

The background is a complex stained glass design. It features a central figure of Jesus with a halo, standing and holding a staff. The figure is rendered in shades of blue and white. The surrounding glass is composed of various colored panes in shades of blue, green, and brown, separated by dark lead lines. A large, thick orange cross is superimposed over the central figure and the word 'Together'.

# Together

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# ST. ALOYSIUS CHURCH

## 2021

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My friends in Christ,

How can I repay the Lord for all the good done for me?

The words above, from the twelfth verse of Psalm 116, are most appropriate for our prayer and reflection as we discern how we will use our gifts and talents for the Church. The psalmist's words offer two themes found throughout the Bible - gift and gratitude. The first theme acknowledges God as the source of all that we are and have - our existence, our faith, our family, our talents, even our financial resources. The belief naturally leads to the theme of gratitude and the question as to how can we thank God for all our blessings.

Catholic Stewards, as defined in the U.S. Bishops' pastoral letter, "Stewardship-A Disciple's Response", are people who accept God's gifts with gratitude, care for their gifts in a responsible manner, share their gifts in love and justice, and return their gifts with increase to the Lord. Each of us has been blessed with a unique combination of time, talents and financial blessings. When we share our gifts in a loving and just manner with our parish family, we are answering our baptismal call to follow Jesus as well as the psalmist's question above. We are repaying God for all that He has done for us.

If you are getting this Guide Book during the Stewardship renewal season, then I ask that you spend time in prayer considering how God has blessed you, and discern how you wish to respond to his call of service. Complete the enclosed Time and Talent form, and return it to the Church. You will be helping your parish and thanking God for all that He has done for you.

If you are a new member to our parish, I wish to give you a warm welcome! I also ask that you spend time in prayer, and respond to our parish regarding how God calls you to serve. We look forward to getting to know you, and you becoming a part of our parish family.

In closing, please know that I am grateful for your faithful stewardship to our parish family. Thanks to you, we continue to be a beacon of God's love for all to see and experience.

Sincerely,

Fr. John Stoltz

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## WHAT IS STEWARDSHIP?

A Christian Steward is one who:

- \*Receives God's gifts gratefully
- \*Cherishes and tends them in a responsible and accountable manner
- \*Shares them in justice and love with all
- \*Returns them with increase to the Lord

Stewardship is not expressed in a single action, nor even in a number of actions over a period of time. Stewardship is an entire way of life. It means committing one's very self to the Lord.

Stewardship is an expression of discipleship, with the power to change how we understand and live out our lives. Disciples who practice stewardship recognize God as the origin of life, the giver of freedom, the source of all they have and are and will be. They know themselves to be recipients and caretakers of God's many gifts. They are grateful for what they have received and eager to cultivate their gifts out of love for God and one another. We look to the life and teaching of Jesus for guidance in living as Christian stewards.

Stewards of God's gifts are not passive beneficiaries. We cooperate with God in our own redemption and in the redemption of others. We are also obliged to be stewards of the Church—collaborators and cooperators in continuing the redemptive work of Jesus Christ, which is the Church's essential mission. This mission—proclaiming and teaching, serving and sanctifying—is our task. It is the personal responsibility of each one of us as stewards of the Church.

## YOUR STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT

All members of the Church have their own roles to play in carrying out its mission:

- Parents, who nurture their children in the light of faith;
- Parishioners, who work in concrete ways to make our parish a true community of faith and a vibrant source of service to the larger community;
- All Catholics, who give generous support—time, money, prayers, and personal service according to their circumstances—to parish and diocesan programs and to the universal Church.

It is important for each of us to regularly reevaluate how we are carrying out Christ's mission through our lives and in our parish. We do this each year through renewal of our stewardship commitment. Through our stewardship renewal, we have the opportunity to re-commit to Christ how we will continue His mission through our conscious decision of how we will use our time, talent, and treasure. Your commitment is between you and God. How is God calling you to carry out His mission through St. Aloysius Parish?

## STEWARDSHIP STATEMENT

As good stewards, we strive to be accountable for the gifts we receive from God. Below is a summary of how gifts of time, talent, and treasure helped in carrying out Christ's mission through St. Aloysius Parish in 2020:

### TIME AND TALENT

- There are over seventy active ministries in the parish.
- We served the surrounding community through avenues such as the St. Vincent de Paul Society, ministry to those in prison and ministry to those in health and rehabilitation facilities.
- Participation in ecumenical ministries such as the Annual Thanksgiving Service and the distribution of Christmas baskets.
- The Sacrament of the Eucharist was celebrated over 500 times.
- 25 people celebrated the Sacrament of Baptism.
- 51 children received the Sacrament of the Eucharist for the first time.
- 71 young people celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation.
- 7 couples celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage.
- 16 Masses of the Resurrection (Funerals) took place.
- Education Enrollment:
  - Preschool - 65
  - School - 296
  - PREP - 121 children
- Approximately 30 children participate in the Children's Liturgy each weekend.

