



St. Aloysius

August 30, 2020

A Roman Catholic Parish with a Jesuit Tradition

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Psalm 63



PARISH INFORMATION

330 E. Boone Ave., Spokane, WA 99202

509-313-5896

Website: www.stalschurch.org

Email: mkfairbanks@dioceseofspokane.org

Sunday Masses:

LIVE Streamed at all Sunday Masses.

8:30 is recorded and posted on website.

At this time, you must reserve a space to attend Sunday Mass. See inside for directions on how to reserve for any of the Sunday masses:

8:30, 9:45, or 11:00 am.

Daily Masses: Live Streamed at 8:00 am

St. Aloysius Gonzaga Catholic Grade School—K through 8th grade

Early Learning Center—Infants to Kindergarten

611 E. Mission Ave. 489-7825 Principal: Angie Krauss

Altar Society - President: Mary Kay Bryan 487-4632

Knights of Columbus Council #15143

Grand Knight: Larry Lyle 558-9438

Pastor: Tom Lamanna, SJ

Associate Pastor/Funerals: San Mai, SJ

Parish Administrator: Don Weber

Liturgy, Sacraments, and Faith Formation: Michele Lassiter

Liturgical Ministers: Solveig Heidberg

Music Director: Andrea Timm

Social Ministry: Rita Waldref

Weddings/Annulments: Kathy Yates

Communications Coordinator: Gina Pinnock

Administrative Assistant: Mary Kay Fairbanks

Jesuit Scholastic: Mike Tedone, SJ

8:00 a.m. Weekday Mass Intentions

- Aug. 31 + Rose Dunn
- Sept. 1 TBD
- Sept. 2 + Anna Pike
+ Anna Tei
- Sept. 3 + Jo, Gordon, and
Tim Merwin
- Sept. 4 + Angelina Tei

Prayers for the soul of Fr. Robert (Bob) Fitts, SJ



Fr. Fitts, SJ, former associate pastor at St. Aloysius Parish, died on August 9, 2020 at Sacred Heart Jesuit Center in Los Gatos, CA. He was 91 years of age and a member of the Society of Jesus for almost 63 years.

Fr. Fitts served at St. Aloysius as the associate pastor from 1992-1998 and from 1998-2003 he was the Superior of the Regis Community in Spokane which included the Jesuit infirmary and assisted living center. During this time he continued to assist on a regular basis at the parish.

You can read his full obituary on the Jesuits West "In Memoriam" page. www.jesuitswest.org/memoriam

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Thursdays,
4:30-6:30 p.m.
in the church.

Faith Formation programs move online!



Sacramental Preparation for Confirmation & First Eucharist

for Children, Teens, and adults will meet virtually via Zoom. Registration forms and schedules are at: stalschurch.org/faith-formation/sacramental-prep/

Little People's Church & Children's Liturgy of the Word

Will be a weekly email via FlockNote for children to work on at home with their families while watching the live stream Mass on Saturdays or to prepare for Sunday in person liturgy. Email your name, your child's name and age, e-mail address, and cell phone number to Michele Lassiter mlassiter@dioceseofspokane.org to sign up.



The Time is Now to learn more about the Spiritual Exercises in Everyday Life Retreat.

For more than 25 years this personal retreat has been offered at St. Al's. This year the retreat begins in September, On-line for now but we hope to transition back to the former way of proceeding which offers weekly person-to person spiritual direction and a monthly gathering together.

We are excited to offer S.E.E.L. in this new format. You Deserve This! Give yourself the gift that St. Ignatius and our Jesuits have made available to you!

For more information contact Jennifer Doolittle, at seelspokane@gmail.com or leave a message at 509-868-7870 or check the website @ stalschurch.org under Faith Formation, scroll down to S.E.E.L.



Open Wide Our Hearts: The Enduring Call to Love

A four-session process to explore the Bishops' Pastoral on Racism
Wednesday evenings, October 7, 14, 21, and 28, 2020
6:30-9:00 PM.

Masks and social distancing required.
The group will meet through "Zoom."

