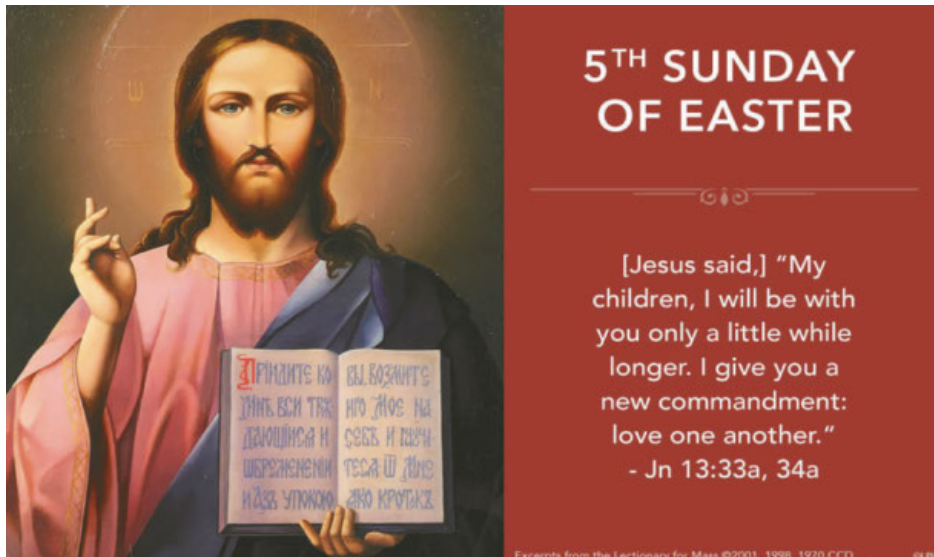


# St. Aloysius Gonzaga Catholic Church

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## May 15, 2022



“It is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the Kingdom of God.” Many folks really work very hard to circumvent difficult situations. We prefer the easier way around something, rather than risk inconvenience, hurt or prolonged suffering. It’s no wonder euthanasia is rapidly becoming acceptable around the world. Through purely human eyes, there is no issue bypassing the inevitable, taking control and bringing things more swiftly to a place of peace. If this is the way God sees things, then why does Jesus make such a big deal helping us understand the experience of suffering and embrace it? God’s wisdom clearly takes us in another direction.

Imagine if we were able to eradicate ALL hardship and suffering. Where would we be? As we look at our own journeys, many of our solid more growth producing life lessons have been born of suffering, disappointment, inconvenience, darkness, and despair. There is something sacred about all of these experiences as God uses them to create something new. Envisioning a life without hardship and suffering brings us to a vision where everything is flat-lined and dull. As much as hardship and suffering are difficult crosses to bear, not taking them up runs the risk of us becoming shallow, empty, and lifeless. Helen Keller remarks that, “a happy life consists not in the absence but in the mastery of hardships.” What an incredibly wise insight! Many really successful people and saints were brought to their station in life because they suffered. Suffering teaches us about what’s important and propels us to search the depths of our souls for resources and strength we never would have known before.

This is especially true when we love as Jesus asks us to love. Love, perhaps above any other experience, can cause us great hardship, pain, and suffering especially when it’s authentic and unconditional. While it can thrust us into an incredible experience of God and life on one hand, it can bruise and wound us deeply on the other. Mastering the art of love is the secret to living life well, walking in the presence of God and investing in the joy of the Gospel. Love and suffering walk hand in hand. Compromising one will compromise the other. Maybe that’s why Jesus spent so much time convincing us to accept both.

### 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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#### Pastor:

Fr. John Dumas

#### Faith Formation:

Contact:

St. Stephen, New Boston 734-753-5268

or

Check [www.stalloysiusromulus.org](http://www.stalloysiusromulus.org)

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### MASS or BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please note that all Mass or Bulletin announcements must be received by the Parish Office a minimum of two weeks in advance. Thank You.

**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.



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|-----------------|-------------------|
| Dave Buck       | Retta Matt        |
| Nellie Chadwick | Rob McLachlan     |
| Shirley Coates  | Chuck Shonta      |
| Carol Gilliland | Lawrence Williams |
| Connie Haven    | Peggy Zachrey     |
| Jack Kramer     | 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.

Any Parishioner my add someone to the Prayer List. Please contact the Parish Office.



