

ST. ALOYSIUS

*Palm
Sunday*

Truly, this was the Son of God!

Matthew 27:54



March 29, 2026

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m. | 9:00 a.m. | 10:30 a.m. | 12:00 p.m.

Sunday Evening: 5:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

Weekdays: 8:00 a.m. | 12:00 p.m.

Saturday Morning: 8:00 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday: 12:30 to 7:00 p.m.

There is no Adoration during July and August.

Sacrament of Baptism

Through Baptism, we become Children of God and members of the household of faith. Children should be baptized in the faith community to which their parents belong, that is, the Parish in which they are registered and active members. Please call the rectory to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance)

Saturday: 1:00 p.m. and by appointment. Please call the rectory.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

Please notify one of the parish priests in the event of serious illness. A communal celebration of the Anointing will be held annually.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

St. Aloysius Parish is a Roman Catholic community dedicated to celebrating the life and word of Jesus Christ. All are welcome to deepen their spiritual and personal lives through active participation in weekly Liturgy, the celebration of the Sacraments, Parish ministries and community activities. Acknowledging our incompleteness and our need for God's grace, we commit ourselves, through Baptism, to responding to God's call to become and grow as disciples of Jesus Christ in our time. Jesus Christ is at the center of all of our lives.



Church Website:
StAlsCaldwell.org



Facebook &
Instagram:
@StAlsCaldwell



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, March 28

Vigil: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

5:30 pm DiCataldo & Borbotti Fam. by Valli & Joyce

SUNDAY, March 29

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

7:30 am Deceased Members of the Groudas Family by Family

9:00 am George Schneider by Patrick Caliello

10:30 am Morley Family

12:00 pm Marino Darpino by Amy & Tom Carracino

5:00 pm Manuel Huiracocha by Family
People of the Parish

MONDAY, March 30

8:00 am Scott McClutchy by John & Mary Anne Wojtal

12:00 pm Debbie Nolan by Susan & Jimmy O'Connor

TUESDAY, March 31

8:00 am Antonio DeLeon by DeLeon Family

12:00 pm Frank Rusignuolo by MaryAnn Rusignuolo

WEDNESDAY, April 1

8:00 am Mary Parsons by Family

12:00 pm Joyce Martin by Maureen & Ron Kalata

THURSDAY, April 2 - Thursday of Holy Week

8:00 am Morning Prayer

7:30 pm Alessandra Maria Fanning by Michelle Petoia & Ryan

FRIDAY, April 3

Friday of the Passion of the Lord - Good Friday

8:00 am Morning Prayer

3:00 pm Commemoration of the Passion and Death of Our Lord

SATURDAY, April 4 - Holy Saturday

8:00 am Morning Prayer

12:00 pm Blessing of the Easter Food

7:30 pm Violet & Vincent Spittle by Joyce Spittle

SUNDAY, April 5

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

7:30 am Grace Scilingo by Judith Martin
People of the Parish

9:00 am Maria Lardiere by Michael & Dolores

10:30 am Deceased Members of Sannito Family by Sannito Family

10:45 am Mr. & Mrs. James Lynch, James Lynch, Jr., and Lynch Family by Joan Hillman

SUNDAY, April 5

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of The Lord

12:00 pm Camille Russomanno by Maria Porreca

12:15 pm Godleski Family by Joan Hillman

2:00 pm Nyurka Valle by Dee Taylor

THIS WEEK THE SANCTUARY LIGHT IS:
**In Memory of Dr. John A. DiFilippo
by Judy Inglesino**



Arrangements for
**Sanctuary Light, Shrine Candles,
and Bread and Wine Offerings**

may be made via email:
info@stalscaldwell.org or by
calling the office at 973-226-0221.



The Sanctuary Light and
the Bread and Wine Offerings are \$15.
The Shrine Area Votive Offerings are \$10.



STEWARDSHIP

Managing God's Gifts To Us

THE SACRIFICIAL GIVING OF OUR PARISHIONERS

3/22/2026 **Week #39**

First Collection **\$16,937**

Avg. Budgeted **\$15,882**

**Our Second Collection Next Weekend is for
MY SHARE TO HELP**



Parish Giving offers secure flexible online giving. Make your donation online using a credit card or bank transfer. Giving electronically also helps the church save money and plan the budget. Visit www.stalscaldwell.org and click on the Parish Giving tab for more information or scan the QR code.

