



SAINT ALOYSIUS
CHURCH AND SCHOOL

Sunday, December 31, 2023 - The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Emergency Information: In the event that the Church and Parish Offices are closed due to inclement weather or other unforeseen circumstances, please call the parish phone number or visit our website for updates and information. Please use your judgment when coming to Mass and remember that safety is the primary factor.

PARISH ADDRESS:

935 Bennetts Mills Road, Jackson, NJ 08527

Parish: Tel: 732-370-0500

Fax: 732-963-0805

Religious Education Office: 732-370-1515

Parish: www.saintaloyusiusonline.org

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

The Parish and Religious Education offices are open Monday through Friday from 8:30am until 3:30pm.

Mass Schedule - Weekend Masses are available by live stream through our website.

Monday through Friday: 8:30am in Gonzaga Hall
Weekend Masses are in the Church

Saturday - 5:00pm

Sunday - 7:00am, 8:30am and 10:30am

Little Children of God children's program takes place at the 10:30am Sunday Mass.

The Church is closed during the week due to roof repairs. Daily prayer is available in Gonzaga Hall Chapel. Access is through the parish office.

Confession: Saturday at 4:00pm in the Church or by appointment by calling the parish office.

PARISH STAFF:

Pastor: Very Reverend John P. Bambrick, V.F., Ext. 218
FrBambrick@saintaloyusiusonline.org

Parochial Vicar: Reverend RJ Ballacillo, Ext. 207
FrRJ@saintaloyusiusonline.org

Weekend Assistant: Rev. James McDevitt

Deacons: Uku Mannikus, Rene Perez & Vincent Rinaldi

Business Manager: Sherri Kroesch
skroesch@saintaloyusiusonline.org, Ext. 203

Director of Sacred Music: Naomi Capasso
musicministry@saintaloyusiusonline.org, Ext. 217

Parish Secretary: Pat Mulholland
parishoffice@saintaloyusiusonline.org, Ext. 204

Religious Education Department:

Parish Catechetical Leader: Jennifer Petrillo
jpetrillo@saintaloyusiusonline.org, Ext. 311

Sacramental Coordinator: Paula Mammana
sacraments@saintaloyusiusonline.org, Ext. 314

St. Vincent de Paul Assistance Hotline: 732-370-0098

SUPPORT THE PARISH
Scan code to give
electronically



THE DIOCESE OF TRENTON is committed to the initiatives outlined in the U.S. Bishop's Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People and to its own policies and guidelines in regard to the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors.

If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who was, you can report that abuse through the diocesan **ABUSE HOTLINE: 1-888-296-2965** or via e-mail at **abuse-line@dioceseoftrenton.org**.

The Diocese of Trenton reports any allegations of sexual abuse to the appropriate law enforcement agencies. Anyone with an allegation is also encouraged to provide that information to local law enforcement authorities.



Dear Parish Family-



On Monday, Dec. 18th, the Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith issued *Fiducia Supplicans*. It was issued as a “Declaration”, the highest and weightiest level of document that the Dicastery can issue. The last “Declaration” issued by the Dicastery (the office was known at the time as the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith) was ‘*Dominus Jesus*’, when St. John Paul II was Pope and Cardinal Ratzinger (later Pope Benedict XVI) was Prefect.

Fiducia Supplicans is 5,000 words, 45 paragraphs, in 4 sections and had 31 footnotes; it was a very long declaration. It was signed not only by Cardinal Victor Manuel Fernandez, the Prefect of the Dicastery, but also by Pope Francis, thereby giving it Papal authority as well. It states it is principally a document on the development of the understanding of Blessings, in line with the Magisterium of Pope Francis, and addresses, in particular, the blessing of those in irregular unions or partnerships, namely Catholics who are divorced and remarried without the benefit of an annulment and, Catholics in same sex partnerships or unions. It was issued after many inquiries by individual Bishops from around the world about the possibility of giving blessings to those in irregular partnerships.

It received great media coverage in print and online. The secular media hailed it as the pope approving gay marriage. Nothing could be further from the truth. I urge you to read the document if you wish to have a clear understanding of exactly what Pope Francis has allowed. The document explicitly states the Church does not have the authority to recognize gay marriage.

