

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:30 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am and 12:00 noon
Monday - Thursday: 7:30 am
Thursday (during school year): 2:10 pm
First Friday: 7:30 am First Saturday: 9:00 am
Other Fridays and Saturdays: check bulletin

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Weekdays: after morning Mass
Saturday: 4:00 pm and by appointment

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Friday 8:00 am to midnight in St. Clare Chapel

BAPTISM

Instruction class for both parents is held on the third Sunday of the month.
Baptisms are the fourth Sunday of the month. Call the Parish Office to register.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements for a wedding must be made at least six months in advance of the celebration. Contact the parish office.

WELCOME, NEW PARISHIONERS!

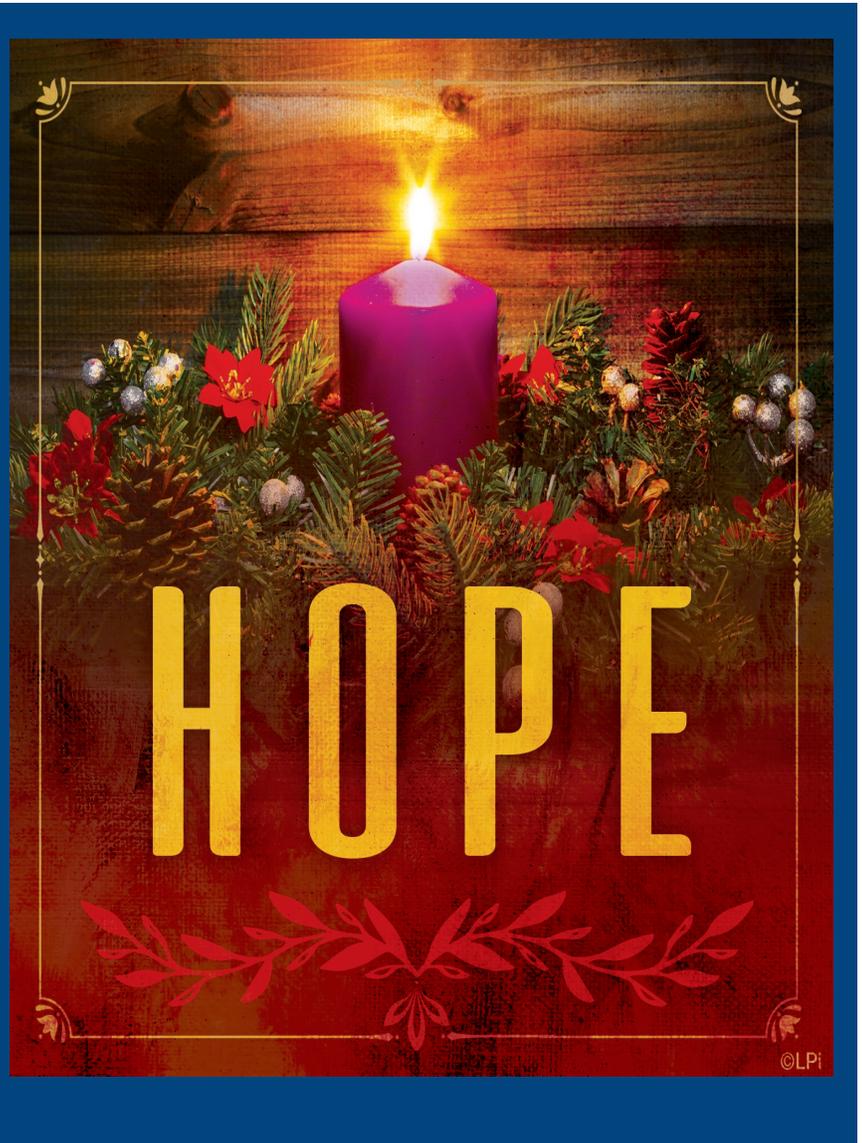
Please visit our website, www.stalbg.org, or stop in the parish office for a welcome packet.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

This sacrament is available upon request and offered quarterly after Mass (watch bulletin for dates). For emergencies such as danger of death situations after office hours call 419.806.4738.

HOLY COMMUNION FOR SICK AND HOMEBOUND

If a family member or friend is hospitalized, in a nursing home or homebound and desires Holy Communion or a visit from Father Tom, please call the Parish Office.



WELCOME! Whether you're visiting or looking to stay, it's great to have you with us. Whatever your circumstances - single, married, widowed, with or without children - and no matter where you've been or what's happened in your life, you are welcome here. We hope you enjoy your time with us today!

