



**ST. ALOYSIUS**  
CATHOLIC CHURCH



**December 24, 2023**  
**The Fourth Sunday of Advent**  
**Christmas Eve**  
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## 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**“Therefore the child to be born will be called holy,  
the Son of God.” - Lk 1:35**

## REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

### SATURDAY

† 4:30 PM

### SUNDAY

7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM & 5:30 PM

### WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday, Wednesday 6:00 AM

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:00 AM

† = Holy Mass is shared live online

[aloysius.org/livestream](https://aloysius.org/livestream) or [Facebook live](https://www.facebook.com/aloysiusbr)

## EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Every Thursday 8:30 AM-9:00 AM

1st Wednesday of each month 6:30 AM-7:00 AM

3rd Saturday of the month 8:00 AM-3:00 PM\*

\*Gonzaga Hall Chapel

## SACRAMENTS

### RECONCILIATION

3:30 PM - Saturday

6:30 AM - Monday, Wednesday

7:30 AM - Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

*Confessions at the scheduled times are offered only when the adjacent scheduled Holy Mass is celebrated.*

By appointment: please call the Pastoral Services Center at 343-6657 to schedule with a priest.

### BAPTISM

Contact the Pastoral Services Center at 343-6657. Baptismal preparation is required.

### CONFIRMATION

Adult Confirmation is hosted annually. For those under 18, Confirmation typically occurs in the fall of their junior year of high school. Preparation is required, including PSR, for teens not enrolled in a Catholic high school. Please contact the Pastoral Services Center for more detailed information.

### MARRIAGE

Engaged couples should contact the priest at least six months prior to their anticipated wedding date.

## PASTORAL SERVICES

### FUNERALS

Please contact the Pastoral Services Center at 343-6657 prior to scheduling with the funeral home. Please follow voicemail instructions if after hours.

### CARE OF THE SICK

Families of the sick are encouraged to contact the Pastoral Services Center at 343-6657. Communion is brought to the sick weekly. Hospital visits are also made weekly.



◆ Joseph Gebelin Hynes



## Church Office Holiday Schedule

The Pastoral Services Center (church office) will be closed for the holidays Monday, December 25 through Monday, January 1.

Our office will reopen Tuesday, January 2. During this closure, regularly scheduled weekday confessions and Masses will be celebrated in the church as usual by our clergy staff EXCEPT on Tuesday, December 26 when there are no scheduled services.

For more information: [aloysius.org](https://aloysius.org).

## Masses December 30– January 7

### The Feast of the Holy Family

*(Our regular weekend Mass schedule)*

Saturday, December 30 —\*4:30 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday, December 31— Masses at 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM & 5:30 PM

### The Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God

*Not a Holy Day of Obligation in 2024*

We will offer one Mass—Monday, January 1, 2024 at 6:00 AM.

### The Solemnity of the Epiphany

*(Our regular weekend Mass schedule)*

Saturday, January 6—\*4:30 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday, January 7—Masses at 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM and 5:30 PM

\* denotes the live-streaming of a Mass on the church parish website at [aloysius.org](https://aloysius.org) and on Facebook at [facebook.com/staloysiusbr](https://www.facebook.com/staloysiusbr).



• REJOICING IN HIS LIGHT •

Advent at Aloysius photos!

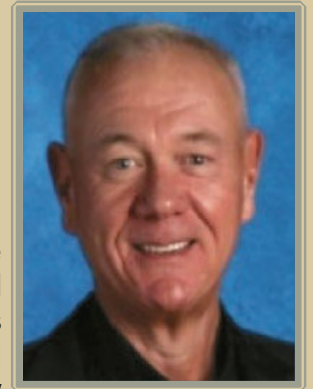
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December 23 – 24, 2023

