Saint Aloysius Gonzaga Parish

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Our Bless

Dear Parishioners,

I am happy to present you with this year's Parish Annual Report titled *thanks*GIVING for Our Blessings. I am so thankful for the blessings that the Lord has bestowed upon our faith community.

Among our many blessings, let me begin with the youth of our parish, the next generation of Christ's disciples, the future of our Church. Currently, we are working on a new and innovative curriculum for faith formation to transmit the faith through unforgettable experiences that move our children toward the Holy Spirit.

Our blessings include numerous impactful ministries in our parish that engage many volunteers who reach out to the sick, the poor and the elderly. Please read through our ministry listing and consider becoming part of this transformative work. We can always use more help!

Let me also mention devotions and fundraisers which serve to support the parish and to foster a sense of joyous community spirit while always supporting our mission to grow in faith and service.

You are truly a blessing to our parish. Thank you for attending Mass, praying with us and supporting our community through your generous donations. The next time you visit Saint Aloysius, we invite you to spend some quiet time at our Padre Pio Shrine, enjoy the beautiful landscaping around the grounds – including our newly landscaped firepit – or stop by our social hall, where we have recently updated the kitchen appliances and wiring.

Now I am asking you, with prayerful consideration to your current financial situation, to make a year-end gift to our parish to show your gratitude to God for the good work being done here. Or if you are able, perhaps you will increase your weekly or monthly offertory as a show of thanks for the blessings God has bestowed upon you.

For your convenience, we've included a GIVING QR Code. By scanning it, you can easily enroll in online giving, increase your weekly offertory or make a year-end gift. Of course, traditional check and cash donations are always deeply appreciated as well.





GIVING QR Cod

Saint Aloysius Gonzaga Parish Annual Report 2024 Yours in Christ, Father Paul Lisik

Become an Intentional Disciple

Enter into a deeper relationship with your fellow parishioners by attending one of these upcoming events:

- October 24 Prayer and Perfect Pairings, Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. A five-course meal and wine pairings with recipes from Bishop Larry J. Kulick, Father Christopher J. Pujol, Father Andrew J. Hamilton, Father John Torres and Father Daniel E. Carr; proceeds benefit Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg (tickets: DioceseofGreensburg.org/PrayerandPerfectPairings).
- December 7 Breakfast with Saint Nicholas, 9:30 AM, Saint Agnes Parish, North Huntingdon. Free event with brunch, photos with Saint Nicholas, an art project and a show about cultural versions of Saint Nicholas (details available in November: DioceseofGreensburg.org).
- December 14 Christmas Night Market, 2-9 PM, Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. Food and craft vendors, cards, gift and décor booths, 4 PM Mass with Bishop Larry J. Kulick and the Diocesan Youth Choir, artist Pipka Ulvilden with her Blessed Mother and Nativity creations, Christmas cookies, and wine tastings (details: ChristmasNightMarket.org).



Parish Financials	2023-24	2	022-23	2	021-22
Offertory	\$ 264,299	\$	246,101	\$	231,724
Other Ordinary Income (monthly collections, votive candles)	3,062		3,882		2,426
Extraordinary Income* (bequests, donations, fundraising, interest, rental income)	60,926		50,512		115,131
Diocesan Lenten Appeal Refund	1,221		2,059		1,780
Other Non-Assessable Income (The Catholic Accent, sale of property, insurance reimbursements and PPP Loan)	1,107		1,219		1,517
Special Collections	9,669		7,727		11,747
Total Income	\$ 340,284	\$	311,500	\$	364,325
Expenses					
Administration	\$ 77,937		\$ 73,971		\$ 78,344
Church	13,077		25,941		18,488
Rectory	10,239		12,649		13,444
Education and Ministry	44,399		48,417		50,891
General Expenses	131,635		125,850		133,541
Special Collections	9,669		7,727		11,747
Extraordinary Expenses	16,637		68,429		31,298
Total Expenditures	303,593		362,984		337,753
Net Operating Income (Loss)	\$ 36,691	\$	(51,484)	\$	26,572

Our Parish by the Numbers:



2024: 319 2023: 321 2022: 316

Registered Households









Households that Give

219

Households that Don't Give

New to Our Parish



Father Craig Alexander became a new Parochial Vicar to Connellsville on June 17. He grew up in Highspire, Pa., and went to the First United Methodist Church, where he came to know God and believe in Jesus. He enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1979, where he spent the next 13 years without practicing

faith. He received an associate degree from Harrisburg Area Community College and worked for PennDOT for 20 years. While attending RCIA classes, he began discussions about becoming a priest, which caused him to pray and ask God if He was calling him to be His priest. He entered Holy Mother Church in 2005, then entered the seminary in 2018 and was ordained a Catholic priest of the Diocese of Greensburg on June 1, 2024.

Giving With Gratitude



We are excited to showcase our GIVING QR Code. By scanning it, you can easily enroll in online giving, increase your weekly offertory or make a year-end gift. Traditional check and cash donations are always deeply

appreciated as well. You can visit our website, stop by in person, or mail your gift.





Mary Allison is our new Regional Director of Faith Formation, Connellsville-Mount Pleasant Region, covering eight parishes. She was born and raised in Burke, Va., and majored in history and religious studies at The College of William and Mary, graduating in 2014. She worked for the Department of Defense after graduation, then became a nanny in New Zealand. While working toward her Master of Arts degree at Duke University, which she

received in 2018, she became a part-time youth minister at Saint Catherine of Siena Parish in Wake Forest, N.C. She became Director of Catechetical Ministries at Saint Patrick Parish in Anchorage, Alaska, in 2020, then worked as a Director of Religious Education at Saint Ann Parish in Midland, Texas. She arrived in the Diocese of Greensburg in November 2023.

If you have not met them yet, please be sure to say hello after Mass!



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IN PERSON: Monday - 9:00 AM - NOON Tuesday - 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM Thursday - 9:00 AM - NOON Friday - 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

ONLINE: Youghcatholic.org

Our Ministries:

- Greeters
 Ushers
 Lectors
 Altar Servers
 Music Ministry
 Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist
 Catechists and Youth Group Ministers
 Money Counters
 Communion Ministers to the Homebound
 Children's Liturgists
 Art and Environment
 Ladies of Charity
 Altar Rosary Society
- Fundraising Committee

We really do need volunteers to support our parish, specifically servers, lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, ushers, greeters and catechists. Please call the parish office today at 724-277-4236 so we can walk you through the process of becoming a volunteer.