HAPPENING THIS WEEK...

Sunday, December 1 - First Sunday of Advent

No coffee hour after 8 am and 10 am Masses
No RCIA
10:00 am Children's Liturgy during Mass - ED
6:30 pm BSA Girls - DN

Monday, December 2

8:15 am Advent Bible Reflections - DN
7:00 pm Women's Night - DN

Tuesday, December 3

2:00 pm Nursing Home Mass at BG Manor
6:00 pm Handbell Choir - DN
6:30 pm Folk Choir - C
6:30 pm School Council - PCR

Wednesday, December 4

10:00 am Women's Bible Study - CH
6:30 pm Confirmation meeting - DN
7:00 pm Religious Education

Thursday, December 5

5:45 pm BSA Boy Troop Meeting - DN
7:00 pm Christmas Concert - Gym
7:30 pm Canticle Choir - Rm. 208
7:30 pm EPIC gathering - CH

Friday, December 6

10:00 am Cancer Support Group - PCR
6:00 pm Mini Lock-In - Gym/DN

Saturday, December 7 - First Saturday

10:00 am Church Cleaning
Help and Hope Fund Collection
Christ's Crib - gifts due
5:30 pm - 8th grade Religious Ed class Mass

Sunday, December 8

Help & Hope Fund Collection
Christ's Crib gifts due
Coffee hour after 8 am and 10 am Masses
9:30 am RCIA - CH
4:30 pm Dine & Wine - DN
6:30 pm BSA Girls - PCR

Key C - Church CH - Clare Hall ED - Extended Day
HH - Hartmann Hall PCB - Parish Center Blue Rm. PCR -
Parish Center Red Rm. DN - Davis Narthex RR - Resource
Rm. (First Floor School)

MASST INTENTIONS

Monday, December 2

7:30 am Carmen Agustin

Tuesday, December 3 - St. Francis Xavier

7:30 am Arleen Cathers

Wednesday, December 4 - St. John Damascene

7:30 am Bruce Wilson - 1 year

Thursday, December 5

9:00 am Katie Mekus

Friday, December 6 - St. Nicholas

7:30 am Dec, family of Voso, Hoke, Lab families

Saturday, December 7 - St. Ambrose

9:00 am
5:30 pm Rachel Pacheco - 1 year
Rosemary Koons

Sunday, December 8 - Second Sunday of Advent

8:00 am Charles Distel
10:00 am Fr. Tony Borgia
12:00 pm For the Parish

Sunday November 24, 2019 Collection
information will appear in a later bulletin.



Sunday November 17, 2019 Collection
information is on page 4 of this bulletin.

MONEY COUNTERS

Dec. 1 Madaras/Messaros
Dec. 8 Schroeder/Beckley/Dippman

LOCK-UP CREW

Nov. 30 D. Hermes
Dec. 8 J. Heffernan

LITURGICAL MINISTERS - DECEMBER 7 & 8, 2019

MASS	LECTORS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	SERVERS	GREETERS	USHERS
Saturday, December 7 5:30 pm	K. Taylor Student	M; Lause , C. Harvey D. Kubacki, J. Maas, J. Winslow Volunteer, Volunteer	L. Konecny S. Konecny J. Konecny	B. Bagrowski Volunteer	D. Wagner D. Wagner M. Lause
Sunday, December 8 8:00 am	S. Patton M. Ginnetti	K. McKibben, P. Heinze , L. Elmerick S. Foos, J. McAvoy, S. McAvoy, T. Stalter	W. Bechstein Z. Bechstein M. Binkowski	A. Gala Volunteer	J. Bechstein T. Foos E. Foos S. Foos
Sunday, December 8 10:00 am	T. Herrerra E. Martin	J. Kessen, C. Schroeder Dcn. Phil Avina, L. Eynon, J. Myerholtz, N. Rochester, N. Schroeder, J. Urban, E. Wilhelm	N. Bechstein C. Brunzman I. Brunzman	P. Hermes Volunteer	J. Whitacre B. Wilhelm B. Gerwin J. Slivka
Sunday, December 8 12:00 pm	J. Wilhelm C. Beckley	R. Aguiton , Dcn. Jim Cavera K. Bergman, C. Gonzales B. Loprete, M. Sikula, Volunteer	A. Pizana B. E. Secresty C. N. Horn	H. Martinez Volunteer	J. Pilkington M. Moulton



