

St. Alphonsus - St. John Catholic Church

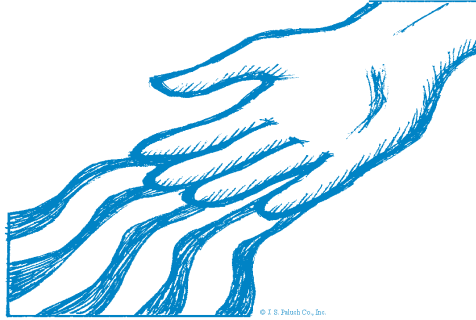
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St. Alphonsus

St. John

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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 26, 2015

MASS INTENTIONS 

**“Gather the fragments left over,
so that nothing will be wasted.”**

Jesus gives to us so completely that we will never go without. We then are called to be just as generous with what we have received. The people who sat at the table could have held onto what they received so that they would have enough, but trusting that Jesus would fulfill what he promised they passed on what they had once taking what they needed. Paul exhorts us to do the same. We are called to take care of one another for we are made one in Jesus Christ. What then can we do, giving at Church is a duty that we must attend to. We have been blessed by God and should be just as generous with God’s Church. But it does not end there, we are called to service in our Parish and in our local community. We are in need of servers, lectors, and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion. In this way you are helping out your brothers and sisters here in Church and in the Church that cannot be with us. Let us not then leave what must be done to others but take what we have been given in abundance and share it with the world.

Time away for Surgery

As I announced this weekend I will be off for some needed surgery from August 10th until at least August 30th. Please keep me in your prayers that the surgery goes well and my recovery is swift and complete.

J. Bell

RUMMAGE SALE

**St. Alphonsus/St. John PSR will be having a
RUMMAGE SALE
Friday, Oct. 2 and Saturday, Oct. 3**

More information will be available at a later date

July 27 Monday	NO MASS
July 28 Tuesday 7:30 am	FOR: Neilene Sally Alward BY: Bernice Reed family
July 29 Wednesday 7:30 am	FOR: Shirley Hook BY: Marimore McKee
July 30 Thursday 7:30 am	FOR: Bernardine Huebener BY: Tom and Ruth Brouster
July 31 Friday	NO MASS
August 1 Saturday 5:00 pm	FOR: George McNear BY: Mary McNear
August 2 Sunday 8:30 am	FOR: Ed Kerkemeyer BY: Tonya Ballard and family



Justin Means, Ayden Martin, Bobbie Ulrich, Tim McNear, Michelle Miller, Dale Rimbey, Richard Alward, 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

	August 1 Saturday 5:00 pm	August 2 Sunday 8:30 am
Servers	Emily Wolff	Maria Berry Emily Berry
Lector	Jane Diestelhorst	Grace Berry
E. Min.	L. Miller M. Miller B. Klunk J. Beilsmith	J. Highfill M. Masterson G. Walden J. Hanneken
Gift Bearers	Ushers	K. Walden family
Ushers	M. Miller B. Klunk	K. Walden M. Allen

Where your treasure is,
there your heart is also.
MATTHEW 6:21

Regular	\$2,146.00
Loose	\$131.00
Total Collected	\$2,277.00
Total needed to meet budget 7/6-7/12	\$2,295.55
Deficit for week	-\$18.55

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Sooner or later, as they plan their wedding liturgy, a couple will receive some advice about a "unity candle." They need one, they are told (at great expense); it is a tradition; it is what Catholics have always done. Not so. In the last thirty years or so, the custom has enjoyed wide popularity in the United States. It has never been officially part of our liturgy, and it exists in tension with some of our core symbols. Usually there are two smaller candles and one larger one to be lit from the smaller. Large candles in our tradition always mean Christ, and smaller ones are always tokens of our baptismal candle. If the candles are meant for a kind of renewal of baptismal vows, then the meaning is clearer, yet this is seldom the understanding. Why, then, are those smaller candles extinguished?

It's hard to tell where these pesky candles came from. Some suggest that the Presbyterian Church, which has a very lean wedding liturgy, introduced them as an option for extending a short service. Generally, it's been experienced as a "photo opportunity" rather than a genuine liturgical ritual. The "unity candle," a recent invention rather than an authentic tradition, has not been approved as an adaptation to our rite, and it is to be hoped that it will gradually disappear from view.

LITURGICAL ROLES

St. John

	August 2 Sunday 10:30 am
Lector	M. Alward
E. Min.	M. Alward K. Alward C. Alward
Gift Bearers	The Halder family
Ushers	K. Alward C. Alward

Mass Intentions

August 2 Sunday 10:30 am	FOR: Don Burch BY: Mary Burch and sons
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God's Plan For TITHING Church Support

Regular	\$900.00
Loose	\$55.00
Total Collected	\$955.00
Total needed to meet budget 7/6-7/12	\$842.94
Surplus for week	+\$112.06

ST. JOHN ALTAR SOCIETY SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST

Vestments: Joan Reno
Cleaning: MaryJo Nixon and Joanie Schaefer

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