Frankly, there isn’t much new here at all. What is stated in the text is what has been done and continues to be done concerning blessings. Essentially it says if two people in an irregular union approach a priest asking him for a blessing, he ought to presume the good intention of the ones making the requests, namely that they desire to grow in closeness to the Lord and strive, over time, to conform themselves to the will of God and the teachings of the Church.

When the Pope went to Portugal, he answered a question about the nature of the Church in Spanish, his native language, and said, “*Todos, Todos, Todos*”. Meaning the Church is for “Everyone, Everyone, Everyone”. No one is excluded, not even those in grave manifest sin.

Several weeks ago, a man asked me if I thought my mother was a sinner. I said that was an easy answer, “yes, my mother is a sinner”. The man was surprised and asked how I could say such a thing so easily. My response was because we are all sinners; we are all in need of God’s mercy. Only God can make us saints, we are not saved by our own power; we are saved by the Body and Blood of Christ on Calvary, the sacrifice of Christ. If we could only offer blessings to those not in sin, we would end up never blessing a single soul, even the saints (as they acknowledge) are sinners.

continued on page 3

Prayer for the Synod on Synodality

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts: Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

Prayer to St. Michael

Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into Hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls. Amen

continued from page 2....

The Document *Fiducia Supplicans* gets its title from the opening words of the declaration, “The supplicating trust of the faithful People of God receives the gift of blessing that flows from the Heart of Christ through his Church.”

Cardinal Víctor Manuel Fernández states that declaration marks “a specific and innovative contribution to the pastoral meaning of blessings.” “Such theological reflection, based on the pastoral vision of Pope Francis, implies a real development from what has been said about blessings in the Magisterium, and the official texts of the Church”. The Cardinal went on to state, “this declaration remains firm on the traditional doctrine of the Church about marriage, not allowing any type of liturgical rite or blessing similar to a liturgical rite that can create confusion.” “For this reason, **since the Church has always considered only those sexual relations that are lived out within marriage to be morally licit, the Church does not have the power to confer its liturgical blessing when that would somehow offer a form of moral legitimacy to a union that presumes to be a marriage or to an extra-marital sexual practice.**”

The Cardinal notes, that when people ask for a blessing, we do not normally interrogate them. “Thus, when people ask for a blessing an exhaustive moral analysis should not be placed as a precondition for conferring it. For, those seeking a blessing should not be required to have prior moral perfection.”

The Declaration says that “pastoral prudence and wisdom — avoiding all serious forms of scandal and confusion among the faithful — may suggest that the ordained minister join in the prayer of those persons who, although in a union that cannot be compared in any way to a marriage, desire to entrust themselves to the Lord and his mercy, to invoke his help, and to be guided to a greater understanding of his plan of love and of truth.” “In such cases,” it says, “**a blessing may be imparted** that not only has an ascending value, but also involves the invocation of a blessing that descends from God upon those who — **recognizing themselves to be destitute and in need of his help — do not claim a legitimation of their own status, but who beg that all that is true, good, and humanly valid in their lives and their relationships be enriched, healed, and elevated by the presence of the Holy Spirit.**”

In a conversation I had with a Core Bishop on the day of the release, he said to me, “You know, when I saw the headline, I was annoyed, but then I thought, well, I once blessed an elephant so why can’t I bless two people made in the image and likeness of God?”

The declaration states that “non-ritualized blessings” remain spontaneous, never losing their quality as “simple gestures that provide an effective means of increasing trust in God on the part of the people who ask for them, careful that they should not become a liturgical or semi-liturgical act, similar to a sacrament.” Here the document makes clear that when such blessings are given, they should avoid any semblance of being a blessing on the irregular union, or a means to make the irregular union seem legitimate in the eyes of the Church. Irregular unions that are outside the Sacrament of marriage, the document makes clear, are inclined to a gravely evil act, and therefore the immoral act, which is always sinful, is not being blessed. In this way, it reiterates Pope Francis’ statement “the Church cannot bless sin”. On the contrary, the blessing is offered to two individuals (not the sin) who recognize their relationship is not in conformity with the Gospel or the Church’s perennial teaching, but who desire to move toward God.