**REQUIESCANT IN PACE:**

11/1/2021 thru 10/31/2022

- Leonard Ottenbreit  
 Laura Ash  
 Bernard "Bernie" Roberts  
 Joe Matt  
 William Sovinski

**And All the Faithful Departed**

**MEMENTO MORI**



**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Tuesday, May 17, 2022**

7:00 pm †Linda Jewel req. by Joe and Nina Ozog

**Wednesday, May 18, 2022**

9:00 am Father John Dumas

**Thursday, May 19, 2022**

9:00 am Archbishop Allen Vigneron

**Friday, May 20, 2022**

9:00 am †Sylvia Dubisky req. by Michele Renke

**Saturday, May 21, 2022**

9:00 am The Priests of the Archdiocese of Detroit

**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**Anticipatory Mass**

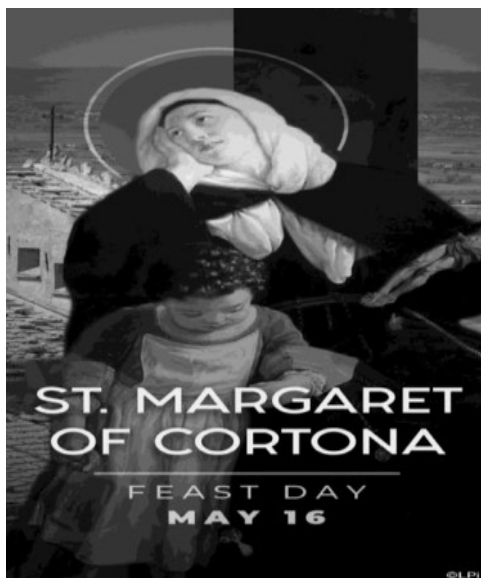
5:00 pm The Parishioners of St. Aloysius Gonzaga Parish

**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**May 22, 2022**

9:00 am Fr. John Dumas (12th Anniversary of Ordination) req. by Mark and Susan

11:00 am The Deacons of the Archdiocese of Detroit



Though St. Margaret of Cortona (1247 – 1297) is today known as being an incredibly pious Catholic, she didn't start out that way. Born into a farming family in Laviano, Tuscany, her mother died when St. Margaret was seven. Her father remarried, but life with her stepmother was so difficult that St. Margaret moved out of the home and instead chose to live with a man named Arsenio, though they weren't married. They had been living together for nine years when she gave birth to a son. Knowing in her heart that this wasn't the life that God intended for her to have, she prayed for purity.

One day while waiting for Arsenio, his dog led her into the forest where she found Arsenio murdered. So shocked was St. Margaret that she fell into a life of penance. She and her son returned to Laviano, but still found her stepmother to be as unwelcoming as ever. They then went to Cortona, and eventually her son became a friar.

Three years after her conversion, St. Margaret followed in her son's footsteps and became a Franciscan tertiary. During her life, St. Margaret established a hospital and founded a congregation of tertiary sisters. She was canonized in 1728.



**Readings for the week of May 15, 2022**

- Sunday:** Acts 14:21-27  
 Ps 145:8-13  
 Rv 21:1-5a  
 Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35
- Monday:** Acts 14:5-18  
 Ps 115:1-4, 15-16  
 Jn 14:21-26
- Tuesday:** Acts 14:19-28  
 Ps 145:10-13b, 21  
 Jn 14:27-31a
- Wednesday:** Acts 15:1-6  
 Ps 122:1-5  
 Jn 15:1-8
- Thursday:** Acts 15:7-21  
 Ps 96:1-3, 10  
 Jn 15:9-11
- Friday:** Acts 15:22-31  
 Ps 57:8-10, 12  
 Jn 15:12-17
- Saturday:** Acts 16:1-10  
 Ps 100:1b-3, 5  
 Jn 15:18-21
- Next Sunday:** Acts 15:1-2, 22-29  
 Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8  
 Rv 21:10-14, 22-23  
 Jn 14:23-29

**Lay Minister Schedule  
 May 21 and 22, 2022**

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

- Reader**  
 5:00 pm Liz  
 9:00 am Sharon  
 11:00 am Cindy



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

**Loving as New Creations**

“There’s something different about you.”

Think about the times in your life when this has been said to you. Maybe it was after someone complimented you on a job well done, and you realized that you were walking through life with a little more confidence. Maybe it was after meeting someone special, as you carried the glow of that relationship wherever you went. Chances are, if someone has noticed something different about you, it’s because, inwardly, you’ve been changed by the loving or respectful actions of another person.