### HOW YOUR TREASURE OFFERING IS USED

#### **Parish Operating Expense and Debt Reduction**

PAYROLL, ADMINISTRATION, OTHER	68%
PLANT/GROUNDS	7%
PARISH & RECTORY OPERATING EXPENSES	1%
CAPITAL EXPENSE	1%
ASSESSMENTS AND GRANTS PAID	7%
PARISH SCHOOL MINISTRY	4%
BUILDING FUND DEBT	13%
	100%



## STEWARDSHIP SUGGESTIONS

All Christian stewards must consider prayerfully the gifts they have received from God, and they should make a decision (in advance, from the “first fruits” instead of what is left over after other obligations have been met) about what will be given. Once Christian stewards make this decision, it is suggested that one-half of an individual’s or family’s commitment of time, talent, and treasure be given to the parish; the other half can then be divided among other worthwhile religious, educational, and charitable organizations such as the United Way, Religious Retirement Fund, etc.

### TIME

Stewardship of time involves the realization that none of us “owns” time. Each of us is given only so much of it, and planning a careful schedule in order to have the time to work, to rest, to play, and to pray is vital in the stewardship of our physical, emotional, spiritual, and intellectual lives.

Some suggestions of giving of your time: participate in Eucharistic Adoration; get involved in a liturgical ministry during Mass such as lectoring or ushering; volunteer to help clean the church or chapel; assist with bereavement meals or volunteer at our annual picnic.

### TALENT

When we volunteer to work for our parish or diocese or to help a neighbor with a difficult chore, what we have to give is much more than our time. We also give something of ourselves, those characteristics that make each of us distinctive as human beings. We call these our “talents,” those things that we’re good at or that we especially like to do. When we volunteer to help others by sharing our talents with them, we give them something far more precious than our time or money. We give them something of ourselves, an intimate sharing of “who we are” for the good of others.

Some suggestions of giving of your talents: coach a youth sports team; join the Art and Environment committee to help decorate the church; participate in the choir; join the quilting group; volunteer with PREP or RCIA; participate in the landscaping committee.

### TREASURE

You may be asking yourself, “How much do I have to give?” The answer (from a stewardship perspective) is *nothing*. We don’t *have* to give anything. “How much do we want to give?” is the question that stewardship asks. Stewardship is not minimum giving. It is maximum giving. That means giving as much as we can, as often as we can, from the heart as a faith response because we are generous stewards who want to share our time, talent, and treasure with others.



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Frequently, in discussions of stewardship (or “sacrificial giving”), reference will be made to “the biblical tithe” (giving 10 percent of income) and other norms that could provide helpful guidelines for generous giving. As disciples of Jesus, each of us has a responsibility to support the Church and to contribute generously to the building up of the Body of Christ.

The emphasis is not on giving a fixed percent of income, but rather on giving according to our means. In many ways, this is a far more challenging norm. It challenges us to be good stewards not only in how much we give away, but in what we do with all our resources.

This simple chart may be helpful to you in planning your stewardship of financial resources:

### Household Income

MONTHLY	YEARLY	WEEKLY CONTRIBUTION LEVEL						
		2%	3%	4%	5%	6%	7%	
\$1667	\$20,000	\$8	\$12	\$15	\$19	\$23	\$27	
\$2500	\$30,000	\$12	\$17	\$23	\$29	\$35	\$41	
\$3333	\$40,000	\$15	\$23	\$31	\$38	\$46	\$54	
\$4167	\$50,000	\$19	\$29	\$38	\$48	\$58	\$68	
\$5000	\$60,000	\$23	\$35	\$46	\$58	\$69	\$81	
\$6667	\$80,000	\$31	\$46	\$62	\$77	\$92	\$108	
\$8334	\$100,000	\$38	\$58	\$77	\$96	\$115	\$135	

Once Christian stewards make this decision, it is suggested that one-half of an individual’s or family’s commitment of time, talent, and treasure be given to the parish; the other half can then be divided among other worthwhile religious, educational, and charitable organizations.

## ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

The Administration Committee is one of the six coordinating committees of the parish. Members of the committee are appointed for 3-year terms. This committee meets on a monthly and an “as needed” basis. The Administration Committee provides for the financial and managerial needs of St. Aloysius Church and School. An important part of the Administration Committee is preparation of the parish budget, as well as, preparation and publication of the financial statements issued to the parish at large. The following are subcommittees of Administration:

### Collection Counting Team (100)

The Collection Counting Team consists of parishioners that gather each week in the Parish Office to count the collection from the weekend Masses. They usually meet each Monday for 60 minutes.

