

ST. ALOYSIUS GONZAGA PARISH

SUNDAY BULLETIN

22ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Our Mission:

Rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ and our tradition of Ignatian Spirituality, St. Aloysius Gonzaga Catholic Parish strives to welcome and empower all who journey in faith towards knowing, loving, and serving God and one another.



Matthew 16:21-27

Jesus began to show his disciples
that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer greatly
from the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes,
and be killed and on the third day be raised.
Then Peter took Jesus aside and began to rebuke him,
"God forbid, Lord! No such thing shall ever happen to you."
He turned and said to Peter,
"Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle to me.
You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do."
Then Jesus said to his disciples,
"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself,
take up his cross, and follow me.
For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it,
but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it."

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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 PM.

Sunday 8:30 AM., 11:00 AM., and 7:00 PM.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Thursdays at 4:30 - 6:30 PM
in the Church

**8:00 AM Weekday
Mass Intentions**

8/31: Donna Martz †

9/1: Lynn Jolicouer †

9/2: Andy Wojcik †

9/3: Jo, Gordon, & Tim Merwin †

Mike Busch †

9/4: Marguerite Francoise Biladeau Genest †



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Eucharistic Adoration

The Blessed Sacrament
is exposed at
St. Aloysius Church on:
Tuesdays at 2:00 - 4:00 PM.
Fridays at 7:00 - 7:45 AM.

(subject to change)



Parish Council Finance Council

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Please send questions and comments to:
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**Parish Contributions
Week of 8/13 - 8/19/2026**

Received: \$18,252

Needed: \$20,900

Fiscal YTD

Received: \$134,336

Needed: \$143,300

Under: **\$8,964**



ST. ALOYSIUS GONZAGA PARISH

Dear St. Aloysius Parishioners,

Grace and peace to you through the Sacred Heart of Jesus. This year's Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) theme, "A Heart that Never Fails," could not be more fitting. Through every season — joyful and difficult alike — the Sacred Heart of Jesus has sustained us. It sustains our parish too, through your prayer, your presence, and your generosity.

I am grateful for the generosity and spirit that continue to make our parish a vibrant community of faith. Whether through Sunday tithing, support of St. Al's Grade School, gifts to our Preservation Fund, or participation in events such as the Parish Picnic or volunteer work, your participation matters.

This year, I would like to place a special importance on that word: participation.

Last year, St. Aloysius exceeded our ACA goal of **\$215,481**. Because of your generosity, approximately **\$23,725** will be returned to St. Aloysius to support this year's parish operating budget. I am grateful to everyone who contributed.

However, only about **30%** of our parish households participated in the ACA last year.

As a growing parish of approximately **1,773+** registered families, I believe we can do better—not simply by asking the same families to give more, but by asking more of us to participate.

Our 2026 ACA assessment is **\$226,915**. If each of our **1,773** parish families gave approximately **\$121.00** before Thanksgiving, our entire ACA assessment would be met.

That is **\$40.33** per month for three months.

Some families may be able to give more than that. Others may not be able to give that amount. That is okay. What I hope we can accomplish this year is greater participation throughout our parish. Every gift, regardless of its size, matters!

The ACA supports the work of the Catholic Diocese of Spokane, including diocesan ministries and operations. It provides important assistance to smaller parishes and ministries throughout Eastern Washington that cannot fully support themselves.



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I ask that you please continue your regular support of St. Aloysius through your Sunday tithing and, when possible, through gifts to St. Al's Grade School, our Preservation Fund, and our parish endowment. These gifts directly support the ministries, facilities, staff, school, and future of our parish.

Our Goal: **100%** Participation by Thanksgiving

This year, let's make the Annual Catholic Appeal something we accomplish together.

1,773 families. \$121 per family. Three months. One parish.

Thank you for all you do for St. Aloysius. I look forward to seeing what we can accomplish together this year.

In Christ,



Fr. Tom Lamanna, S.J.
Pastor



Lectio Divina Prayer Group

Join us each week in prayerfully reflecting on the upcoming Sunday readings.

When: Thursdays at 1:00 pm Where: St. Aloysius Parish Office – Parlor

Questions? Contact Nancy at nancytrautman@yahoo.com.



Senior Lunch and Bingo, Sept. 3rd

Bingo, bites and bright smiles!



Enjoy a delicious lunch in O'Malley Hall on Thursday at 12:00 p.m.

Cost is \$7.00 for the lunch. Please RSVP with Danelle at 509-979-9968.

Meet Pierre Vu Thompson, SJ



- From RICHMOND, CA
- Graduate of GEORGETOWN UNIV. & Uppsala Univ. in Sweden
- ORGANIZED and ADVOCATED for community development, immigration services and integral disarmament for over a decade before entering
- Currently a JESUIT SCHOLASTIC studying at the ITESO University of Guadalajara, Mexico



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and Jesuit
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who would make
a great Jesuit like
Pierre?

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Meet Jaret Ornelas, SJ



- From TURLOCK, CA
- Graduate of UNIVERSITY of CALIFORNIA, SANTA BARBARA (UCSB) while involved with Intersarsity Christian Leadership & St. Mark's Newman Center
- Served youth with the JESUIT VOLUNTEER CORPS (JVC) in Belize at a detention center & St. John's College
- Currently a JESUIT SCHOLASTIC studying theology at Boston College Clough School of Theology and Ministry



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CATHOLICS IN ORDINARY TIME



You are invited to listen to a podcast all about St. Als!

