

Lion's Roar: January 23, 2023

Parents,

Each year in conjunction with Catholic Schools' Week, individual schools name a Distinguished Graduate to be honored. We are proud to announce this year's recipient from St. Aloysius School is **Dr. Randall Plaisance**. He is the President and Veterinary Clinician at Castaway Animal Clinic P.C. in Auburn, Alabama. Randall's local and global community service distinguish him as an exemplary St. Aloysius graduate. In addition to Randall's extensive professional commitments, humble demeanor, commitment to his Catholic faith and family, he has gone above and beyond to give back to others in his community.

In addition to many awards and distinctions over the years, Randall led multiple teams to Venezuela focusing on sharing Christ love through animal husbandry, zoonotic disease education and childhood education. Dr. Plaisance helped develop Anawim which was a partnership with a youth ministry in Uganda. He spent time in Uganda with Fr Michael Senfuma developing soccer programs for Ugandan children. He assisted in fundraising and developing long term programs to support the youth ministry in Uganda and also developed programs aiding families in improving their livestock and sharing livestock with neighboring families. Dr. Plaisance also taught fourth grade catechesis for 5 years. Additionally, Dr. Plaisance and his wife served as a therapeutic foster home for 5 years.

Please join us in congratulating **Dr. Randall Plaisance** as St. Aloysius School's Distinguished Graduate for the 2022-2023 school year. He will receive his award from Bishop Duca at the Distinguished Graduates Dinner during Catholic Schools' Week!

"Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!"

Important Dates:

Monday, January 23 Tuesday, January 24 Wednesday, January 25 Monday, January 30 February 20-24 Friday, March 10 Monday, March 13 Band Meeting; 6:30pm; Parish Hall 8th Grade Retreat 7th/ 8th Class Mass Re-enrollment due No School- Mardi Gras Holiday PreK-2 No School- Parent Conferences No School for All Students- Teacher Inservice **REGISTRATION FOR 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR:** The re-enrollment deadline is **Monday, January 30**. Remember to email Mrs. Candilora by Jan. 30 if your child is not returning; this allows the spots for new applicants. We are blessed to have so much interest in St. Aloysius School this year. Thanks for your support and word of mouth accolades, as many indicate how happy their friend's children are here at SAS and how impressive the church community is as the reasons they want to enroll their own children.

LOST AND FOUND ITEMS: The Lost and Found has a substantial number of sweatshirts, water bottles, and lunch boxes. For missing items, please check the Lost and Found bin and shelves located in the Old Gym.

SAS CHEER TRYOUTS: Any current 6th or 7th grade girl is welcome to try out for the 2023-2024 7th/8th grade Cheerleading Squad. Tryout material will be taught **Monday**, **March 27th - Thursday, March 30th, from 3-4pm** in the old gym. Tryouts will be **Friday, March 31st**, from 3-4:30pm. Cheerleaders MUST be able to attend summer camp June 5th-8th in order to try out. If you have any questions, please email Amy Perret at <u>aperret@aloysius.org</u>.

THE GREAT KINDNESS CHALLENGE: January 23-29 kicks off The Great Kindness Challenge. The Great Kindness Challenge is a week-long program dedicated to creating a culture of kindness and compassion in communities worldwide.

To help our students practice kindness and put their compassion into action, they will receive a Great Kindness Challenge checklist. Pre and K students will receive the Junior Edition.

We will encourage all students to complete as many acts of kindness as possible at school and hope they feel inspired to continue them at home. We have even added a Family Edition checklist so that you too can get in on the fun with your child(ren).

Together, we will lift each other up, cheer each other on, and show the world that KINDNESS MATTERS!

