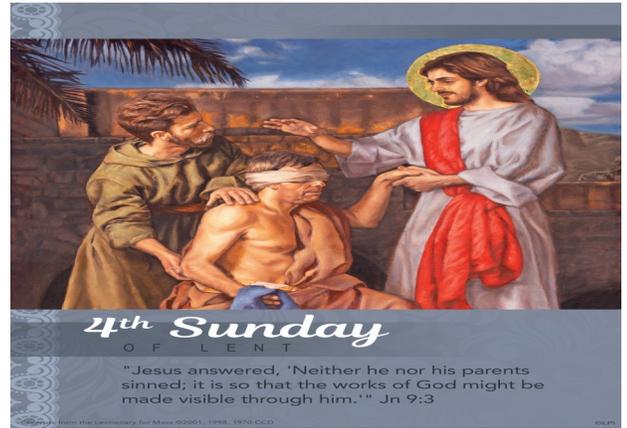


Saint Aloysius



PARISH

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 15, 2026



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CLEVELAND, OH 44108-1939**
 Parish House: 216-451-3262 • Fax: 216-268-3830
 Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. (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: 7:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
St. Aloysius Preschool
 Phone: 216-451-4144



A Joyful Homegoing for Greg Clifford

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.**

Pastoral Staff

Sr Mary Jean Raymond OSU..... Parish Life Coordinator
 Fr. Daniel Schlegel.....Presbyteral Moderator
 Mrs. Nancy Lynch.....St. Aloysius School Principal
 Ms. Carol Bunn..... Hunger Center Director
 Ms. Kim JamesPreschool 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 HopeAndrea Wasdovoich-Duffner
 Connecting Seniors to Services.....Carol Bunn

Eucharistic Celebration

Sunday Mass:..... 10:00 a.m.

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.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



Sr. Mary Jean's Column

Article from New Covenant Church Website

The Parable of the Sower, shared in Matthew chapter thirteen, is a powerful story Jesus uses to show how people receive and respond to the Word of God in different Ways. It's especially meaningful during Lent, a season set aside for reflection and spiritual growth.

The Sower in the parable is someone of both action and vision. The first thing we notice about him is that he gets up and goes. He carries a hopeful picture of what could grown, even when the conditions are uncertain.

That vision moves him to scatter seed generously, trusting in the possibility of a rich harvest.

His example reminds us that spiritual growth invites us to take steps of faith, believing that God has woven productivity and fruitfulness into the very fabric of creation.

The Seed: Life and Potential - In the parable, the seed represents the Word of God. A seed carries life within it and holds the potential to give life. It's a small, self-contained package of future possibilities, able to produce a harvest of a hundredfold, sixtyfold, or thirty fold.

But for that to happen, the seed needs the right conditions to grow.

During Lent, we're invited to look at what we're planting in our hearts and in our communities. Are we sowing seeds of God's Word, trusting Him to bring growth, or are we merely adding fertilizer to things that cannot bear fruit?

Understanding the Different Soils - In the parable, Jesus describes four kinds of soil: the path, rocky ground, thorny ground, and good soil. Each one reflects a different condition of the heart.

The path is hard and closed off, rocky ground is shallow, thorny ground is crowded with worries and distractions, and good soil is open, rich, and ready for growth. The state of the soil determines how well the seed can take root and bear fruit.

This Lent, we're invited to examine the condition of our own hearts and to ask God to help us become good soil, ready to receive, nourish, and live out the Word of God.

Lessons for Our Hearts and Community - The Parable of the Sower offers powerful guidance for our personal spiritual growth and for our life together as a church. It invites us to move beyond a surface-level encounter with Scripture and to let God's Word sink deeply into our hearts.

As a community, we are reminded to keep sowing seeds of faith, hope, and love, even when the circumstances feel hard or uncertain. We can trust that God is at work and that He is able to bring a rich harvest, even from the most unlikely places.

Information and Obituary for Sheila (O'Grady) Zorc - sister of Brother Mike O'Grady, S.M.

