


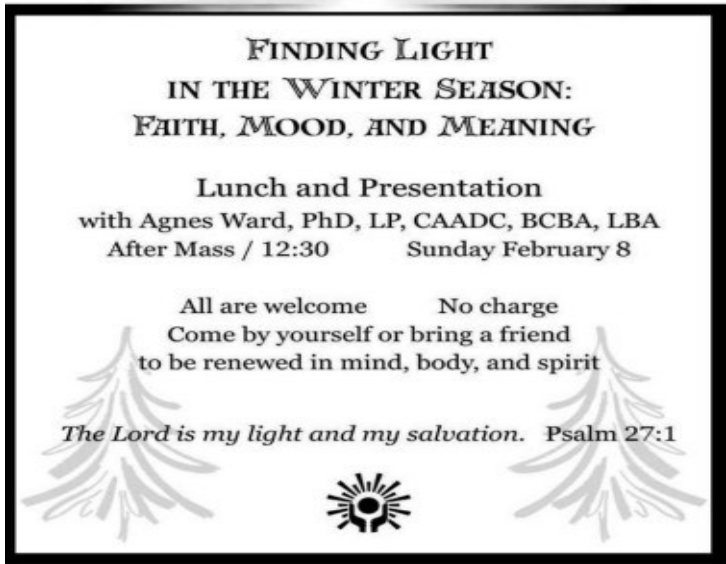
FINDING LIGHT IN THE WINTER SEASON: FAITH, MOOD, AND MEANING

Lunch and Presentation with Agnes Ward, PhD, LP, CAADC, BCBA, LBA After Mass / 12:30 Sunday February 8

All are welcome No charge
Come by yourself or bring a friend
to be renewed in mind, body, and spirit


The Lord is my light and my salvation. Psalm 27:1





16th Annual Dinner for Life

AN EVENING OF WORSHIP AND
STORIES OF HOPE AS WE CELEBRATE
THE DIGNITY OF HUMAN LIFE



Feb 13, 2026 | 6:00pm -10:00pm at Sacred Heart Major Seminary | 2701 Chicago Blvd., Detroit, 48206

The Dinner for Life is an annual fundraising event put on by the seminarians at Sacred Heart Major Seminary to support local pro-life organizations. The seminarians work together to prepare, cook, and serve dinner for our guests. The night features Holy Mass, followed by dinner and dessert, accompanied by light music and testimonies from our benefactors and seminarians. It is our way of supporting the pro-life cause we are so passionate about as followers of Jesus Christ, the Way, the Truth, and the Life!

This year we are supporting Pregnancy Aid Detroit, which offers free and confidential pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, emotional support, and material needs for pregnant mothers. Learn more at www.pregnancyaiddetroit.org. The cost is \$50/person. Tables of 8 available for \$400. Please [register in advance](#) .

Join Our Family!

Visit our website and register online- Click 'Join our parish' on the landing page (staloyiusdetroit.com) or use the QR code →



Join the Parish



Online Giving Offertory





*Our fundraising is ongoing,
Please consider giving and
help us reach our goal!*

MEZZANINE RAILING PROJECT

We need to install railings that will keep our choir and parishioners safe and preserve the beauty of our worship space. Drop off a check in the collection basket, cash in a labeled envelope, or go online: <https://www.osvhub.com/staloyiusdetroit/giving/funds/donations> Thank you!

Behold & Be Held

A Women's Retreat Experience

Saturday, March 7, 2025
(Feast of Ss. Perpetua and Felicity!)

Join us for a day of connection,
inspiration, joy, and laughter.

Keynote: Meg Hunter-Kilmer
Celebrant: Fr. Mario Amore
Adoration: Fr. John Riccardo

We'll gather at
Marygrove University. <3



More info and register at Beholdbeheld.com

Ask Father Anything!

Here is your opportunity to ask Fr. Sal about our faith or how it works in our day-to-day lives. Your questions will be featured in his monthly article! Email Fr. Sal at palazzolo.sal@aod.org or drop a note in the collection basket. It's a great way for us to know our faith and one another!

EVERYBODY'S CHURCH IN DOWNTOWN DETROIT

Deacon on Duty: Ice and Snow, Bless the Lord

This January, Detroit and all of Michigan are wrapped in the grip of an arctic blast, with biting winds giving us sub-zero windchills and transforming the landscape into a glittering world of frost and snow. As we bundle up against the cold, my thoughts are drawn to the Canticle of Daniel, a familiar hymn in the Liturgy of the Hours – a hymn that calls all creation, even the coldest elements, to praise God: “Cold and chill, bless the Lord. Frost and chill, bless the Lord. Ice and snow, bless the Lord.”