Give Now! Scan this QR Code with your smartphone for easy, secure online giving. Thank you!



Caldwell NJ 07006, 691 St. Aloysius

Report Financial Misconduct Confidentially

If you suspect financial misconduct, use EthicsPoint, an independent and confidential reporting tool that helps the Archdiocesan community address issues and promote positive parish, school and workplace environments. Visit www.rcan.org for the hotline and reporting link.



"To everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven."
(Ecclesiastes 3:11)

" ...A time to be healed"

Sick list: Sally Accocella, Paul Acone, Mr. Albertli, Evelyn Allison, Pat Bilotti, Anthony Caruso, Dolly Cerami, Rodney Clifford, Peter J. Collette, Connie DeAngelis, Mrs. DeFeo, Dawn Diaz, John Donnelly, Carole Dwyer, Jeanne Farr, John Farr, Joanne Galinis, John & Marianne Heesters, Georgeann Huber, David Keller, Jeanmarie King-Hicks, Harry Kramer, Sr., Greg LaScola, Sr., Mary Ann Lyngsch, Ralph Magrans, Debbie Makowski, Patricia Parenti, Doreen Pinto, Maria Puglio, Chrissy Qadir, Kelly Reilly, Valerie Reynolds, Richard Rodin, Steven Sabler, Sr., Colton Salmon, Brady Sannito, Allyson Schmertz, Vincent Sciabarasi, Joyce Spittle, Ray Sullivan, Claudette Thomas, Joan Tomek, Carolyn Walker, Jimmy Wilgus, Paula Zaccardi

" ...A time to die"

Deceased: Frank Bolger, Quentin Foley

"...A time for war & a time for peace"

For national and world leaders and for those in the armed services, especially:

Anthony Appleby, Nicholas Appleby, James Barrett, Timothy Brown, Ashleigh N. Bryant, Daniel Dispenza, Sawyer Guard, Michael C. Howley, Michael Piela

AMEN

Take this list home with you and use it in your daily prayers.



Dear Parishioner

Isaiah 50:4-7

Matthew 21:1-11

Matthew 26:14-27:66

Since the beginning of Lent, we have prepared ourselves with works of penance and charity. This Palm Sunday, the Church commemorates the entry of Our Lord Jesus Christ into Jerusalem to consummate His Paschal Mystery. Therefore, in all Masses this entry of the Lord into the Holy City is celebrated, both with the solemn entrance procession with the palm branches and the Eucharist, the paschal mystery of the Death and Resurrection of our Lord.

It was to accomplish this mystery of His Death and Resurrection that Jesus Christ entered the Holy City. Therefore, remembering with faith and devotion this triumphal entry into this sacred place, we will accompany the Lord, so that, participating now in His cross, we may one day merit to share in His Resurrection.

A careful reading of the Passion of Christ raises an inevitable question: "Who was responsible for the death of Jesus, the Jews or the Romans?" In the death of Jesus, political and religious motives were intertwined, although the most direct responsibility falls, according to the Gospel narrative, on the Jewish authorities of that time and not on the entire people.

However, reading the Gospel with a perspective of faith ultimately reveals others responsible for Christ's death, namely, all of us. He was struck down for our iniquities (see Isaiah 53:3). We can all hear, addressed to each of us personally, the words that the prophet Nathan spoke to David when he asked him who was the wicked man who killed the poor man's only sheep. He replies: "That man is you!" (2 Kings 12:7).

Yes, it was you. It was me. It was all of us. Every man and woman is responsible for the Death of Christ. Judas, who betrayed Him, Peter, who denied Him, Pilate, who washed his hands, and the crowd who repeated: "Crucify Him!", the soldiers who divided the Condemned One's garments among themselves, and the criminal thieves are not alone. We are all in this situation of responsibility.

But we cannot remain here. We know not only that Jesus truly died and was buried, but also that he rose again on the third day, ascended, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He died for our sins and rose again for our salvation.

Father Joseph Simon DosSantos



SEMANA SANTA

DOMINGO DE RAMOS

29 DE MARZO

Misa a las 5:00 de la tarde

JUEVES SANTO 2 DE ABRIL

Misa Solemne de la Cena del Señor

7:30 de la noche (bilingüe)

VÍA CRUCIS VIVIENTE DEL VIERNES SANTO

3 DE ABRIL

7:30 de la noche (bilingüe)

VIGILIA PASCUAL

4 DE ABRIL

7:30 de la noche (bilingüe)

DOMINGO DE RESURRECCIÓN

5 DE ABRIL

Misa Solemne a las 2:00 de tarde



VIA CRUCIS

Todos los miércoles
a las 7:00 de la noche
en la iglesia, a partir
del 25 de febrero.



