

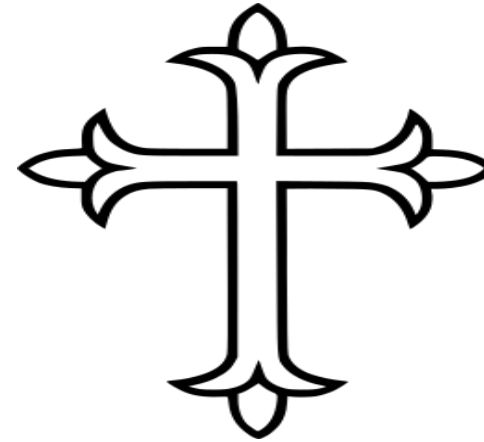
# St. Aloysius, Gate of Heaven & Sacred Heart Church

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT FEB 28, 2021.

## Reflections on Sunday's Readings

**Scripture lessons:** The first reading explains how his trusting faith in his God's mercy and power and his blind obedience to his God's order to sacrifice his only son of his old age, transformed the life of Abraham, making him the supreme model of Faith. Second reading: God showed His love for us by allowing the transformation of the glorious preaching and healing ministry of His Son to a tragic end, proving that God's love has no limits.

**Life messages: (1) Every sacrament we receive transforms our lives:** for example, Baptism transforms us into children of God and heirs of heaven. Confirmation transforms us to brave witnesses of and warriors for Christ. Reconciliation transforms sinners to saints. **(2) The "transfiguration" in the Holy Mass is the source of our strength:** In each Holy Mass, the bread and wine we offer on the altar are transformed into the crucified and risen, living body and blood of Jesus by transubstantiation. Just as Jesus' transfiguration strengthened the apostles in their time of trial, each holy Mass should be our source of Heavenly strength against temptations, and our renewal during Lent. In addition, our Holy Communion with the living Jesus should be the source of our daily "transfiguration," transforming our minds and hearts so that we may do more good, by humble and selfless service to others. **(3) Christ's transfiguration gives us the message of encouragement and hope:** In moments of doubt and during our dark moments of despair and hopelessness, pains and suffering, the thought of our future transformation in Heaven will help us to reach out to God and to listen to His consoling words: *"This is my beloved son."* Let us offer our Lenten sacrifices to our Lord so that, through these practices of Lent and through the acceptance of our daily crosses, we may grow closer to him in his suffering, may share in the carrying of his cross and finally may share the glory of his second "transfiguration," namely, his Resurrection.



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### Mass Schedule

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

(Closed after Christmas and be open on Palm Sunday)

### Weekday

**M TO S** 8:15 AM St. Aloysius

### Adoration

**M/T/F** 7:30 to 8:15 AM  
**Friday** 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: Feb 27 - March 7, 2021**

**Saturday, Feb 27**

8.15 AM- Adriana Bitter (Birthday)  
4.PM- Erma Carlson

**Mon, March 01**

8.15. AM - Rick Witter(Birthday)

**Wed March 03**

8.15 AM- Michael Castelli( Birthday)

**Thurs, March 04**

8.15. A.M- Karen Hartmann

**Saturday, March 06**

8.15 AM- Richard Kocher(Birthday)  
4.PM- John H.Quick

**Sunday, Feb 28**

9:00 AM- Karen Hartmann

**Tues. March 02**

8.15. AM - Widows

**Fri. March 05**

8.15. AM- Lapsed Catholics

**Sunday, March 07**

9:00 AM - Rita Fontana

**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, Maureen Connolly, Dave Tucker, Shannon Bruning, Patty Lewis, Lynne Hyzer, Beth Marie Martin, 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 Joseph F.Mlcoch, Sr. Grace, Rose Tempel, Walter Meyer, Erma Carlson & Andrew Lund.

**COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY**

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

**Collection for Last Week.**

**First Collection: \$857**

Thank you.

**Readings for Next Sunday**

**Exodus 20:1-7**

**I Corinthians 1:22-25**

**John 2:13-25**

**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	13
St.Aloysius Church	9.AM - Sunday	21
	<b>Total</b>	<b>34</b>

**Stations of the Cross**

We have Stations of the Cross every Friday at 7.00PM St. Aloysius Church. People who can make it ,please do come and participate in the passion of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**St. Katharine Drexel,**

**St. Katharine Drexel** (born November 26, 1858, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, U.S.—died March 3, 1955, Cornwells Heights; feast day [U.S.] March 3), American founder of the Blessed Sacrament Sisters for Indians and Colored People (now Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament), a congregation of missionary nuns dedicated to the welfare of American Indians and African Americans. She is the patron saint of racial justice and of philanthropists. Drexel was the daughter of the American financier and philanthropist Francis Anthony Drexel. Her mother, Hannah Langstroth, died five weeks after Katharine was born, and Katharine and her sister were cared for by their aunt and uncle until their father remarried in 1860. The family was active in charitable works and distributed food, clothing, and money from their home twice a week. As a young adult, Katharine was deeply impacted by her stepmother’s long and painful battle with terminal cancer and marked that as a pivotal time in her life. In 1884 she traveled with her father and sisters to the western states, where they witnessed the poverty and destitution of Native Americans on reservation lands.

When her father died in 1885, she and her sisters inherited a vast fortune. Believing that all people should have access to education she continued the work earlier undertaken by the family of founding and endowing schools and churches for African Americans and Native Americans in the South and West. she had a private audience with Pope Leo XIII to indicate a need for nuns to staff her mission schools. The pope challenged her to devote her life as well as her fortune to the missions In 1889 she became a novice with the Sisters of Mercy in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. In February 1891 she took her final vows and, with a few companions, founded the Blessed Sacrament Sisters for Indians and Colored People, of which she was superior general.

