

# Saint Aloysius

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**FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT**

**MARCH 9, 2025**



**Celebrating Black History Month**



**Congratulations to Sandra Morgan**

## 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

Parish Hall: 216-451-5908

*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 James .....Preschool Director

### Parish Leadership

Gregory Clifford.....Pastoral Council  
Joe Harbert..... 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 Hope .....Andrea 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.

# FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT



## Sr. Mary Jean's Column

### Lenten Reflection #1 March 9, 2025

DON'T GIVE UP CHOCOLATE OR ALCOHOL OR SCREEN TIME THIS LENT AND FEEL YOU HAVE ACCOMPLISHED SOMETHING! IT IS MERELY A TRAP TO LULL US INTO THINKING THAT WE HAVE DONE SOMETHING NOBLE, SOMETHING GOOD, SOMETHING ADMIRABLE.

DON'T GIVE UP SOMETHING THIS LENT...DO SOMETHING THIS LENT!!!!

We are currently in mortal danger of letting ourselves become trapped in "the other guy syndrome" like the Pharisees of old. So often we think, "it's not my fault. I shouldn't get involved. The problem is too big, my voice won't mean anything. It hasn't touched me or my family yet."

### How can I change this during Lent?

In the words of Ted Loder in his book **Guerrillas of Grace - Prayers for the Battle** he encourages us with the following words: **Catch Me in My Scurrying** -

Catch me in my anxious scurrying, Lord,  
and hold me in this Lenten season:  
hold my feet to the fire of your grace  
and make me attentive to my mortality  
that I may begin to die now  
to those things that keep me  
from living with you  
and with my neighbors on this earth;  
to grudges and indifference,  
to certainties that smother possibilities,  
to my fascination with false securities,  
to my addiction to sweatless dreams,  
to my arrogant insistence on how it has to be;  
to my corrosive fear of dying someday  
which eats away the wonder of living this day,  
and the adventure of losing my life  
in order to find it in you.

Catch me in my aimless scurrying, Lord,  
and hold me in this Lenten season:  
hold my heart to the beat of your grace  
and create in me a resting place,  
a kneeling place,  
a tip-toe place

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## Ministers for March 9, 2025

LECTORS	
Noel Egensperger	Aby Gibson
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	
Belinda Sims Jerry Evans	Annie Easterling Rosemarie Egensperger
COUNTERS	TEAM 3
Chris Sledge	Trewery Ford Karen Clifford

## MASS INTENTIONS MARCH 9-15, 2025

Sunday	10:00 am	John Lucas
Wednesday	11:30 am	People of the Parish
Sunday	10:00 am	Ronald Redmond

## PRAYER INTENTIONS

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

## HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOMES

Mary Ann Melton, Jackie Reese, Margaret Atwell, Alvin Payne, Evelyn Davis, Marilyn Anthony, Vivian Watkins, Delores Brown, Vyrdy Hopes, Lavonia Williams, Rosemary McKeon, Hollis & Barbara Bridges, Etta Reynolds, Paulette Jones, Everett Matlock, Sr, Colleen Holt, Willie Houston

## Jubilee 2025

### Pilgrims of Hope

May the grace of the Jubilee

Reawaken hope in us.

-Pope Francis-

December 29, 2024 - December 28, 2025



**MARCH 9, 2025**

**EVENTS THIS WEEK**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Mar 9</b>	<b>10:00 a.m. Mass</b> <b><u>OCIA Meets</u></b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Mar 10</b>	
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Mar 11</b>	<b>5:00-6:00 p.m. Community Meal</b> <b>and food distribution</b>
<b>Wednes-</b> <b>day</b>	<b>Mar 12</b>	<b>11:30 a.m. Mass</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Mar 13</b>	<b>6:00 p.m. - Parish Council</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Mar 14</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Mar 15</b>	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Mar 16</b>	<b>10:00 a.m. Mass</b> <b><u>125th Anni. Committee meeting</u></b> <b><u>OCIA Meets</u></b>

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where I can recover from the dis-ease of my grandios-  
ities which fill my mind and calendar with busy self-  
importance,

that I may become vulnerable enough  
to dare intimacy with the familiar,  
to listen cup-eared for your summons,  
and to watch squint-eyed for your crooked finger  
in the crying of a child,  
in the hunger of the street people,  
in the fear of nuclear holocaust in all people,  
in the rage of those oppressed because of sex or  
race,  
in the smoldering resentments of exploited  
third world nations,  
in the sullen apathy of the poor and ghetto-  
strangled people,  
in my lonely doubt and limping ambivalence;

and somehow,  
during this season of sacrifice,  
enable me to sacrifice time  
and possessions  
and securities,

to do something. . .  
something about what I see,  
something to turn the water of my words  
into the wine of will and risk,  
into the bread of blood and blisters,  
into the blessedness of deed,  
of a cross picked up,  
a saviour followed.

**COLLECTION SUMMARY**

	<b>3/3/25</b>
Offertory	\$1,903.00
Renovations	\$312.00
Special Collections	\$30.00
Collection Target	\$62,900.00
Collections Year to Date	\$55,629.00
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**SUNDAY READINGS**

**1st Reading** - Deuteronomy 26:4-10-  
Embrace the calm serenity of a Sunday morning.

**2nd Reading** - Romans 10:8-13  
Sunday vibes: Slow down, savor the moment.

**Gospel** - Luke 4:1-13 -  
A Sunday well spent brings a week of content.

**WEEKLY SCRIPTURES**

Mon Mar 10 - Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46  
Tue Mar 11 - Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15  
Wed Mar 12 - John 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32  
Thu Mar 13 - Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Mt 7:7-12  
Fri Mar 14 - Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26  
Sat Mar 15 - Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48

**SCHOOL NEWS**

Our annual Black History Celebration was once  
again a huge success! A special shout out to our  
faculty, staff and scholars for their hard work on  
this year's program. A special thank you to all of  
our families, parishioners and supporters who  
attended the program to support our scholars. We  
are doing great things at our parish school. Well-  
done, St. Aloysius School! **Go Tigers!**

**St. Aloysius Hunger Center**  
**Food Distribution Schedule -**

Every Tuesday after community meal between  
5:30-6:00 p.m. -  
Every 4th Saturday from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. -  
Emergency Food - Please call for appointment -  
walk in only Tuesday 9:30-10:30 -  
Emergency - Outreach Services (utilities, rent, etc.)  
- Tuesday by appointment only, no walk in -  
216-451-3262

***Congratulations to***  
***Sandra Morgan***  
***as the newly appointed***  
***Mayor of East Cleveland***

***-Our prayers go with you-***