

## SAINT ALOYSIUS GONZAGA

- *learning from his life how to become a dynamic Catholic* –

1. From Father Martin's book what did you learn about the life of Saint Aloysius Gonzaga that you never knew before?
2. What were the foundation stones/the building blocks of St. Aloysius Gonzaga's spiritual life?
3. In the introductory statement (page 331), what does Father Daniel Berrigan mean when he says that St. Aloysius is "*enormously more complex*" than we originally think?
4. On page 336, Father Martin says "to me he (SAG) has been a great hero". Why/how does St. Aloysius Gonzaga become a hero to Father Martin? To you?
5. Page 339 – "Sometimes I think that one reason we begin praying to a saint is that the saint has already been praying for us." Any idea what Father Martin means? How does it apply to his relationship with SAG? To your relationship with SAG or another Saint(s)?
6. So far we have reflected on the lives of Joan of Arc, Therese of Lisieux, Thomas Merton, Ignatius of Loyola, and Pedro Arrupe. What do these people have in common with SAG? How do they differ?
7. In what ways does Saint Aloysius Gonzaga help you on your personal journey towards becoming a more "dynamic Catholic"?

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