The declaration makes clear that the Universal Church, the Regional Bishops Conferences, the Dioceses or parishes, are not to formalize a ritual or semi-ritual and that the minister must only give a ‘spontaneous blessing’. The Declaration says, “In a brief prayer preceding this spontaneous blessing, the ordained minister could ask that the individuals have peace, health, a spirit of patience, dialogue, and mutual assistance — but also God’s light and strength to be able to fulfill his will completely.”

continued on page 4

It clearly states it is forbidden to give a blessing in conjunction with a civil ceremony or impart it at such an event or near the event. The blessing may “never be imparted in concurrence with the ceremonies of a civil union, and not even in connection with them.”

To remain clear that it is a simple spontaneous blessing and not a legitimization of an irregular union and in no way similar to or comparable with the Sacrament of Marriage, the declaration goes on to forbid the minister from wearing any liturgical garments and the blessing cannot be imparted during a Mass or para-liturgical setting, no gestures such as exchanging rings or vows are permitted. It says, “nor can it be performed with any clothing, gestures, or words that are proper to a wedding. The same applies when the blessing is requested by a same-sex couple”.

The declaration concludes in a todos, todos, todos fashion “every brother and every sister will be able to feel that, in the Church, they are always pilgrims, always beggars, always loved, and, despite everything, always blessed.”

The final line is the most precious, we are all pilgrims and beggars before the Lord, but also always loved by the Lord even when we are in grave manifest sin, even when we reject His teachings, even when we denounce Him, we are loved by Him and despite everything, He is still willing to offer us a Blessing to draw our hearts toward His!


Peace and Good- Fr. Bambrick



Finding Your Way to Peace

Grief Support Group

Grief can feel very lonely, even when you have loved ones around you. While grieving a loss is an inevitable part of life, there are ways to help cope with the pain, come to terms with your grief and eventually find your way to peace. *A six week Grief Support Group will meet every Tuesday from 1-3pm beginning January 9th through February 13th at the parish office.* Participants are encouraged to attend all six sessions. Please register by calling the parish office at 732-370-0500 ext. 204

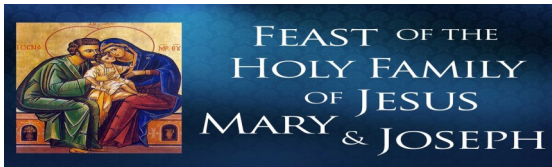


Let Heaven and Nature Sing!
The St. Aloysius Music Ministry Presents
***A Tapestry of Light,
Christmas Cantata***
Sunday, January 7 at 11:30AM

Join us after the 10:30am Mass for a Christmas Concert performed by our singers and instrumentalists.

Immediately following the concert, join us for some food and fellowship in Morello Hall.

Merry Christmas!



New Year's Day, January 1
Mary, the Holy Mother of God
A Solemnity not a Holy Day of Obligation
Monday, January 1—8:30am in the Church

***The parish and Religious Education offices will be closed
Monday, January 1st and Tuesday, January 2nd.***

Happy New Year! May the faith of God be with you this year. May the peace of God surround you and may you be blessed each day! Thank you for your unwavering support and service to our parish community.

*Fr. Bambrick, Fr. RJ, Fr. McDevitt, Deacon Uku, Deacon Rene, Deacon Vin,
the Parish and Religious Education Staff*

MASS SCHEDULE

St. Aloysius Live Stream Mass Schedule via www.saintaloyusonline.org—SUNDAY MASSES ONLY
Daily Mass - Monday through Friday: 8:30am—in Gonzaga Chapel—no live stream available
Weekend Mass Schedule: Saturday 5:00pm. Sunday at 7:00am, 8:30am and 10:30am in the Church
Confessions: Saturday at 4:00 p.m. or by appointment by calling the Parish Office

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, December 31, 2023 – The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

- 7:00 a.m. **Our Parishioners**
- 8:30 a.m. **John Sean McGrath**, r/o Bivona Family
- 10:30 a.m. **Maureen Murphy**, r/o Ellen and Rory McGuire

Monday, January 1, 2024 – Mary, the Holy Mother of God

- 8:30 a.m. **Michael DiMaggio**, r/o Glen and Jodi
- Maria Evangelista**, r/o Her Husband

Tuesday, January 2, 2024

- 8:30 a.m. **Michael DiMaggio**, r/o Bob and Renee
- Chennell Howard McKean**, r/o Peggy and Jim Mulvehill

