# St. Aloysius Gonzaga Catholic Church

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## January 16, 2022



### 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." - Jn 2:1-3

God delights in you. How do you feel when you hear that? Delight usually comes with an exuberant flow of joy that seemingly arises from one's toes with the expression of great glee. Reflecting upon the deep measure of joy God has in us can be a source of joy for ourselves. Delight is infectious. A very young brother and sister were playing on the beach when the all too familiar ice cream truck made its daily rounds. The boy shook with excitement and delight as he took his sister's hand and exclaimed, "The ice cream man is here, isn't it great!" As they ran off toward the truck, one could hear the girl reply, "Yeah, I can't wait!" The experience of a child's delight in something so simple as ice cream, lifts our spirits from our burdens and transports us to the lighter, more innocent side of life.

Life is not meant to be a burden. Believe it or not, God actually wants us to be happy! In fact, the wedding feast at Cana shows us that God even puts His blessing on our happiness. It is okay to celebrate the wonder of ourselves and others. Life is good. It is always interesting to note that Jesus saves the good wine until last. You would think it would be the other way around. The superb quality of Jesus' wine points to the superior quality of life we find in Christ. It is not a life of burdens but a life of wonder and delight! In Christ, we are lifted from the superficial and mundane to a life of purpose, hope, and love.

God is with us through the long haul, through the challenges and sorrows as well as the successes and accomplishments. In spite of the fact that we often wander from the path, God's celebratory delight in us remains. As spouses are asked to remain faithful to each other through whatever life brings, God remains faithful too. This promise remains through this life and into the next. All we have to do is take the advice of Jesus' mother to heart when she says, "Listen to him." This wisdom saves us from foolishly giving in to the illusion that we can make better wine than Jesus.



#### **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**

Office Address: 37200 Neville St. Romulus, MI 48174 Phone: 734-941-5056 Email: st aloysiuschurch@yahoo.com

#### Pastor:

Fr. John Dumas

#### **Faith Formation:**

Contact: St. Stephen, New Boston 734-753-5268 or Check www.staloysiusromulus.org

Finance Council Chair: Theresa McLachlan	578-6197
<b>Parish Council Chair:</b> Paul Sujdak	699-9373
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#### 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.

 $\Box$  l'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.



Dave Buck Nellie Chadwick Hal Dubisky Carol Gilliland Jack Kramer Retta Matt Rob McLachlan Chuck Shonta Darryl Zilka

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, January 18, 2022 7:00 pm Bernie Roberts req. by the Usher's Club Wednesday, January 19, 2022

9:00 am Susan Duff req. by the Usher's Club Thursday, January 20, 2022 9:00 am Clarence Mahon req. by the Usher's Club Friday, January 21, 2022 9:00 am †For the Poor Souls in Purgatory req. by Darryl and Sharon Saturday, January 22, 2022 9:00 am Chuck Shonta reg. by the Usher's Club 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time **Anticipatory Mass** 5:00 pm For the Parishioners of St. Aloysius Gonzaga Parish Sunday, January 23, 2022 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00 am Darryl Zilka reg. by the Usher's Club 11:00 am †Debbie White req. by The

Bergeson Family

#### **Faithful Departed**

#### Question:

How can we pray for the dead throughout the year?

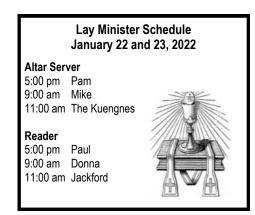
#### Answer:

We commemorate the faithful departed on November 2<sup>nd</sup> each year. However, we can and should continue to pray for the dead. Our growth in Christian perfection takes a long time. At the time of our death, many of us might not be saints yet. But God, in His mercy, allows for those who love Him to experience purification after death. Our word for that state is Purgatory. It's the antechamber of heaven, so to speak. We know we're getting in the house, but we're not quite ready to go all the way in. There's rain to shake off our coats and dirt that's clogging our shoes.