### **Facilities Committee (101)**

The Facilities Committee is charged with a advising and recommending improvement, repairs, maintenance and inventory of the campus, and any other help requested by the Pastor. Volunteers and licensed tradesmen who are willing to donate their time and talent in the area of cement work, carpentry, landscaping, etc. are always needed. Please contact the committee head if you are willing to donate your time and talent.

### **Campus Landscaping (102)**

This committee is responsible for beautifying the St. Aloysius Community which includes the flower beds, rectory, school, chapel and church grounds. So please come and join the fun and reap the rewards of seeing the seasons come alive. All are welcome.

### **Picnic (103)**

The St. Aloysius Parish Summer Picnic is a parish-wide event occurring sometime in the summer. Many volunteers are needed to manage the many booths and events. The picnic serves as a major fundraiser for the parish and school. Volunteers are solicited after each Mass in the months preceding the picnic.

### **Technology Committee (104)**

The Technology Committee is focused on finding and implementing the best technology solutions for the parish. The primary focuses of the committee are web-site production and maintenance as well as network solutions to assist parish growth.

## **FORMATION COMMITTEE**

The mission of Formation at Saint Aloysius is to bring all members of our community — no matter who they are — to a greater awareness of Jesus Christ and His work in the Roman Catholic Church. The Saint Aloysius Formation Coordinating Committee is composed of those who coordinate our parish groups, dedicated to providing Catholic Christian formation to their particular audience. This “cradle-to-the-grave” approach assures that all parishioners are given age-appropriate Christian formation.

### **Adult Faith Formation Team (200)**

Our Team is entrusted with the task of bringing forth programs that provide opportunities for the adults of our parish to continue to grow in knowledge and understanding of church teachings. We attempt to do this by planning, providing, sharing and offering various programs that give pathways and directions to help achieve the Spiritual growth. We offer ongoing opportunities such as bible studies, small groups, parish missions, and various talks of interest to adults. We have offered programs such as Advent Family Faith Nights, Theology of the Body, Catholicism, and other opportunities that provide a means for the adults of the parish to move into a deeper relationship with God. If this sounds like an area of interest to you, please come and be a part of this exciting group filled with zeal for the Lord.

### **Baptismal Preparation Team (201)**

Baptisms are scheduled at St. Aloysius the First Sunday of the month except during Lent. Since Baptism is a parish celebration warmly welcoming the infant/child into the faith community, we discourage requests for “private” baptisms. Please call the Parish Office at least 3 months prior to the birth of your child for further information.

The Baptismal Preparation Program consists of a one night class typically held a week or two prior to the conferral of Baptism. This class provides the opportunity to truly reflect on the significance of the sacrament. Parents focus on ways faith can be incorporated into daily family life and review symbols that will be used during the ceremony. If parents have attended a class within the past five years in preparation for another child’s Baptism, they would not be expected to attend a class. Godparents are also encouraged to join us.

Any interested parishioners are invited to help with the baptismal instruction class or to serve as assistants during the baptismal ceremony. Minimal training is required and is provided on an “as needed” basis.

### **Bible Study (202)**

**Twice Monthly on Mondays** - Residents and Parishioners gather at Magnolia Springs in the Theater Room 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. to view a DVD on Scripture or Catholic teaching followed by discussion.

**Sunday morning** - This adult Bible study group meets during PREP time (between the Sunday morning Masses) in the Eagle’s Nest.

### **Small Groups (203)**

Adults are invited to join Small Groups with the goal to enter into a deeper relationship with God by connecting with each other and our faith in relevant ways. Groups consist of 10-12 adults that meet for social service, and spiritual activities. Contact parish office for help selecting a small group to join.

### **Children’s Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) (204)**

Children’s Liturgy of the Word is offered for children preschool through grade 2 during the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Children experience the Scriptures at their age level. They discuss the Bible stories and learn parts of the Mass. Each child takes a handout home with them to continue their learning with their parents. Children are dismissed to the CLOW Room inside the church before the first reading and are released back to their parents during the collection.

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### **Elementary School Program (205)**

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### **Growing Families Meal Ministry (206)**

This ministry utilizes parish volunteers to provide meals to families who have welcomed a new child. Any family who is expecting may contact the ministry organizer prior to the birth/adoption so that basic information can be gathered. An online meal registry will be used to organize and coordinate meals. Any member of the parish may contact the organizer to volunteer to provide meals. E-mail access is required to participate. Volunteering does not commit you to providing meals, but you will be notified when the opportunity is available.