Wednesday, January 3, 2024

- 8:30 a.m. **Jennie Camuto**, r/o Phyllis Rago
- William Baird**, r/o His Wife, Daughter and Grandchildren

Thursday, January 4, 2024

- 8:30 a.m. **Jennie Camuto**, r/o Mr. and Mrs. Witeczak
- Frank Conway**, r/o Bodnar Financial Advisors

Friday, January 5, 2024

- 8:30 a.m. **Annual Enrollment**

Saturday, January 6, 2024

- 5:00 p.m. **Adeline Tjon**, r/o Sue and Bob Mignemi
- Chad Vitello**, Connie Ciampi

Sunday, January 7, 2024 – The Epiphany of the Lord

- 7:00 a.m. **Our Parishioners**
- Guy Trause**, r/o The Knights of Columbus #6201
- 8:30 a.m. **Theresa Fasciano**, r/o Her Family
- 10:30 a.m. **Joanne Casado**, r/o Frank and Stacey
- Frank DelMonte, Sr.**, r/o Luba and Family



We offer online giving which is easy and can be accessed from your phone! Use the QR code below or visit our website to register for online giving.



Your consistent stewardship is appreciated.

Offering Envelopes



December 10th:

- Offering: \$11382.83
- Online Giving: \$6,433.79
- Immaculate Conception: \$3,707.25
- Religious Retirement: \$2,868.00

December 17th:

- Offering: \$13,443.33
- Online Giving: \$5,895.75

Our 2024 envelopes have unfortunately been delayed until the end of January. We apologize for this inconvenience and suggest temporarily using your own envelope with your name on it, registering for online giving or, picking up a temporary envelope in the Church.

As soon as the 2024 envelopes are received, they will be placed in the Gathering Space for pick up.

Weekly Readings

Monday, January 1, 2024 Nm 6:22-27 Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 Gal 4:4-7 Lk 2:16-21

Tuesday, January 2, 2024 1 Jn 2:22-28 Ps 98:1, 2-3AB, 3CD-4 Jn 1:19-28

Wednesday, January 3, 2024 1 Jn 2:29-3:6 Ps 98:1, 3CD-4, 5-6 Jn 1:29-34

Thursday, January 4, 2024 1 Jn 3:7-10 Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 Jn 1:35-42

Friday, January 5, 2024 1 Jn 3:11-21 Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 Jn 1:43-51

Saturday, January 6, 2024 1 Jn 5:5-13 Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38 or Lk 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38

Sunday, January 7, 2024 Is 60:1-6 Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 Mt 2:1-12

The Annual Enrollment is a beautiful gift for special times in life and for the eternal rest of our faithful departed. We are very happy to pray for you and your loved ones.



The Annual Enrollment Mass is celebrated the First Friday of each month at 8:30am for a period of one (1) year—12 months.

