



ST. ALOYSIUS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Lion's Roar: December 12, 2022

From Love and Logic: *“What memories do you treasure from the holidays of your youth? I sit here trying to remember the cool gifts I received and the spectacularly entertaining things we did as a family. I don’t remember much about the stuff—or the entertainment. I do remember the people.*

The greatest holiday gift we can give our kids is the gift of limits—mostly limits on ourselves and the other adults in our lives. The limits we set with ourselves mostly involve curbing the natural inclination to do the impossible—make the holidays a perfect experience for everyone. We all know what happens when we attempt to make everyone happy.

The true meaning of the holidays lies in the connections we make with our families and with others in our communities throughout the season. These relationships are an invaluable part of all our lives. Cherish your relationships and create truly joyful memories this holiday season.”

“Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory.”

Important Dates:

Tuesday, December 13	5th Grade Nativity Play; 6:30pm; in Church
Thursday, December 15	6th Grade Retreat
Friday, December 16	Christmas Accessories may be worn
Monday, December 19	<u>No Aftercare</u>
Mon., Tues., December 19-20	<u>No Buses</u>
December 15, 16, 19, 20	7th/8th Grade Exams
December 15, 16, 19, 20	7th/8th Grade Early Dismissal
Tuesday, December 20	<u>PreK-6th Grade- No School</u>
Wednesday, January 4	Students return to school
Monday, January 16	No School- MLK Holiday

CAFETERIA: Please ensure that all outstanding cafeteria balances are paid in full no later than 12/20/22. Payments may be made via the myschoolbucks.com portal, check or cash. If you choose to send funds with your student, they must be in a sealed envelope with your student’s name and grade. If you require assistance regarding your student’s cafeteria balance, please contact Emily Upton at eupton@aloysius.org or aloysiuscafe@cnpbr.org.

ADVENT: Third Week of Advent- This is the week of JOY. We light two purple and one pink candle on our Advent wreaths. This week, we celebrate Gaudete Sunday. Literally translated

from Latin, the word “gaudete” means “rejoice.” This mid-Advent celebration offers us a short timeout to stop, catch our breath, and refocus on the joy and purpose of the season. The rose-colored candle and vestments we see for this week only during Advent certainly provide a sign for us. (*Susan Hines-Brigger | Catholic News Service*)

Please view the school website for Advent resources. This includes daily prayers and faith actions for each day of the week. You can also find symbols to cut out and use on your family's Jesse Tree.

FIRST GRADE CLASS MASS: Parents of 1st graders are welcome to attend mass on Wednesday, December 14 at 8:15 am. You may sit with your children. The ushers will assist you in finding your child's class seating area. Please be in Church by 8:10 so that mass can begin promptly. Ms. Lisa Moore's homeroom is facilitating the mass. It is not necessary for 1st graders to wear mass uniforms to Grade Level masses.

FOOD BANK: The Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank would like to express how grateful we are of your generous donation of **760 pounds** of food which is equivalent to **634 meals! This brings your yearly total to 5,390 pounds of food which is equivalent to 4,492 meals!** We are so blessed and humbled by the continued support of the gracious community that we call home. It is donors like you that make a tremendous impact in the fight against hunger. Thank you for joining us in that fight!

MIDTERM EXAM SCHEDULE – DECEMBER 2022

7th Grade: Students should be picked up in Carpool D on Stuart near the church office:

Thursday, December 15: Math – 9:30 Dismissal (Don't forget to bring a calculator)

Friday, December 16: Religion and Social Studies – 10:50 Dismissal

Monday, December 19: Science and English– 11:15 Dismissal (Pajama Day and caroling)

Tuesday, December 20: Reading – 9:15 Dismissal

8th Grade: Students should be picked up in the Administration Building Lot off Mimosa.

Thursday, December 15: Math – 9:30 Dismissal (Don't forget to bring a calculator)

Friday, December 16: Science and Reading– 10:50 Dismissal

Monday, December 19: English and Social Studies– 11:15 Dismissal (Pajama Day and caroling)

Tuesday, December 20: Religion – 9:15 Dismissal

COMMUNITY COFFEE LABELS: The deadline to submit Community Coffee labels is Monday, December 19.