## Our Challenge

Dear friends,

In our Old Testament reading this weekend from the second Book of Samuel, we learn that when David was crowned king, he began to build an empire that would bring honor to God. But he had no example to follow since there were no empires devoted to faith in God. David sometimes ran ahead of God and often lagged behind, but he built a kingdom unlike any in the ancient world. In our New Testament reading this weekend from St. Paul's letter to the earliest Christian Church in Rome, the Apostle Paul realized that the purposes of God had been shrouded in mystery for ages. People had to navigate their lives without divine guidance. In the fullness of time, however, God's will and way were revealed through the prophets and later through Jesus Christ, God's Son. The evangelist St. Luke tells us in this weekend's gospel passage that Mary was taken completely by surprise when the angel appeared. She had no idea she had been chosen for a purpose that would test her faith greatly. How could a virgin conceive the Son of the Most High? But she trusted God to show her the way and give her the strength she needed. It is interesting and instructive that the same test is used to determine our human maturity and to measure our spiritual depth. Compassion is the mark of an authentic human being as well as the chief sign of spiritual maturity. We manifest our true kinship to God and to one another in our compassion for those in need. Our world is filled with pain and sorrow beyond our comprehension. We may never be able to uproot injustice or establish peace in our lifetimes. Each one of us, however, can show compassion to those we encounter who are in need. James Joyce, the 20<sup>th</sup>-century novelist, said that "pity is the feeling that arrests the mind in the presence of whatsoever is grave and constant in human sufferings and unites it with the human sufferer." Compassion alone, he is saying, makes us pay attention and offer assistance to those about us who are in need.



Have a good week!

Love and prayers,  
Father Randy

## Masses for The Solemnity of Christmas

*A Holy Day of Obligation*

### Sunday, December 24

*30 minutes of pre-service music by each choir*

*\*4:00 PM in church: Bell Choir and Cantor*

**4:00 PM in Gym:** *Contemporary Music Ministry with Cantor*

*No 5:30 PM Sunday Mass on Christmas Eve*

**6:30 PM in church:** *St. Aloysius Church Children's Choir*

**11:00 PM in church:** *St. Aloysius Parish Choir*

### Monday, December 25

**7:00 AM:** *Cantor and Guitar*

**9:00 AM:** *String Quartet and Cantor*

**11:00 AM:** *String Quartet and Cantor*

*No evening Mass on Christmas Day*



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## HERE TO SERVE

<b>Pastoral Services Center</b>	<b>343-6657</b>
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<b>Deacon Don Allison</b> <a href="mailto:dallison@staloyusparish.com">dallison@staloyusparish.com</a>	15
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<b>Madeline Laperouse</b> Bookkeeper Child Protection Coordinator <a href="mailto:mlaperouse@staloyusparish.com">mlaperouse@staloyusparish.com</a>	21
<b>Tyler Waggenpack</b> Director of Communications <a href="mailto:twaggenpack@staloyusparish.com">twaggenpack@staloyusparish.com</a>	16
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<b>St. Aloysius Child Care Center</b>	<b>343-1338</b>
<b>Caitlin Boudreaux, Director</b> <a href="mailto:cboudreaux@aloyusccc.org">cboudreaux@aloyusccc.org</a>	
<b>Emergency Assistance</b>	<b>381-9383</b>

## PASTORAL COUNCIL

<b>Administration</b> Renee Graff & Patrick Downs
<b>Community Life</b> Ernie Spreen & Kelli Troutman
<b>Education</b> Stephanie Politz & Stephanie Crews
<b>Social Responsibility</b> Dan Holliday & Mary Kathryn Gastinel
<b>Spiritual Growth</b> Josh Reed & Erin Walker
<b>Worship</b> Jeb Broyles & Evelyn Greenwood

## WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

- ◆ Corey and Nicole Koch
- ◆ Austin and Kelsey Pasch
- ◆ Alex, Shirley and Brooks McGehee
- ◆ Andrew Aceves

### Advent Reconciliation

In addition to our regularly scheduled opportunities six day a week for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Fr. Randy and Fr. Nutan will hear confessions in the church on Wednesday, **Wednesday, December 20 at 6:00 PM**, until the last penitent is heard.

