

Saint Aloysius

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24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 15, 2024



Thank you St Lucy/St Edward Parish



Learning the School Rules & Procedures

MISSION OF THE PARISH

We are a welcoming Catholic Parish
Embracing its African American culture,
Empowering its members
And sharing its love of Christ
Through service to the community.

**10932 ST. CLAIR AVENUE
CLEVELAND, OH 44108-1939**

Parish House: 216-451-3262 • Fax: 216-268-3830

Office Hours: 8:00am–1:00pm (weekdays)

Project H.O.P.E.: 216-391-7557

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Please call Parish House to include prayer intentions or announcements in Sunday Liturgy

St. Aloysius—St Agatha School

640 Lakeview Road • Cleveland, Ohio 44108

Phone: 216-451-2050 • Fax: 216-541-1601

Monday thru Friday: 7:30am–3:00pm

St. Aloysius Preschool

Phone: 216-451-4144

Pastoral Staff

Sr Mary Jean Raymond OSU..... Parish Life Coordinator

Fr. Andrew Morkunas.....Presbyteral Moderator

K Frank Jones.....St. Aloysius School Principal

Carol Bunn Hunger Center Director

Kim JamesPreschool Director

Parish Leadership

Sandra Morgan..... Pastoral Council

Kevin Ford..... Finance Council

Belinda Sims Liturgy-Spiritual Life Committee

Carol Bunn..... St. Vincent dePaul Society

Marguerite Strickland..... Choir Representative

Chris Sledge Men's Club President

Beverly Berry.....Evangelization Committee

Community Services

Project HopeAndrea Wasdovoich-Duffner

Connecting Seniors to Services.....Carol Bunn

Eucharistic Celebration

Sunday Mass:10 am

Reconciliation: Before Sunday Mass or by appt.

Marriages: Arrangements made at the Parish House at least 6 months prior to the date of the wedding.

Baptisms: Contact the Parish House.

First Communion, First Reconciliation: Contact the Parish House.

Anointing of the sick and Hospital Visits: Contact the Parish House.

Funerals: All arrangements must be made at the Parish House before publication in Newspapers.

Registration: Everyone should be properly registered in the Parish. New parishioners should contact the Parish House. Those moving in or out of the Parish are asked to notify the Parish House.

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Sr. Mary Jean's Reflection

Who was St. Agatha?

St. Agatha, also known as Agatha of Sicily, is one of the most highly venerated virgin martyrs of the Catholic Church. It is believed she was born around 231 in either Catania or Palermo, Sicily to a rich and noble family.

From her early years, the notably beautiful Agatha dedicated her life to God. She became a consecrated virgin, a state in life where young women choose to remain celibate and give themselves wholly to Jesus and the Church in a life of prayer and service. That did not stop men from desiring her and making unwanted advances toward her.

However, one of the men who desired Agatha, whose name was Quintianus, because he was of a high diplomatic ranking, thought he could force her to turn away from her vow and force her to marry him. His persistent proposals were consistently spurned by Agatha, so Quintianus, knowing she was a Christian during the persecution of Decius, had her arrested and brought before the judge. He was the judge.

He expected her to give in to his demands when she was faced with torture and possible death, but she simply reaffirmed her belief in God by praying: "Jesus Christ, Lord of all, you see my heart, you know my desires. Possess all that I am. I am your sheep: make me worthy to overcome the devil."

Quintanus had her imprisoned and severely tortured but Agatha remained steadfast to her faith and her vow.

It is said that at one point, St. Peter the Apostle came to her in a vision and comforted her and healed her wounds.

Agatha is believed to have passed into heaven around the year 251.

She is commonly featured in religious art with shears or tongs as a sign of her torture.

St. Agatha is the patron saint of Sicily, bellfounders (foundry workers who cast bells), breast cancer patients, rape victims, and wet nurses, and Palermo. She is also considered to be a powerful intercessor when people suffer from fires. Her feast day is on February 5.

Prayer:

Saint Agatha, you suffered sexual assault and indignity because of your faith and purity. Help heal all those who are survivors of sexual assault and protect those women who are in danger. Amen.