Love, you see, can make us into new creations. From the love of God flows the grace to tackle any challenge, including the biggest challenge of all: loving each other well. Christ knows what a big request this is. He was human, too. He came and lived among us. He knew intimately what it was to love people in the chaos of their own flaws. He knew what he was asking of us when he said, “As I have loved you, so you should also love one another.”

In essence, this is the call to stewardship: loving as Christ loves, amidst the messiness of everyday reality. Loving with accountability, challenging ourselves and our brothers and sisters to be faithful even when it is hard. Loving with an unflinching sense of hospitality that welcomes even those we do not agree with or understand. Loving with gratitude, giving thanks for the great variety of ways that Christ can make himself known to us through others.

It isn’t easy — we all know that. But if we ask God for the grace to remain steadfast in this greatest commandment, we will be given what we need to live as new creations.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

**St. Stephen Stallions  
Fall Sports Sign-ups**

1st to 8th Grade Girls Volleyball



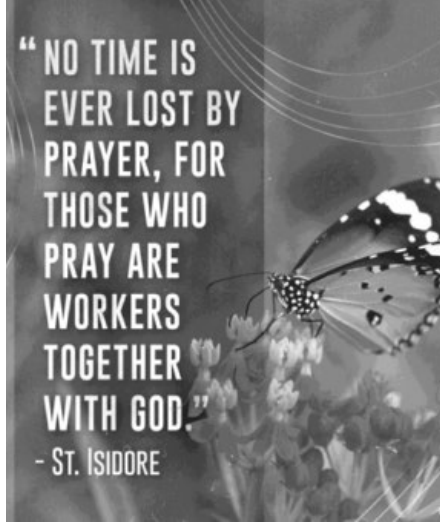
Pre-K to 8th Grade Boys and Girls Soccer



4th to 8th Grade Cross Country



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Kids eligible from school, parish, and neighboring parishes.  
Visit school or parish website to sign up or  
Contact A.D. Anthony Cortese  
anthonybcortese@hotmail.com



**~Festival Fund Raffle News~**

You have probably noticed in the month of March a Festival Fund Envelope appears in your donation packet, with the opportunity to donate to this fund until September. To sweeten the pot, like with our past festival’s Grand Raffle, for every \$100 donation to the Festival Fund your name is entered into a drawing to win one of three prizes: \$1,000, \$500, or \$250.

For those who are new to the parish, many years ago due to the depletion of volunteers and looking at the return on our investment of a 3-day festival, the parishioners decided to subsidize the festival fundraiser with a Festival Fund donation. This fundraiser was and still is needed to balance our budget and cover our expenses. Please help us balance this years’ budget by participating in this Annual Fundraiser.

The Festival Fund drawing will take place Sunday, September 25, 2022, between Noon and 1 p.m.

**ST. ALOYSIUS  
200 CLUB RAFFLE**

The next drawing for the raffle will be on  
**Sunday, May 22, 2022**

**10 Tickets drawn for \$25 each**

It’s not too late to get your ticket!!!!  
You still have many chances to win!!!

The last monthly drawing is June 26, 2022.

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

“I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.” — Jn 13:34-35

**~This Coming Week~**

Rosary prayed after every Holy Mass

**Tuesday, May 17, 2022**

6:00 pm Hour Hour w/Confessions

7:00 pm Holy Mass

**Wednesday, May 18, 2022**

9:00 am Holy Mass

9:30 am Mother of Perpetual Help Devotion

7:00 pm Bible Study @ St. Stephen

**Thursday, May 19, 2022**

9:00 am Holy Mass

9:30 am Infant of Prague Devotion

6:00 pm Legion of Mary

**Friday, May 20, 2022**

9:00 am Holy Mass

**Saturday, May 21, 2022**

9:00 am Holy Mass

3:30-4:30 pm Confessions

5:00 pm Anticipatory Holy Mass

**Sunday, May 22, 2022**

Coffee and Donuts after All Sunday Masses

9:00 am Holy Mass

11:00 am Holy Mass

Noon-1:00 pm 200 Club Raffle Drawing

**OUR GIFTS OF LOVE**

May 1, 2022

Envelopes Issued:	147
Envelopes Used:	69
Budget:	\$3,700.00
Amt. Received:	\$4,203.00

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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**Online Giving Now Available**

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.

## 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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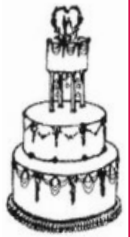
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