REFLEXIONES

“Al salir encontraron a un hombre de Cirene llamado Simón y lo obligaron a cargar la cruz de Jesús.” MATEO 27: 32

El Señor nos llama a amar a Dios y a nuestro prójimo. Cada día se nos presentan oportunidades para amar a nuestro prójimo y ayudarlo a “cargar su cruz”. Esas oportunidades no son usualmente grandes eventos, son usualmente situaciones ordinarias como ayudar a alguien a llevar las compras o mantenerle la puerta abierta. La clave es poner las necesidades de los demás antes de las nuestras y no esperar nada a cambio.

Estimado Feligrés

Isaías 50, 4-7

Mateo 21, 1-11

Mateo 26, 14-27:66

Fuimos todos nosotros

Desde el comienzo de la Cuaresma nos hemos preparado con obras de penitencia y caridad. Este Domingo de Ramos, la Iglesia conmemora la entrada de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo en Jerusalén para consumir su Misterio Pascual. Por ello, en todas las misas se celebra esta entrada del Señor en la Ciudad Santa, tanto con la solemne procesión de entrada con ramos de palma, y la Eucaristía, misterio de la Muerte y resurrección de nuestro señor.

Fue para consumir este misterio de su Muerte y Resurrección que Jesucristo entró en la Ciudad Santa. Por tanto, recordando con fe y devoción esta entrada triunfal en este lugar sagrado, acompañaremos al Señor, para que, participando ahora en su cruz, merezcamos un día participar de su Resurrección.

Una lectura atenta de la Pasión de Cristo plantea una pregunta inevitable: “¿Quién fue responsable de la muerte de Jesús, los judíos o los romanos?” En la muerte de Jesús se entrelazaron motivos políticos y religiosos, aunque la responsabilidad más directa recae, según el relato evangélico, en las autoridades judías de la época y no en todo el pueblo.

Sin embargo, leer el Evangelio con una perspectiva de fe revela, en última Instancia, que otros son responsables de la muerte de Cristo: todos nosotros. Él fue herido por nuestras iniquidades (cf. Isaías 53:3). Todos podemos escuchar, dirigidas a cada uno de nosotros personalmente, las palabras que el profeta Natán dirigió a David cuando le preguntó quién era el malvado que mató a la única oveja del pobre. Él responde: “¡Ese hombre eres tú!” (2 Reyes 12:7).

Sí, fuiste tú. Fui yo. Fuimos todos nosotros. Cada hombre y mujer es responsable de la muerte de Cristo. Judas, que lo traicionó, Pedro, que lo negó, Pilato, que se lavó las manos, la multitud que se repetía: “¡Crucificalo!”, los soldados que se repartieron las vestiduras del Condenado y los ladrones criminales no están solos. Todos estamos en esta situación de responsabilidad.

Pero no podemos quedarnos aquí. Sabemos no solo que Jesús realmente murió y fue sepultado, sino también que resucitó al tercer día, ascendió y está sentado a la diestra del Padre. Murió por nuestros pecados y resucitó para nuestra salvación.

Padre Joseph Simón DosSantos

EASTER TRIDUUM

He is Risen

HOLY THURSDAY - APRIL 2ND

8:00 am Morning Prayer
7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
Followed by Adoration (Bilingual)
10:30 pm Night Prayer

GOOD FRIDAY - APRIL 3RD

(fast & abstinence)
8:00 am Morning Prayer
3:00 pm The Commemoration of
the Passion and Death of Our Lord
7:30 pm Living Stations
of the Cross

HOLY SATURDAY - APRIL 4TH

8:00 am Morning Prayer
12:00 pm Blessing of Easter Food
7:30 pm The Great Easter Vigil
(Bilingual)
No Confessions on Holy Saturday

EASTER SUNDAY - APRIL 5TH

7:30 am Mass in Church
9:00 am Mass in Church
10:30 am Mass in Church
10:45 am Mass in Auditorium
12:00 pm Mass in Church
12:15 pm Mass in Auditorium
2:00 pm Spanish Mass in Church

Prayer Meditation for Good Friday

My Most Glorious and Suffering Lord, it is Your Hour. It is the Hour by which You conquered sin and death. It is the Hour for which You came into this world, taking on flesh so as to offer Your precious life for the salvation of the world. May I be with You, dear Lord, in these moments of suffering and death. May I, like Your Mother, John and Mary Magdalene, stand at the foot of the Cross, gazing upon the perfect Gift of Love.