Catholics in Ordinary Time, hosted by Fr. Jack Bentz SJ, is featuring St. Als' parishioners in a season called American Parish.

A new episode drops every Wednesday and you can listen wherever you get your podcasts.



ST. AL'S STAFF IN ACTION NEXT, IT'S YOUR TURN!

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PARISH STAFF WORKDAY • SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

St. Al's parish staff will be out in the Spokane community volunteering with Habitat for Humanity's **Faith in Action Build**—one way we can live our call to serve.

JOIN THE ST. AL'S PARISH VOLUNTEER DAY!

Saturday, September 26
8:30 AM – 12:00 PM

St. Al's is partnering with Habitat for Humanity for a **parish-wide volunteer shift** at the Faith in Action Build.

Only 10 spots are available! Volunteers must be **18 or older** and register in advance.

Grab your work gloves and join us!



SCAN TO SIGN UP
vhub.at/SaintAloysiusChurch

CAN'T BUILD? YOU CAN STILL HELP!

Donate **non-perishable, unexpired food** and **personal hygiene items** to Habitat's pantry.

1805 E. Trent Avenue, Spokane • Tuesday – Saturday, 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM • Closed Sunday & Monday

QUESTIONS?

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FAITH IN ACTION • ST. AL'S IN THE SPOKANE COMMUNITY

CEREAL BOX DRIVE

St. Al's is partnering with Habitat for Humanity for a Cereal Box Drive throughout September!

Bring cereal to Mass and place donations on the sanctuary stairs by the Mary Altar or piano, or drop them off at the Parish Office.

Thank you for your generosity!

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Dates and Activities to Remember

September 5–27: Novena for St. Thérèse of Lisieux. Join us in prayer as we honor St. Thérèse of Lisieux through a special novena.

September 12: Silent Day of Prayer. Join Mother Kathryn Joseph, SMMC, for The Gift of Living in the Divine Will. Reflect on God's gift of living in His Divine Will and the fulfillment of the prayer, "Thy Will be done on earth as it is in Heaven." 9:00 AM–3:00 PM at Immaculate Heart Retreat Center. Cost: \$47 per person or \$57 with room use. Lunch included.

September 13: Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast. The Knights of Columbus will host a pancake breakfast on Sunday, September 13th. Proceeds will support the Kino Border Initiative, a Jesuit ministry that assists migrants and helps address immigration and legal-entry issues at the U.S.-Mexico border.

September 18–19: 24-Hour Retreat on Catholic Friendship. Join Sister Mary Eucharista, SMMC, for How to Be a Friend and Build Catholic Friendships. Explore empathy, attentive listening, and compassionate curiosity while reflecting on Jesus as the true Friend. 21-years-old and over only. Cost: \$100 per person, including lodging and up to three meals. At Immaculate Heart Retreat Center. For more information: ihrc.net/events/24-hour-retreat-on-catholic-friendships. To register: ihrc.net/catholic-friendships.

September 19: North Idaho Women's Conference – "Let Yourself Be Loved." Join Leila Lawler, keynote speaker, along with Fr. John Audino, FSSP, Fr. Nicholas Eichman, FSSP, and Anne Marie Vogel for a day of faith, fellowship, and reflection. Check-in: 8:30 AM; Conference: 9:30 AM–3:30 PM. Cost: \$80, lunch included. At Best Western Plus Coeur d'Alene, ID.

September 24: 7-Week Choir. Do you like to sing? In the shower? In the car? At Mass? St. Aloysius is offering a 7-Week Choir beginning September 24, with rehearsals on Thursdays from 7:00 to 8:30 PM. Build community with fellow parishioners while sharing your joy of singing. The choir will sing at the 11:00 AM Mass on November 1st, All Saints Day. To sign up, contact Andrea Nguyen, Music Director, at atimm@dioceseofspokane.org.

September 26: Habitat for Humanity Volunteer Opportunity. St. Al's is partnering with Habitat for Humanity for a parish-wide volunteer workday from 8:30 AM–12:00 PM. There are only 10 spots available, and volunteers must be 18 or older and register in advance. Sign up at vhub.at/SaintAloysiusChurch. For more information, contact Aundrea Davit at adavit@dioceseofspokane.org or 509-313-5896.

October 2–4: Inland Northwest Catholic Men's Retreat. Join the Knights of Columbus for the 2026 Inland Northwest Catholic Men's Retreat, "Living Catholic Life to the Fullest," featuring Jesse Romero and Fr. John Mosier. The retreat will be held at Camp Lutherhaven and includes inspiring talks, Holy Mass, Adoration, Confession, Rosaries, bonfires, fellowship, and meals. Cost: \$175–\$260. For more information or to register, visit www.inwmensretreat.org.

October 23–25: Made for This Retreat. A retreat for high school girls ages 14–18 at Schweitzer Mountain. Registration opens August 1st. For registration and more information, visit madeforthisnorthidaho.com or email madeforthisnorthidaho@gmail.com.

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