<u>CATHOLIC SCHOOLS' WEEK JANUARY 30-FEBRUARY 3</u> - Catholic schools and parishes use this weeklong event to highlight what's great about Catholic schools. A few reasons to celebrate are:

- Catholic schools continually outperform public and other private schools on national assessment tests, such as the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP).
- Catholic high schools have a 99 percent graduation rate compared to 86 percent of public schools.
- Catholic schools' service programs expose students to different communities of need and service to others, raises their social awareness and helps to build a better society.
- Catholic schools are near the top in national testing in learning outcomes for students receiving free and reduced-price lunch.
- Catholic schools contribute to the common good through financial savings to state and local communities. Based on the average public school per-pupil cost, Catholic schools

save the American taxpayers more than \$22.7 billion a year by not educating those students in public schools.

VOLLEYBALL AND TRACK: The sign up for Volleyball is live on the athletics website next to the Volleyball or you can use the direct link below. The fee for Volleyball is \$110 and will be paid during the online sign up process. If you have not already submitted a Medical History Form please complete it and email it to athletics@aloysius.org. Our tryout dates are still being finalized but will most likely be the 2nd or 3rd week of February. I will send another email when this is finalized. If you or someone you know would be interested in coaching please have them email me at <u>athletics@aloysius.org</u>.

FACTS Volleyball sign up

The sign up for Track and Field is live on the athletics website next to the Track or you can use the direct link below. The fee for Track is \$50 and will be paid during the online sign up process. If you have not already submitted a Medical History Form please complete it and email it to athletics@aloysius.org. Track practices are tentatively set to begin the week of February 27th. If you or someone you know would be interested in coaching please have them email me at <u>athletics@aloysius.org</u>.

FACTS Track Sign Up

ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE: We sincerely thank all those who are joining together to support the children of SAS through our Annual Appeal and iGiveCatholic Campaign.

For more information about the Annual Appeal and online donations, please visit the Development page on our website: <u>https://www.aloysius.school/annualappealbrochure</u>. The following donors are graciously acknowledged for their recent gifts as of 1/19/23.

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LIONS IN ACTION: Boys' Basketball:

**ALL JV AND DEV LEAGUE NIGHT GAMES 5:45, 6:30, AND 7:15--VARSITY AT 5:45, 6:30, AND 7:30 **WHEN ONLY TWO GAMES ARE PLAYED, GAMES ARE AT 6:00 AND 7:00 (6:45 FOR DEV LEAGUE) **SATURDAY GAMES ARE AT 9:00 AM, 9:45 AM, 10:30 AM, AND 11:15 AM **SUNDAY GAMES ARE AT 1:00, 1:45, 2:30, AND 3:15

Mon,	Jan 23rd			
ALOY	ALOY VS JUDE (6)	ALOY VS JUDE (7)	ALOY VS JUDE (8)	
Tues	, Jan 24th			
HF	HF VS ALOY(L) (3)	HF VS OLOM(J) (4)	HF VS STM (7)	
RSG	RSG VS ALOY(L) (5)	RSG VS ALOY(R) (6)	RSG VS ALOY (8)	
ALOY	ALOY(G) VS STM(N) (5)	ALOY(W) VS GEO(W) (6)	ALOY(W) VS GEO(D) (7)	
Wed,	Jan 25th			
SH	SH VS ALOY(B) (3)	SH VS ALOY(B) (5)	SH VS ALOY (7)	
MBS	MBS(W) VS ALOY(W) (5)	MBS(M) VS ALOY(R) (5)	MBS VS OLOM(J) (7)	
ALOY	ALOY(R) VS GEO(W) (6)	ALOY(R) VS GEO(G) (7)	ALOY(R) VS GEO(D) (8)	
Thurs	s, Jan 26th			
HF	HF VS OLOM(J) (3)	HF VS OLOM(G) (4)	HF VS ALOY(B) (5)	
ALOY	ALOY(W) VS THER(W) (4)	ALOY(R) VS THER(R) (4)	ALOY(L) VS JUDE(W) (4)	
Fri, J	an 27th			
OLOM	OLOM(G) VS MBS(W) (3)	OLOM(N) VS MBS(M) (3)	OLOM(J) VS ALOY(B) (3)	
SJV	SJV(B) VS ALOY(W) (4)	SJV(B) VS STM(GD) (5)	SJV(R) VS STM(N) (5)	
ALOY	ALOY(W) VS OLOM (6)	ALOY(W) VS OLOM(W) (7)	ALOY(R) VS OLOM(B) (7)	
Sun,	Jan 29th			
ALOY	ALOY(W) VS GEO(BK) (3)	ALOY(R) VS GEO(F) (3)	ALOY(B) VS STM (3)	ALOY(L) VS SFX (3)