THANK YOU: We would like to thank our vision screening committee volunteers for their time and skills at our recent vision screening of the 1st, 3rd, 5th and 7th graders. Thank you to the St. Aloysius staff and volunteers that allowed for a successful screening: Erin Allen, Lindsey Aucoin, Lindsey Bonaventure, Kristen Bourgue, Melanie Callicott, Kristi Culpepper, Leslie Edwards, Courtney Giglia, Allison Hoffpauir, Nancy Hupperich, Marguerite Istre, Julia Laplace, Anne Stronger, Carly Thames, Lizzie Vargus, Gabi Ward, Katherine White, and Lauren Wilson. We could not have done it without your help!

"Suicide, the Unspoken 'S'...No Longer a Secret"

Wednesday, December 21
 Gathering at 5:30 PM
 Presentation at 6:00 PM
 St. Aloysius Parish Hall

Open to the public, but intended for an adult audience only. RSVP requested to prepare refreshments/snacks:
twaggenspack@staloyusparish.com
 or
 (225) 343-6657 ext. 16



Facilitator: Rev. David Allen

The evening will include witness from one who has attempted suicide.

LIONS IN ACTION:

Boys' Basketball Developmental League:

<u>WED. DEC 14TH</u>				
SITE	GAME 1 @ 5:45	GAME 2 @ 6:30	GAME 3 @ 7:15	
OLOM	OLOM(J) VS STM (3)	OLOM(W) VS ALOY(W) (5)	OLOM(B) VS ALOY(R) (5)	
ALPH	ALPH(W) VS GEO(F) (4)	ALPH(B) VS GEO(D) (4)	ALPH VS ALOY(B) (5)	
<u>THUR. DEC 15TH</u>				
SITE	GAME 1 @ 5:45	GAME 2 @ 6:30	GAME 3 @ 7:15	
ALOY	ALOY(B) VS CPC (3)	ALOY(B) VS CPC (4)	ALOY(L) VS ALPH (5)	
JUDE	JUDE(B) VS ALOY(R) (4)	JUDE(W) VS ALOY(BK) (5)	JUDE(B) VS ALOY(G) (5)	
<u>SAT. DEC 17TH</u>				
SITE	GAME 1 @ 9:00 AM	GAME 2 @ 9:45 AM	GAME 3 @ 10:30 AM	GAME 4 @ 11:15 AM
ALOY	ALOY(W) VS OLOM(W) (4)	ALOY(R) VS OLOM(B) (4)	ALOY(B) VS OLOM(J) (4)	ALOY(L) VS ELIZ (4)
GEO	GEO(W) VS ALOY(W) (3)	GEO(GN) VS ALOY(R) (3)	GEO(D) VS ALOY(B) (3)	GEO(F) VS MBS(M) (3)
			GAME 5 @ 12:00 NOON	GEO(BK) VS MBS(W) (3)

Boys' Basketball Varsity League:

12-12-22	Dunham	Home	6,7,8	545, 630, 715
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SEEKING COACHES FOR GIRLS ON THE RUN: Girls on the Run (3rd-5th) provides a place for girls to grow, connect, and shine! Help bring GOTR back to the girls at St. Aloysius. Do you have a passion for volunteerism, healthy habits, goal setting, and female empowerment? You just might be the perfect fit for a #GOTR coach! No running or coaching experience is required. Our coaches unlock confidence through thought-provoking conversations, an intentional curriculum, and movement-based games. Please know that GOTR will need to be facilitated off campus. Interested in learning more or have any questions? Visit www.girlsontherunsola.org/coach or email cate@girlsontherunbr.org

Girls on the Run coaches
transform lives

COACHES NEEDED!

Teams meet twice a week for 75-90 minutes. No running or coaching experience required. We provide all the training and materials so you feel comfortable and confident as a coach.

For more information, email cate@girlsontherunbr.org or sign up today at www.girlsontherunsola.org/coach



Please Join the St Aloysius 5TH Graders

*As they prepare for the birth of Christ during the
Advent season with their presentation of*

“The Nativity”

December 12th- 8:15 a.m. for students
December 13th- 6:30 p.m. for families and friends

St. Aloysius Catholic Church

The mission of St. Aloysius School is to educate the whole child in the Catholic tradition for a life of meaning and purpose.