PARISH STAFF

Rev. Tom McQuillen, Pastor

Deacon Phil Avina

Deacon Jim Cavera, Senior Status

Deacon Ray Llanas, Senior Status

Denise Foes, Business Manager

Jean Bargiel, Formation Director

Brian Bryant, Director of Music and Liturgy

Mike Ginnetti, Pastoral Associate

Janilyn Dennis, RCIA Director

Julie Kisor, Administrative Assistant

Laurie Hoyos, Morning Secretary

Afternoon Secretary

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PARISH LEADERS

CYO Athletics: Carlos Castillo

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Maintenance Committee: Steve Benner

Parish Development: Greg Robinette

Pastoral Council: Bruce Loprete

School Council: Jen Lewis

St. Aloysius Food Pantry: Jenny Swope

FROM THE
PASTOR'S DESK

FR. THOMAS MCQUILLEN

First Precept of the Church: Who can be excused?

Last week as I wrote about the First Precept of the Church and the obligation of attendance at Sunday Mass and on Holy Days of Obligation, it occurred to me that some who read it might feel guilty or develop a scrupulous approach to this obligation. The Church, as a loving Mother, is well aware that there are times when one cannot or should not attend the Mass.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church states: "The Sunday Eucharist is the foundation and confirmation of all Christian practice. For this reason, the faithful are obliged to participate in the Eucharist on days of obligation, unless excused for a serious reason (for example, illness, the care of infants) or dispensed by their own pastor. Those who deliberately fail in this obligation commit a grave sin." (2181, emphasis added)

Serious reasons are those who are ill or incapable of bringing themselves to Church. Among those who are ill are those who are weakened by age. If coming to Mass will further endanger oneself or others, they should not come. As winter is approaching and we experience snow and ice, it is best for some not to come rather than risk falling in the parking lot or on the steps. Those who may be experiencing contagious illnesses such as severe colds or the flu, should not come. Infants are also among those whom it may be best to leave at home, especially during inclement weather. And of course, there are many who live far from the church and lack both transport and the ability to walk the distance.

Besides those excused for issues related to health and age, are those excused because these people need others to care for them. Infants and many of the ill and the aged cannot be left alone, so their caregivers are also excused.

The Church, as stated above, does permit others who think they have a legitimate reason to miss the Mass to talk to the priest and seek a dispensation. This conversation would then permit one to get another perspective on the obligations of life and their decision making process, and should the dispensation be granted, free one of the worry of having committed a sin. Among such possible excuses are difficult work schedules and unavoidable travel.

Because this obligation is really an expression of love for God and for others, and since no one wants to fail in love, if you cannot attend please consider the following supplements: Watch and pray along with a Mass offered through the media (TV, radio, streamed over internet). Meditate on the Sunday Readings. Try to keep the day as a day of rest and prayer. If the absence from the Mass will be extended due to any of the above reasons, consider calling the parish office and requesting Holy Communion be brought to the home.

Fr. Tom



Please pray for all of the sick and infirm of our parish, especially: Jane Duchacek and Anacleto Trevino.

Please pray for all those who have died, especially Neil Savage

May he rest in peace.

DINE & WINE

The December Christmas Dine and Wine Potluck has been moved one week earlier to

**Sunday, December 8, 2019
in the Davis Narthex due to
Our Lady of Guadalupe
Celebration on
Sunday, Dec. 15, 2019.**

Appetizers will begin at 4:00 p.m. and dinner will be served at 5:15 p.m. Ham will be provided.

As a continuing Christmas tradition, we will have a "white elephant" gift exchange. Please bring a gift (new or re-gift) and join the fun!

A - J Salad or Vegetable
K - R Dessert
S - Z Appetizer or Wine/Beverage

If you are over the age of 50, bring your spouse or a friend and join this lively group for the best meal in town!
Merry Christmas!

Celebrate Our Virgin Of Guadalupe

Sunday, December 15
St. Aloysius Church in Bowling Green

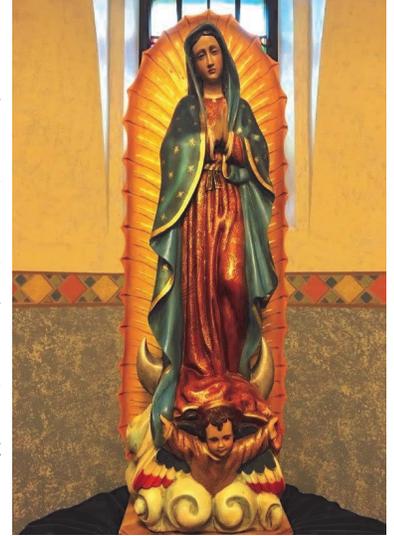
Bring a dish and join us for a potluck, piñata, and the Celebration of Las Posadas.

