

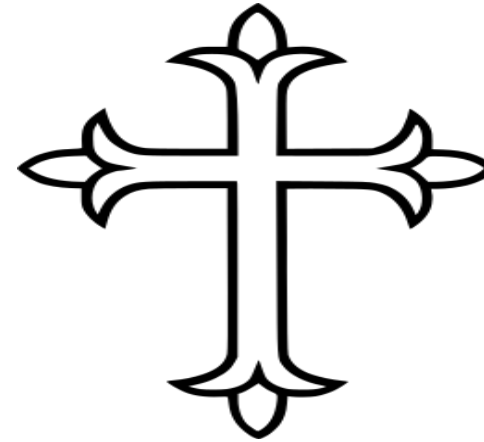
St. Aloysius, Gate of Heaven & Sacred Heart Church

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCT 24, 2021.

Reflections on Sunday's Readings

Scripture lessons summarized: The first reading tells us how a forgiving and compassionate God has been healing the spiritual blindness of His Chosen People by subjecting them to captivity in Babylon; now He will liberate them, bringing them back to their homeland. Connected to this reading is the Jerusalem journey of Jesus in the company of the lame and the blind in today's Gospel, in which healing of the blind Bartimaeus is seen as the fulfillment of Jeremiah's joyful prophecy of the exiled Jews return from Babylon to their homeland. Today's Responsorial Psalm (Ps 126) gives us the same encouraging promise: *"Those that sow in tears shall reap rejoicing!"* Today's second reading, taken from Hebrews 5, presents Jesus as the perfect sacrifice for sins and as the true *High Priest* of the New Testament. It also gives us the assurance that our *High Priest, the sinless* Jesus, is sympathetic to us because Jesus has shared our human nature in everything, including temptation. Today's Gospel explains how Jesus shows the mercy and compassion of His Heavenly Father by healing the blind Bartimaeus. Just as *the blind and the lame* were God's concern in the first reading, Jesus is concerned with the blind beggar, Bartimaeus of Jericho. On hearing that Jesus of Nazareth was passing by, Bartimaeus loudly expressed his trusting Faith in the healing power of Jesus by shouting his request, *"Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me."* When Jesus invited him to come near, Bartimaeus threw aside his cloak (suggesting, perhaps, the baptismal divesting). His meeting with Jesus gave Bartimaeus the gift of spiritual as well as physical sight, and the former blind beggar became a disciple of Jesus.

Life messages: 1) Instead of remaining in spiritual blindness, let us pray for spiritual sight. Each one of us suffers from spiritual blindness. Hence, we need the light of the Holy Spirit to end our darkness and grant us proper spiritual vision. Let us learn to recognize the causes of our spiritual blindness. Anger, hatred, jealousy, evil habits, addictions etc. make us spiritually blind, and they prevent us from seeing the goodness and presence of God in our family members and neighbors. Hence, let us learn to think about and see the goodness in others without becoming unkind, critical, or judgmental. We are blinded by greed when we are never satisfied with what we have and incur debts to buy luxury items. Hence, let us pray to have a clear vision of Christian values and priorities in our lives and to acknowledge the presence of God dwelling in ourselves and in our neighbors. A clear spiritual vision enables us to see the goodness in others, to express our appreciation for all that they have been doing for us, and to refrain from criticizing their performance.



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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

Weekday

M T O S	8:15 AM	St. Aloysius
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Adoration

M/T/W/T	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: Oct 23- Oct 31, 2021

Saturday, Oct 23

8.15 AM- Aurora Lusker(B.D)
4.PM- Livingston Manor central school

Mon, Oct 25

8.15. AM - Theresa Miller(B.D)

Wed Oct 27

8.15 AM-

Thurs Oct 28

8.15.AM- Livingston Manor central school

Saturday, Oct 30

8.15.AM- Livingston Manor central school
4.00 PM- Livingston Manor central school

Sunday, Oct 24

9:00 AM- Donald Hendrickson
11.AM- Louise Eggleton

Tues. Oct 26

8.15. AM - Amalraj Sebastin

Fri. Oct 29

8.15.AM- Livingston Manor central school

Sunday, Oct 31

9:00 AM -Gerald Tuleweit
11.00 AM-Theresa Marie Bulwin

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, 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, John Jordan.
For the Deceased: Justin Haas , David Tucker, John Jordan, Erminio Babich, Harold M McClain, Wanda Froehlich, Donald Conway, Patricia A. Severing, Robert J.Chapman,Sr, Evelyn D. Banks-Reynolds, Joan C. Doland, Jared Doughty, Gerald Tuleweit, Donald Hendrickson & William R McMichael, Jr.

COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

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

Collection for Last Week.
First Collection: \$2100
Fuel Collection: \$405
Thank you.

Readings for Next Sunday
Dt 6:2-9
Heb 7:23-28
Mk 12:28b-34

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	18
St.Aloysius Church	9.AM Sunday	55
Gate of Heaven	11.AM Sunday	16
	Total	89

Second Collection for Mission Sunday

We will have second collection for the mission Sunday on this Weekend of October 23 & 24 October 2021. Thank you so much for your generosity.

All Souls Day

Mass will be offered for all departed souls in our parish on November 2 at 9.am, St. Aloysius Church. There is no greater gift than offering mass for our beloved ones in our Family. You can also collect envelop from the Church. Please fill them and send it before November 02.

ANNUAL HALLOWEEN PARADE!

October 31st at 4 p.m.
Livingston Manor Firehouse
Main St., Livingston Manor
3:45 line up at Firehouse
4:00/4:15 Parade Begins
Parade Ends at Post Office
Sponsored By
The Livingston Manor Fire Department Auxiliary

FALL PANCAKE BREAKFIRST

Where: Livingston Manor Fire Department
When: Sunday, October 31, 2021
Time: 7am-Noon.
Price: Free Will Offering.

