

## A PRAYER CARD FROM ST ALOYSIUS' COLLEGE



### An invitation to Prayer in the face of COVID-19

Let us remember our patron, St Aloysius,  
who, in the face of the plague, remained gracious.  
He continued to serve the sick in peace with courage,  
And restored dignity to those scarred by the pest's scourge.

So let us not be fenced in by panic and fear,  
when unsettling events come to interfere.

Let them not cause distress or undue stress,  
when disruption startles, barging as the unwanted guest.

Instead, to the Spirit of God, let us raise our gaze:

'O Giver of life, who in Genesis, creates order from chaos,  
Dispel our confusion, heal our infirm, call our dead to new life.  
Breathe freedom to our world, choked, narrowed by disease.

Be with us, O Holy Spirit,  
expand our hearts, your faithful people;  
And awaken in us, the passion of your Divine Love.

Send us your liberating Spirit,  
That new life may be ours;  
And inspire us to renew the face of our frightened world.

-Fr Nico Lariosa SJ