



Best Wishes to all of our October Birthdays!

May the Lord bless you and keep you, May He make his face to shine upon you, And be gracious to you, and give you His peace

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| 1 Jendayi Issa | 17 Elizabeth Lilley |
| 1 Curtis Leszczynski | 20 Kristin Caffray |
| 1 Teresa Miranda | 21 Cameron MacNeil |
| 6 Tallys Alves | 26 Isabelle Boismier |
| 7 Amy Rhoades | 27 Tim Leszczynski |
| 7 Suzanne Hardesty | 27 Max Cormier |
| 10 William Sumner | 28 Tony Smith, Jr. |
| 14 Zeke Vandenboom | 29 Claire Krakowiak |
| 15 Ann Disser | 30 Vernetta Lamping |
| 16 Shannon Tracy | 31 William Zimmer |
| 17 Lauren Barney | 31 Gabriele Gonclalves |

October Events at St. Aloysius

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.

Thursday, October 2nd- OCIA Meetings begin! Are you interested in becoming Catholic, finishing your Sacraments, or simply learning more about what the Church teaches? Our Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) classes begin October 2nd and will meet on Thursdays from 7:00–8:30 PM at the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament (9844 Woodward Ave, Detroit).

The sessions will be led by Fr. John Maksym and Fr. Sal Palazzolo. Contact Jimmy with any questions- 313-309-1263 or email him at oleary.jimmy@aod.org.

Saturday, October 4th- 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! Contact Michael with any questions schultz.michael@aod.org.

Sunday, October 5th- Pet Blessing at 11:30am outside the Capitol Park dog park. In honor of St. Francis of Assisi, patron saint of animals, we'll gather outside to pray and ask God's blessing upon our beloved pets who bring so much joy to our lives. All are welcome — invite your neighbors.

Sunday, October 12th- Coffee and Donuts to welcome our new pastor, Fr. Sal Palazzolo after 10:00am Mass. Also, Happy Dedication Day to our 1930s church! The current church we worship in was dedicated on October 12, 1930.

No Daily Mass Monday, October 13th- Friday, October 17th. Pray for the priests in the Archdiocese who will be at the Priest Convocation!

Saturday, October 18th- 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! Contact Michael with any questions schultz.michael@aod.org.



We know this isn't goodbye. May God continue to bless your ministry in the Archdiocese and our Family of Parishes!



Join our Liturgical Ministry Team!

Our parish community thrives when everyone shares their gifts in service to the Church. We invite you to consider serving in one of our liturgical ministries!

Whether you have a friendly smile to welcome others as an usher, a deep love for the Eucharist as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion (EMHC), a calling to proclaim God's Word as a lector, or a heart for reverent preparation as a sacristan, your service makes a difference. We also need acolytes to assist at Mass and tour guides to host visitors to share the story of our unique and historic church.

We will provide training and pair you with a veteran server for as long as you need. Join us in making our worship more beautiful and welcoming. Your parish family needs you! **Contact Jimmy for more info at 313-309-1263.**



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EVERYBODY'S CHURCH IN DOWNTOWN DETROIT

I have to admit that this weekend's Gospel is one of my all time favorites. It reminds us that heaven, and the decision to admit us thereto is in part a matter of justice, and thankfully, ever so much more importantly, a matter of mercy.

We have the rich man who lives ever so well and ignores the poor man at his door step every day. Yet, at the end of life, the poor man is now at the gates (note, not in paradise) and our protagonist, the rich man is in hell. He asks the great prophet Abraham to give him just a drop of water because he cannot handle the torment – but Abraham is literally unable to do so because of the chasm that forever separates hell from purgatory and heaven. It is a wall that can never be overcome.

The starving man who was ignored for so long and suffered so much on this planet, suddenly finds himself ready for admission to paradise (awaiting the Christ's crucifixion and resurrection of course so the gates of heaven will be opened). The rich man realizes he is doomed but asks Abraham to warn his family so they don't make the short-sighted mistake he has. He asks that they be warned to become more generous, kinder, helpful, merciful and empathetic. Abraham's response strikes all of us as a bit brutal and harsh but ever so accurate; "If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead." Clearly, Abraham is referring to the Christ and what He will then do for all of us just a few months after He spoke the words of this Gospel.

How many times do we hear from our priests at Mass, from our Archbishop, from our Pope that we must show mercy, empathy, kindness, and yet what do we hear in society, from our politicians, our leaders, on social media; the message of division, exclusion, bitterness, and overt statements of hatred.

