

# St. Aloysius Gonzaga Catholic Church

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**January 9, 2022**



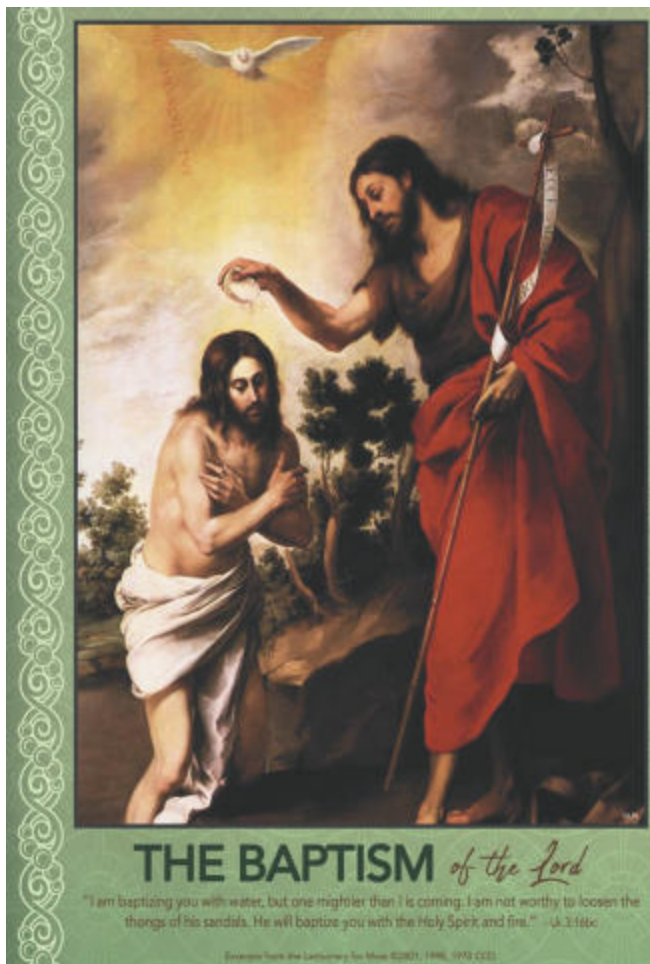
*"We are called to live our baptism every day, as new creatures, clothed in Christ."*

— Pope Francis

What reference point do you use when making decisions? Many times, impulse takes control and decisions are made based solely on emotion and desire. We all know that these types of decisions can often get us into trouble. When a person has a confident sense of who they are and a real understanding of what is important and of value, the likelihood of kneejerk impulsive choices diminishes. Baptism gives us what we need to make well informed and purposeful decisions. By this simple gesture, God claims us as His own and provides us with the identity and purpose we need to properly live life.

It is tremendously reassuring, when we truly embrace this revelation and realize that we no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. The answer of who we are in God has been given to us. We no longer have to fumble around, trip over ourselves or walk aimlessly about. Issues surrounding the sacredness of life, the meaning of death, the protection of those most vulnerable, care for the weak and the poor, offering hospitality to those in search of a home, the purpose and proper place of work, how to create a just social order, caring for creation, and understanding our roles as heralds and stewards are just a few of the wonderful gifts baptism brings. When we make decisions based on things such as these core Gospel truths we really act as Christ himself, revealing to others the new creations that we are. This is how we live our baptism.

It is difficult to walk against the tide. Yet, that is precisely what baptism calls us to do. Although we are sinners, in need of mercy and far from perfection we are called to order our life and make decisions based upon the wisdom and guidance of Almighty God. He alone is the one who can claim us as His sons and daughters. Standing up for our principles will not make us popular. But who ever said Christianity is a popularity contest? Baptism calls us to stand up for that which goes against the grain of secularism. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor to steady us in the tempests of life and God is very pleased. Forge ahead. There is nothing to fear.



## Ordinary Mass Schedule

Please look inside bulletin for possible seasonal changes.

### Daily Mass:

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

**Holy Hour:** Tuesday 6:00 pm

### Sacrament of Confession:

Tuesday evenings 6:15 pm.

First Friday and Saturday 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.

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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.



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| Dave Buck       | Retta Matt    |
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| 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.