Here on earth, we can pray for the souls in Purgatory. One way is to request that your parish offer a Mass for the intention of a specific loved one. We can also remember the departed in our daily prayers. Just as we have special intentions for family and friends here on earth, we can pray for those who have died. It's also a good act of Christian charity to pray for the forgotten, those who have no one else to pray for them. God knows who they are! When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servers. "Do whatever he tells you." – 10, 2:3-5

# Readings for the week of January 16, 2022

Sunday:	Is 62:1-5
	Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9
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	1 Cor 12:4-11
	Jn 2:1-11
Monday:	1 Sm 15:16-23
	Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17,
	21 and 23
	Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday:	1 Sm 16:1-13
	Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-
	28
	Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday:	1 Sm 17:32-33, 37,
	40-51
	Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10
	Mk 3:1-6
Thursday:	1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7
	Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b
	-11, 12-13
	Mk 3:7-12
Friday:	1 Sm 24:3-21
	Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and
	11
	Mk 3:13-19
Saturday:	2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12,
	19, 23-27
	Ps 80:2-3, 5-7
	Mk 3:20-21
Next Sunday:	Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10
	Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15
	1 Cor 12:12-30 or
	12:12-14, 27
	Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21



Day of Prayer for the

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

#### It Takes All Kinds

"If every flower wanted to be a rose," wrote St. Therese of Lisieux, "spring would lose its loveliness."

Who is God asking you to be today? There is an obvious answer that springs to mind right out of the gate. God wants me to be a good person (a good father, a good husband) today; today, God wants me to be a saint.

But this answer fails to get to the heart of the question. We are all striving today to serve the same Spirit, but we are given different gifts to do so. The one who has the gift of knowledge may fail if today he decides he wants to be a healer. The one who has the gift of "varieties of tongues" might falter in the expression of wisdom.

Think about the wedding at Cana and the players in the scene: the servers, the guests, the bride and groom. They all have a unique role to play, and though it is to the servers that Mary gives the instruction, "Do whatever he tells you," her words apply to all.

Today, are we called to be the servers do we wait on God's instruction and carry it out, no matter how foolish or impossible it may seem to our human ears? Are we asked to be the disciples, to bear witness to a miracle and to give our testimony? Are we called to imitate the Blessed Mother herself and give encouragement to follow God's word?

Let us examine our gifts and listen in the silence of our hearts to the direction of the Spirit. Then and only then, let us do whatever He tells us.

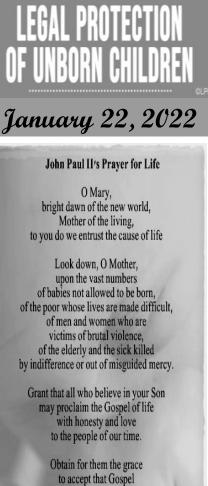
— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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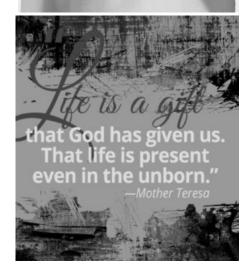
Sunday, January 23, 2022

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.



to accept that Gospel as a gift ever new, the joy of celebrating it with gratitude throughout their lives and the courage to bear witness to it resolutely, in order to build, together with all people of good will, the civilization of truth and love, to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life.

(Evangeliaum Vitae, No. 105.4)



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#### This Coming Week

Rosary prayed after every Holy Mass

Monday, January 17, 2022 **OFFICE CLOSED** Martin Luther King Day Tuesday, January 18, 2022 6:00 pm Holy Hour w/Confessions 7:00 pm Holy Mass Wednesday, January 19, 2022 9:00 am Holy Mass 9:30 am Mother of Perpetual Help Devotion 7:00 pm Bible Study @ St. Stephen Thursday, January 20, 2022 9:00 am Holy Mass 9:30 am Infant of Prague Devotion 6:00 pm Legion of Mary Friday, January 21, 2022 9:00 am Holy Mass Saturday, January 22, 2022 9:00 am Holy Mass 3:30 pm Confessions 5:00 pm Holy Mass Sunday, January 23, 2022 Coffee and Donuts after All Sunday Masses 9:00 am Holy Mass 11:00 am Holy Mass 12:00 noon 200 Club Raffle Drawing

#### **OUR GIFTS OF LOVE**

January 2, 2022

Envelopes Issued:	147
Envelopes Used:	45
Budget:	\$3,700.00
Amt. Received:	\$2,500.00

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

St. Aloysius Gonzaga Church 37200 Neville St. Romulus, MI 48174

#### **Online Giving Now Available**

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



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