### **Men's Prayer Group (207)**

The Men's Prayer Group is welcoming men to enjoy the camaraderie of your fellow Christians and talk about the readings of the upcoming Sunday. We meet at 6:30 a.m. on the first and third Saturday of each month. We end at 8:05 a.m. and go to Mass at 8:15 a.m. Come and join the group if you are looking for ways to enrich your faith and celebrate the Mass to its fullest.

### **Parish Religious Education Program (P.R.E.P.) (208)**

The PREP is for students in grades 1st-8th who do not attend Catholic school. Classes are held in the school building from 9:30-10:45 a.m. on Sunday mornings. Sacraments are celebrated in grades two (First Reconciliation & First Communion) and eight (Confirmation). Students must have attended PREP in previous grades prior to receiving a sacrament in grades two and eight. Registration for classes takes place in the summer. Watch the website and bulletin for open registration or contact the parish office for more information. Classes typically run from late August to the end of May.

We provide: Weekly instruction of our Catholic faith, in a loving environment, dedicated to children and their families.



Time Commitment: 32 active parish members are needed to become Teachers or Assistants. Teachers are required to have a background check, attend a Safe Environment Training Course, and have 20 hours of Catechist Certification Training. Time demands are usually 4 Sundays a month, from 9:15-10:55 a.m., plus lesson planning at home, using parish-approved materials. Assistants have somewhat less time demands.

### **Preschool (209)**

The St. Aloysius Preschool offers young children the opportunity to grow mentally, spiritually and academically in a safe, structured environment. Our students are given the opportunity to participate in activities at their own level of development. We encourage creativity, independence and positive socialization.

### **Christian Initiation (RCIA) (210)**

There are several routes one can take to join the Catholic Church. For many, this involves what is known as the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. This process of learning about the Catholic faith uses classes, reflection and prayer, and each person takes their own time. Those not yet baptized (and will receive the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist & Confirmation) may spend some time alongside those baptized in another tradition who are themselves seeking the Eucharist and Confirmation.

Anyone interested in joining the Church is invited to contact the Pastor at any time of the year. Most session times will be on Sunday mornings. This primarily takes place within the parish and involves the entire church community. Active Catholics in the parish are needed especially to serve as sponsors.

Time Commitment: 12-15 active parish members, who are knowledgeable in the faith, are needed for various tasks. Some volunteers will meet weekly with RCIA candidates, year-round, for approximately 1 ½ hours per session. Others may be session leaders, lead prayers, provide hospitality, or act as sponsors to the candidates.

### **School Board (211)**

The St. Aloysius School Board has the mission of supporting quality Catholic education for all children in the parish whose parents desire and are willing to make reasonable sacrifices for such an opportunity. The School Board is an advisory group to assist the principal with general policies under which the parish school is operated. The School Board is composed of the Pastor, the principal, a teacher representative and seven representatives selected from the parish. Nominations are in April with selections completed in May. Meetings are held monthly, August through June. The meetings are open but to address the board you must notify the chairperson two days in advance to be placed on the agenda.

### **Vacation Bible School (212)**

During one week in the summer, children age 4 through fifth grade experience the Gospel message through Scripture stories, drama, song and dance, crafts, games, and fun snacks. There is limited capacity of 225 children so register early to reserve your spot. The week is full of fun for everyone who participates as a camper or a volunteer.

### **Youth Ministry (213)**

The Youth Ministry Program at St. Aloysius combines the talents and interests of young people, in grades 7-12, and provides them with opportunities for service, social and spiritual growth. This vision of “total youth ministry” consists of the development of leadership, planning and communication skills; the youth’s understanding of our Christian call to serve others; and the Archdiocesan concern for the development of young people in a Catholic parish today. Not only are we concerned with social and service activities for the youth, but also for their exploration of living a Catholic lifestyle.

The Youth Commission is a collection of adults that work together with the goal of enriching the lives of the youth of the Church. Working in collaboration with the Youth Minister, the Commission is responsible for planning youth group activities that focus on the spiritual, service and social aspects of the Catholic faith. The purpose of the Youth Commission is to be an advocate for the youth of the Church, to focus on the formation needs of the young people of St. Aloysius Community and to plan activities so that all young people may actively participate in the program.

## **SERVICE COMMITTEE**

The Service committee is one of the six coordinating committees. Members of the committee are nominated for three-year terms. This committee meets on an “as needed” basis. This committee provides childcare and refreshments for some of the church events, i.e., RCIA, Parish Mission, etc. It also serves to coordinate the work of all of the following service oriented organizations:

### **Athletic Director/Athletic Coaches/Board (300)**

The purpose of the Sports Program is to provide the opportunity for every child who attends St. Aloysius School or Religious Education to participate in team and individual sports in a recreational environment that fosters healthy competition, good sportsmanship and Christian attitudes. There are numerous sports programs offered for children in first through eighth grade. As a result of our large athletic program, a need exists for coaches and assistant coaches.