### Christmas Decorating 2023



Come, Lord Jesus

Please join the Art and Environment Committee on the following days to help prepare the church for the celebration of Christmas:

**Thursday, December 21, 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM**

Complete creche, gym set-up and decorating, poinsettias, complete outdoor decorations refresh Advent wreath if Needed.

**Friday, December 22, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM** Back-up day if needed.

### Catholic Youth Leadership Award

Our council will select one high school senior boy and girl that is a member of St. Aloysius Parish to each receive \$250. Both winners will advance to the Baton Rouge diocese competition with a chance to advance to the State finals where a winner can receive \$5000. Applicants must fill out a form online:



[Application](#) - due January 25, 2024

[Application Process](#)

[Filling Out the Application](#)

Our council CLYA chairmen is Cliff Gillio. Questions can be emailed to him at [cliffgillio@gmail.com](mailto:cliffgillio@gmail.com).

<https://www.louisianakc.org/programs/cyla/>



### SVDP Stores need your donations!



Bring your [donations](#) to the Staring Lane store located at 1871 Staring Lane on Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM or on Saturday from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Donations of housewares (pots, pans, dishes, utensils and other household items) and gently used clothing are great needs. If you have at least 5 bags of clothing and 1 or 2 boxes of housewares, you can call (225) 267-4483 to [schedule a pickup](#).

**donate**

### Volunteer Opportunity St. Matthew's Guild Ministry

St. Matthew's Guild, the ministry that prepares Weekend Mass collections for deposits, is in need of man additional volunteers. The ministry consists of five teams that serve once every few weeks. Accounting, banking or office experience is a bonus, but not required. Consider signing up today!

[aloyus.org/ministry-signup](http://aloyus.org/ministry-signup)

# ADORATION OF THE EUCHARIST



† 1st Tuesday of every month 7:00 PM  
 † 1st Wednesday of every month 6:30 AM  
 † Every Thursday 8:30 AM  
 † 3rd Saturday of the month\*

Communion Service - 8:00 AM  
 Adoration 8:35 AM - 3:00 PM

\*Gonzaga Hall Chapel



*"By standing before the Eucharistic Christ, we become holy."*  
 Blessed Carlo Acutis

For more information visit our website:  
[aloysius.org/eucharistic-revival](http://aloysius.org/eucharistic-revival)


as well as Blessed Carlo Acutis' website:  
[www.miracolieucaaristici.org](http://www.miracolieucaaristici.org)



NATIONAL  
**Eucharistic  
 Revival**

For more information on the National Eucharistic Revival visit [St. Aloysius Catholic Church website](http://St. Aloysius Catholic Church website).

# CONFIRMATION



## Adult and Not Confirmed?

The Sacrament of Confirmation completes the grace of Baptism, more perfectly binds one to the Church, and enriches one with a special strength of the Holy Spirit. Are you a baptized Catholic who has received the Sacraments of First Communion and First Reconciliation, is out of high school, but has not received the Sacrament of Confirmation? Contact [Deacon Chauvin](#) and he will send you an application packet which should be completed and returned soon. Adult Confirmation classes will be held from 6:30-8 PM on **February 5, February 19, March 4, March 18, March 25, April 15, and April 22, 2024**. Presently, the class meetings are scheduled to be at St. Aloysius in the Edith Stein Room of Gonzaga Hall. Your sponsor must be a confirmed and practicing Catholic in good standing with the Church. Tentatively, the Rite of Confirmation with Bishop Duca is planned for the 10:30 AM Mass at St. Joseph Cathedral on May 19, 2024.



## CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS

During Advent, Altar Flowers usually do not decorate the church or sanctuary. The church is decorated gradually throughout the season of Advent until it is fully decorated by Christmas.