These verses remind me that every aspect of creation, not just the warmth of sun and gentle breezes, is invited to glorify the Lord. The frosty air, the shimmering icicles, and the drifts of snow are not adversaries to endure, but companions in praise. In the heart of winter, we see nature’s steadfast worship – an invitation to join in, regardless of external discomforts.

Which brings me to Josh and Jase, two British social influencers journeying through Michigan during this historic cold January. Rather than retreating indoors, they have embraced local winter traditions in northern Michigan and the UP – snowmobiling on Mackinac Island, ice fishing on the Lake Huron, recording the squeaking of snow in the super cold with every step they take and sharing their excitement with followers around the world. Their social media posts beam with enthusiasm, turning snowdrifts and icy sidewalks into scenes of wonder and delight.

The difference lies in perspective. While some may grumble about scraping windshields and frigid commutes, Josh and Jase’s exuberance transforms hardship into adventure. Their outlook echoes Daniel’s song: to bless the Lord through every season, even when it is cold and challenging. Our attitude toward adversity – whether we see hardship as curse or opportunity – shapes our experience profoundly.

This Sunday’s gospel, Matthew gives us the Beatitudes, where Jesus calls the poor, the meek, and the persecuted “blessed.” Like winter’s blessing in Daniel, the Beatitudes teach us to discover God’s presence in unlikely places. By fostering gratitude and hope, we find joy not only when the sun shines, but also when the winds howl and the snow falls.

As we endure this arctic blast, let us join creation’s song. Inspired by scripture and by witnesses like Josh and Jase, may we learn to bless the Lord in all circumstances – trusting that, with a grateful heart, every season becomes an opportunity for praise.

In the peace of Christ,
Deacon Mike

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT
We, the spiritual family of St. Aloysius honor and value the diversity of our community. Through our worship of God, we joyfully commit ourselves to imitate the Good Shepherd. We serve our brothers and sisters when we comfort the lost, feed the hungry, clothe the naked, shelter the homeless, and welcome the stranger. Our service is rooted in our experience of God's love, which calls us to be the Good News of Jesus in the downtown Detroit community.

ST. ALOYSIUS WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday 5:00pm & Sunday 10:00am
Pray the Rosary on Sunday at 9:35am

ST. ALOYSIUS WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE
Monday thru Friday 12:15pm
CHURCH OPEN Mon-Fri from 11:30am-1:00pm


EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
Every Thursday *before* Mass 11:45am-12:15pm
Every third Tuesday of the month from 7:00-8:00pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Monday thru Friday - 11:45am-12:05pm
Saturday 4:15-4:45pm Sunday 9:15am-9:45am

OLD ST. MARY'S MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday Vigil Mass
5:00pm (Confession), 5:30pm (Mass)

Sunday Mass
8:30am, 11:30am
Daily Mass
Monday thru Friday at 12:15pm

OUR LADY of the ROSARY MASS SCHEDULE
Daily Mass
Monday-Thursday, 5:30pm Friday at 12:30pm
Confession Monday-Thursday 5:00pm-5:20pm
Adoration Monday -Thursday 4:30pm-5:30pm
Weekend Mass
Saturday at 9am, Sunday at 5:30pm

<u>Weekly Budget</u>	<u>\$ 4,528</u>	
<u>January 25, 2026</u>	<u>\$ 4,170.⁴⁵</u>	

New Mailing Address for the Parish

Our parish office is now located at the Chancery at 12 State Street. We have a satellite office in the lower level of the church as well. To correspond with us **by mail**, our new address is:

St. Aloysius Church
PO Box 44350
Detroit, MI 48244

Mass Intentions and Readings

Monday	February 2, 2026
12:15pm	The Vandenboom family
Readings	Mal 3:1-4/Lk 2:22-32
Tuesday	February 3, 2026
12:15pm	Alexander Raveane
	<i>Requested by friends</i>
Readings	2Sm 18:9-10, 14b,24-25a, 30—19:3/Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday	February 4, 2026
12:15pm	Raymond Joswiak, Jr
	<i>Requested by family</i>
Readings	2Sm 24:2, 9-17/Mk 6:1-6
Thursday	February 5, 2026
12:15pm	†Priscilla Lightfoot
	<i>Requested by Mike & Karen Allison</i>
Readings	1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/Mk 6:7-13
Friday	February 6, 2026
12:15pm	 Beth Allison
	<i>Requested by Mike & Karen Allison</i>
Readings	Sir 47:2-11/Mk 6:14-29

