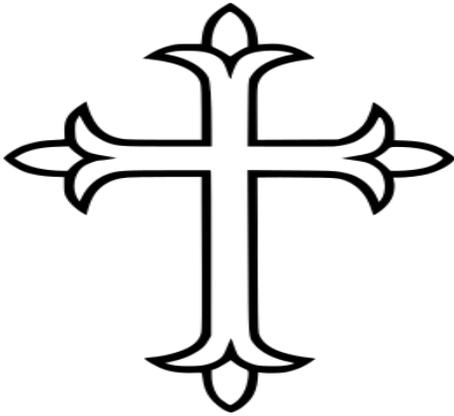


St. Aloysius, Gate of Heaven & Sacred Heart Church

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME FEB 24, 2019



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Mass schedule

Saturday 4:00 PM St. Aloysius

Sunday 9:00 AM St. Aloysius

11:00 AM Gate of Heaven

Weekday

Mon, Tues, Fri 8:15 AM St. Aloysius

Thursday 12:00 PM St. Aloysius

Adoration on Mon, Tues, Fri 7:30 to 8.15 AM

Adoration on Friday 9.00 AM to 12.00 PM

Holy Day of Obligation

Eve of Holy Day: 5:30 PM. at Gate of Heaven

Holy Day: 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM at St. Aloysius

Sacraments

Confession: before all mass

Baptism: call the rectory for the arrangement

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 Sick.

Parish Staff

Rev. Edward Bader, Administrator

Rev. Antony David MMI

Rev. Joseph Raj MMI

Deacon Donald Prendergast

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Trustees

Ms. Jane Ryan

Mr. Andrew Carlson

Religious Education

Mrs. Danielle Carlsen

Youth Activities

Mrs. Mary Davis

Parish Council Chairperson

Mr. Chris Tuleweit

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: Feb 23 - Mar 3, 2019

Saturday, Feb 23

4:00 PM - Boleslaw & Teodozja Przyborowski

Mon, Feb 25

8.15. AM - Deanna Greene birthday(L)

Thurs Feb 28

12.PM - Karen Hartmann birthday(L)

Saturday, Mar 2

8.15 AM-

4:00 PM - Duke Smith

Sunday, Feb 24

9:00 AM - Livingston manor Fire department and ambulance

11:00 AM- Anna & Margaret bier

Tues. Feb 26

8.15. AM- Maureen Lee

Fri. Mar 1

8.15 AM-

Sunday Mar 3

9:00 AM- Antony & Gladys De Filippi

11:00 AM- John H. Quick

NOTE: No Gifts can replace offering a mass to departed soul or welfare of living. We have openings for weekdays and weekend masses. The first come will be served first. The mass stipend per mass is \$15.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & DECEASED

For the Sick: Jim Engelhardt, Kevin & LarryMcHugh, Joni & Vinny Salvatore, LilianCoy, Colleen&JerrilynnO'Neill;Nora Fernandez, Mary Jones, James Knack, Laurene Symanski, Lisa Grieco, Ken Duffy; Laurie & William McMichael, Carol Faughn,Christopher Merklin, Jack Tempel, Robert Ackerly, Sr. Grace, Maureen Connolly, Dave Tucker, Shannon Bruning, Patty Lewis, Lynne Hyzer, Beth Marie Martin, Kristi Romolo, Erma Carlson ,Linda Bonin, Jim Wilbur, Dom Formato, Darren Steele, Jonell Dalton, Carrie Neer-Molinari. Mary Muhlig. Scott Branning. Easton Gorr. Joyce conroy.

For the Deceased: Rita Margaret Reda.

COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

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

<p>Collection for last Week Total: \$ 1612 Thank you</p>	<p>Readings for Next Sunday Sirach 27:4-7 1Corinthians 15:54-58 Gospel- Luke:6:39-45</p>	<p>BIBLE STUDY Good Soil Bible Study Group will meet this week. Time: Tuesday 4.00 PM at Church basement</p>
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<p align="center">St.Patrick's Day Dinner March 17, 2019 Rockland House, Roscoe \$26.00-Ticket-Benefits: St. Aloysius & Gate of Heaven Parish 5:00pm- Social -Cash Bar, 5.30 PM- Corned beef & Cabbage Dinner Contact for Tickets: Judy(Livingston Manor) 845-439-4960 Barbara(Roscoe)845-439-4163 Note: Tickets must be purchased in advance by March 10, 2019. Tickets are being sold after 4.00 PM, 9.00 AM & 11.00 AM Masses.</p>	<p align="center">ASH WEDNESDAY</p> <p>All the faithful are requested to bring their palms from the house on March 3(next Sunday. Season of Lent is nearing, therefore we need to fast and pray for holiness of ourselves and others. Let us begin to mediate upon passion of Christ and have meaning lent.</p>
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INTRODUCING...DISCOVERING CHRIST!