We do accept **Christmas Flower Memorial Donations** to help defray the cost of Trees, Poinsettias and other Christmas decorations.

Complete this form: [Sanctuary Flower Memorial Form](#) and return it to the church office with your donation.

Contact Ken Thevenet at [kthevenet@staloysiusparish.com](mailto:kthevenet@staloysiusparish.com) 343-6657, ext 20 for more information.

## Celebrating the Mass

### The Fourth Sunday of Advent, Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 24

#### Sunday Readings

Pray with and reflect on the Word of God at home  
<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/122423.cfm>

#### Mass Livestream

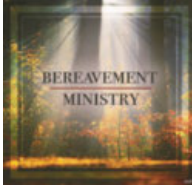
4:30PM Vigil  
[aloysius.org/livestream](http://aloysius.org/livestream)

#### Online Mass

Recordings of the Mass can be found on the parish homepage.  
[aloysius.org/mass-resources](http://aloysius.org/mass-resources)

#### Homilies

[aloysius.org/homilies](http://aloysius.org/homilies)

## BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE

The Bereavement Committee is looking for additional volunteers who could be available to assist with visitations and/or receptions with food or help. With a time commitment of 1.5-2 hours usually. If you feel called to this ministry and would like to support families during their difficult times, sign up for the Bereavement Committee by [clicking here](#). If you have any questions, please call Kristy Roubique at 978-4820.

# Keep "Christ" in Christmas!



## MASS CELEBRANT SCHEDULE December 23/24, 2023

<b>Saturday 4:30 PM</b>	<b>Sunday 7:00 AM</b>	<b>Sunday 9:00 AM</b>	<b>Sunday 11:00 AM</b>
Fr. Randy Cuevas	Fr. Randy Cuevas	Fr. Randy Cuevas	Fr. Nutan Minj
<b>Christmas Eve 4:00 PM Gym</b>	<b>Christmas Eve 4:00 PM Church</b>	<b>Christmas Eve 6:30 PM</b>	<b>Christmas Eve 11:00 PM</b>
Fr. Nutan Minj	Fr. Randy Cuevas	Fr. Nutan Minj	Fr. Randy Cuevas
<b>Christmas Day 7:00 AM</b>	<b>Christmas Day 9:00 AM</b>	<b>Christmas Day 11:00 AM</b>	
Fr. Randy Cuevas	Fr. Randy Cuevas	Fr. Nutan Minj	

Due to unforeseen circumstances, clergy assignments may change

[Click here for the current Liturgical Ministers' Schedule](#)

### MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday, December 25,**  
**7:00 AM** All Parishioners  
**9:00 AM** †Marla Renee Coutee-Thurman  
**11:00AM** †Jensen Holliday

**Tuesday, December 26, No Mass**

**Wednesday, December 27, 6:00 AM**  
 †Carl Edward Courville

**Thursday, December 28, 8:00 AM**  
 †Brennan P. Butler  
 †Bridget Miciotto Tonore  
 †Bob & JoAnn Van Scotter  
 †Beatrice Bradley Broussard  
 †Gayle & Brien Guillory  
 †Harold Lane Thompson, Sr.  
 †Jensen Holliday  
 †Mary Jean Torchia  
 †Mina Newchurch  
 †Watson Tebo  
 †Missy Hopkins  
 †Tom Bush  
 †Joe Hynes

**Friday, December 29, 8:00 AM**  
 †George P. Balhoff

**Saturday, December 30, 4:30 PM**  
 †J.E. Haydel

**Sunday, December 31**  
**7:00 AM,** †Harold Lane Thompson, Sr.  
**9:00 AM,** Leticia Courville  
**11:00 AM,** †Jensen Holliday  
**5:30 PM** All Parishioners



† Deceased

### Servant Leadership Meeting Calendar Next Meeting: January 16, 2024 6:15 PM

#### WORD OF LIFE

“O Blessed Mother, at the angel’s word you went in haste to the aid of your cousin Elizabeth. Although pregnant yourself, you placed her needs before your own. By your example of radical solidarity, teach us to reverence and protect those in need, without conditions or expectations... Obtain for us the grace to bring Christ to any expectant mother who is alone and afraid.”