Facilitated by Colleen Butler and Rita Amberg Waldref

An opportunity for prayer, study, discussion, and action on racial injustice in light of the Gospel and Catholic Social Teaching.

Limited to 12 participants. For information or to register:
Rita Amberg Waldref, 509-313-7003 or rwaldref@dioceseofspokane.org
Please RSVP before September 28. Fee for booklet: \$5.00



Season of Creation 2020

From September 1 – October 4, the Christian family celebrates God’s gift of creation. We unite as one family in Christ, celebrating the bonds we share with each other and with “every living creature on Earth.” (Genesis 9:10) We celebrate the season by spending time in prayer, considering ways to inhabit our common home sustainably, and lifting our voices in the public sphere.

The 2020 theme is **Jubilee for the Earth**. Jubilee is a time of rest for the land from constant exploitation and a time to restore ecosystems and people.

Creator of Life, we ask you to grant us courage to observe a Sabbath for our planet. Strengthen us with the faith to trust in your providence. Inspire us with the creativity to share what we have been given. Teach us to be satisfied with enough. And as we proclaim a Jubilee for the Earth, send Your Holy Spirit to renew the face of creation. In the name of the One who came to proclaim good news to all creation, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Educational Advocacy on Caring for God’s Creation

Plastic: Environmental Issue.

Plastic has become one of the most pressing environmental issues, especially single use plastic. Because plastic decomposes slowly, it can last for decades or even centuries and ends up littering land and water. There are five marine garbage patches, with the Great Pacific Garbage Patch being the most notable. It is estimated to contain 1.8 trillion pieces of plastic, and is larger than the state of Texas. Plastic can be harmful to both animals and humans. Animals can die from eating or getting caught up in plastic and humans, when ingesting chemicals in some plastics, can experience health problems.

Plastic Wars | Watch S2020 E14 | FRONTLINE | PBS | Official ... Eat Less Plastic - Consumer Reports

Plastic: Action for God’s Creation.

1. Say no to single use plastic straws, plates, cups, flatwear.
2. Use a reusable water bottle rather than a plastic one.
3. Pack snacks and sandwiches in a reusable container rather than plastic bags.
4. Choose ice cream in a bowl. Who needs plastic spoons and cups when you can eat the bowl?
5. Vacuum regularly. The dust in your house could be loaded with microplastics and chemicals (such as phthalates) that are found in plastics.
6. Ditch microbeads in face wash and toothpaste. (Polyethylene and polypropylene contain microbeads.) These plastic beads go down the drain, flowing to rivers, lakes and the ocean. They are mistaken for food.

August contributions: \$ 51,461

Fiscal “Year to Date” (new year began July 2020):

Needed: \$ 64,400

Received: 51,461

Over/Under: \$ -12,939

We are grateful for your continued financial support.

Ways to donate are:

Bill Pay - PayPal - US postal service

We continue to minister in limited personal contact and on our virtual parish offerings.

We are grateful for your participation and support.



August Collection for the Poor

The August Collection for the Poor takes place from August 15-August 30.

It will be given to assist the Catholic Charities Emergency Fund.

Our parish donates \$750 to that Fund each month. The money is used to help people with their utility bills and rent. We would like to build a parish fund so we have enough money to donate to Catholic Charities during the Fall months. If you can donate, please write a check to:

St. Aloysius Parish, 330 E. Boone Ave, Spokane, WA 99202

Memo Line: Catholic Charities



Family Promise, a Ministry for Homeless Families, Needs our Help!

For several decades, St. Aloysius Parish has partnered with Family Promise in assisting homeless families. However, COVID-19 has changed the way the program works and the role of our volunteers.

Volunteers, you are still needed!

To volunteer, please contact Jeanne Dawes, St. Al’s Family Promise Coordinator, jjdawes@goregrewe.com or 509-220-7040.

Educational Advocacy

Resources on Racism

Do People Really Need to Learn?

Reparations For Slavery- The Case for Reparations by Ta-Nehisi Coates - The Atlantic

Can reparations help right the wrongs of slavery? | PBS