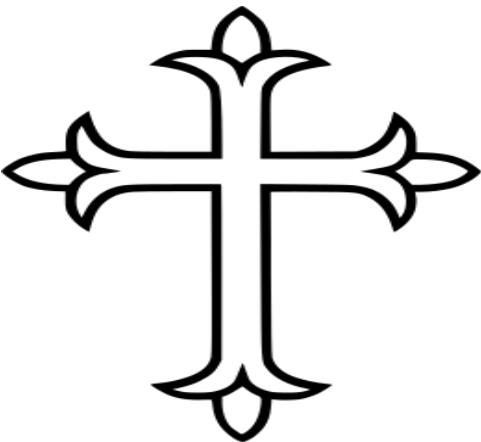


St. Aloysius, Gate of Heaven & Sacred Heart Church

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT DEC 04, 2022.



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Mass Schedule

Saturday	4:00 PM	St. Aloysius
Saturday	5:30 PM	Sacred Heart Church
(Memorial day weekend to Labor day)		
Sunday	9:00 AM	St. Aloysius
	11.AM	Gate of Heaven

Weekday

M TO S	8:15 AM	St. Aloysius
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Adoration

M/T/W/T	7:30 to 8:15 AM
Friday	9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Holy Day of Obligation

Holy Eve:	5:30 PM	Gate of Heaven
Holy Day:	9:00 AM	St. Aloysius

Sacraments

Confession: Before all masses.
Baptism: Call the rectory to make arrangements.
Marriage: Call the rectory to schedule your Wedding and pre-Cana classes
Pastoral Visitation
When confined at home, please call the rectory to arrange for a visit and Holy Communion. Please call the rectory if you are facing surgery or hospitalization and would like the Sacrament of the Sick.

Reflections on Sunday’s Readings

Scripture lessons summarized: The first reading describes how God will reform the lives of His Chosen People by sending the Messiah. Because of the bad example of the unfaithful successors of King David, the Chosen People were wavering in their loyalty to Yahweh. Hence, in the first reading, the Lord God, through His prophet, Isaiah, tries to dispel their fears and to stir up *hope* among His people with His promise of a new Davidic King (a son of Jesse), who will establish peace and a glorious Kingdom of justice on earth. In today’s Responsorial Psalm (Ps 72), the Psalmist pictures the Messiah as one who will show compassion to the poor, the lowly, and the afflicted. In the second reading, Paul is praying for the reformation of the Jewish Christians of Rome and instructing them to draw endurance and encouragement from the Old Testament books. They are to live in harmony with Gentile Christians, accepting them as equals, brothers and sisters, while they wait together for the second coming of Jesus. In today’s Gospel, John the Baptizer urges the Pharisees and Sadducees to give evidence that they mean to reform their lives so as to recognize and be ready to meet and accept the promised Messiah. He challenges them to repentance, conversion, and renewal. He tells the common people, who expect the Messiah to come soon, to act with justice and charity, letting their lives reflect the transformation that will occur when the Messiah enters their lives. In the same way, as we prepare to welcome Christ at Christmas, John advises us to “*prepare the way of the Lord.*”

Life messages: 1) We need to prepare for Christ’s coming by allowing him to be reborn daily in our lives: Advent is the time for us to make this preparation by repenting of our sins and renewing our lives through prayer, penance, and the sharing of our blessings with others. Let us humbly admit the truth with the German mystic *Angelus Silesius* “Christ could be born a thousand times in Bethlehem – but all in vain until He is born in me.”. He means that Jesus must be reborn in our heart during this season of Advent and every day of our lives, radiating his love, kindness, mercy, forgiveness, and spirit of humble service to the world through our lives. 2) We need to answer the call for a change of life. John the Baptist challenges our superficial attempts at change, demanding that, while we are obeying the commandments faithfully, we must correct our relationships with others, mend ruptures, soothe frictions, face family responsibilities, work honestly, and treat our employers and employees justly. Let us share our love with others as selfless and humble service. “Do small things but with great love” advise St. Theresa of Lisieux and St. Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa). Therefore, following John’s advice, let us celebrate the memory of Jesus’ first advent, prepare for Jesus’ daily advent into our lives through the Sacraments and the Bible, and wait confidently for his second advent at our death and/or at the end of the world.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

As a parish, we strive to bring our communities of Catholic Christians together, as we have for over 100 years, by loving and serving God and Each other through Worship, education and Service.

