

ST. ALOYSIUS



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THIRD WEEK

REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY 4:30 PM

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

WEEKDAY MASSES Wednesday 6:00 AM Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:00 AM † = Holy Mass is shared live online aloysius.org/livestream or Facebook live You Tube

EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Every Friday8:30 AM-9:00 AM1st Wednesday of each month6:30 AM-7:00 AM3rd Saturday of the month8:00 AM-3:00 PM*

*Gonzaga Hall Chapel

SACRAMENTS

RECONCILIATION

3:30 PM - Saturday 6:30 AM - 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.

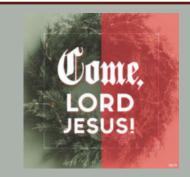


Don Hidalgo



Thank you so much to those who participated in this year's Giving Tree.

Many in our community will be blessed by your wonderful generosity. Let's continue to pray for all those in need. Thank you!



Christmas Decorating 2024 Please join the Art and Environment Committee on the following days to help prepare the church for the celebration of Christmas

Saturday, December 14 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM Addition of pink roses, etc. for Gaudete Sunday, Lights on trees, begin creche set-up

Saturday, December 21, 9:00 AM -1:00 PM

Continue with creche, poinsettias, outdoor decorations, refresh Advent wreath if needed, gym set-up/decorating

> Monday, December 23 – 9:00 AM – 11:00 PM Complete all decorations

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WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

- David, Jane, Mac, Will and Thomas Dossett
- Nancy Texada
- Warner Simon
- Kelby, Jade, Leni and Scottie Blalock

St. Aloysius Parish Prepares for The Coming of Christ

The Solemnity of Christmas **Tuesday, December 24--**4:00 PM (Two Masses held in both the Old Gym and the Church-Livestreamed) 6:30 PM & 11:00 PM (in the Church)

> Wednesday, December 25--Masses at 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

The Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God Vigil Mass on Tuesday, December 31 at 4:00 PM– Livestreamed Wednesday, January 1, 2025--Mass at 9:00 AM

Are you going through a difficult time?

Stephen Ministers are trained to provide emotional and spiritual support, on a one-to-one, confidential basis. A Stephen Minister walks alongside a person dealing with a serious challenge such as the loss of a loved one, a divorce, financial difficulties, a serious illness, etc. Contact a Stephen Leader for more information: Stephen.ministry.aloysiusbr@gmail.com or call Ann McCrory, Stephen Ministry Referrals Coordinator at 235-7850.



Prayer Shawl Ministry Volunteers



We make items *for* people who need comfort and reassurance that God is with them, during rough or happy times. We knit or crochet prayer cloths, hats, shawls and blankets which are available at the parish office free of charge. We are looking for all levels of experience! All supplies are available as needed. We would love to have you come check us out! Join us at

Gonzaga Hall Library from 9:00 AM -11:00 AM on the first and third Thursday of the month. All are welcome!



Retirement Fund for Religious

Please give to those who have given a lifetime.

retiredreligious.org

Christmas Flower Memorial

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 <u>Sanctuary Flower Memorial Form</u> and return it to the Church office with your donation. Contact Ken Thevenet at <u>kthevenet@staloysiusparish.com</u> 343-6657, ext 20 for more information.

Bishops Annual Appeal PILGRIMS OF HOPE

2024-25 Bishop's Annual Appeal

"We must fan the flame of hope that has been given us, and help everyone to gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart and far-sighted vision" – Pope Francis' letter on the Upcoming 2025 Year of Jubilee.

The Diocese of Baton Rouge will join in the mission of the Year of Jubilee by supporting essential ministries that serve the spiritual and temporal needs of our people. Through your financial support and intentional gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal, you can join Bishop Michael G. Duca and other "pilgrims of hope" in providing a better life for our people now and for eternity.

If you did not receive a copy of this year's appeal by mail, please contact the Office of Stewardship at (225) 336-8790, email <u>stewardship@diob.org</u> or visit <u>https://diobr.org/baa</u>.