CHEER CLINIC:

The Catholic High School Cheerleaders will be hosting cheerleader clinics on Sunday, March 5 and Sunday, March 12 from 1:00 pm until 3:00 pm. The clinics are open to all girls in first through fifth grades. The cost to attend a clinic is \$25 per girl and includes a t-shirt and snack. Please register at **mychs.catholichigh.org/cheer/clinic** or you may contact Jennifer Thibodeaux or Carey Lauret at chscheer@catholichigh.org. The registration deadline is February 8, 2023.



Sunday, March 5 or Sunday, March 12

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Performance for parents at 3:00 p.m.

Catholic High School Gym

Cost - \$25 Includes a t-shirt and snack



Register by Wednesday, February 8 at https://mychs.catholichigh.org/cheer/clinic



Create a kinder world.

Take a week, a month or a year. Have fun and complete as many acts of kindness as you can. Your Kindness Matters!

Kind Acts

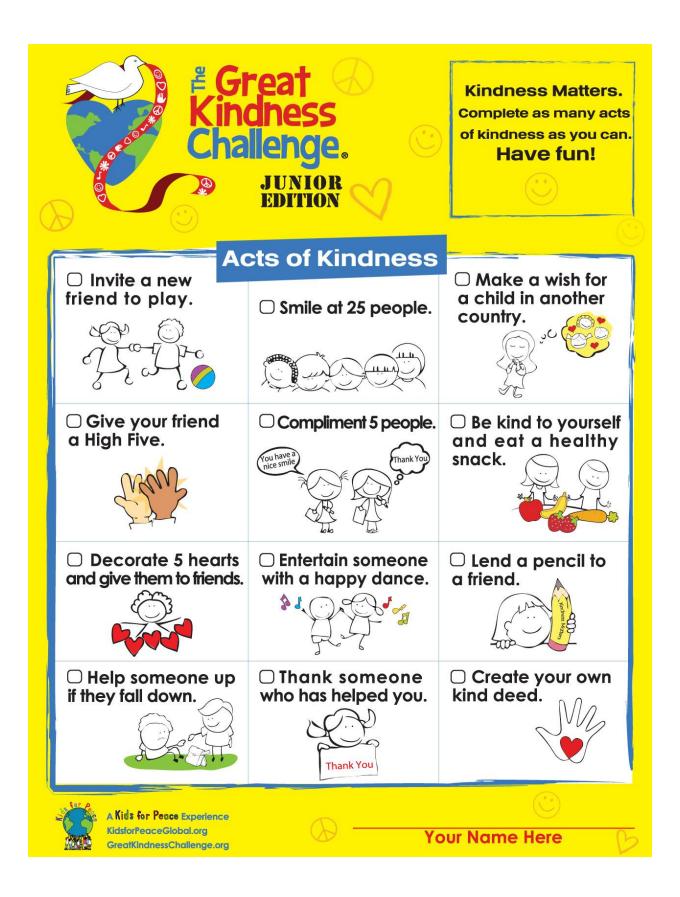
- □ Smile at 25 people
- Take a treat to your local firefighters
- Do a household chore without being asked
- **Donate something to an animal shelter**
- Read a book to a younger child
- □ Make a thank you card for your librarians
- Entertain someone with a happy dance
- Create a family gratitude jar
- □ Cheer for every player on both teams
- Deliver a special gift to a child in the hospital
- Make a new friend or welcome a new neighbor
- Send a card or gift to a military family
- Walk or pet an animal but ask first!
- Go a full day without complaining
- $\hfill\square$ Hold the door open for someone
- Learn to say "Thank you" in a new language
- Embrace your family with a big hug
- Teach something to a younger sibling or friend
- Write or draw a loving note for someone
- Make and display a "Kindness Matters" sign
- Raise funds and donate to your favorite cause
- Watch the sunrise or sunset together
- Breathe, stretch and think a happy thought
- Cut out 10 hearts and leave them on 10 cars

