

St. Aloysius Gonzaga

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97th Annual

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A Roman Catholic Jesuit Parish

<u>March 4 - 12</u>

Revealing Virtues through Sacred Stories



Deacon Bill Eckert (from the Archdiocese of Seattle and retired from Bellarmine Prep, currently at St. Pat's in Tacoma)

Barbara Eckert (does consulting for Dioceses and Archdioceses all over the US)

<u>Schedule</u>: 8:00 am - Novena Prayers *- (no presenters)* 12:15 pm - Novena Service 5:30 pm - Novena Mass <u>Reconciliation</u>: Thursday, March 7th, 6:30-8:30 pm

PARISH INFORMATION

330 E. Boone Ave., Spokane, WA 99202 509-313-5896 www.stalschurch.org

Weekend Masses: Saturday 5:00 pm and Sunday 8:30 am, 11:00 am, and 7:00 pm Sunday (all) and Daily Masses (8:00 am) -Live Stream: www.stalschurch.org

Adoration - Tuesdays 2-4pm and Fridays 7-7:45am

Sacrament of Reconciliation - Thurs. 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm.

Parish Center Hours -Tuesday through Friday, 8:30 am - 1:30 pm

St. Aloysius Gonzaga Catholic Grade School -611 E. Mission Ave. 489-7825

Kindergarten through 8th grade and Early Learning Center Co-Principals: Angie Krauss - akrauss@stalsschool.org Dawn Manfred - dmanfred@stalsschool.org

Altar Society - President: Mary Kay Bryan 487-4632

Knights of Columbus Council #15143 -Grand Knight: Devin Franke 805-668-5280

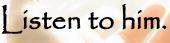
S.E.E.L. – Spiritual Exercises in Everyday Life -Director: Cindy Reopelle at seelspokane@gmail.com

Second Sunday of Lent February 25, 2023

PARISH PERSONNEL

Pastor: Fr. Tom Lamanna, SJ . . 313-7011 **Associate Pastor:** Fr. Dan Nevares, SJ ... 313-7004 **Bookkeeper: Business Operations Manager:** Alexious Ferrante 313-7021 **Charity and Social Justice:** Rita Amberg Waldref at rwaldref@dioceseofspokane.org **Church Environment:** Kristine Lyons 313-5896 **Dir. of Faith Formation** and Sacramental Information: Michele Lassiter 313-7009 mlassiter@dioceseofspokane.org **Funerals:** Fr. Dan Nevares, SJ 313-7004 **Homebound Ministry:** Liturgical Ministers: Solveig Heidberg 313-7020 Maintenance: Richard Moran 313-5896 Marriages: Director of Music: Andrea Timm: atimm@dioceseofspokane.org **Office Manager:** Mary Kay Fairbanks ... 313-7000 Social Media: Lisa Hartzer: staloysius@dioceseofspokane.org

This is my beloved Son.



Mark 9:7

St. Aloysius Gonzaga Catholic Parish - Spokane, Washington

February 25, 2024

8:00 a.m. Weekday Mass Intentions

<u>Feb. 26</u> † Marie Pilgrim
<u>Feb. 27</u> Andrycha Family
<u>Feb. 28</u> † Steve Shafer
<u>Feb. 29</u> Hatti Van Embden
<u>Mar. 1</u> † Jo, Gordon, and Tim Merwin

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Meet Edward Chow, SJ

• From SAN JOSE, CA

- Graduate of BELLARMINE
 COLLEGE PREP (San Jose, CA) and
 the UNIV. OF CALIFORNIA,
 BERKELEY
- Active within the San Jose Chinese Catholic Community, focused on SERVICE, ADVOCACY & JUSTICE
- Currently a **JESUIT SCHOLASTIC** studying theology at the Jesuit School of Theology in Berkeley, CA

Pray for Edward and Jesuit Vocations

BeAJesuit.org or reach out to Fr. Dan, Associate Pastor @ St. Al's

Know someone

who would make

a great Jesuit like

Edward?



Stations and Soup - Fridays 6:00 pm in the church. Stations of the Cross and Eucharist will be led by our Knights of Columbus. This will be followed by soup and bread in O'Malley Hall. All parishioners are invited to join in this communal prayer.

- Lenten Morning Retreat March 9th, Saturday 10:00 am. to Noon at Gonzaga Prep - See flyers at doors
- Anointing of the Sick March 9th/10th At all Novena Services and weekend Masses

Lenten Prayer Service - March 21st, 7:00 pm An evening of prayer, reflection, and song

Holy Week

- March 24th Palm Sunday Regular Mass schedule
- March 28th Holy Thursday 7:00 pm

March 29th - Good Friday

12:15 pm - Stations led by the Knights of Columbus7:00 pm - Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord and Veneration of the Cross

March 30th - Holy Saturday - EASTER VIGIL - 8:00 pm

March 31st- EASTER SUNDAY Masses: 8:00 am. 9:45 am, 11:30 am & 7:00 pm

SENIOR LUNCH and BINGO March 7th!



St. Al's Altar Society and St. Al's Knights of Columbus are preparing a fun afternoon

Thursday, March 7th, in O'Malley Hall, Noon to 2:00 pm.