James and Natalie McMahon, Richard Iacono, Arlene Hassler, Lonnie and Edie Cromwell, Carmen Castaldo, Margaret Connors, Religious Education and Youth Ministry Teams, Tim O'Connor, Deacon John Wanat, Angela Maseo, Donna Fichera, Richard Williams, John Meyerle, Agatha Boruta, Ann Marie Kalad, Joseph C. Romaszka, Vikki McGlone and Family, The Yayak Family, Carol Kubicka, Jerome DiGiovanni, Ronald Devingo, Loretta Rodriguez, John Owens, Manuel Aneiros, Maria Infante, Andrew Kuminski, Palumbo Family, Guldner Family, Owen McCabe, Steven Jarvas, James F. Gibbons, A. Leonard McLane, Florence McLane, Joseph Meehan, John Sean McGrath, Ann Wicks, Cunningham, Jacobs, Thezan, Theodore, Jourdan, Cabrol, Duplan and Butler Families, Emily Kloska, Isabel Wittke, Anthony Ritsua, Nancy Stillmen-Pender, Ron Larkin John Tourloukis, Lillian Kurokowski Meyer, Concetta Gullo, Ana Maria Sauer, Meyer and Bridget Pincelli, Rosemarie Floor, Thomas Cetnar, Dolores Dickson, Thomas Sofield, Joseph LaScala, Carleen Launderville, Teresita Dionaldo, George Shem, Marcelina Cinco Cabal, Walter Heublein, Rosemarie DeFeo, Christine Dobson, Rosemary and Jack Acker. William Robb, Edward Caggiano, Lucy Oliverie, Manny Oliveira, Chad Vitello, Jill, Veronica A. Seitz, Ralph Orbono, Rev. Edwin Moran, C.P., Maryann Pucilowski, Pat O'Connor, Tim O'Connor, Mary Alico, Merced Loterena, Aida and James Dierking, Rose and Joseph Cesario, Peter Miluk, III, Teddy Domanski, Urban and Millo Families, Michael Matzo, Eileen and George Graziano, Carmela Vicidomini, Marie Pompa, Joseph G. Moroney, Mr. and Mrs. T. Mangan, Sr., Mary Mangan, Donald and Erin McLoughlin, Don and Maureen Gorny, Catherine and William McLoughlin, Evcan and Olivia Gorny, Stephanie Santora, Anthony Maresco, Pete Albany, Albert Holl, George Rivera, James F. Moran, Frank and Rose Hubit, Pitkethley, Kuhl, Quillinan, Walters Families, Connie Russo-Riley, Carol Germano, Michael Seyglinski, Rev. James Smith, Ana Y Lim, Domenica Simone, Regina and Vincent Amabile, Miriam Whalen, Jill, Danielle and Donovan Sarango, Steven Pirniak, Paul Emposinato, Ronald Brancaccio, Anna and Salvatore Carnemolla, Joseph, Josephine and Robert Brancaccio, Robert McCarthy, Stephen Casale, Jack Bassi, Linda Alm and Frances J. Brauner, Dennis J. Rapini, Jacqueliem Pomponio, Elizabeth Colavito, Anne Rapini, Sophie, Anthony and Ted Wojton, Leo Priola, Richard Smith, Michael Kelly, Mark Kelly, For Comfort and Peace, Robert Ketcham, Bob Oderio, Loretta Conway, Len and Ruth Konkowski, Joseph Leto, Eugene Murnane, William Richard Baber, Gardella Family, Knesel Family, Oderio Family, Donald Barreau, Donald G. Smith, Sr., Richard LoPresti, Joseph Gatti, Caroline Hiller, Lynn Carella, Anthony Lombardo, Dylan James Orrs, John P. Riso, Henry Cataldo, III, Joseph Malejki, Sharon Marie Cory, Michael John Riley, Ralph and Marie Aloj, Leone Charlotte Torres, Mary Henderson, Fr. William Holt, O.P., Barbara Bennett, Loretta and Oriel Cohen, Joan Herb, Ruth Nisay, Larry Wenzel, Olimpia DeJesus DeOliveira, John Stasny, Frank Jelley, Felicia Pugliese (Basiak), Richard Stack, Edith Lane, John Wilkens, Grace Marie Natoli, Angelo Mazzeo, Elaine Sobreira, A Special Intention, Connie and Anthony Giammona, Marion Maser, Mary Iacono, Amelia Cortes Serrano, Gerald "Jerry" Mann, Shirley Minger, Carl Kliemisch, Adrien Thomas

Sacrament of
ANOINTING OF THE SICK

In the Catholic Church, the anointing of the sick is a sacrament that is administered to a Catholic "who, having reached the age of reason, begins to be in danger due to sickness or old age". There is no need to wait until a person is at the point of death to receive the Sacrament. The Sacrament may be received at any time during a person's illness, especially before surgery or treatment. We suggest calling to receive the Sacrament *before* a person is in grave danger of death as it is not always possible to have a priest available at the actual time of death. If you would like to schedule the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick for a loved one, please contact the parish office.



Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

Edmund Parks and Amanda Sanders

Devotional Lamps - Week of December 31-January 6 2023

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn For Our Parishioners

The Blessed Mother Lamp will burn For Those Grieving a Loved One

The Holy Family Lamp will burn For Those Suffering from Anxiety and Depression

We honor and thank all those who have served our country. We're thankful for their service and dedication to our nation. Lord, bless and protect al those that have served and are serving our country. We pray that all Veterans may know your love for them.