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USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities  
 Prayer for Radical Solidarity  
[www.respectlife.org/prayer-for-radical-solidarity](http://www.respectlife.org/prayer-for-radical-solidarity)

#### A VOCATION VIEW

**Fourth Sunday of Advent—December 24, 2023**  
 “Do not be afraid, for you have found favor with God.” Consider following Christ more closely as a priest or in consecrated life. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 225-336-8778 or via email: [johnson@diobr.org](mailto:johnson@diobr.org)

**Christmas—December 25, 2023**  
 “The Child who has been conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit, for He will save His people.” Is the Holy Spirit leading you to share your gifts as a priest or religious brother or sister? Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 225-336-8778 or via email: [johnson@diobr.org](mailto:johnson@diobr.org).

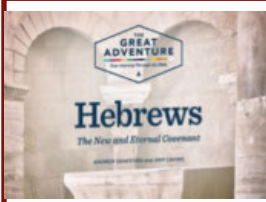
#### SACRISTANS

**December: Diane O’Connor, Amy Pizzolato,  
 Allison Vuljoin, Kaki Lowe,  
 Karen Garner, Darla Fontenot**

#### Church Lost and Found

Call 343-6657 or visit the Pastoral Services Center to claim lost items left in church. Umbrellas, sunglasses, baby items, bags, purses, lunch boxes, sweatshirts, jackets, sweaters, rosaries and other items.

*Unclaimed items will be donated to charity every six months due to storage limitations.*



**Hebrews:  
The New and Eternal  
Covenant**  
A Great Adventure Bible Study  
from Ascension Press  
Register Now for this

**Upcoming Study Opportunity at St. Aloysius!**

This next installment in our ongoing series of Great Adventure Bible Studies from Ascension Press will begin in mid January 2024. [Registration forms](#) are available in the lobby of the Pastoral Services Center and on our [parish website](#).

For more information, contact Mark Christian at [mchristian@staloyusparish.com](mailto:mchristian@staloyusparish.com).

IT'S ALMOST CARNIVAL TIME AND WE'RE LOOKING FOR THE NEXT MINISTRY LEADER OF OUR KREWE!

**SOUTHDOWNS PARADE FEB 9TH, 2024**

IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN LEADING OUR SAINTS ALIVE KREWE TO ORGANIZE OUR PARADE FLOAT AND VIEWING PARTY PLEASE EMAIL EMILY DAVIS [EDAVIS@STALOYSIUSPARISH.COM](mailto:EDAVIS@STALOYSIUSPARISH.COM).

**SOUTHDOWNS MARDI GRAS PARADE VIEWING PARTY**

Friday, February 9th at 6:30 p.m.  
Pastoral Services Center Lot on Stuart Avenue

**FOOD, MUSIC, AND AN EXCELLENT VIEW OF THE PARADE!**

*laissez les bon temps rouler!*

ST. ALOYSIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Save the Date  
**FEBRUARY 3, 2024**

**Live & Silent Auction**

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ST. ALOYSIUS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

**APPLICATION PERIOD**  
December 1, 2023- January 11, 2024

**SCREENING DATE FOR PREK & KINDERGARTEN**  
Saturday, January 20, 2024

**NOTIFICATION EMAILS**  
February 1, 2024

**NEW STUDENT ACCEPTANCE & REGISTRATION DUE**  
February 8, 2024

**YOU WILL NEED THE FOLLOWING ITEMS TO APPLY:**

- Birth Certificate
- Social Security Card
- Baptismal Certificate (if applicable)
- Official Immunization record with the doctor's signature or stamp
- Prior Report Cards (past two years, if applicable)
- Most Recent Standardized Test Scores (past two years, if applicable)