**REQUIESCANT IN PACE:**  
 11/1/2021 thru 10/31/2022

Leonard Ottenbreit  
 Laura Ash

**And All the Faithful Departed**

**MEMENTO MORI**



**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Tuesday, January 11, 2022**

7:00 pm For the Sick of St. Aloysius Gonzaga Parish

**Wednesday, January 12, 2022**

9:00 am For the Religious Ministering within the Archdiocese of Detroit

**Thursday, January 13, 2022**

9:00 am For the Intentions of the Legion of Mary

**Friday, January 14, 2022**

**Feast of the Infant of Prague**

9:00 am †For the Poor Souls in Purgatory

**Saturday, January 15, 2022**

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

**2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Anticipatory Mass**

5:00 pm For Archbishop Allen Vigneron

**Sunday, January 16, 2022**

**2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 am For our Parishioners who have not yet come back to Mass

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

**Infant of Prague Novena Prayer**

O Jesus, Who has said, "Ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find, knock and it shall be opened," through the intercession of Mary, Your Most Holy Mother, I knock, I seek, I ask that my prayer be granted.

(Make your request)

O Jesus, Who has said, "All that you ask of the Father in My Name, He will grant you," through the intercession of Mary Your Most Holy Mother, I humbly and urgently ask your Father in your name that my prayer will be granted.

(Make your request)

O Jesus, Who has said, "Heaven and earth shall pass away but My word shall not pass away," through the intercession of Mary Your Most Holy Mother, I feel confident that my prayer will be granted.

(Make your request)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Divine Infant Jesus, I know You love me and would never leave me. I thank You for Your close Presence in my life.

Miraculous Infant, I believe in Your promise of peace, blessings, and freedom from want. I place every need and care in Your hands.

Lord Jesus, may I always trust in Your generous mercy and love. I want to honor and praise You, now and forever. Amen.

*After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. — Lk 3:21-22a*

**Readings for the week of January 9, 2022**

- Sunday:** Is 42:1-4, 6-7  
 Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]  
 Acts 10:34-38  
 Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11  
 Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]  
 Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7  
 Lk 3:15-16, 21-22
- Monday:** 1 Sm 1:1-8  
 Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19  
 Mk 1:14-20
- Tuesday:** 1 Sm 1:9-20  
 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd  
 Mk 1:21-28
- Wednesday:** 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20  
 Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10  
 Mk 1:29-39
- Thursday:** 1 Sm 4:1-11  
 Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25  
 Mk 1:40-45
- Friday:** 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a  
 Ps 89:16-17, 18-19  
 Mk 2:1-12
- Saturday:** 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a  
 Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7  
 Mk 2:13-17
- Next Sunday:** Is 62:1-5  
 Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]  
 1 Cor 12:4-11  
 Jn 2:1-11

**Lay Minister Schedule**  
 January 15 and 16, 2022

**Altar Server**  
 5:00 pm Paul  
 9:00 am Levi  
 11:00 am The Kolks

**Reader**  
 5:00 pm Pam  
 9:00 am Jim Jr.  
 11:00 am Sharon

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP -  
RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR  
ORDINARY MOMENTS

**I Hope I Am Like Him**

“Who is this Christ? Is he like you?”

Perhaps you’ve heard this story, often attributed to the life of St. Teresa of Calcutta. A sick man asked her this question, as he marveled at her tireless service to himself and others in the name of someone named Jesus Christ.

“He is nothing like me,” the saint is said to have answered. “But I hope I am like him.”

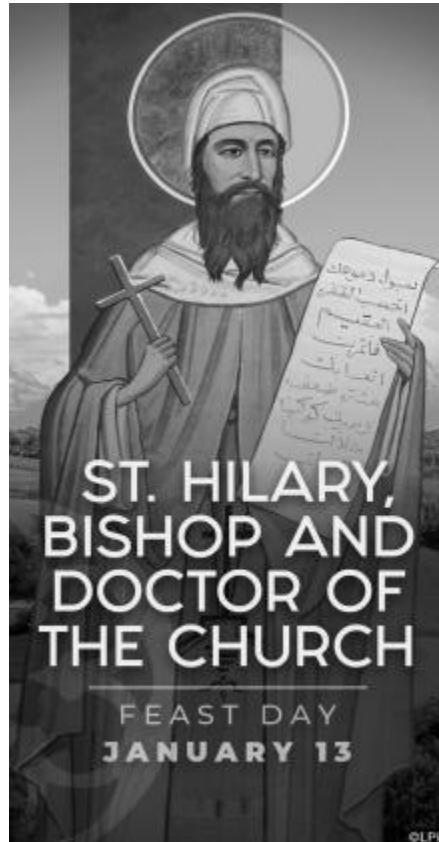
Though the authenticity of this exchange cannot be verified, its message rings perfectly true: all the value of our stewardship lies in its relativity to the one in whose name we perform it.