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### **After School Care (301)**

St. Aloysius after School Care provides supervision and recreational activities for children Preschool through Grade 8 who attend St. Aloysius School. The program's goal is to provide a safe, fun-filled Christian environment for your child after school. [Hours are 2:45 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. for Preschool through 8th grade children.] After School Care is located in the St. Aloysius Family Center wing of the school.

### **Bereavement Meal/Reception (302)**

The Bereavement Ministry assists parishioners who have experienced a death in their family. Volunteers assist by preparing and/or delivering the food for the meal after the funeral. Volunteers are also needed to set up and serve for the funeral reception. Any member of the parish is welcome to participate in this ministry.

### **Boy Scouts (303)**

Boys Scouts is available to boys who have completed the fifth grade, or who are 11 through 17 years old. Scouting places a series of challenges in front of a Scout in a manner that is fun and educational. There are three aims of Scouting: Citizenship, growth in moral strength and character, and mental and physical development. One of the greatest needs of a young man is confidence and there are three kinds of confidence that young men need; in themselves, in peers, and in leaders. The program achieves the BSA's objectives of developing character, citizenship, and personal fitness qualities among youth by focusing on a vigorous program of outdoor activities.

It is a boy-led troop, which mean the Scouts lead and set up their programs. We welcome eligible youth to come and visit a meeting or camping trip, as we are always accepting new members. We have Scouts who live in both Jefferson County and Oldham County, and areas that include Pewee Valley, Crestwood, Louisville, Middletown, Buckner, Anchorage, and Centerfield.

### **Cub Scouts (304)**

Active adults teach leadership, citizenship and self-confidence through participation in fun and challenging activities. Cub Scouts are for boys ages 7-10 and the program is open to both St. Aloysius School and St. Aloysius PREP children. Cub Scouts contain the following groups: Tigers (1st grade), Wolves (2nd grade), Bears (3rd grade), Webelo 1 (4th grade), and Webelo 2 (5th grade). Volunteers are needed to help with meetings and events.

### **Girl Scouts (305)**

Girl Scouts help provide structured activities that give girls opportunities to develop self-esteem, leadership skills and a consideration for others. Girl Scouts benefit from adult role models in addition to their parents. Volunteers are needed to help with meetings and events.

### **Knights of Columbus (306)**

The St. Aloysius Mt. Mercy Council of the Knights of Columbus, are Catholic men, 18 years of age and older, who are committed to making their community a better place, while supporting their Church. Being a Knight is more than camaraderie; it is being involved with your community; it is supporting your local Catholic Church, enhancing our own faith and protecting and enhancing our family life. Our projects include Pancake Breakfasts, international Free-Throw Championship, Special Olympics, Roses for Mother's Day supporting the Pregnancy Resource Center, financial support for Seminarians and other worthy projects supporting our church community. Business meetings are the third Monday of each month. Please contact the Grand Knight for details.

### **Men's Club (307)**

The St. Aloysius Men's Club has two primary functions. One function is to provide financial support to the total athletic program of the parish. They provide support for our school in many ways. The second function is to provide all men of the parish an opportunity to join together in a social atmosphere through club-sponsored events as the annual Golf Scramble and Lenten Fish Fries. The Men's Club welcomes all men of the parish to join. The Men's Club meets on the first Tuesday of each month. Volunteers are always needed for the events sponsored by Men's Club.

### **Parent Teacher Organization (308)**

This group promotes educational growth and spiritual welfare. The PTO serves as a major fund-raising organization for the school. The PTO sponsors a booth at the Picnic, supports the St. Aloysius Charity Gala, and manages Grandparent's Day in addition to many other activities. The PTO offers assistance to the faculty by coordinating parent volunteers and providing funds for classroom items. All parents are encouraged to get involved.

### **Quilting (309)**

This group of women meets every Tuesday from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. The women sponsor a booth at the summer picnic at which time the quilts are raffled. Proceeds are donated to the general church fund.

### **Social Hospitality (310)**

Men and Women to lend warmth and enthusiasm in planning and coordinating parish functions and receptions. Duties include planning, minor set up, decorating, serving and clean up. Time required depends on the event.