My suffering Lord, may I see in Your Cross the most perfect act ever known in this world. May I see Love in its most pure form. May my eyes and soul look beyond the blood and pain and see Your Divine Heart, pouring forth Mercy upon me and upon the whole world.

Today I kneel in silent adoration of You, my God. I sit quietly, beholding the great mystery of our faith. I behold God, beaten, bruised, mocked, tortured and killed. But in this act, I see all grace and Mercy flowing from Your wounded Heart. Bathe the world in Your Mercy, dear Lord. Cover us with Your grace and draw us to new life through Your death. I love You, dear Lord. I love You with all my heart. Jesus, I trust in You.

Amen.





**PALM
CROSSES
for Sale**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 21
SUNDAY, MARCH 22**

&


**SATURDAY, MARCH 28
SUNDAY, MARCH 29**

After all the Masses
in the gym.

All proceeds will help support
many worthy Parish causes.

Sponsored by:
 **Knights of
Columbus**

For more information on Knights of
Columbus or to join, scan the QR code.

**Living Stations
of the Cross**

**Friday, April 3
7:30 pm**


**Palm Sunday
Matthew 21:9**

The crowds preceding him and those following kept crying out and saying:


“Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest.”

And when he entered Jerusalem the whole city was shaken and asked, “Who is this?” And the crowds replied, “This is Jesus the prophet, from Nazareth in Galilee.”

**PRAYER SERVICE
SACRED HEART OF JESUS
FRIDAY, APRIL 3RD**



Please join us for a layperson-led prayer service in devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus on the first Friday of every month after 8:00 a.m. Mass.



The Lumen Center presents:

**“T'ai Chi Chih: A Moving Meditation”
Led by Sister Antonia Cooper, OSF**

Thursdays, April 13, 20 & 27 (in person)
1:30 pm to 3:00 pm
Caldwell Dominican Motherhouse

These gentle, non-strenuous movements are simple to learn and do. They may be done in a standing or seated position. Participants will receive a few handouts to assist the learning process. This class is designed for new and returning participants.

To learn more or register, visit
caldwellop.org/lumen-center
Fee: \$25- \$35 for the series
(Please pay within your means).
Registration appreciated by April 6th.

**CHURCH REGULATIONS REGARDING
FAST AND ABSTINENCE**

The days of both Fast and Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the “paschal fast” to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.

- ◇ On a day of Fast, only one full meal is permitted, and two smaller meals, which, if added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.
- ◇ Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast.
- ◇ On days of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.
- ◇ The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence “substantially,” or as a whole, is a serious obligation.
- ◇ The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.

The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty) extends from the **First Sunday of Lent, February 22, 2026, to The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, May 31, 2026.**

Easter Food Drive

Tuesday, March 31st
8 am to 6 pm

Please bring your items to the St. Al's gym.
A volunteer will assist by taking them
directly from your car.

For questions, please contact Patty
D'Angelo at 973-885-4977. Thank you!

If you or someone you know is in need
of food, please contact Dee Taylor at
973-226-0209, ext. 32.

St. Al's Gym
219 Bloomfield Ave.

Join us to support those
in need in our community.

Acceptable Donations Include:

Frozen Turkeys (whole or breast), Hams, Gift
Cards for Perishable Foods, Non-Perishable
Foods such as: Instant Mashed Potatoes,
Stuffing, Instant Rice, Juice, Mac-n-Cheese,
Paper Towels, Napkins, Cereal, Canned Fruit,
Coffee, Sugar, Gravy, and Canned Vegetables



St. Aloysius
Easter Egg Hunt
plus a visit from the
Easter Bunny!

Saturday, April 4
Gather in the gym

Ages 3 & under Starting 10:00 a.m.

Ages 4 & Kindergarten Starting 10:30 a.m.

Grades 1- 3 Starting 11:00 a.m.

Scan here
to register



Questions? Email
LyndaVincenti@hotmail.com

LIVING ROSARY



DO YOU HAVE FIVE MINUTES A DAY?

We invite you to become part of our Living Rosary. With just a few minutes each day, you can make a powerful difference through prayer.

