

ST. ALOYSIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Office Hours - Main Office Tues. & Thurs. 9a.m. – 1p.m. Fr. John is available following Tues & Thurs Mass

Baptisms - Contact Pastor to schedule baptisms and preparatory classes.

Weddings - Contact the Pastor, preparation for the sacrament takes 6-8 months prior to the wedding date.

Funerals - Contact Pastor

Confessions - Sat. 3:15-3:45pm, Tuesday & Thursday 7:45am-8:15am, Thursdays 5-5:45pm, or by appointment.

**The 1st
Sunday of
Lent**

February 22, 2026

"Crosses release us from this world, and by doing so, bind us to God."

- St. Charles de Foucauld - Wisdom of the Saints

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF February 22, 2026

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 24 - 8:30am MASS - Intention for +Todd and Lincoln Farrant

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 25 - 8:30am MASS - at St. Theresa

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 26 - 8:30am MASS - Intention for +Shirley Deters

No Thursday Adoration and Confession during Lent

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 27 - 8:30am MASS at St Theresa

5:30pm Adoration and Confessions at St. Aloysius

6:00pm Student Led Stations of the Cross at St. Aloysius

Light meal following

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 21 - 8:30am MASS at St Theresa

Second Sunday of Lent

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 28 - 4:00pm MASS at St. Aloysius

- Intention for Parishioners of St. Aloysius and St. Theresa

SUNDAY MARCH 1

8:45am MASS at St. Theresa

9:15am-10:15am Religious Education

10:30am MASS at St. Aloysius Intention for +Helen Sands

5:30pm Youth Group - 7:00pm Knights of Columbus Meeting



To schedule a Mass for a special intention, special occasion or in remembrance of a loved one, contact the church office. The usual offering is a \$10 Mass stipend that goes to the general fund. No amount is required.

Traveling? Find Mass times at masstimes.org

MINISTRY SCHEDULES – The Second Sunday of Lent

Sat. February 28, 4pm MASS

Lector: Dolores Korb

Eucharistic Ministers:

Ruth Santner, Gene Boden, Nancy Boden

Server: Dennis Noll

Offertory Procession:

Joe and Kitty Grote

Sunday March 1, 10:30am MASS

Lectors: Linda Giltner

Eucharistic Ministers:

Carol Kahler, Kris Kahler, Sam Stallbaumer

Server: Waylon Cozadd and Charlotte Stallbaumer

Ushers/Greeters:

Joel and Jennifer Dickey, Beth Williams, Rita Lavin

Offertory Procession: Gladys Petesch, Rita Lavin

HOW ARE WE DOING? END OF FISCAL YEAR TO DATE 7/1/25- 6/30/26

Weekly Regular/Children's/Plate (week of Feb 14 &15)	\$ 2,535.00	YTD Regular Plate -	\$ 84,477.62
Weekly Other Income & Bazaar (week of Feb 14 &15)	\$ 400.00	YTD other income -	\$ 23,090.66
(Does not include extra parochial collections or donations to specific agencies i.e. God's Storehouse etc.)			
Weekly Income based on	Total Income	YTD Income	\$ 107,568.28
Budget amount for 2025/2026	Weekly Income Needed	Income Needed	\$ 98,820.00
Thank you!!!	Difference	Difference	\$ 8,748.28

BUILDING FUND

Previous Weeks YTD Donations	\$15,119.00	End of Sept Building Fund Balance –	\$87,661.36
Weekly Income (week of Feb 14 &15)	\$ 150.00	Oct, Nov, Dec Donations	\$7,459.00
YTD Building Fund Donations	\$15,269.00	New Office area Furnace HVAC Unit	- \$11,221.00
*Building Fund Projected balance is Updated Quarterly.		End of Dec Balance -	\$ 83,899.36
YTD Funds are for the fiscal year.		Reserve	\$ 0.00
		Projected Balance -	\$ 83,899.36

 <p>ST. ALOYSIUS RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Sundays 9:15-10:15am - DRE Linda Smith 766-1616 / staloyusdre@gmail.com</p>	 <p>YOUTH GROUP – 8th-12th grade 1st & 3rd Sundays 5:30-7:30pm ??'s Samantha 785-249-1303</p>
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<p>Mark your Calendars – Friday Feb 27 6:00pm Student Led Stations of the Cross</p>	<p>Holy Moments Alive – Teen Faith Sharing Weds during Lent beginning Feb 25 at 6:45pm</p>
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<p>I N T H E P A R I S H</p>	<p>1:00pm Pickleball Tues & Thurs</p> <p>St. Aloysius Strength & Balance Exercise Class Wednesdays & Fridays 9:30-10:30am</p> <p>No Thurs Adoration & Confession</p> <p>Friday Feb 27 Student Led STATIONS OF THE CROSS At St. Aloysius 5:30am Adoration & Confessions 6:00pm Stations of the Cross Light meal following.</p> <p>AS LENT BEGINS consider how you can Engage more in your Parish. <i>Could you help in a Ministry at Mass maybe as a Lector or Usher? Could you share your talents on Parish Council? To learn more contact the office at 785-484-3312, or stalsmer@yahoo.com</i></p>	<p>You can still JOIN A LENT FAITH SHARING GROUP for CRUX – a lenten journey of surrender</p> <p>Groups begin this week. Find sign ups at the back of church, the website staloyusmeriden.org, or contact the church office to sign up, 785-484-3312, stalsmer@yahoo.com</p> <p>Archbishop Shawn McKnight invites participation throughout our archdiocese in the Beatitudes from the Heartland a small group series, to prepare our hearts and minds for the next phase of Renewal from the Heartland. As Pope Leo XIV wrote so eloquently in <i>Dilexi Te</i>, may our work stir in our hearts a desire to be "Christ's Church, a Church of the Beatitudes, one that makes room for the little ones and walks poor with the poor..." (DT, 21)2026 Watch the bulletin and listen to announcements for your opportunity to participate here at St. Aloysius.</p>
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James W Gibbons Assembly 286 is rewarding (1) \$1000 Scholarship to the most qualified applicant for post-secondary education. Use the QR code to access the details & scholarship application or copy the URL: <https://tinyurl.com/mryr5m27> Applications must be postmarked by **Feb. 28, 2026**

<p>ST. ALOYSIUS PRAYER WARRIORS <i>pray for the needs of others.</i> Send requests to Carol Kahler kckahlerfamily@gmail.com or Call or text 785-221-9787</p>	<p>PRAYER LIST: We keep in our thoughts & prayers the sick, home bound, their families & caregivers, especially: Connie Harper, Angela Winn, Joel Rivera, Vera Welsh, Shirley Breight, Janice Long, Joe Morgison, and Celeste Clelland.</p>	<p>Ministry of Care: If you are concerned about a loved one, we would love to send them a card. Please send their name & address to the office or to Barb Seymour barb@myseymours.com</p>
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