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	February 7, 2026
	(1Kgs 3:4-13/Mk 6:30-34)
5:00pm	†Nancy Coles
	<i>Requested by Tom Coles</i>
Readings	Is 58:7-10/1Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16
Sunday	February 8, 2026
10:00am	The Megerian family
	<i>Requested by St. Aloysius</i>
	Antoinette Marshall
	<i>Requested by Ellie McNeill</i>
Readings	Is 58:7-10/1Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16

Pray for Our Friends

Elena Centeio-Smith

Ricardo & Marietta Martinez

Kenny Butler

Sylvia Gonzalez

Matt Gumbel

Alberta Mathis

Eric & Rachel Makarewicz

Mallory & Ryan

Timothy

Geraldine Biffle-Faulkner

Jendayi Issa

Patrina Frierson

Ron Joe

Helen Tillerson

Carrie F.

Patricia Hayes

Andrea Piggott

Ann Disser

Sylvia Baker

Ever Jean

Tim Bowdell

John Prior

Marjorie Peake

Randolph Jackson

Cindy Ianni

Tony & Mervet Farida

Phillip King

Curtis Hogan, Jr

Orlando Eigner

Wendy Price

Ross Brandon

Tom Schrems

Dennis Samoray

Robert Wray

William Biffle

Tim Trepkowski

Brain Kitz

Anthony Bell

John R Biffle

Lilley Bates

Joe Littman

Angela Coel

Darroll Jenkins

Herman Jenkins

Regina Roussell

Antoinette Marshall

Jeff Stephenson

Rosalind (Ashford) Holmes

Barbara I.

Arthur Page

Kathy S.

Raymond Biffle

Robert McFadden

February Events

Sunday, February 1 –Candlemas- is the common name for the Church's **Feast of the Presentation of the Lord**, marking Jesus' presentation at the Temple. During Candlemas, Fr. Sal will bless our church candles, symbolizing Christ as the light of the world. You can bring candles from home for Fr. Sal to bless too.

Backpack Ministry volunteer after 10:00am Mass on Sundays. Help us pray and distribute food & essentials to our brothers and sisters in need in the area. See Michael after Mass to get involved. The team is typically back by 11:30am.

Tuesday, February 3rd- St. Blaise Feast Day! Blessing of throats after 12:15pm Mass.

Saturday, February 7th- 10:00am **Backpack Ministry.** Help us pray and distribute food & essentials to our brothers and sisters in need in the area. Meet *in the church*. No signup required! If you have any questions, contact Michael at schultz.michael@aod.org

Sunday, February 8th- World Marriage Sunday
Married couples please join us to receive a blessing at the 10:00am Mass!

Thursdays, February 5th, 12th, 26th (no class the 19th) OCIA Meetings! Our Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) meet on Thursdays from 7:00–8:30 PM at the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament (9844 Woodward Ave, Detroit). Contact Jimmy with any questions- 313-309-1263 or oleary.jimmy@aod.org

There will be NO Sandwich-making for Neighborhood Services after the 10:00am Masses during February & March.

Tuesday, February 17th- Holy Hour 7:00pm-8:00pm in the church. **Our Holy Hours will now be on the Third Tuesday of the Month. We will use the iBrevary app for Night Prayer moving forward. Press PRAY in the upper left corner. You can find Night Prayer under the Liturgy of the Hours tab.

Wednesday, February 18th- Ash Wednesday

8:00am Service with Distribution of Ashes
12:15pm Ash Wednesday Mass with Distribution of Ashes
Archbishop Weisenburger will be the celebrant!
7:00pm Evening Mass with Distribution of Ashes

Saturday, February 21st- 10:00am **Backpack Ministry.** Help us pray and distribute food & essentials to our brothers and sisters in need in the area. Meet *in the church*. No signup required! Go to schultz.michael@aod.org for any questions.

Small Groups are currently meeting! Sign up here:
[Grow in Faith at St. Aloysius Detroit \(staloysiusdetroit.com\)](http://Grow in Faith at St. Aloysius Detroit (staloysiusdetroit.com))
Neighborhood volunteer opportunities go to:
staloysiusdetroit.com/outreach