Funeral Mass—Saturday, April 11, 2026 at St. Ann Church. Cleveland Heights

Calling Hours - Friday, April 10, 2026 from 3-7 pm at Mahon-Murphy Funeral Home. 5252 Mayfield Rd. Lyndhurst (between Richmond and Brainard)

Full obituary available at www.murphyfamilyfuneralhome.com

MINISTERS - March 15, 2026

LECTORS	
Beverly Berry	Barbara Martin
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	
Belinda Sims	Dana Baker
David Woody	
THIRD SUNDAY COUNTERS	
Kevin Ford	DanaBaker
China Brown	

MINISTERS - March 22, 2026

LECTORS	
Arnetta Pryor	
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	
Belinda Sims	Rosemarie Egensperger
Noel Egensperger	Sr. Mary Jean Raymond
FOURTH SUNDAY COUNTERS	
Marguerite Strickland	Noel Egensperger
Molodian Price	

MASS INTENTIONS - MAR 8-15 2026

Mar 15	Sunday 10:00 a.m.	Blados Family
Mar 17	Tuesday 11:30 a.m.	Souls in Purgatory
Mar 22	Sunday 10:00 a.m.	Marlynda Harland

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Sharon Alexander, Eben Anderson, Jr., Denise Brewster, Henritta Broadus, Lois Bunker, Angela Comedy, Jerri Evans, Joe Fears, Miles Frierson, Irene Gantt, Victoria Harden, Jamar Harland, Kellen Harland, Jermaine Harland, Keli Harland, Madelyn Harland, Deborah Howard, Eugene Jones, Marlene Jones, Paulette Jones, Rosetta Mackey, Mary McCombs, Deborah McIntyre, Yvonne Nettles, Toni E. Payne, Trudy Payne, Jaxon Peck, Jordyn Peck, Chloe Rachells, Clarice, Barbara Williams, Ann White, Vermonte Wright

HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOMES

Marilyn Anthony, Margaret Atwell, Barbara Bridges, Evelyn Davis, Vyrdy Hopes, Paulette Jones, Everette Matlock, Sr., Mary Ann Melton, Jackie Reese, Etta Reynolds, Vivian Watkins, Lavonia Williams

EVENTS THIS MONTH

Sunday	Mar 15	<u>10:00 a.m. - Mass</u>
Monday	Mar 16	
Tuesday	Mar 17	<u>11:30 a.m. - Mass</u> <u>5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Community Meal & food distribution</u> <u>5:30 p.m. - Scripture Gathering - Guild Room</u>
Wednesday	Mar 18	
Thursday	Mar 19	
Friday	Mar 20	<u>3:00 p.m. - Stations of the Cross</u> <u>5:00 p.m. Stations and Fish Fry at St. Raphael</u>
Saturday	Mar 21	<u>10:00-12:00 - Finance Council</u>
Sunday	Mar 22	<u>10:00 a.m. - Mass</u>
Monday	Mar 23	
Tuesday	Mar 24	<u>11:30 a.m. Mass</u> <u>5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Community Meal & food distribution</u>

COLLECTION SUMMARY 3/8/26

\$1,765.00 - Offertory
 \$182.00 - Renovations
 \$100.00 - Special Collections
 \$83,200.00 - Collection Annual Target (till 6/30/26)
 \$79,594.96 - Collections Year to Date

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SUNDAY READINGS

1st Reading - 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a
Man judges by appearance, but God looks directly into the heart.

2nd Reading - Ephesians 5:8-14
You were once in darkness, but now you are light in the Lord—live as children of light.

Gospel - John 9:1-41
 (or John 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38)
Whether he is a sinner, I do not know; one thing I know, that though I was blind, now I see.

WEEKLY SCRIPTURES

Mon Mar 16 - Isaiah 65:17-21 (or Micah 7:7-9);
 John 4:43-54 (or John 9:1-41)
 Tue Mar 17 - Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12 (or Micah 7:7-9);
 John 5:1-16 (or John 9:1-41)
 Wed Mar 18 - Isaiah 49:8-15 (or Micah 7:7-9);
 John 5:17-30 (or John 9:1-41)
 Thu Mar 19 - 2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Romans 4:13,
 16-18, 22; Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a (or Luke 2:41-51a)
 Fri Mar 20 - Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22 (or Micah 7:7-9);



Upcoming Event... - the van will leave at 5:00 p.m.

Friday, March 20 - Fr. Dan has invited us to the fish fry at St. Raphael Parish and to participate in the stations of the cross with them. St. Raphael sent us 20 free tickets for the fish fry. The dinner is from 5:00 to 7:30 p.m. with stations happening at 7:00. St. Aloysius will participate by reading each station as we process around the church. We can arrange rides for anyone who needs one.

Please sign the sheet on the literature table if you will be joining us.

Save the Dates

Fling into Spring Tea Luncheon and Fashion Show Saturday, **April 18**, - 1:00 p.m. - \$20.00 - St. Aloysius

Operation Good News Spring 2026 Renewal Weekend - Friday, **May 29** at 6:00 p.m. - Sunday, **May 31** at 3:30 p.m.