Retirement Fund for Religious Special Appeal

You have made a difference in the lives of our elderly sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. We couldn't have done this without you!

Envelopes can still be found at the doors of church. Thank you for donating to the Retirement Fund for Religious. <u>https://retiredreligious.org/ways-to-give/donate/</u>



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:

DIRECTOR

For job description and to apply, visit aloysiusccc.org/employment

Our Mission:

As a ministry of St. Aloysius Parish, the St. Aloysius Child Care Center focuses on the well being of the whole child by providing a loving "home away from home," and a quality-learning environment, thereby strengthening the family unit as a basis of the faith community.

Our Purpose:

St. Aloysius Child Care Center was established to serve our working families of the parish and community by providing their children with quality early childhood education in a nurturing environment, based in the Catholic faith, while our families fulfill their ministry.



Vespers and Eucharistic Adoration

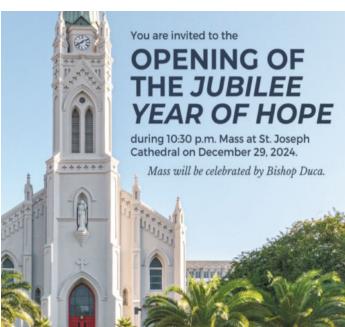
Tuesday, December 17 from 5 - 8 pm St. Aloysius Catholic Church





WHEN YOU PRAY– SPRING BIBLE STUDY Signup for upcoming Bible

Studies for spring 2025 starting soon. Contact Carmel Acosta for more information. Call 343-6657 or email cacosta@staloysiusparish.com



FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT DIOBR.ORG/JUBILEE



ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE

December 21, 2024 |St. Joseph Cathedral | 10 a.m.



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 at <u>cwilkinson@staloysiusparish.com</u>. He will send you an **application packet which should be completed and returned as soon as possible**, <u>before 02/14/2025</u>.

Adult Confirmation classes will be held from 6:30 to 8:00 PM on February 24, March 10, March 17, March 31, April 14, May 12, and May 19, 2025.

Anyone interested should mark all these dates on their calendar. 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 June 8, 2025.



Epiphany Sunday January 5, 2024

Family Resource: Chalking the Door of a Home in a Jubilee year. Click for more information: <u>diobr.org/jubilee</u>

MASS CELEBRANT SCHEDULE December 14/15, 2024							
Saturday 4:30 PM	Sunday 7:00 AM	Sunday	9:00 AM	Sunday 11:00 AM	Sunday 5:30 PM		
Fr. Michael Alello	Fr. Gerald Burns	Fr. Micha	el Alello	Fr. Michael Alello	Fr. Michael Alello		
	Due to unforese	en circumstance	es, clergy assi	gnments may change			
<u>Cli</u>	Click here for the current Liturgical Ministers' Schedule						
MASS INTENTIONS			Servant Leadership Meeting Calendar Next Meeting: January 21, 2025 at 5:30 PM				
Tuesday, December 17, 8:00 AM †Ben C. Tisdale, III †Arthur Calvin Golden †Bob McAnelly †Dan Walsh †Don Hidalgo †George Curtis Heard †George Sexton †Jim Nikolaus †Marguerite Gay May Town †Marion Bahlinger †Michael Sause †Michelle Gauthier †Richard G. Weimer †Rose Marie Crapanzano †Tippy Thomassie †Wayne Hirschey Wednesday, December 18, 6:00 AM †Judy Giorlando Thursday, December 19, 8:00 AM †Arthur Calvin Golden †Bobby May †Dr. Edward Chiasson †Frank Sagnibene †Juanita M. Coutee †Mian Newchurch †Wallace Eversberg †Wayne Hirschey †William Holden Friday, December 20, 8:00 AM † Mike Veazey Saturday, December 21, 4:30 PM † Eric Paul Hansen. Sunday, December 22 7:00 AM, † Johnson Kadair 9:00 AM, † J.E. Haydel 11:00 AM, †Ben C. Tisdale, III 5:30 PM All Parishioners † Deceased			<section-header>WORD OF LIFE"O St. Bakhita, assist all those who are trapped in a state of slavery; Intercede with God on their behalf so that they will be released from their chains of captivity. Those whom man enslaves, let God set free."Image: Colspan="2">Image: Colspan="2">Image: Colspan="2">Colspan="2""Colspan="2">Colspan="2"Colspan="2">Colspan="2""Colspan="2">Colspan="2"Colspan="2"Colspan="2""Colspan="2">Colspan="2"Colspan="2""Colspan="2">Colspan="2"Colspan="2""Colspan="2">Colspan="2"Colspan="2""Colspan="2">Colspan="2"Colspan="2""Colspan="2">Colspan="2"Colspan="2""Colspan="2">Colspan="2""Colspan="2">Colspan="2""Colspan="2">Colspan="2""Colspan="2">Colspan="2""Colspan="2">Colspan="2""Colspan="2""Colspan="2""Colspan="2""Colspan="2""Colspan="2""Colspan="2""Colspan="2""Colspan="2""Colspan="2""Colspan="2""Colspan="2""Colspan="2""Colspan="2""Colspan="2""Colspan="2""Colspan="2""Colspan="2"<t< td=""></t<></section-header>				
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Attention all High School Seniors. Apply now for the Catholic Youth Leadership Award Scholarship. Follow the links below. Please put the KC Council name down: Pope John XXIII Council 3743. Deadline to apply is January 25, 2025. Click here for <u>Application</u>