Consider the figure of John the Baptist — a magnificent, towering character even purely from a literary or historical perspective. A martyr who fed on wild locusts and boldly spoke truth to power — a man so great some mistook him for the Messiah.

But why is he great? Because he prepared the way. All his accomplishments and escapades mean nothing if they are taken out of the context of salvation history. He only makes sense relative to Christ — and this is exactly as he wanted it. “One worthier than I is coming,” he insists. And because of that humility and that total embrace of God’s will, he is given one of the greatest honors in the New Testament — he baptizes the Son of God.

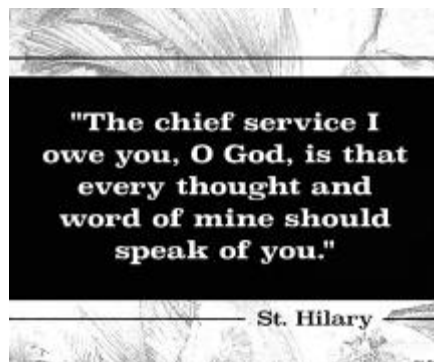
Let’s examine our lives in the light of their relativity to Christ. How do we prepare the way? When Christ comes to us, what do we do? How do we leave ourselves open to be actors in God’s plan?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



Born a pagan, St. Hilary (c. 315 – c. 367) studied philosophy and the meaning of life, eventually making his way through the Bible. He became a convert and was appointed bishop of Poitiers in 353. Sometimes referred to as the Hammer of the Arians, St. Hilary defended the Nicene Creed against a popular heresy, Arianism. He was exiled to Phrygia for opposing Roman Emperor Constantius II, who preferred the heresy which denies Christ’s divinity. From Phrygia St. Hilary fought with his pen, zealously writing against the heresy.

Eventually he was allowed to return to Poitiers, but did so by a circuitous route, preaching against Arianism all the way. St. Hilary was likely the first writer of hymns in the West, his writings on the Trinity, Psalms and Gospel of Matthew survive today. St. Hilary was created Doctor of the Church, a title given to those who provided important contributions to theology and doctrine, in 1851 by Pope Pius IX.



**This Coming Week**

Rosary prayed after every Holy Mass

**Tuesday, January 11, 2022**

6:00 pm Holy Hour w/Confessions  
7:00 pm Holy Mass

**Wednesday, January 12, 2022**

9:00 am Holy Mass  
9:30 am Mother of Perpetual Help Devotion  
7:00 pm Bible Study @ St. Stephen

**Thursday, January 13, 2022**

9:00 am Holy Mass  
6:00 pm Legion of Mary

**Friday, January 14, 2022**

9:00 am Holy Mass  
9:30 am Infant of Prague Devotion\*

**Saturday, January 15, 2022**

9:00 am Holy Mass  
3:30 pm Confessions  
5:00 pm Holy Mass

**Sunday, January 16, 2022**

Coffee and Donuts after All Sunday Masses  
9:00 am Holy Mass  
11:00 am Holy Mass  
\*Feast Day

**OUR GIFTS OF LOVE**

December 26, 2021

Envelopes Issued:	150
Envelopes Used:	53
Budget:	\$3,700.00
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Your Continued Support is Needed and Appreciated.

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

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For your convenience the Archdiocese of Detroit has a new online 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.

**ST. ALOYSIUS**  
**200 CLUB RAFFLE**

The first drawing for the  
200 Club Raffle is  
**Sunday, January 26, 2022**

Be sure to get your ticket so you don't lose  
out on any chances to win!

See an usher after Mass, call the office, or  
send in the ticket sheet found in the  
bulletin and the ticket will be mailed to you.

## 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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art thou among women, and  
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Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of  
God, pray for us sinners now,  
and at the hour of death. Amen

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