- Thank a bus driver
- Leave a flower on someone's doorstep
- **Be kind to yourself and eat a healthy snack**
- **Call your grandparents or esteemed elder**
- Walk or bike instead of driving
- □ Say "Thank you" to a police officer
- Bake cookies and share with your neighbors
- Say "Good Morning" to 5 people
- **D** Pick up and recycle trash in your neighborhood
- Take a family walk outside
- Draw a heart in the sand or dirt
- Write a thank you note to your mail carrier
- Make a wish for a child in another country
- Volunteer in your community
- Say "Hi" to someone who looks sad
- U Write a happy message with sidewalk chalk
- Paint a kindness rock and randomly place it
- Share food with someone who is hungry
- Sincerely compliment 5 people
- Post a positive message on social media
- Let someone go ahead of you in line
- Help plant a garden
- Reflect on kindness you witnessed during the day
- Create your own kind deed



#GreatKindnessChallenge www.greatkindnesschallenge.org







Your Kindness Matters!

We challenge you to complete as many acts of kindness as you can in one week. Have fun and smile big knowing that you are changing the world for good!

Kind Acts

- □ Smile at 25 people.
- □ Slip a nice note in your friend's backpack.
- Compliment 5 people.
- Pick up 10 pieces of trash on campus.
- Make a new friend.
- Tell a joke and make someone laugh.
- Be kind to yourself and eat a healthy snack.
- Learn something new about your teacher.
- Draw a picture and give it to someone.
- Help a younger student.
- Give a KIND handshake to greet a classmate.
- Recycle your trash.
- □ Hug your friend.
- Pick up trash outside your school.
- □ Cut out 10 hearts & give them to friends.
- Entertain someone with a happy dance.
- □ Make a kind poster for cafeteria helpers.
- Show appreciation to a counselor or mentor.
- □ Say "good morning" to 15 people.
- Design a thank you for the PTA/PTO.
- □ Make a wish for a child in another country.
- □ Say "thank you" to a crossing guard.
- Invite a new friend to play/hang out with you.
- Send a thank you to your superintendent.
- Offer to help your custodian.

- Sit with a new group of kids at lunch.
- Read a book to a younger child.
- Give an apple or a note to your teacher.
- □ Step up for someone in need.
- Make and display a "KINDNESS MATTERS" sign.
- Carry your friend's books.
- Help your PE teacher with the equipment.
- □ Make a bookmark for a friend.
- □ Hold the door open for someone.
- Pat yourself on the back.
- □ Thank a bus driver or carpool driver.
- U Write a thank you on a bandage for the nurse.
- Listen to your teacher the first time.
- U Whisper "thank you" to the librarian.
- □ Help someone up if they fall down.
- Lend a pencil to a friend.
- Learn to say "hello" in a new language.
- Bring a flower to the office staff.
- Show appreciation to your principal creatively.
- □ Help your teacher with a needed task.
- □ Be on time for school.
- □ Say "thank you" to a volunteer.
- Give your friend a high five.
- A Make a friendship gift for someone new to you. Create your own kind deed.



GreatKindnessChallenge.org 🕈 KidsforPeaceGlobal.org



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ST. ALOYSIUS KREWE!

ALOYSIUS PARISH

Help spread the St. Aloysius pride and support the auction by ordering the St. Aloysius float to come to your house!

VISIT WWW.STALOYSIUSAUCTION.NET

The auction is Saturday, February 4th at 7 pm Students can wear auction shirts to school on **Friday, February 3rd**



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