Recently, some of our leaders have been described as a "man who does what he said he would." All of us must recognize that the King of Kings will do nothing less. The words of the Gospel have meaning... they are intentional....and we should abide our actions to them. We should do that....NOW.

See you at Mass,

Fr. John

Beginning next week, we will extend our daily Mass schedule to include Fridays at 12:15pm. See you there!

PRAY FOR PEACE + LIVE IN PEACE

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 28, 2025

ST. ALOYSIUS
CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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 11:15am-1:30pm

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Monday thru Friday - 11:45am-12:05pm
Saturday 4:30pm Sunday 9:30am

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 Thursday at 8:00am

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

<u>Weekly Budget</u>	\$ 4,154
<u>Total for September 21, 2025</u>	\$ 4,244. ⁷⁴ 😊

New Mailing Address for the Parish

*As many of you know, 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 48233

Mass Intentions and Readings

Monday **September 29, 2025**
12:15pm **Martinez family**
Requested by Marilen Martinez

Readings Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Jn 1:47-51

Tuesday **September 30, 2025**
12:15pm **Vandenboom family**
Readings Zec 8:20-23/Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday **October 1, 2025**
12:15pm †Charles Spindler
Requested by Mike & Karen Allison

Readings Neh 2:1-8/Lk 9:57-62

Thursday **October 2, 2025**
12:15pm †Frances McLeod Flannery
Requested by John Tulloch

Readings Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Mt 18:1-5, 10

Friday **October 3, 2025**
Fr. John Maksym
Requested by St Aloysius Staff

Readings Bar 1:15-22/Lk 10:13-16

Twenty-seventh Week in Ordinary Time

Saturday **October 4, 2025**
(Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Lk 10:17-24)

5:00pm †James E Marshall
Requested by Antoinette Marshall & Heather Jones

Readings Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/2Tm 1:6-8,13-14/Lk 17:5-10

Sunday **October 5, 2025**

10:00am **Fr. Mario**
Requested by Steve & Mary Zito

†Rosemarie Massaini
Requested by Steve & Mary Zito

Readings Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/2Tm 1:6-8,13-14/Lk 17:5-10

Pray for Our Friends

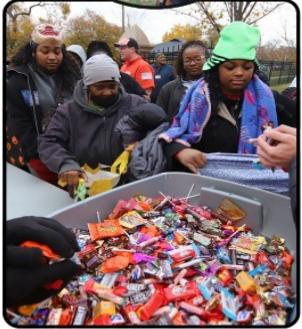
Elena Centeio-Smith	Ann Disser	Anthony Bell
Ricardo & Marietta Martinez	Sylvia Baker	John R Biffle
Kenny Butler	Tim Bowdell	Lilley Bates
Sylvia Gonzalez	John Prior	Joe Littman
Matt Gumbel	Marjorie Peake	Angela Coel
Alberta Mathis	Randolph Jackson	Darroll Jenkins
Eric & Rachel Makarewicz	Cindy Ianni	Herman Jenkins
Mallory & Ryan	Tony & Mervet Farida	Regina Roussel
Timothy	Phillip King	Antoinette Marshall
Geraldine Biffle-Faulkner	Curtis Hogan, Jr	Jeff Stephenson
Jendayi Issa	Orlando Eigner	Rosalind (Ashford) Holmes
Patrina Frierson	Wendy Price	Barbara I.
Ron Joe	Ross Brandon	Arthur Page
Helen Tillerson	Tom Schrems	Kathy S.
Carrie F.	Dennis Samoray	Raymond Biffle
Patricia Hayes	Robert Wray	Robert McFadden
Andrea Piggott	William Biffle	

SUNDAY OCTOBER 5 11:30AM CAPITOL PARK DOG PARK


PET BLESSING
HAVE YOUR PET BLESSED BY FR. SAL
FOR THE FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI
EVERYONE IS WELCOME!



Please drop off bags of candy at the parish to help seminarians provide a safe trick-or-treating experience for kids!



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

For more information contact Jonathan Ligenza ligenza.jonathan@shms.edu

It's that time of the year again! Halloween is just around the corner, and Sacred Heart Major Seminary needs your help. Each year they open their doors and their hearts to over 2000 children from the surrounding Detroit neighborhood so that kids can have a fun and safe place to play games and trick-or-treat. SHMS is asking for donations of Halloween candy that will be passed out to the many kids. If you are willing to participate in this important ministry by donating bags of candy please bring them to church at Mass or during business hours. Thank you!