Your commitment is simple: pray one decade of the Rosary each day. You will be joined with four other parishioners, and together your prayers complete the entire Rosary daily.

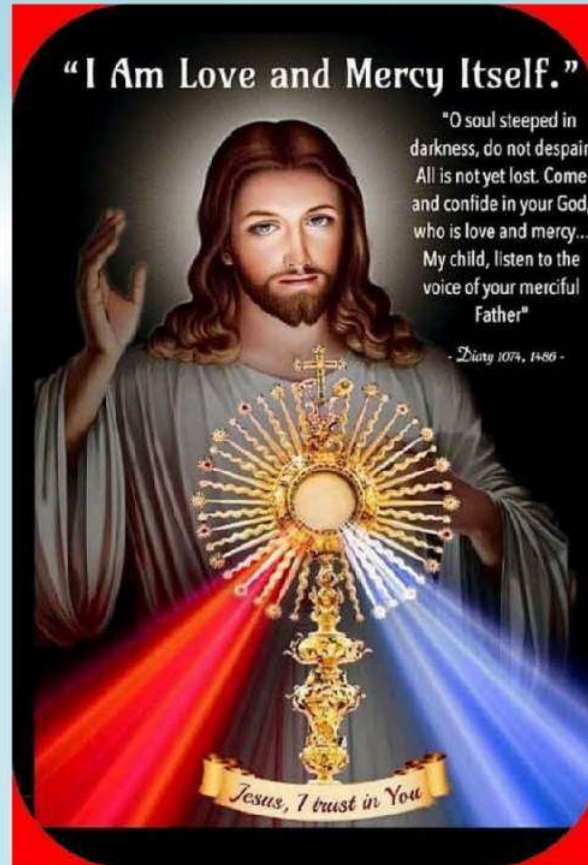
These prayers are offered for peace in our world, for the special intentions of our parish, and for the personal intentions we each carry in our hearts.

If you would like to join the Living Rosary
or have any questions, please contact
Dee Taylor at 973-226-0209 ext. 32.

Join us for a

DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR

Divine Mercy Chaplet – Adoration – and More



Divine Mercy Sunday, April 12, 2026

3:00 pm to 4.00 pm

Confessions 2-3 pm

Because of the scarcity of priests, please go to confession a few days before or after. There is no stipulation to confess on Divine Mercy Sunday unless you are stained with unconfessed mortal sin. **From her Diary entry 1072 St. Faustina made her confession for Divine Mercy Sunday on the day before the feast, on a Saturday.** If you are spiritually alive in Christ, you will receive His special grace from Holy Communion on this great feast day! (thedivinemercy.org)

St. Aloysius Church, 219 Bloomfield Ave, Caldwell, NJ 07006



Contact: deaconraj@gmail.com

"Let the Church always be a place of Mercy and Hope, where everyone is welcomed, loved, and forgiven." - Pope Francis

Healing the Pain of Abortion: Rachel's Vineyard weekends are a beautiful opportunity for any person who has struggled with the emotional or spiritual pain of abortion. It creates a place where men and women can share, often for the first time, their deepest feelings about abortion. You are allowed to dismantle troubling secrets in an environment of emotional and spiritual safety.



Rachel's VINEYARD
Healing the pain of abortion - one weekend at a time

2026 Retreat Dates
April 10-12, 2026
September 25-27, 2026

For more details, contact Cheryl Riley,
Director of the Respect Life Office by
phone at 201-912-3272 or email at
Cheryl.riley@rcan.org

Hope... Healing... Forgiveness

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We know earthly death is not the end, but rather the door through which we must pass to gain eternal life. **Because of our belief and hope in the Resurrection, we can face death not with fear, but with preparation.** We prepare for eternal life by choosing to love and follow God now, in our daily lives and decisions with prayer and regular reception of the sacraments. Learning about the dignity of human life and the indispensable respect for it, as well as applicable principles for medical care, is particularly important in preparing for our eventual passing. USCCB



We pray for all those nearing death: That their faith will grow ever stronger, as they prepare in hope to share eternal life with Christ.

Respect Life Crisis Contact Information 24/7
All calls and emails are confidential.

Are you facing an unexpected pregnancy? Are you in need of healing for the pain from abortion? Are you searching for support regarding end of life issues? You are not alone.

Contact Cheryl A. Riley, Director of Respect Life,
Cheryl.riley@rcan.org or 973-497-4350

FINAL FOUR BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP



LIVE BROADCAST!