Curious about the meaning of your life? Seek answers at Discovering Christ, a 7-week experience that includes dinner, an engaging Bible-inspired message, and discussion. The series will run for seven Sunday evenings, February 24 -April 14th, from 5:00-7:30pm, right here at St. Peter's! ALL are welcome. Pre-registration is required. For more information, please visit www.discoverchristsullivanco.org., or you may contact the Rectory.

LOVE DRAWS US BACK TO GOD

Love God and do as you will, says St. Augustine, for love is its own commandment. That is how St. Francis took it and lived it. He sinned, as all humans do, but after his conversion, he always knew when he had sinned because Love's commandment drew him back to the divine love that underpinned everything he was and did. It was not so much fear of punishment that motivated Francis but rather his commitment to him whom he loved, Jesus Christ. To separate oneself from Christ would be the sin for Francis. If he feared anything, it would have been that he would betray Christ, the love of his life.

Time for a Date with God

Mystics through the centuries have described their passionate and intense experiences of God in prayer as though God were a lover. Others, such as the medieval English abbot Aelred of Rievaulx, have considered God as like a friend. Still others, including Jesus of Nazareth, speak of God as a father or a mother. Just as each of these images—lover, friend, and parent—does not exhaust the richness of God's ability to relate to us in ever increasingly personal ways, to think of God in terms of dating will also inevitably fall short of perfection. Nevertheless, I believe that this way of looking at our relationship with God, new as it may seem to us, might be just what today's spiritual seekers need to rekindle a sense of the divine in their lives or to discover it for the first time. An experience like dating—that is, a relationship of increasing intimacy, complication, and change—is exactly what Francis and Clare of Assisi knew in their lives lived as prayer. Perhaps it's time that, following their cues, we go on a date with God.

Reflection on Sunday's Readings

Scripture lessons: The first reading shows us how David made the right choice, respecting God's anointed king by forgiving his offenses, while Saul continued to make the wrong choices, perpetuating his misery with his revenge. In the Responsorial Psalm, Ps 103, the Psalmist reminds us of the mercy of God and His compassion which we should practice. In the second reading, St. Paul tells us how the "First Adam" made a wrong choice of disobedience, bringing death into the world, whereas Jesus, the "Second Adam," made the correct choice of fulfilling his Father's saving plan. Today's Gospel (Luke 6:27-38) gives us Jesus' revolutionary moral teaching about correct choices in our human relationships, placing special emphasis on the *golden rule*, "*Do to others as you would have them do to you.*" This *golden rule* is amplified by a string of particular commands: "*Love your enemies...Do good to those who hate you; bless those who curse you and pray for those who maltreat you.*" For Jesus, love is a fundamental attitude that seeks another's good. Jesus orders us to love our enemies and to be merciful as God our Father is merciful. Jesus challenges us to do for others what God has done for us. "*Be compassionate, as your Father is compassionate.*" He concludes by instructing us to stop judging and start forgiving.

Life Messages: 1) We need to practice grace-filled behavior: What makes Christianity distinct from any other religion is the quality known as *grace*, i.e., God's own life working in us, so that we are able to treat others, not as they deserve, but with love, kindness and mercy. God is good to the unjust as well as to the just. Hence, our love for others, even those who are ungrateful and selfish towards us, must be marked by the same kindness and mercy which God has shown to us. His love conquers our hurts, fears, prejudices and grief. Only the cross of Jesus Christ can free us from the tyranny of malice, hatred, revenge, and resentment, and give us the courage to return good for evil.

2) We need to pray for the strength to forgive. At every Mass we pray the "Our Father", asking God to forgive us as we forgive others. Our challenge is to overcome our natural inclination to hate family members, co-workers, neighbors etc. who offend us. To meet that challenge, we need to ask God for the strength to forgive each other. We must forgive, because only forgiveness truly heals us. If we remember how God has forgiven us, it will help us forgive others. Let us start forgiving right now by curbing the sharp tongue of criticism, suppressing the revenge instinct and tolerating the irritating behavior of a neighbor.