### **St. Aloysius Care Team (311)**

The St. Aloysius Care Team (SACT) involves trained parishioners who minister to other parishioners who are ill, homebound, nursing homes, hospital out patients, and families thereof. The main purpose of the Team is to offer spiritual support to those parishioners and keep them connected to the parish. Most of the SACT ministers are Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who take the Eucharist to the sick and shut-ins of the parish weekly as needed. Many volunteers are needed. Interested parishioners must first complete the formation training required for all Ministers of Holy Communion and be assigned a mentor.

SACT is also involved in the making and distribution of the Prayer Blankets and Prayer Pockets (volunteers make these items and they are blessed by our priests) and monthly cards sent to homebound parishioners.

### **St. Aloysius Health Ministry (SAHM) (312)**

The purpose of this ministry is to provide an opportunity for nurses, physicians, and all other members of the healthcare field, to combine their medical knowledge and diverse medical experiences with a spiritual commitment in a health ministry that advocates whole person health in mind, body and spirit. The goals are to increase awareness of health related issues and to provide education in various ways. Other goals are to discuss health problems, provide support and spiritual encouragement and other resources from our church and community. We also hope to identify health and wellness needs and schedule programs and liturgical activities for healing and community building. Additionally, we hope to promote an understanding of the relationship between lifestyle, attitudes, faith and wellness. All individuals with medical backgrounds are welcome. Active members are needed on a monthly basis. Others are needed for individual events to serve as consultants, speakers and instructors.

### **St. Aloysius Seniors (313)**

The St. Aloysius Seniors is a group of adults age 55 and up who meet on the third Monday of each month from 10:00 a.m. until noon for social activities. The group also takes a variety of trips. All seniors in the parish are welcome.

### **Women's Club (314)**

The Women's Club of St. Aloysius promotes Catholic fellowship by holding monthly meetings, organizing social events for the parish and raising funds for St. Aloysius School, church and the local community. Events include the Arts and Crafts Fair, Breakfast with Santa, Hospitality Sunday (typically held the 1st Sunday of each month, September-May, after the 11:00 a.m. Mass), Easter Egg Hunt and more. Meetings are from September through May and are held on the second Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. All women of the parish are welcome to join the Women's Club. Joining the Women's Club will provide you with an excellent opportunity to utilize your time and talent and to make lifelong friends in the parish.

### **Cleaning of The Church (315)**

Cleaning of the Church assures that the Church is kept clean and orderly. Volunteers are needed to work one day a week for one month out of the year.

## **SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE**

The Social Concerns Committee is one of the six coordinating committees of the parish. Members of the committee are nominated for three-year terms. The purpose of the Social Concerns Committee is to provide education on Catholic Social teachings, ways to live out our faith by reaching out generously to those in need and advocating for a fair and just society.

### **Giving Tree (400)**

This Committee collects gifts for Christmas for those in need. Children's names are received from the Oldham County Red Cross. Typically, 100 to 120 Children receive both toys and clothing items through this service project along with the elderly residents at Friendship Manor. The Tree is placed in Church mid-November with toy, clothing and elderly stars for our parishioners to select. Gifts are to be wrapped and returned by the specified date in mid-December to a designated place on campus.

Gifts are then sorted, bagged and tagged. The gifts are delivered to Friendship Manor a few days before Christmas. The families pick up their packages on a designated date. Communication with these families is done by our committee. The Red Cross provides family detail. Any packages that are not picked up by the families are picked up by the Red Cross and they deliver to the home.

### **Missions (401)**

St Aloysius sponsors local trips each year. Our primary channel through which we live out our service is with, though not limited to, Hand in Hand Ministries in Louisville, KY. Through this organization we travel to Eastern Kentucky in the spring and fall for a three-day project that meets the needs of the poor. It primarily involves home repair. Based on interest, we can also develop other ways of outreach, both locally and internationally as the need and interest arises.

### **Mercy In Motion (402)**

Mercy In Motion is a service oriented outreach of Youth Ministry. The vision of this committee is to bring a multi-generational group of people together as they work to help others in our community. We specifically encourage families to participate together, as a family, since so many activities seem to be pulling families in different directions. Mercy in Motion meets once a month. Events alternate between meeting on campus to construct blessing bags for homeless in our city and going into the community to distribute the blessing bags. Everyone who participates will get to experience both direct and indirect service.



### **Prison Ministry (403)**

Prison Ministry serves the Women's Correctional Facility in Pewee Valley. The pastor (or substitute priest) offers a weekly Mass and the Sacrament of Reconciliation when requested. A Communion Service is offered if a Priest is not available. Women of the parish who have the required training through the prison system accompany the priest on a rotating schedule.

### **Respect Life Committee (404)**

This committee promotes the dignity of life from conception to natural death following the guidelines of the Pastoral Plan for Life (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops). Prayer, supportive efforts for those in need and educational opportunities are included under this umbrella.