Questions?  
Contact Mollie Montelaro [admissions@aloyus.org](mailto:admissions@aloyus.org) or 225.383.3871

**St. Joseph's Day March 18-19, 2024**

We are excited to announce the return of the **St. Joseph's Day Altar at St. Aloysius!** The evening of March 18th, there will be a Blessing of the Altar service and a spaghetti dinner in the Parish Hall. The Celebration of the Feast of St. Joseph will be held Tuesday, March 19th and the Altar will be open to the public. **To volunteer or to bake/cook for the Altar, please email [AloysiusSJDA@gmail.com](mailto:AloysiusSJDA@gmail.com).**

## SAVE THE DATES FOR 2ND GRADE PARENTS

**First Reconciliation Afternoon of Reflection and Parent Meeting: January 21, 2024, 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM.**

**Parents and First Reconciliation Candidates will meet in the church and attend this event.**

### First Reconciliation

**Option 1:** First Reconciliation Communal Celebration:  
February 3, 2024, 10:00 AM

**Option 2:** SAS candidates may receive their First Reconciliation on a school day. School children will be scheduled on one of the following dates and times: January 26, 2024 or February 2, 2024, from 8:30 AM to 10:00 AM. A similar school night opportunity for PSR is scheduled for Thursday, January 25, 2024, at 6:00 PM.

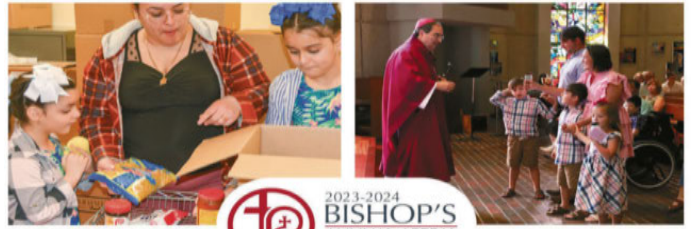
**Option 3:** Parents may bring their candidate to any regularly scheduled times of Reconciliation (*published in the weekly bulletin*) in the Reconciliation room in the church.

Please contact Fr. Randy at [rcuevas@staloyusparish.com](mailto:rcuevas@staloyusparish.com) to find out when he will be the confessor at the regularly scheduled times.

**First Eucharist Afternoon of Reflection and Parent Meeting: February 25, 2024, from 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM.**

**Parents and First Eucharist Candidates will meet in the church and attend this event.**

**First Eucharist** will be celebrated during the weekend of April 13, 2024, during the 4:30 PM vigil Mass, and April 14, 2024 during the 7:00, 9:00, & 11:00 AM and 5:30 PM masses. Choosing your First Eucharist Mass for the weekend of April 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> will take place later. For more information, please contact Tricia Greely at 225-343-6657 or via [tgreely@staloyusparish.com](mailto:tgreely@staloyusparish.com).



2023-2024  
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We invite every family of our parish to engage in the Consecration to the Holy Family. Prayer cards will be given out before all masses on the weekend of December 30 & 31st. At the end of mass, a KC council member will lead those in attendance in praying the prayer on the card. To prepare for the weekend please [Click Here](#). It will provide easy steps for you and your family. The decision to consecrate your family needs to be intentional and a process through which you completely surrender to God through the Holy Family.



V.J.E.