SSGT Nicole Marchitto
RCT Patrick McBrid
SSG Marcus Torre
Capt. Cameron Lindsey

C4C Nicholas Accardi, AF
CPT Chris Mision
MJR Jason DiDomenico
AFPVT Logan Moran

ENS 1st Class Michael Henniecke
LT Scott Maraldo
Capt. Zach Gould

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS - *Lord of Life, you desire wholeness for your people. Be with those who ask for help. Please bring health, healing and hope to those in our community who ask for our prayers. Amen.*

Vocation Awareness, Stephen Maraldo, Donna Maglio, Brian Venables, A Special Intention, Peace on Earth, Raymond Mamazza Sr., Curtis Hart, Jodi Fletcher, Brian Cassidy, Charlotte Barnard, Melissa Couto, Barbara Sullivan, Robin Costa, Jack Collins, Judith Weaver, Theresa McGranahan, Pat Scimica, Lawrence Fitzsimmons, Carol Meltzer, Patricia Atkins, Audrey Campbell, Christine Lanzaro, Angelina Valko, Brian Daly, Marie Zimbile, Karen Cummings, Danny and Linda Paliaga, Judy Saal, Eric and Dick Lund, Charley DeMaio, Phil Wenz, Matthew Safran, Janice Pavis, William Raimondi, Kimmie Luke, Paige Luke, Jill Snow, Logan Martucci, Bertha Vihonsky, James Vihonsky, John Harsanyi, Margaret Sabo, Kaitlyn Krutulius, Christina Marie Fletcher, Laura Coyle, Sister Margaret Smith, Margaret Matthews, Fran Baker, Stephen and Kathleen Oleksy, Vinnie Gagliardi and John Scherer, Kyle Patrick Hurley, Amy Wroda, Meg Noone, Koren Dubbs, Thomas Fletcher, Jr., Sr., Olivia, John Mazzola, Pete & Joanne Hurley, Dolores Corsentino, Theresa Heublein, Roger Belli, Gennaro Pane, Donna Dinolfo, Rita Bloom, Maureen Jane McElwain, Rebecca DeBlois, Gary Renaldi, Ken Maus, Sarah Flanagan, Pauline Hahn, Maryann Lombardi, David Williams, Mary Ferguson, Adrian and Nelson Cruz, Baby T, Donald P. McCarthy, Michelle DeBlois, MJ Diehm, Eve, Carol Michnowicz, Owen Lamendola, Cameron Fletcher, Debra Uriarte, Gene Devito, Braeden Savage, Ellen DeBlois, Brian Jelnicki, Vinnie Caruso, Bernie Polatschek, Tom Martin, Barbara Hyer, Scott Hyer, Barbara Barreca, Robert Zrimski, John Fitzpatrick, Jacob Heber, Djuro Blaskovic, Dale Eagan, Daniel D'Antonio, Eliana Fletcher, Dorothy Toneske, Rich Toneske, Kim Toneske, Anna Marie DeLeonardis, Sharon Schlesinger, Kristina Kostbar, Chrissy Safron, Frank Leccese, Norm Schoenig, Patricia Fountain, Groft Family, Matthew Rozlowski, Maryann Perkins, Ryan, Jackie Fleming, Debbie Scatuccio, Jacqueline Krutulius, Cassidy Krutulius, Gladys Murphy, Corinne Nepsha, Nathaniel Nepsha, Marilyn Zwarych, Ricky DeBlois, Gary D'Alessandro, Frank DiGiamo, Don and Kathy Sopko, Nicholas DeVito, Eileen Malter, Betty Dreyfuss, Louise Kolarsick, Diane Warner, Lorraine Godleski, M.E. Koval, Patricia Cappello, Greg Mann, Fran and Jim Guldner, Vincent Joliffe, Kathleen Scudieri, Rosalie Delapi, Maryann Iuliano, Audrey Campbell, Sharon Christensen, Ruth Nisay, Christian Rivera, Sage Rivera, Cassie Jouban, Rob and Gina Zangrillo, Pam and Mike Mills, Pat Gallagher, Theresa Raimondi, Ann Rucando, Camille DeRosa, Jill, Louis Cuglielmelti, Kathy Perlson, Theresa Keim, Margaret McClure, Susan and Peter Miluk, Jr., Daniel DeVito, Jack Vreeland, Angelo Magri, Christopher Popp, John Fichera, Margaret McClure, Kristin Valetta, Jeanette Correa Schalen, Jordan Elkary

Thank you for your prayers for all those on our Intercessory and Armed Forces prayer lists. To add or change information please contact the Parish Office.