MASS INTENTIONS: Dec 03 - Dec 11, 2022

Saturday, Dec 03

815. AM- Connie Young(birthday)
4.PM- Healing

Mon, Dec 05

8.15 .AM - Healing

Wed Dec 07

8.15.AM- Healing 5.30 -PM-

Fri Dec 09

8. 15 AM- Bill Kocher Intention

Sunday, Dec 11

9 AM- Vocations

11.AM- Raymond & Elsie Pierech

Sunday, Dec 04

9:00 AM- Healing
11.00 AM - Dr. Michael Donn

Tues. Dec 06

8.15. AM - Healing

Thurs. Dec 08

9. AM- Bill Kocher(birthday)

Saturday, Dec 10

8:15 AM - Bill Kocher Intention

4.00 PM-Richard Dame(healing)

NOTE. Free will offering is accepted for the mass offered. There is no fixed stipend.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & DECEASED

For the Sick: Joni & Vinny Salvatore, Colleen & Jerrilynn O'Neil; Nora Fernandez,; Laurie & William McMichael, Carol Faughn, Christopher Merklin, Robert Ackerly, Maureen Connolly, Shannon Bruning, Patty Lewis, Beth Marie Martin, Jim Wilbur, Dom Formato, Darren Steele, Jonell Dalton, Easton Gorr. Joe Salvia. Joe & Linda Mchugh, Jerry & Roe Mills, Ken & Arsenia Mchugh, Deniese Harting, Maureen Molloy, Frank Kinsley, Mary Jones, Carl Diane Rafi, Walter Hanewich, David Porter and David, Gina Teipelke & Louise Morgner.

For the Deceased:,Robert J.Chapman,Sr, Evelyn D. Banks-Reynolds, Joan C. Doland, Jared Doughty, Gerald Tuleweit, Donald Hendrickson, William R McMichael, Jr, Maria Andruszczyszyn Joan Davis, AnnaMay Froehlich, Barbara Lane , Lynne Hyzer, Lynn Wachter,Willart Darbee, Luis A.Maldonado, Mary Joan Day, Allie Kleingardner & Floyd K. "Tim" Darbee, Jr.

COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

Is in need of spaghetti sauce, soup, tuna fish and jelly.

Collection for Last Week.
Sunday Collection: \$729
Thank you.

Readings for Next Sunday
Is 35:1-6a, 10
Jas 5:7-10
Mt 11:2-11

BIBLE STUDY
Good Soil Bible Study Group will meet this week.

Mass Attendance for last week

Place	Time	Number of people attended
St.Aloysius Church	4. PM - Saturday	25
St.Aloysius Church	9.AM Sunday	44
Gate of Heaven	11. AM Sunday	26
	Total	95

Angel Tree

If you would like to purchase a Christmas gift for a child in need, please take an angel from the Angel Tree. Gifts must be brought to church by Sunday, December 18, wrapped and tagged. Simply attach the angel to the gift. Call Diana at 845-807-2464 if you have any questions.

Indian Dinner

On December 09, 2022, Friday at 5.45 pm we are hosting an Indian dinner at our church basement in honor of the feast of Immaculate Conception. Everyone is welcome with your family. Please do sign up in the sheet placed at Church vestibule or call the rectory. More members will make this event memorable. It is subject to change if weather is not favorable. Please do come.Your presence will be highly appreciated. Food will not be spicy.

Holy Day of Obligation

Holy Day Eve(12.07.22)

5.30 PM- St. Aloysius Church

Holy Day(12.08.22)

9.00 AM- St. Aloysius Church

THE GOOD NEWSROOM ANNOUNCEMENT

On November 28 the Archdiocese of New York launched an exciting new initiative to share the good news of the Church through a digital newsroom.. It's called The Good NewsroomTM. With the goal of evangelization, The Good Newsroom, will publish video, articles, opinion pieces and photography on a daily basis to tell the story of our faith, our actions and our good deeds.

I invite you to visit the website at **www.theGoodNewsroom.org** to see content that will include interviews with key church leaders, educators, and parishioners. You'll also learn fascinating new details about the diverse mosaic of Catholics who make up the Catholic community in New York.