### **St. Vincent De Paul Society (405)**

The purpose of the St. Vincent de Paul Society is to feed the hungry, to clothe the naked, to visit the sick, to bury the dead and to shelter the homeless. Meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month.

## **STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE**

The role of the Stewardship Coordinating Committee is to assist the pastor and parish leadership in creating an environment that encourages and enables parishioners to respond to their baptismal call to discipleship. This response is embodied by the recognition of the two core principles of stewardship. First, all that we are and all that we have are gifts from a loving God. Second, through baptism, we are called to share a portion of our gifts in service to God and one another. The Stewardship Committee seeks to accomplish its mission through activities that encompass education, communication, and empowerment. The committee is comprised of "at-large" members and includes the following sub-committees:

### **Stewardship Committee (500)**

The Stewardship Committee helps serve as the "cheerleader" for the parish and its committees. It seeks new ways to engage our parishioners and foster a spirit of community. This committee looks to have around 20 members with a diverse cross section of people representing the entire parish.

### **Planned Giving (501)**

The Planned Giving Committee helps to raise awareness to parishioners regarding how to support the causes that have been important to you while also taking care of your family. Consider what legacy you will leave to future generation of Catholics. Methods of giving that protect family's needs and offers greater tax savings are discussed. A few ways you can support St. Aloysious include: a gift in your will, retirement plan assets or life insurance.

### **Welcoming Committee (502)**

Members of this committee welcome new parishioners into the faith community. Each month this committee hosts a new member meeting which explains the parish's expectations to those wishing to join.

## **WORSHIP COMMITTEE**

The Worship Committee is one of the six coordinating committees of the parish. The purpose of the Worship Committee is to nourish the faith life and spiritual needs of the parish, to educate for liturgy, and to plan, implement and evaluate worship experiences. The interest of the committee is to provide training, resources and scheduling for all of the liturgical ministries that enhance our parish liturgies. The success and growth of these activities depends on the continuing involvement of any interested members of the parish. The Worship Committee meets quarterly. The Worship Committee includes the following:

### **Altar Servers: Adult (600)**

Adult Altar Servers are those who have received the Sacrament of Confirmation and desire to serve the Lord while leading the youth servers. They act as the "Master of Ceremonies" by assisting the priest and youth servers. Adult Altar Servers also coordinate incense and other items on special occasions. Altar Servers are assigned to serve at Mass on a rotating basis.

### **Altar Servers: Youth (601)**

Youth Altar Servers may be any member of the parish, in grades 5 through 8, who have completed the required parish training. These youth ministers serve during Mass and other liturgies by helping to set-up for Mass, assist the priest, light the candles, carry the cross, hold the book, help clean-up after Mass, and participate through listening, prayer and singing.

Our goal is to ensure that all things that go into the execution of Mass occur seamlessly, so that parishioners may enjoy the beauty of the Eucharist and our Catholic faith.

Time Commitment: 50-60 active parish youth (grades 5-8) are needed. 1 hour of training, held in the Church once a year, is required. Watch the bulletin for open registration. Servers are scheduled on a rotation basis.

### **Art and Environment (602)**

Our main focus is to decorate the church and the chapel for each season of the Church Year. We pay special attention to Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter and special events like First Communion and Confirmation. Are you interested in making wreaths, silk flower arrangements? Do you have a special gift for sewing and needlework and could use that talent to make banners and seasonal altar cloths?

### **Eucharistic Adoration (603)**

Eucharistic Adoration offers all parishioners the opportunity for personal prayer and reflection in the presence of Jesus Christ in the form of the Blessed Sacrament. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place in the chapel every Tuesday from 9:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. Tuesday Adoration closes with Holy Hour from 7:00-8:00 p.m. Sunday from 3:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. and every First Friday from 9:00 a.m. until 8:00 a.m. Saturday morning. New Adorers are always welcome and are invited to commit to a specific hour of prayer each Tuesday, Sunday or First Friday. Those who cannot commit to a regular weekly hour may sign up as a substitute.

### **Marriage Ministry (605)**

St. Aloysius provides a service to engaged couples which follows them from their first meeting with the priest to the moment they walk down the aisle as husband and wife. This includes wedding coordinators who will assist in the preparation of the liturgy, rehearsal and the celebration of the wedding. This also includes sponsor couples trained to meet with the engaged couple and discuss what happens after the wedding and throughout married life.

### **Ministers of Holy Communion (606)**

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion assist the priests and deacons in distributing Holy Communion to those who gather for Mass. These ministers are also responsible for washing the Communion vessels after Mass and consuming excess consecrated hosts. Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are assigned to serve at Mass on a rotating basis. Any confirmed member of the parish who completes the required training is welcome to participate in this ministry.

