

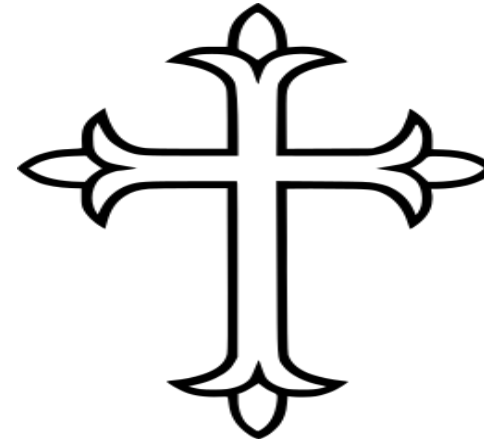
# St. Aloysius, Gate of Heaven & Sacred Heart Church

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JAN 17, 2021.

## Reflections on Sunday's Readings

**Scripture lessons summarized:** The first reading describes how Yahweh called Samuel to His service and how the boy Samuel responded to Him, saying, *“Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.”* Hence, God blessed him in the mission entrusted to him, and Samuel became an illustrious figure, ranking with Moses and David as a man of God. In the Responsorial Psalm (Ps 40),. In the Gospel, John the Baptist claims that his vocation is to introduce Jesus to two of his own disciples as the *“Lamb of God,”* suggesting Jesus’ vocation to become a sacrificial lamb to atone for our sins. The disciples followed Jesus to his residence, accepting his invitation to *“come and see.”* They stayed with him that day. Then Andrew brought his brother Simon to Jesus, presenting him to Jesus as the *Messiah*. Thus, today’s Gospel also describes the call or vocation of the first apostles and challenges us to invite others to Christ by our Christian witnessing.

**Life messages: 1)** Our Christian vocation is to live and die like the *Lamb of God*. (A) We live like the *Lamb of God*: 1) by leading pure, innocent, humble, selfless lives, obeying Christ’s commandment of love; 2) by appreciating the loving providence and protecting care of the Good Shepherd for his Church; 3) by partaking of the Body and Blood of the Good Shepherd in the Holy Eucharist and deriving spiritual strength from the Holy Spirit through prayer and the Sacraments. (B) We are called to die like the *Lamb of God*: a) by sharing sacrificially our blessings of health, wealth, and talents with others in the family, parish, and community; b) by bearing witness to Christ in our illness, pain, and suffering through our graceful acceptance of all of it; c) by offering our sufferings for God’s glory, as penance for our sins, and for the conversion of sinners.



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### Mass Schedule

<b>Saturday</b>	4:00 PM	St. Aloysius
<b>Saturday</b>	5:30 PM	Sacred Heart Church ( <b>July 4th to Labor day</b> )
<b>Sunday</b>	9:00 AM	St. Aloysius
	11:00 AM	Gate of Heaven

(Closed after Christmas and be open on palm Sunday)

### Weekday

<b>M TO S</b>	8:15 AM	St. Aloysius
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### Adoration

<b>M/T/F</b>	7:30 to 8:15 AM
<b>Friday</b>	9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

### Holy Day of Obligation

Holy Eve:	5:30 PM	Gate of Heaven
Holy Day:	9:00 AM	St. Aloysius
	7:00 PM	St. Aloysius

### Sacraments

**Confession:** Before all masses.

**Baptism:** Call the rectory to make arrangements.

**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 the Sick.

**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: Jan 16- Jan 24, 2021**

**Saturday, Jan 16**

8.15 AM- Charles Neidecker  
4.PM-

**Mon, Jan 18**

8.15. AM -

**Wed Jan 20**

**8.15 AM-** John Miller (Birthday)

**Thurs, Jan 21**

8.15. A.M-

**Saturday, Jan 23**

8.15 AM-  
4.PM- Paul Lusker

**Sunday, Jan 17**

9:00 AM- Edward Zaoraki

**Tues. Jan 19**

8.15. AM - Bruce & Carol  
Kocher(anniversary)

**Fri. Jan 22**

8.15. AM- Connie Schultz(birthday)

**Sunday, Jan 24**

9:00 AM - Judy Roe

**NOTE. Free will offering is accepted for the mass offered. There is no fixed stipend.**

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & DECEASED**

**For the Sick:** Joni & Vinny Salvatore, Colleen & Jerrilynn O’Neil; Nora Fernandez,; Laurie & William McMichael, Carol Faughn, Christopher Merklin, Robert Ackerly, Sr. Grace, Maureen Connolly, Dave Tucker, Shannon Bruning, Patty Lewis, Lynne Hyzer, Beth Marie Martin, Erma Carlson , Jim Wilbur, Dom Formato, Darren Steele, Jonell Dalton, Easton Gorr. Joe Salvia. Joe & Linda Mchugh, Jerry & Roe Mills, Ken & Arsenia Mchugh, Deniese Harting, Maureen Molloy, Frank Kinsley, Mary Jones, Carl Diane Rafi, Walter Hanewich, David Porter and David, Gina Teipelke.

**For the Deceased:** John Augusta, Max Evans, Mildred Irace, Paula Jordan, Bernard Greenthal, Vivian Kocher, Raimondo Aiello , Maria Sander, Cesaria Rodriguez Vega, Raymond Aiello, Janice Aracci, Msgr. John Ruvo, Carrie Molinari, Joe Wood , Marcella Babich and Joseph F.Mlcoch.

**COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY**

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

**Collection for Last Week.**

**First Collection: \$843**

Thank you.

**Readings for Next Sunday**

**Jonah 3:1-5, 10**

**I Corinthians 7:29-31**

**Mark 1:14-20**

**BIBLE STUDY**

Good Soil Bible Study Group will meet this week. 4.00 PM on Tuesday at Rectory.

**Mass Attendance for last week**

Place	Time	Number of people attended
St.Aloysius Church	4. PM - Saturday	15
St.Aloysius Church	9.AM - Sunday	32
	<b>Total</b>	<b>47</b>

**Mass book for 2021 is open**

Please call the rectory to reserve the masses you need. You will also find the mass registration forms at the Church. Please collect it, fill it and send it to the rectory.

**St. Agnes**

**St. Agnes**, also called **Saint Agnes of Rome**, (flourished 4th century, Rome [Italy]; feast day January 21), virgin and patron saint of girls, who is one of the most-celebrated Roman martyrs.

According to tradition, Agnes was a beautiful girl, about 12 or 13 years old, who refused marriage, stating that she could have no spouse but Jesus Christ. Her suitors revealed her Christianity, which was then condemned as a cult, and in punishment she was exposed in a brothel. Awed by her purity and presence, all but one of the Roman youths left her untouched; in his attempt to violate her, the sole attacker was miraculously struck blind, whereupon Agnes healed him with prayer. Later, after refusing to renounce her faith, she was murdered during the persecution of the Christians by the Roman emperor Diocletian and was buried beside the Via Nomentana. On her feast day two lambs are blessed in the Church of Sant’Agnese in Rome, and from their wool are made the pallia sent by the pope to archbishops as tokens of jurisdiction.