\$7.00 per person - *(sandwiches, salads, and dessert)* Guests welcome! Come and have fun.

<u>RSVP</u> to Danelle

no later than Monday, March 4th, call 509-979-9968.

Justice Works: Social Ministry

CRS Rice Bowl Intentions

For our community, that we may work together to share our skills and talents so all people will have what they need to reach their God-given potential.



We pray to the Lord.



Lenten Rice Bowls are available at the church entrances.

During the Lenten Season, the CRS Rice Bowl is a visible reminder to pray, fast, and give alms. For more information on the Rice Bowl, please visit https://www.crsricebowl.org



Café Justo Sale: March 2/3 Next weekend, after all Masses

When you purchase Café Justo, you are helping Mexican coffee growers earn a just wage to support their families.

Thank you!



<u>A Farewell Reception for</u> <u>Sr. Pat Millen, OSF</u>

Saturday, March 2, 6:00 – 7:30 PM (after the 5:00 Mass) O'Malley Hall

Sister Pat Millen, OSF, who has been a member of the parish since 2010, will be relocating in March to Pennsylvania to work with the Chester Community Coalition

which provides emotional support for children suffering from homelessness and trauma. While in Spokane, she has been involved in a variety of social justice ministries, both at the parish and in the Spokane community. At the parish, Sr. Pat has served on the Immigration Committee, the Caring for Creation Committee, as a facilitator for JustFilms, but most know her best as a lector -- at the Saturday, 5:00 Mass and at holy day celebrations.

Sister Pat will be honored at an Open House on Saturday, March 2 from 6-7:30 in O'Malley Hall. Join us in thanking her for all she has contributed to our parish and our community. **Reflections from El Salvador**



Six parishioners recently visited our Sister Community in the Bajo Lempa region of El Salvador. Each one will share a reflection of their experiences.

In the midst of our pilgrimage to El Salvador and our immersion into the injustices and corruption present, it was a wonderful reprieve to hear of the scholarship program (Beca) initiated and administered through the Sisters of Providence, several of whom live in the small communities.

The scholarship program is donor funded. The Sisters include regular formation classes on personal development, as well as social and



political issues. We attended the Sunday liturgy that celebrated the start of a new semester. We gathered outdoors with more than 90 students and their families, who benefit from the scholarships. The presentation of the gifts was very moving, as individual students came

Beca Mass

forward holding aloft a backpack, a notebook, a living plant, and finally a basket containing their scholarship letters. At the end of the mass, the students were individually called forward to receive their scholarships. Several spoke of their experience and their gratitude for the opportunity to attend either high school, a technical school, or university with their scholarship money.

Following Mass, a number of students spoke to us, trying out their English, and expressing gratitude for our presence. Of course, the event was followed by a delicious meal, with help from many of the students.

In the midst of challenges in El Salvador, the scholarship program is a concrete way to help bring about change. I was grateful to hear, see, and celebrate what the Sisters of Providence are accomplishing, and to understand better how donations can make a difference, no matter how small.

~ Deb Miciak



Karen, Colleen, and Deb

Thank you and Blessings, Sr. Pat!

ABOUT TOWN

GIVE AND RECEIVE RETIREMENT VOLUNTEER CLUB

(through Catholic Charities)

By joining this group, you will never serve alone, but alongside others who are in a similar stage of life. We focus on building community through service. **PICK UP A FLYER AT THE DOORS OF THE CHURCH** First meeting is February 27th

ST THOMAS MORE ALTAR SOCIETY ANNUAL LUNCHEON AND CARD PARTY

Tuesday, March 12th, 11:30-3:00 Gather your players and grab a table! Cost is \$10, pay when you arrive. Check in starts at 11:15. Reserve your table by March 6th. Call Pat at 509-466-7358.

IMMACULATE HEART RETREAT CENTER March and April Retreats

For more information or to register: WWW.IHRC.NET or (509)448-1224

Holy Week Retreat - March 28 - 30 Fr. Roger Keeler

Astronomy Retreat - Faith, Science, and Beauty in the Stars - April 26 - 28 Brother Guy Consolmagno, SJ "The Pope's Astronomer"

SPECIAL EVENTS

Remembering Fr. Armand Nigro, SJ Thursday, April 18th, 8:30-4:00 No cost

An Evening Under the Stars: A Deluxe Dinner with Dessert and a Cosmic Conversation Thursday, April 25th, 5:30-9:00pm with Brother Guy Consolmagno, SJ

A Special Lenten Fast

Give up hard words:

use generous words. Give up unhappiness:

take up gratitude.

Give up anger:

take up gentleness and patience. Give up pessimism:

take up hope and optimism.

Give up worrying: take up trust in God. Give up complaining: value what you have. Give up stress: take up prayer. Give up judging others:

discover Jesus within them.

Give up sorrow and bitterness: fill your heart with joy. Give up selfishness:

take up compassion for others. Give up being unforgiving:

learn reconciliation.

Give up words:

fill yourself with silence, and listen to others.

(Anonymous, Latin America)