11:45 AM: Procession
12:00 - 1:00 PM Mass
1:00 - 3:00 PM Potluck and Celebrations

Organized by: St. Aloysius Church & La Conexion

Looking for volunteers to help in the kitchen and clean up.

If you have any questions please contact
Maribel Gonzalez-Perry at 419.601.0767.



ADVENT BIBLE REFLECTION



We will be offering an Advent Bible Reflection to help you prepare for the coming of Christ this Advent season.

The reflections will be held on Monday mornings in the Narthex after the 7:30 am Mass in the weeks leading up to Christmas.

Volunteers Needed

Church cleaning on Saturday, December 7 at 10:00 am
Stop in to help or call Jean in the parish office to sign up - 419-352-4195



Also - This is a terrific project for Confirmation Service Students. *Many hands make light work!*

SUNDAY COLLECTION - NOVEMBER 17, 2019

Envelopes	\$8907.00
Loose	\$605.78
Total	\$9,512.78
Weekly Budget	\$13,968.00
Shortfall.....	(\$4,455.22)
YTD Budget	\$279,360.00
YTD Actual.....	\$249,471.76
YTD Shortfall	(\$29,888.24)

Incense at Mass

We will have Incense at the following Masses:

Christmas Eve: 11pm
Christmas Day: 10am

Epiphany (Sat.): 5:30pm
(Sun.): 10am & 12noon

PREGNANCY CENTER FUNDRAISER

DO GOOD WITH BURRITOS



Join us at our restaurant for a fundraiser to support Bowling Green Pregnancy Center. Just come in to the Chipotle at **1558 East Wooster Street** in Bowling Green on **Tuesday, December 10th** from **4:00pm to 8:00pm**. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 33% of the proceeds will be donated to Bowling Green Pregnancy Center.

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

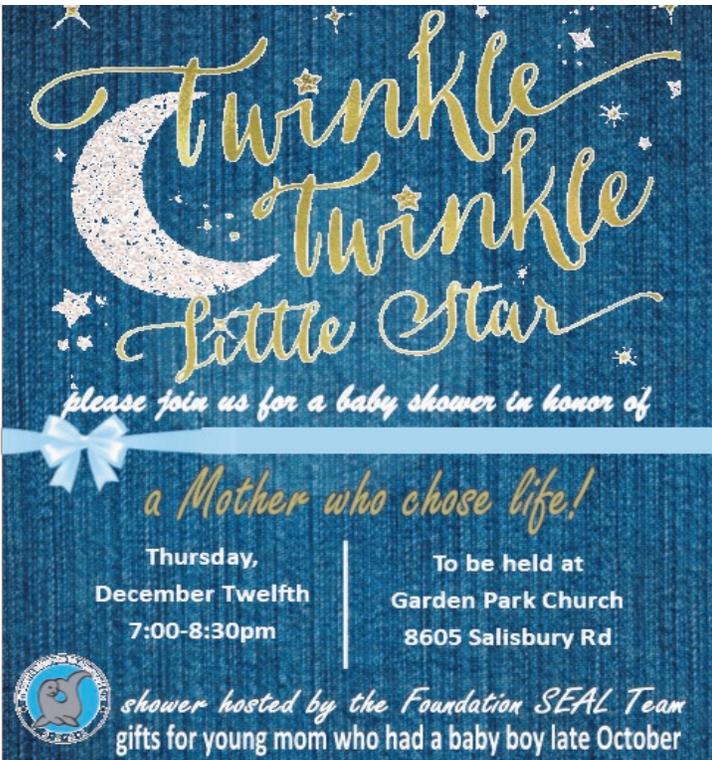
Anyone with the diagnoses of cancer, those in treatment, or those who are in a maintenance status are welcomed to join us on Fridays at 10:00 AM in the Red Room.

During the month of December we are going to be in a laid-back mode. We will be doing an art project of painting Christmas rocks on Dec. 13th and on Dec. 20th we will pray together and then go out for a Christmas lunch.

Again anyone is invited to join us at any time.

