

# 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.

**Dec 22nd**  
**4th Sunday**  
**of Advent**

*"There is no danger if our prayer is without words or reflection because the good success of prayer depends neither on words nor on study. It depends upon the simple raising of our minds to God, and the more simple and stripped of feeling it is, the surer it is."* - St. Jane Frances de Chantal, *Wisdom of the Saints*

## CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 22, 2024

### TUESDAY DECEMBER 24 - CHRISTMAS EVE

NO MORNING MASS

5:30pm Christmas Caroling at St. Aloysius

6:00pm - CHRISTMAS EVE MASS at St. Aloysius

- Intention for Parishioners of St. Aloysius

9:00pm - CHRISTMAS EVE MASS at St. Theresa



### WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 25 - CHRISTMAS DAY

9:00am MASS at St. Aloysius - Intention for Parishioners of St. Aloysius



### THURSDAY DECEMBER 26 - NO MASS

NO Adoration and No Confessions

### SATURDAY DECEMBER 28 - 4:00pm MASS

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

SUNDAY DECEMBER 29- 10:30am MASS - Intention for + Pat Stallbaumer

NO Religious Education



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

When you are traveling you can find Mass times across the US at [masstimes.org](http://masstimes.org)

## MINISTRY SCHEDULES – The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

### Saturday December 28, 4:00pm MASS

**Lector:** Dolores Korb

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Dick Santner, Ruth Santner, Beth Williams

**Server:** Dennis Noll

**Offertory Procession:** Joe and Kitty Grote

### Sunday December 29, 10:30am MASS

**Lectors:** Knights of Columbus

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Knights of Columbus

**Server:** Knights of Columbus

**Ushers/Greeters:** Knights of Columbus

**Offertory Procession:** Knights of Columbus

### ST. ALOYSIUS PRAYER WARRIORS

*pray for the needs of others.*

*Send requests to Carol Kahler*

[kckahlerfamily@gmail.com](mailto:kckahlerfamily@gmail.com)

*or Call or text 785-221-9787*

**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 Bright, Janice Long, Chris Wells and Tony Thomas.



**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](mailto:barb@myseymours.com)

**HOW ARE WE DOING? END OF FISCAL YEAR TO DATE 7/1/24- 6/30/25**

Weekly Regular/Children's/Plate (week of Dec 14 & 15)	\$ 3,040.00	YTD Regular Plate -	\$ 81,804.84
Weekly Other Income & Bazaar (week of Dec 14 & 15)	\$ 65.00	YTD other income -	\$ 23,414.05
(Does not include extra parochial collections or donations to specific agencies i.e. God's Storehouse etc.)			
Weekly Income Adjusted for	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 3,105.00</b>	<b>YTD Income</b>
			<b>\$ 105,218.89</b>
new budget amount 2024/2025	Weekly Income Needed	\$ 3,550.00	Income Needed
			\$ 89,200.00
Thank you!!!	<b>Difference</b>	<b>\$ - (445.00)</b>	<b>Difference</b>
			<b>\$ 16,018.89</b>






**BUILDING FUND**

Previous Weeks YTD Donations	\$14,290.00	End of June Building Fund Balance -	\$61,101.61
Weekly Income (week of Dec 14 & 15)	\$ 25.00	July, August, September Donations	\$4,720.00
YTD Building Fund Donations	\$14,315.00		
*Building Fund Projected balance is Updated Quarterly.		End of June Balance -	\$ 65,821.61
YTD Funds are for the fiscal year.		Reserve (new updates TBD)	
		Projected Balance -	\$ 65,821.61

 <p><b>ST. ALOYSIUS RELIGIOUS EDUCATION</b> DRE Linda Smith 766-1616 <a href="mailto:staloyiusdre@gmail.com">staloyiusdre@gmail.com</a></p>	 <p><b>High School YOUTH GROUP</b> 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays</p>
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**Sundays 9:15-10:15am**  
**December 22 & 29 - NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**Watch for updates on Dec./Jan. Events!**  
**Text 785-249-1303 to add your # for updates**

<p><b>I N T H E P A R I S H</b></p>	 <p><b>Giving Manger</b> – Help prepare the crib for Jesus. Take a piece of straw &amp; add it to the manger for each good deed done for others during the week.</p>	 <p><b>HELP CREATE A CEREAL CHRISTMAS TREE</b> by bringing in boxes of cereal over for God's Storehouse.</p>
	 <p><b>Christmas Schedule</b> <b>Christmas Eve</b> <b>Tuesday December 24</b> 5:30pm Christmas Caroling 6:00pm Mass at St. Aloysius 9:00pm Mass at St. Theresa</p>	 <p><b>Knights of Columbus</b> December Knight &amp; Family of the month - Sean Casey &amp; Family Next meeting January 5th, at 7 pm.</p>
	<p><b>Christmas Day - Wednesday December 25</b> 9:00am Mass at St. Aloysius</p>	 <p><b>St. ALOYIUS IS ON FACEBOOK!!!</b> Search "St. Aloysius Church Meriden,KS" Or find a link at <a href="http://staloyiusinmeriden.org">staloyiusinmeriden.org</a></p>
	 <p><b>Upcoming Schedule Changes</b> No Daily Mass Dec. 24, 26, 31 No Adoration &amp; Confessions Dec 26 &amp; Jan 2 <b>Solemnity of Mary Masses – Holy Day of Obligation</b> Dec 31: 6pm at St. Aloysius, Jan 1: 8:30am at St. Theresa</p>	<p>St. Aloysius on <b>FORMED:</b> 1) Go to Formed.org 2) Click Sign up 3) Select "I belong to a Parish" 4) Select St. Aloysius/St. Theresa</p>

**New Year Spiritual Reflection & Planning Retreat, Christ's Peace House of Prayer** 22131 Meager Rd. Easton. Fri., Jan 10th at 5:30pm – Sun., Jan 12th at 4:30pm – Take time to reflect on what matters most in life, prioritize the most important things first. The retreat will allow ample time for you to work on your plan; we will provide resources & ideas. There are conferences, spiritual direction, Adoration, Mass, Confession & time for prayer, reflection & walking. Please bring your own personal items for the process such as: bible, notebook, agenda, journal, catechism, laptop, etc. Cabins/Courtyard Rms: \$180 Single/\$270 Couple or Single Guest Rms: \$110 (Meals Included). To attend, fill out the Individual Retreat Form at [ChristsPeace.com](http://ChristsPeace.com) or call 913.773.8255.

Registration for the **2025 Life Giving Wounds retreat** is now open! A retreat for adult children (18+) of divorced, separated or never-married parents. This peer-led weekend includes talks, optional small group & 1on1 discussion, adoration, Mass & Reconciliation. Jan. 17-19, Kansas City, at Savior Pastoral Center: Jan 17: 6pm - 9pm, Jan. 18: 7:30am - 8:30pm, Jan 19: 8am - 3:15pm -\$225 (Commuting), -\$365 (single rm), -\$325each (dble rm- Must register with roommate) Register at <https://archkck.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2449819> For info on scholarships or ?'s email Brad DuPont at [bdupont@archkck.org](mailto:bdupont@archkck.org)

Archdiocesan March for Life DC Adult Trip – Jan 22-25, 2025 For more information and to reserve a room in the Archdiocesan block of hotel rooms, visit <https://archkck.org/national-march-for-life>.