### **Ministers of Hospitality/Greeters (607)**

The Ministers of Hospitality/Greeters create a welcoming atmosphere by greeting those who come to worship at St. Aloysius. These important ministers are often the first people that guests and parishioners encounter when they enter our parish. The Ministers of Hospitality/Greeters also assist the Ushers in handing out worship aids before Mass.

Ministers are expected to arrive 15 minutes before Mass and be available at the doors of the church to welcome and direct parishioners. Family teams are very effective in this ministry. Members are assigned to serve at Mass on a rotating schedule.

### **Ministers of Music - Parish Choir (608)**

In addition to singing the Mass each week from the pew, there are a number of opportunities through which you may wish to extend your involvement in the Liturgical Music program:

The Parish Choir is a group of adult and youth singers, from whom any other ensembles are formed. We meet to rehearse 7:00-8:30 (9) weekly (except for June-August) This choir sings at 11:00 a.m. Mass, but members may also choose to sing at 8:00 a.m. and/or 5:00 p.m. as well.

### **The Psalmist/Cantor (609)**

The Psalmists/Cantors are individual singers who lead the assembly in liturgical song. Cantors should be competent in the basic elements of vocal production and musical notation, along with the ability to learn hymns and responses with limited rehearsal time. The cantor is expected to be an active member of the parish choir.

### **Instrumental Ensemble (610)**

The Instrumental Ensemble provides music for weekly Masses as well as solemnities and feast days. Those with plenty or some background and experience in playing an orchestral instrument are encouraged to participate. We also welcome those who play guitar and other instruments to accompany singing in the Mass.

### **Ministers of the Sick (611)**

Ministers of the Sick are Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion whose primary responsibility is to take the Eucharist to the sick and shut-ins of the parish weekly as needed. They visit parishioners in their home, nursing homes or hospitals. Many volunteers are needed. Interested parishioners must first complete the formation training required for all Ministers of Holy Communion and be assigned a mentor.

### **Ministers of the Word/Lectors (612)**

Lectors are Ministers of the Word of God in the liturgical assembly. They proclaim the designated scripture readings to us, which is the source of our coming together. A Lector should be capable of speaking with presence, be able to communicate effectively and have the capacity to sustain silence. Both the parish and the Archdiocese provide training for those interested in becoming Lectors. Lectors are assigned to serve at Mass on a rotating basis. Any confirmed member of the parish is welcome to participate in this ministry.

### **Prayer Line (613)**

The prayer line is a ministry that contacts members of the prayer group asking for prayers for a specific person in need of moral, physical or spiritual support. Only the names of those with need for prayer are communicated to protect the privacy of the person being prayed for. Any parishioner may contact the Leader of the Prayer Line (see contact list) to initiate the prayerful support of the group. All parishioners are invited to join the Prayer Line. Volunteers must submit an e-mail address or phone number to participate.

### **Rosary Makers (614)**

This group is dedicated to the making of rosaries, and they meet weekly on Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Rosaries are provided to any interested parishioner and on an “as needed” basis, i.e., armed forces or missionaries throughout the world.

### **Sacristans (615)**

Sacristans take care of the “behind the scenes” duties at Mass. Sacristans prepare the altar for Mass and also ensure that all other ministers are present for the liturgy.

We provide: Setting up the hosts, wine, vessels & special items before Mass, assisting after Mass with clean-up of the altar and all vessels/cloths, and assisting the Ushers with securing the weekly collection.

Time Commitment: 15-25 active parish members are needed, with one needed at each Mass. Any confirmed member of the parish is welcome to join and training is provided. Sacristans are assigned to serve at Mass on a monthly rotation schedule.

### **Linen Sacristans (616)**

The Linen Sacristans provide an important ministry by cleaning and ironing the Altar linen cloths each week, which are used at Mass each day.

Time Commitment: 3-5 active parish members are needed to spend 3-4 hours each week gathering, washing, & ironing linens out of their homes, and then delivering them back to the church and chapel.

### **Ushers (617)**

Ushers help ensure that the celebration of Mass runs smoothly for their parish family. We provide: A welcoming atmosphere to all who attend Mass, assist parishioners in finding a seat, tend to the comfort of the community, take up the collection(s), place money in bag & safe, have worship aids available when needed, hand out bulletins after Mass, collect worship aids from the pews after Mass, and help to keep overall order during Mass.

Time Commitment: active parish members are needed, arriving 15 minutes prior to Mass and staying 15 minutes afterward. Some light training is required to understand the pattern of taking up collection within the Church layout. Any member of the parish, 6th grade or older, with a parent ushering as well, is welcome to participate in this ministry. Ushers are assigned to serve on a rotation schedule.