We will not be meeting on December 27th and January 3rd.

On Jan. 10th we will be reading and sharing the book *Boundless Compassion* by Joyce Rupp. It will be an inspirational exploration of compassion that we need to nurture for ourselves and others. Consider joining us and call Barb Whitman at (419) 308-5965 to reserve a copy of the book for yourself.



Twinkle Twinkle Little Star
please join us for a baby shower in honor of
a Mother who chose life!

Thursday,
December Twelfth
7:00-8:30pm

To be held at
Garden Park Church
8605 Salisbury Rd

shower hosted by the Foundation SEAL Team
gifts for young mom who had a baby boy late October



SAVE THE DATE!
St. Aloysius Parish Retreat

"A Brand New Day"
January 24 & 25, 2020
Make plans to join the fun!

HELP WANTED

CYO ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

Thank you Car Castillo for your service as Athletic Director over this past year. We are grateful for your willingness to step up and take on this significant task of overseeing CYO athletics.



We are now looking for a new CYO Athletic Director. This volunteer must be interested in running a program for the benefit of the student athletes. A successful candidate must be organized, patient, flexible, and self-motivated. The AD is in charge of recruiting volunteer coaches, scheduling gym time, attending CYO diocesan meetings, and creating teams.

Please email businessmgr@stalbg.org to volunteer.

BOOKKEEPER JOB OPENING

The Parish Office is looking for a candidate for a bookkeeper position.

Part-time position, twenty hours/week, somewhat flexible hours to help out the Business Manager.

The candidate should have basic knowledge of QuickBooks and Excel.



Interested candidates contact the Business Manager at businessmgr@stalbg.org or call the office at 419-352-4195 with questions or for a full job description.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY—WEDDING COODINATOR

St. Aloysius is in need of another Wedding Coordinator.

- Are you looking to get more involved in your parish?
- Would you enjoy helping connect a new family to our parish community.
- Do you enjoy instructing and teaching?
- Are you interested in helping a couple start their lives together?
- Are you organized?



If you answered yes, then this ministry may be for you. Call the parish office to volunteer and if you have any questions: 419-352-4195.

WOMEN'S NIGHT

On Monday, Dec. 2nd, all women of the parish are invited to the Women's Night at 7pm in the Davis Narthex.

The evening will include social time, snacks, and a scripture discussion. First-timers are welcome! Come check it out—it's a friendly group!



CAUGHT in the Act

As part of our parish focus on SERVICE this Advent season, we are randomly catching parishioners doing an act of service and featuring them on our Facebook page. If you catch a volunteer in the act, email the picture and a brief description to parishoffice@stalbg.org.

At the Northwest Ohio Food Bank in downtown Toledo, Jennifer Buckingham and Jim Myers load a pallet of food onto Jim's truck to bring back for St. Al's food pantry.

MASS TIMES AT ST. THOMAS MORE Saturday at 5 pm ~ Sunday at 10 am & 9 pm

ADVENT 2019 | We are made for *Service*, to care for each other.

Advent Newsletters

Our Advent Newsletters have been sent out.



If you did not receive one, please stop by the Parish office to pick one up. Or call us at 419-352-4195 and we will be glad to get one to you.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

As we celebrated the Thanksgiving holiday, we thanked God for this parish and its support of our school. We are so blessed to have the opportunity to enter into Advent focusing on the religious significance of this season.

We always celebrate the beginning of the liturgical new year with a little surprise for our students to help them with their prayer during this special time of year. We will gather weekly for Advent prayer services and our students will have many opportunities to share their time and treasure with the less fortunate between now and Christmas break.

We are also blessed with the state of Ohio's strong policies supporting school choice. You may have heard that Crim and Kenwood elementaries are both now Ed Choice Schools. This means that students who attend those two buildings are eligible to attend St. Aloysius on a full tuition scholarship. This applies to incoming kindergarteners assigned to those buildings as well.

Please contact the school office at 419-352-8614 for more information and plan to attend our Open House on January 26th. We would love to have our parish families join our school family.



HOW TO SAVE YOUR MARRIAGE...

BEFORE YOU'RE MARRIED.



LEARN SIX PROVEN STRATEGIES TO DIVORCE-PROOF YOUR FUTURE MARRIAGE.



JASON EVERT

DECEMBER 5, 2019

7:30-9:00pm

BTSU Multipurpose Room
Bowling Green, OH 43402

For more info, contact Alicia at CMinister@sttoms.com