MINISTERS FOR SEPTEMBER 22 2024

READERS	
Greg Clifford	Arnetta Pryor
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	
Belinda Sims Deidre Whitted	Rosemarie Egensperger Noel Egensperger
COUNTERS	
Molodian Price	TEAM 4 Marguerite Strickland Noel Egensperger

MASS INTENTIONS SEPT 8-15, 2024

Sunday	10 am	Mary Lou Weber
Wednesday	11:30 am	Mary Lou Weber
Sunday	10 am	Thanksgiving to St. Anthony

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Ronald Redmon	Sterling Uitenham
Toni E Payne	Marlene Jones
Henrietta Broadus	Michelle Triska
Barbara Williams	Miles Frierson
Paulette Jones	Ann White
Keli Harland	Dorene Gantt
Jermaine Harland	James Harland
Jaxon Peck	Jordyn Peck
Clarice & Reginald Rucker	Mary McCombs
Madelyn Harland	Denise Brewster
Cezanne Whittington	Victoria Harden
Melissa Kennedy	Cleo Nettles
Angela Comedy	Deborah Howard
Vermonte Wright	Rosetta Mackey
Eugene Jones	Eben Anderson Jr
Trudy Payne	Emma Lockhart
Jerri Evans	

HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOMES

Mary Ann Melton	Ruby Gibson
August & Jackie Reese	Margaret Atwell
Alvin Payne	Letcher Epps
Evelyn Davis	Vyrdye Hopes
Rosemary McKeon	Andrew Johnson
Colleen Holt	Bernadette Boone

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday	Sept 15	10 AM Mass
Monday	Sept 16	
Tuesday	Sept 17	5-6 PM COMMUNITY MEAL
Wednesday	Sept 18	11:30 Mass
Thursday	Sept 19	
Friday	Sept 20	
Saturday	Sept 21	
Sunday	Sept 22	10 AM Mass 125 Anniversary Committee Mtg

Operation Good News – Fall One-Day Retreat, Saturday, October 12th from 8am - 4pm, Jesuit Retreat Center:

Operation Good News is a lay-led Catholic renewal ministry that has encouraged spiritual growth in the urban diocesan parishes in Cleveland's African-American communities since 1979. The invitation to participate is extended to any adult over 18 years old.

The cost is \$65.00 per person which includes breakfast, lunch, and retreat materials. Registration is due by October 3rd. The retreat theme is "Come to the Table" and our Spiritual Director is Rev. James Watson, OFM Cap. All are welcome. For more information call Carol 216-464-4443, Juanita 216-659-3569, or Shawn 216-233-0880.

Volunteer Opportunities

Have you signed up for one or more of the volunteer opportunities on the literature table?

Will you help out at the voter registration event? Will you bring anyone with you?

Are you going to the Town Hall meeting with the Nuns on the Bus? Will you encourage others to come also?

Will you respond to Sr. Jane's plea to go to the VIRTUS training session in order to become certified to help out with events for our youth?

Did you volunteer to assist at coffee corner?

What will you do to make a difference in our world today?

COLLECTION FOR 9/8/24

Offertory	\$1266.00
Special Collections	\$110.00
Special Collections	\$110.00
Mission Collection	\$143.50
Target Year to Date	\$16,650.00
Collection Year to Date	\$12,552.76

SUNDAY READINGS

1st Reading: Isaiah 50:5-9 The prophet speaks his message and receives a very harsh response.
2nd Reading James 2:14-18 Faith without works is dead..
Gospel Reading: Mark 8:27-35 Jesus asks the question of us: "Who do you say I am?"

WEEKLY SCRIPTURES

Mon Sept 16 1 Corinthians 11:17-26, 33; Luke 7:1-10
 Tues Sept 17 1 Corinthians 12:12-14, 27-31a; Luke 7:11-17
 Wed Sept 18 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13; Luke 7:31-35
 Thurs Sept 19 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Luke 7:36-50
 Fri Sept 20 1 Corinthians 15:12-20; Luke 8:1-3
 Sat Sept 21 Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13; Matthew 9:9-13
 Sun Sept 22 Wisdom 2:12, 17-20; James 3:16-4:3;
 Mark 9:30-37

SCHOOL NEWS

We are pleased to share that we have an increased enrollment at St. Aloysius School the 2024-2025 school year. We have 280 scholars in PK-8th grade. This is wonderful news for our school community. Thank you for your continued support of our parish school. Go Tigers!

Voter Registration Alert!

Here is what you can do.

Contact your local County Board of Elections to check your registration status. Cuyahoga County residents can confirm their registration status by calling the County Board of Elections at 216-443-8683 (VOTE) or visiting the County BOE website at <https://boe.cuyahogacounty.gov>.

If your registration is purged or you are not registered to vote, you have until October 7, 2024 to register to vote in the upcoming election. You can register to vote at <https://olvr.ohiosos.gov>.

You can find information on registering to vote by mail or in person at <https://boe.cuyahogacounty.gov/voters> or by calling the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections at 216-443-8683 (VOTE).

It is not too late to check your voter registration status. Do it now! October 7 is the deadline!