RINGSIDE PUB
379 BLOOMFIELD AVENUE
CALDWELL, NJ 07006
\$39.19 PER PERSON
SATURDAY, APRIL 4TH
5:00 PM

Presented By Caldwell Knights of Columbus

Catch the March Madness fever live at our
NCAA Basketball Final Four Viewing!
Proceeds to benefit Caldwell Knights' charities.

Scan the QR Code
for tickets!



Questions? Call Brian at 973-464-3276

Bulletin Quote

Dear Jesus, please help the Church more fully conform with your truth and will.

- St. Hugh of Grenoble
(1053-1152)
Bishop,
Feast Day April 1

Wedding Anniversary Mass

Sunday, May 3rd at 3:00 pm

The Archdiocese is honoring couples who will be celebrating their 5th, 25th, 50th or 60th+ years of Christian marriage in the year 2026. This traditional anniversary liturgy will be celebrated by Cardinal Joseph Tobin at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark.

We would love every couple in our Parish deserving of such recognition to be present at the liturgy. Your presence will be a tender witness to the strength and stability of Christian marriage in today's society.

Please register by April 14th by scanning the QR code or calling us at 973-226-0221.



2026 Vacation Bible Camp Saint Aloysius

June 22 – 26
9:15 - 12:15

3 Year Olds –
5th Graders

Games
Music Videos
Science Activities
Bible Adventures
Snacks
Bible Memory Buddies
Crafts

Campers, Parents,
and Volunteers
Register online at
StAlsCaldwell.org/reled-vbc
or scan the QR Code
Register by June 8th

253 Bloomfield Avenue
Caldwell, NJ 07006

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St. Al's Spring

BINGO!

April 17th

St. Al's Gym
Doors open 6 pm • 1st number called 7 pm

Admission includes:
1 Game Pack of 10 Games -
6 Cards Per Game,
Door Prize Ticket &
Refreshments. Cash
Prizes! BYOB & Food!
****Must be 18 Years Old!****

\$25 Ticket
Purchase in
Advance

Please bring a
non-perishable,
non-expired
item to donate
to a local food
pantry and
receive an
extra door
prize ticket!



Bingo Registration

Please Return Form to the St. Al's Rectory Office with Your Payment

To ensure friends and family are seated together, please submit one registration form for your table or group of guests. Full tables will seat 8 to 10 guests. All guests will be assigned a table. **You must name a group captain to check in and pick up your packets at the front desk in the gym foyer.** **Please pay by cash or check payable to St. Aloysius.**

Captain Name _____ Phone _____

I would like to purchase a complete table. 8 guests 9 guests 10 guests x \$25 = \$ _____

I would like to purchase a partial table. _____ guests x \$25 = \$ _____

If you would like to be seated by guests at another table, please indicate the group captain name and we will do our best to accommodate your request. _____

St. Aloysius 219 Bloomfield Avenue, Caldwell 973-226-0221

Donations Needed For

St. Al's
Spring

BINGO!
on April 17th

We are gratefully accepting monetary donations or local gift cards to help complete our door prize baskets. Please call the rectory office at 973-226-0221 for more information.

Donations requested by 4-8-26.
Thank you very much!



Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

As Baptized Catholics, we are called to share our faith and invite others to become fully initiated Catholics. The OCIA process is a spiritual journey and the formation process for welcoming adults to become part of our Catholic Church.

Who participates in OCIA?

- Unbaptized adults who would like to explore becoming Catholic or adults baptized in another Christian faith who desire to become Catholic.
- Baptized Catholics who want to receive the Sacraments of Holy Eucharist and/or Confirmation.
- Catholics interested in deepening their relationship with Jesus.

If you or someone you know has not received Holy Eucharist and/or Confirmation or is a non-Catholic interested in our faith, we welcome you to participate in OCIA. For more information, please contact Kaye and Tony Riolo at 973-226-0209, ext. 30 or OCIA@stalscaldwell.org.

On Saturday, February 21st, we celebrated the Rite of Continuing Conversion at The Sacred Heart Cathedral in Newark.

Conversions to our Catholic faith are on the rise in the Archdiocese of Newark and around the world. Our Archdiocese is breaking last year's record with over 1,100 candidates for full communion into the Catholic faith and over 650 Catechumens (people never previously Baptized) for the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation) at this year's Easter Vigil. We have been advised that these are the largest numbers in the history of our Archdiocese.