SPRING HOMESCHOOL PSR

First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion are traditionally observed when a child is in the second grade. In adherence to the policies of the Diocese of Baton Rouge, sacramental preparation requires **two** years of catechesis prior to receiving these sacraments.

If you have a child that you are hoping will receive these sacraments next year and has not been enrolled in a religious education program through a Catholic school or Parish School of Religion (PSR), St. Aloysius is offering a homeschool option in the spring 2025.

> PLEASE CONTACT LESLIE DOYLE AT <u>LDOYLE@STALOYSIUSPARISH.COM</u> FOR MORE INFORMATION.





ST. JOSEPH'S DAY

at St. Aloysius

March 18-19, 2025

To volunteer, please email AloysiusSJDA@gmail.com

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A ? DEACON?

SESSION I

Saturday, January 18, 2025 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. St. Thomas More Catholic Church, St. Theresa Room

SESSION II

Saturday, February 1, 2025 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. St. George Catholic Church, Kleinpeter Activity Center

SESSION III

Saturday, February 15, 2025 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. St. George Catholic Church, Kleinpeter Activity Center

SESSION IV

Saturday, March 1, 2025 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. St. George Catholic Church, Kleinpeter Activity Center

SESSION V

Saturday, March 15, 2025 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University (FRANU)

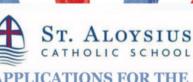
For more information, contact Deacon Terry Bellon at <u>tbellon@diobr.org</u>.

For more information you can also contact Deacon Chauvin Wilkinson <u>cwilkinson@staloysiusparish.com</u> or Deacon Don Allison <u>dallison@staloysiusparish.com</u>









APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR ARE NOW OPEN!

APPLICATION PERIOD DECEMBER 2, 2024 - JANUARY 10, 2025 NOTIFICAITON EMAILS FEBRUARY 6, 2025 NEW STUDENT ACCEPTANCE & REGISTRATION DUE

FEBRUARY 10, 2025

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@ALOYSIUS.ORG OR 225.383.3871

THIS WEEK AT ST. ALOYSIUS

PARISH CALENDAR

SAT, 12/14

Art and Environment Decorate Church 9:00 AM Confession 3:30 PM Choir Music Rehearsal 3:30 PM Mass 4:30 PM Bell Choir at Mass 4:30 PM

