1-11

Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40 [39a]/Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6b-15/Ps 145:17-18, 19-20, 21 [18]/Lk 6:1-5

Next Sunday: Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20

Lay Minister Schedule September 5/6 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



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.)

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

The Vision of Stewardship

I love the original movie Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory. All the way through while I watch the film I still laugh and feel like a child. It is only the last line with which I have an issue. Wonka by now has chosen Charlie to succeed him as head of the chocolate factory. They board an elevator that proceeds to crash through the roof and begins to fly. Wonka then asks Charlie if he ever heard of what happened to the boy who got everything he ever wanted. After Charlie says no, Wonka explains, "He lived happily ever after." As I get older, I can say I have met several people who got all or most of all they have ever wanted, but unlike Charlie, it did not lead to endless bliss. In fact, as a Christian I know that that statement of Wonka's is a lie. The secret to living happily ever after lies in not getting all you ever wanted, but instead in giving all you ever wanted away.

A person can't have any sense of that reality until they begin to see his or her life transformed by Jesus. When we have accepted the challenge placed before us and made a choice to live a certain way daily, we can find ourselves transformed. Following Jesus is not easy, but it is the only true way to find authentic joy. When we have emptied ourselves and allowed him to fill the open spaces in us, we become different. We are transformed and, if enough of us in a parish community experience the same journey, our parish is transformed as well. Then we begin to transform the world around us. Don't be fooled: A flying elevator is cool, but it pales in comparison to what can happen when we find a new life in Jesus Christ.

- Tracy Earl Welliver

Mass Announcements

Please note that all announcements made at the end of Mass must be submitted to the Parish Office at least one week in advance. Last minute requests will not be possible and we ask that you please do not ask Father before or after Mass as he may not remember what you are requesting. Please, please, please always call the Parish Office. Thank you.

Election Prayer

(by Fr. John Hardon)

Lord Jesus Christ, You told us to give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar, and to God what belongs to God. Enlighten the minds of the people of the United States of America so that we might choose a President and other government officials, according to Your Divine Will.

Give our citizens the courage to choose leaders of our nation who respect the sanctity of every unborn human life, the sanctity of marriage, the sanctity of marital relations, the sanctity of the family, and the sanctity of the aging. Grant us the wisdom to give You what belongs to You, who is the God of all. If we do this as a nation we are confident You will give us an abundance of Your blessings through our elected leaders. Amen.

*"If you only pray when
you're in trouble ...
you're in trouble."*

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



This Coming Week

Tuesday, September 1, 2020
9:00 am Mass
Wednesday, September 2, 2020
9:00 am Mass
9:30 am Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions
Thursday, September 3, 2020
9:00 am Mass
9:30 am Infant of Prague Devotions
6:00 Legion of Mary Meeting
First Friday, September 4, 2020
9:00 am Mass / Confession
First Saturday, September 5, 2020
9:00 am Mass / Confession
5:00 pm Mass
Sunday, September 6, 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 23, 2020

Envelopes Issued:	190
Envelopes Used:	43
Budget:	\$3,700.00
Amt. Received:	\$2,183.00

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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