

St. Alphonsus - St. John Catholic Church

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Sacramental Life

Eucharist

St. Alphonsus- Sundays at 8:30am
Saturday Vigil at 5:00pm
Holy Days- 7:00 pm
St. John- Sundays at 10:30am
Holy Days- (Vigil) 7:00pm

Reconciliation

St. Alphonsus- Saturdays from 4:15-4:45
Anytime by appointment
St. John- Anytime by appointment

Baptism

St. Alphonsus- Third Saturday of the month following parent preparation class. Contact the office 2 months prior.
St. John- Third Sunday of the month following parent preparation class. Contact the office 2 months prior.

Matrimony

St. Alphonsus & St. John- Contact the parish office 6 months before the wedding.

Funeral & Other Emergency

St. Alphonsus & St. John- Contact the parish office 24 hours a day

July 5, 2015

MASS
INTENTIONS 

**“My grace is sufficient for you,
for power is made perfect in weakness.”**

I don't know about you but I can be pretty arrogant at times. I like to think I know everything about a lot of things. But constantly I am reminded that indeed I am not the almighty and there is no way I could know all that I think to know, and sometimes I bluster through and continue to believe in my own infallibility. This was the illness of the people of Nazareth. They thought they knew everything about Jesus. You can hear it in their retort, “Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary.” They in their arrogance could not see what was truly before them. We too fail to see what God has placed before us. What then is our hope? Paul very clearly tells us of the great things that God had done for him, and would proudly boast of his strength and wisdom, but he was aware of a crippling weakness of which he was ashamed. Many would hide this and arrogantly display their supremacy. Paul though takes a different course. He proclaims his weakness so that the Glory of the Lord might shine through him to announce the good things God had done. We can be stubborn and rebellious believing in our own divinity or we can acknowledge our weaknesses. Then through our weakness we can proclaim the mighty deeds of the Lord, for he accepts us regardless of our sins, forgives us and empowers us to do His Will throughout all creation. Let us not be afraid and trust that what God has promised indeed he will do.

J. Bell

Second Collection next weekend

Next weekend in both Parishes we will take up a collection for the Maintenance Funds. Remembering the other needs of the parish, please consider what you can give to maintain our plants for this generation and the generations yet to come.

**Vacation
Time**

The parish office will be closed July 6 - July 10

July 6 Monday	NO MASS
July 7 Tuesday 7:30 am	FOR: Sis Gray BY: Sarah and Chris Collins
July 8 Wednesday 7:30 am	FOR: Neilene Sally Alward BY: Bernice Reed family
July 9 Thursday 7:30 am	FOR: Ed Kerkemeyer BY: Tonya Ballard and family
July 10 Friday	NO MASS
July 11 Saturday 5:00 pm	FOR: Lance Kuhnline BY: Family
July 12 Sunday 8:30 am	FOR: Faye Klingler BY: Susie Matsche



Ayden Martin, Bobbie Ulrich, Tim McNear, Michelle Miller, Jamie Jumper, Dale Rimbey, Richard Alward, Lynn Phelps, Mike Beer, Mike Reno, Lyn Miller, Kathy Risley, Mark Price, Nancy Quirk Stinnet, Delmar Sandage, Nancy Scharfenberg (sister of Kim Vinyard), Brayden Granda, Brooke Patton, Steven Ahrens, Lawrence and Adele Albert, Kathryn Weiner, Michele Bryant, Lynn Turner, Rhonda Pruitt, Mitch Bryant, Patty Carpunky (cousin of Jan Rimbey), Mike Gibbons (son in law of Cal Vonnahmen), Harold Becker (brother of Pat Pohlman), Tammy Rosentreter, Don Keil, Dolly Grube, Edna Plogger, Forrest Randolph, Ella Curry, Lisa Mosby, Robert Logan, Freda Rae Maher, Shirley Vinyard, Bob Plogger, Trista Golike, Theresa Beaver, Denise Horton, Dave Drasnin, Phyllis Plogger, Georgie Riddle, Gene Wayman, Jewel Wayman, John Wolff. We pray that God may grant them strength and courage.

LITURGICAL ROLES

St. Alphonsus

	July 11 Saturday 5:00 pm	July 12 Sunday 8:30 am
Servers	Timothy Mizerski	James Brockway Maria Berry
Lector	Donna Mizerski	Grace Berry
E. Min.	J. Beilsmith L. Beilsmith B. Huebener G. Huebener	C. Huebener F. Huebener S. Allen K. Vinyard
Gift Bearers	Bill Huebener family	Ushers
Ushers	B. Huebener L. Goss	C. Huebener M. Allen

Due to early bulletin deadline, contributions will be listed next week.

THE SHAPE OF THINGS

We cannot help conforming ourselves to what we love.

MILITARY MASS

Sts. Peter and Paul in Alton would like to invite everyone to a Military Mass which is held at 6:00 pm on the third Monday of each month. This includes veterans, families of veterans, living or deceased, and active military and their families. If you have an active military member, they ask that you bring a picture and they will display it on the altar during the mass. The next mass will be held Monday, July 20. For questions, you can contact Kris Kline at krisandjohnkline@yahoo.com.



American Red Cross blood drive will be held at the St. Alphonsus CLC on Friday, July 17, 2 - 7 pm.

LITURGICAL ROLES

St. John

	July 12 Sunday 10:30 am
Lector	J. Schaefer
E. Min.	M. Schaefer E. Reed P. Reed
Gift Bearers	The Schaefer family
Ushers	C. Reed M. Schaefer



July 12
Sunday
10:30 am

FOR: All deceased members of the Tonsor, Schmidt and Denby families
BY: Ed and Maxine Tonsor

FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST

Mark's Gospel account today is built on a double astonishment or amazement: the neighbors and family of Jesus are astonished that he taught in the synagogue with wisdom and worked powerful signs. Jesus, in turn, is amazed that they have no faith in him because they know his origins, not because of any fault with his teaching or ministry. As with many of Mark's passages, we get a rather intimate glimpse here of the human part of Jesus' two-fold nature. To reinforce his point, Mark tells of Jesus' return to his native place, and further points out that he is in the midst of his own family members there. From the very people he expected the most, Jesus received the least. In the day of the Gospel's writing, Mark was attempting to illustrate a lesson to the house of Israel: the God of the covenant expected the greatest faith from the house of Israel, but often received the least. This is a good source for reflection on our part, we who are Jesus' followers today. For the wisdom of Christ to continue and for our lives to be seen as signs of his power, he must expect and be able to find great faith among us. Will he? Can he? Does he? Or is he, once again, amazed by its absence?