SUN, 12/15

Third Sunday of Advent Mass 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM Livestreamed, 11:00 AM & 5:30 PM Choir Music Rehearsal 8:00 AM Sunday Nursery 9:00 AM Parish Choir 9:00 AM Coffee and Donuts 10:00 AM Sunday Nursery 11:00 AM Children's Choir 11:00 AM Children's Choir 11:00 AM SMG Team 3 3:00 PM Choir Music Rehearsal 4:30 PM OCIA Christmas Social 6:30 PM

MON, 12/16

SAS Finals Week Bell Choir Rehearsal 4:00 PM Rosary Group Rosa Mystica 7:00 PM

TUES, 12/17 SAS Finals Week Confessions 7:30 AM Mass 8:00 AM Novena of Our Lady of Perpetual Help 8:30 AM SAS Parent Speaker 11:00 AM Vespers and Eucharistic Adoration 5:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 7 6:30 PM

WED, 12/18 SAS Finals Mass 6:00 AM Confession 6:30 AM Men's Fellowship 6:30 AM WED, 12/18 Cont. SACCC Christmas Carols 10:00 AM Children's Choir Rehearsal 2:45 PM Parish Choir Rehearsal 7:00 PM THURS, 12/19 SAS Finals

St. Joseph Altar Leadership mtg 8:00 AM Confession 7:30 AM Mass 8:00 AM Grade Mass K-4 Prayer Shawl Ministry 9:00 AM SAS 5th & 6th Grade Football Banquet 6:00 PM KC Meeting 6:00 PM

FRI, 12/20 Confession 7:30 AM Church 8:00 AM Benediction and Adoration 8:30 AM

SAT, 12/21 Communion Service 8:00 AM Chapel Rosary for Vocations 8:30 AM Chapel Adoration 8:30 AM Art and Environment Decorate Church and Old Gym 9:00 AM Confession 3:30 PM Choir Music Rehearsal 3:30 PM Mass 4:30 PM

SUN. 12/22

Fourth Sunday of Advent Mass 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM Livestreamed, 11:00 AM & 5:30 PM Choir Music Rehearsal 8:00 AM Sunday Nursery 9:00 AM Coffee and Donuts 10:00 AM Sunday Nursery 11:00 AM Parish Choir 11:00 AM SMG Team 5 3:00 PM Choir Music Rehearsal 4:30 PM



Readings for the week of December 15, 2024

Sunday:	Zep 3:14-18a/ls 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (6)/Phil 4:4- 7/Lk 3:10-18
Monday:	Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and
Tuesday:	7bc, 8-9/Mt 21:23-27 Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17/Mt
Wednesday:	1:1-17 Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19/Mt 1:18
Thursday:	-25 Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-
-	17/Lk 1:5-25
Friday:	ls 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 1:26-38
Saturday:	Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11- 12, 20-21/Lk 1:39-45
Next Sunday:	Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 (4)/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45

BAPTISMAL SEMINAR

Attention Parents and Godparents: Baptismal Seminars are offered online. <u>Click Here</u> to watch the online presentation. Print the certificate at the end of the seminar. Contact Leslie Doyle with any questions <u>Idoyle@staloysiusparish.com</u>.

PRAYER LINE

St. Aloysius has a Group of Intercessors ready to pray for your needs...whatever they may be! 343-6657 prayerline@staloysiusparish.com *"Lord, in your mercy.... Hear our Prayer!"*

SUNDAY NURSERY

Sunday nursery is open during 9:00 and 11:00 AM Masses in the St. Aloysius Child Care Center. All children ages 3 months to 3 years are welcome to attend.



FAMILY FILE

Has your information changed?

Information that may need to be updated: Name change, address, cell, email, marital status changes, additional members of the family, baby, children, school and grade changes. Please email, Aline <u>alandry@staloysiusparish.com</u> with your updated information or call 343-6657.

FOOD BANK BASKETS

Food left in the Food Bank baskets located at the doors of church are delivered by ministry volunteers to the Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank!



Thank you for your corporal works of mercy!

WELCOME TO ST. ALOYSIUS!