We are very pleased and proud that St. Aloysius is so well represented with eleven candidates for full Communion on May 17th. We also have three Catechumens scheduled to be fully initiated Catholics at the Easter Vigil in 2027.

It is arbitrary how people come into OCIA, it is completely Holy Spirit driven. All the praise goes to our Lord. The Holy Spirit and Blessed Mother have been on the move the past few years bringing new souls to Jesus. It is a great story to relate. Especially with all the negativity surrounding our Catholic faith.

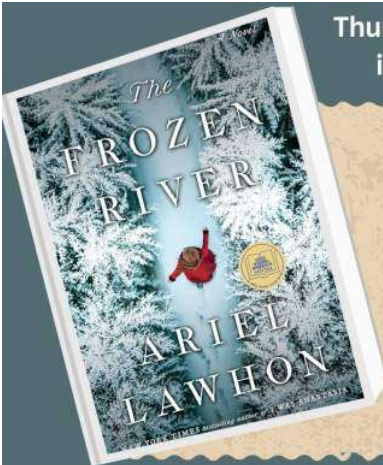
If you hear the call of the Holy Spirit and Blessed Mother and desire to either complete your Sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation or to just deepen your relationship with Jesus, please feel free to attend OCIA sessions. All are welcome.

Parish Calendar

Our parish calendar is available on our parish website! This is a great way to know what is happening in our parish family.

Check it out at: stalscaldwell.org

Thursday, April 30 at 7 pm
in the Parish Center



St. Al's Book Club



All are invited for good company and conversation.

"The Frozen River" by Ariel Lawson

A New York Times bestseller and a Good Morning America (GMA) Book Club pick. The Frozen River is a highly acclaimed historical mystery novel based on the life of Martha Ballard, an 18th-century midwife in Hallowell, Maine.

Next Book: May 28, 2026

"The Correspondent" by Virginia Evans



THINK GREEN

**Sixth Sunday of Lent
Palm Sunday**

Scripture: "Hosanna to the Son of David"

Reflection: "Today, the crowds in Jerusalem cheer for their hero, Jesus. They shout their hosannas and wave their palms, and they think good times are coming. But this was a very sad time for Jesus, knowing that the very people shouting His name today will crucify Him." (Catholic Climate Covenant) During this Holy Week, let us look deeply within ourselves and wonder if our hosannas for all of creation are truly sincere and authentic.

Actions:

- Thank God for all the signs of spring present now!
- Bring joy to someone by a simple smile, a phone call, or a visit!

PEACE,
The Green Team

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SAVE THE DATE & TIMES!

EARTH DAY CELEBRATIONS

April 22, 2026

EARTH DAY PRAYER SERVICE

**11:00 am at St. Catherine Health Care Center
7 Ryerson Avenue, Caldwell**

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**7:00 pm at St. Al's Parish Center
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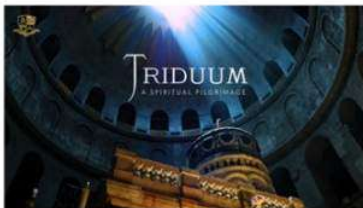
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All are Welcome!

This Week on Formed

Week of March 29, 2026



Triduum: A Spiritual Pilgrimage

Triduum: A Spiritual Pilgrimage cinematically walks through the locations of the Holy Week story, representing the most important days of human history. Immersed in the Holy Land, the pilgrim is brought tangibly nearer to the story, the landscape, and the reality of the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.



The Last Days: The Passion and Death of Jesus the Christ w/ Jonathan Roumie

This filmed presentation of the theatrical production movingly recreates the final moments of Jesus' earthly ministry as a teacher through His crucifixion and death. The play has been seen by thousands worldwide, not only as a live performance but also in live streams and televised broadcasts.



Understanding Palm Sunday

Focusing on the Biblical account of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Ben Akers break open the meaning of why Jesus rode on a donkey, the significance of the palm branches and the singing of Hosanna, and how this event launched Holy Week and the redemption of the world.

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REFLECTIONS

"As they were marching out, they came upon a man of Cyrene, Simon by name; this man they pressed into service to carry his cross."

-Matthew 27:32

The Lord calls us to love God and to love our neighbor. Every day we are presented with opportunities to love our neighbor and help him "carry his cross." These opportunities aren't usually big events; they are usually ordinary occurrences like helping someone carry their groceries or holding the door open for them. The key is putting the other person's needs before our own and not expecting anything in return.

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