## AN EVENING WITH *Venerable Maria del Refugio*

Foundress of the Mercedarian Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament

6:00pm Talk Begins  
7:15pm-8:00pm Eucharistic Adoration,  
Praise & Worship,  
Prayer Ministry  
Refreshments to follow in the Dolphin Room



SPEAKER:

**MR. GEORGE H. FOULKES**  
Postulator of the  
Cause of Canonization

Friday, December 29, 2023  
Divine Providence Chapel  
Cypress Springs Mercedarian Prayer Center  
17560 George O'Neal Road  
Baton Rouge, LA 70817

RSVP by December 27, email:  
[LEM@mercedariansisters.org](mailto:LEM@mercedariansisters.org)



**CULTIVATE BROTHERHOOD.  
BECAUSE ONE MAN IS NOT  
ENOUGH**

"Frat night" meets most Wednesdays from 6-8 PM in the Parish Hall. December (no meetings). [Click for Spring 2024 Dates](#)



# THIS WEEK AT ST. ALOYSIUS

## PARISH CALENDAR

**SAT, 12/23**

Art & Environment tree setup  
Decorating 9:00 AM  
**Confessions 3:30 PM**  
Choir Music Rehearsal 3:30 PM  
**Mass 4:30 PM Livestreamed**

**SUN, 12/24**

**Fourth Sunday of Advent  
Christmas Eve**  
**Mass 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 AM &  
5:30 PM**  
SMG Team 3 3:00 PM  
Bell Choir and Cantor Concert  
3:30 PM  
**\*Christmas Eve Mass (Livestream)  
Church 4:00 PM**  
Contemporary Music Ministry Concert  
with Cantor 3:30 PM  
**Christmas Eve Mass Gym 4:00 PM**  
Childrens Choir Concert 6:00 PM  
**Christmas Eve Mass 6:30 PM**  
Christmas Eve Parish Choir  
Concert 10:30 PM  
**Christmas Mass at Dark 11:00 PM**



**MON, 12/25**

Christmas Day  
PSC Closed for Holidays  
SAS Closed, SACCC Closed  
**Christmas Day Mass 7:00 AM,**  
Cantor and Guitar  
**Christmas Day Mass 9:00 AM,**  
String Quartet and Cantor  
**Christmas Day Mass, 11:00 AM,**  
String Quartet and Cantor



**TUES, 12/26**

SAS Closed, SACCC Closed  
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**No Services**

**WED, 12/27**

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**Mass 6:00 AM,**  
**Confessions 6:30 AM**  
Men's Fellowship 6:30 AM

**THURS, 12/28**

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**Mass 8:00 AM**  
**Confessions 7:30 AM**  
**Benediction and Adoration of the  
Blessed Sacrament 8:30 AM**

**FRI, 12/29**

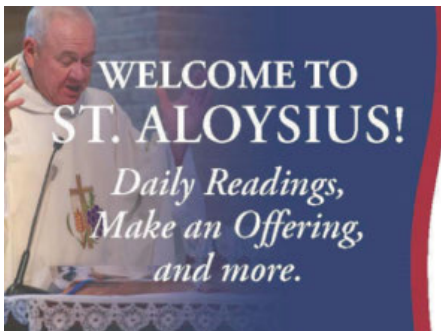
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**Confessions 7:30 AM**

**SAT, 12/30**

**Consecration to the Holy Family**  
**Confessions 3:30 PM**  
Choir Music Rehearsal 3:30 PM  
**Mass 4:30 PM Livestream**

**SUN, 12/31**

**Feast Of The Holy Family  
New Year's Eve**  
**Consecration to the Holy Family  
All Masses**  
**Mass 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 AM**  
Choir Music Rehearsal 8:00 AM  
Children's Choir 9:00 AM  
Sunday Nursery 11:00 AM  
SMG Team 5 3:00 PM



## CATHOLIC COMMENTATOR

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## SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sunday: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54 (Is 61:10b)/ 1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28  
Monday: Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19/Mt 1:18-25  
Tuesday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17/ Lk 1:5-25  
Wednesday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 1:26-38  
Thursday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21/Lk 1:39-45  
Friday: 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Lk 1:46-56  
Saturday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 (2a)/Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38

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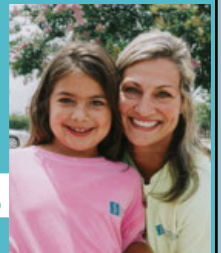
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