> Daily Readings, Make an Offering, and more.



DIOCESAN NEWS

The Catholic <u>COMMENTATOR</u> News from the Diocese of Baton Rouge The <u>COLLECT</u> Monthly Highlights from the Catholic Commentator

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Interested in Becoming a Catholic?

Not sure where to start? We are the group for you! For information, contact Carmel Acosta 343-6657 ext. 26 <u>cacosta@staloysiusparish.com</u>

BECOME A PARISHIONER

Welcome! We are delighted you have joined us for worship and we hope you will return to pray with us often. If you have recently moved, are looking for a new parish or have returned to the area, we invite you to make St. Aloysius your home and carry out our mission statement!

To become a parishioner, visit:

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https://www.aloysius.org/welcome or call 343-6657.

SUPPORT OUR

Interested in placing an ad? Please contact Kim Broyard, Bulletin Representative 1-800-477-4574 ext. 6322 or 504-333-2816 kbroyard@4lpi.com

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VISIT FORMED.org. Click "sign up" on the home page. Click "I belong to a parish or institution". Type "St. Aloysius Baton Rouge". A free online platform that provides access to thousands of Catholic movies, video programs, audios, e-books and videobased studies from trusted providers like Augustine Institute, Ignatius Press, Catholic Answers, Sophia Press, and St. Paul Center.

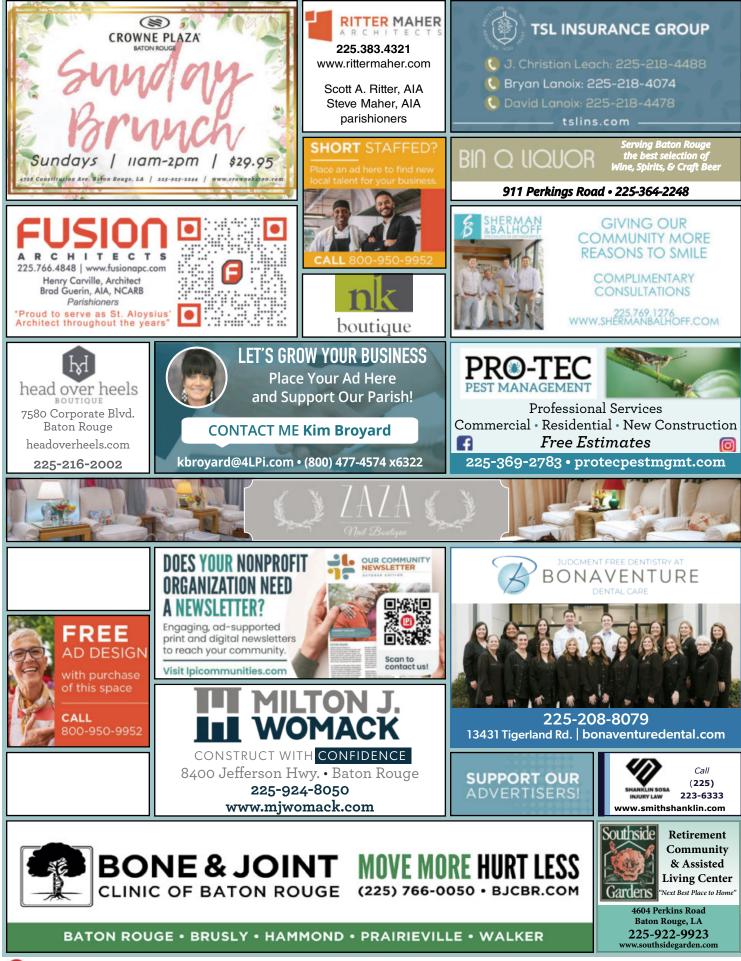
St. Aloysius Parish is a vibrant community of peace, love and unity as the living body of Christ.

VISION STATEMENT

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Aloysius Parish embraces and nurtures all, inspiring each to act justly, love tenderly and walk humbly in the love of God.





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