Please see below for reminders about upcoming events. To RSVP to any of the following, please contact Mrs. Jen Petrillo at 732-370-1515 ext. 311 or

jpetrillo@saintaloyisiusonline.org. Events are open to teens in grades 8 through 12. *Please keep in mind that it is a diocesan policy that parents should be copied on e-mail communication between parish staff/volunteers and those under 18.

Epiphany Event: On **Sunday, January 7th**, we will celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord! Teens are invited to join us for an afternoon of special events at our parish. Immediately after the 10:30 am Mass, there will be a Cantata concert with our parish's music ministry, followed by a luncheon in Morello Hall! The concert and luncheon are open to the whole parish, but we encourage our teens to attend and sit together. Right after the luncheon, teens will be invited to head over to the Youth Room for our AYM "White Elephant" gift exchange! Teens who wish to participate are asked to please bring a wrapped present (worth no more than \$10). We plan to finish up at 2:00 pm. Please RSVP by Wednesday, January 3rd if you wish to join us.

Parish Ministries

Altar Rosary Society—meet 1st Sundays at the 8:30am Mass with meeting and fellowship afterward
Book Study—meet 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 10:00am
Bible Study—meet Tuesdays at 2:30pm with Fr. RJ
Greeters and Ushers—meet several times throughout the year. Contact Sherri at the parish office.

Altar Servers—grades 5 and up—meet throughout the year.

Liturgical Ministers (Readers and Eucharistic Ministers)—meet several times throughout the year.

Men's Group—meet Saturdays at 6:30am in Morello Hall. Contact dfurb@aol.com

Music Ministry—adult choir meet Thursday at 7:00pm and Youth Choir meet Wednesday at 6:30pm
Small Christian Communities—meet at various homes. Contact Nancy at 732-928-1321.

St. Vincent dePaul—meet 4th Mondays at 7:00pm in Morello Hall.

If you need additional information on any group, please contact the parish office.



O COME LET US ADORE

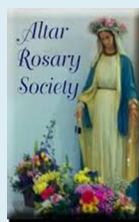
YOUNG ADULT EVENT

JANUARY 5TH FROM 7 PM TO 9 PM

AT ST. ALOYSIUS PARISH JACKSON, NJ

All young adults (18-39) are invited to attend for Eucharistic Adoration followed by Pizza & refreshments.

If you would like to join us please contact Jen Petrillo
 732-370-1515 ext.311 or jpetrillo@saintaloyisiusonline.org



The next Altar Rosary Society Mass and meeting will be Sunday, January 7th weather permitting. The membership will be seated together at the 8:30am Mass and the meeting will follow in Morello Hall. All women of the parish are welcome.

National Eucharistic Revival
 My flesh for the life of the world

"The happiness you are seeking, the happiness you have a right to enjoy has a name and a face: it is Jesus of Nazareth, hidden in the Eucharist."
 Pope Benedict XVI

Eucharistic Revival

Food for Thought: "Recognize in this bread what hung on the cross, and in this chalice, what flowed from his side." – St. Augustine of Hippo

Do you doubt the Real Presence? Read about the Eucharistic Miracles. <https://www.osvnews.com/2021/09/10/do-you-doubt-the-real-presence-learn-about-these-eucharistic-miracles/>

To view the traveling Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit based on the works of the Blessed Carlos Acutis, here are upcoming locations:

Dec. 12-Jan. 1, 2024—St. David the King, Princeton, NJ
 Jan. 2-15, 2024—Our Lady of Grace, Fairview, NJ
 Jan. 15-30, 2024— St. Denis Church, Manasquan, NJ





Our beautiful new Church doors are available for dedication. Each door is available for \$15,000 and includes a plaque on our donation wall in the Gathering Space. If you would like to purchase a door or make a donation towards the purchase of a door, please complete the information below or call the parish office.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

DONATION AMOUNT: _____

- St. Mary Magdalene—**SOLD**
- St. Lydia—**SOLD**
- St. Paul—**SOLD**
- St. Elizabeth— **AVAILABLE**
- St. James the Greater—**SOLD**
- St. Peter—**SOLD**
- St. Andrew—**AVAILABLE**
- St. John—**SOLD**