

# St. Alphonsus - St. John Catholic Church

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	<b><u>St. Alphonsus</u></b>	<b><u>St. John</u></b>
<b>Religious Education:</b>	Chastity Brockway	
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<b>Altar Society President:</b>	Donna Mizerski	

**Diocesan Child Abuse Reporting and Investigation Number (217) 321-1155**

## **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

August 9, 2015

MASS  
INTENTIONS 

**“I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.”**

God has given a gift, that fulfills the deepest needs of our being, but are we willing to receive it? Jesus the living bread which we celebrate in the Eucharist is that gift. When we receive him we are forever transformed, or are we? We certainly should be but so often, like Elijah we are so weary that we think nothing can save us. But Jesus continues to reach out to us extending his very life that we might be redeemed. We then should be transformed and like Paul tells us leave behind all those attributes of lust, anger, jealousy that sin would impose upon us. What then if we continuously fall in these areas? The Lord presents himself to us and tells us Eat, and Drink so that we might be strengthened for the journey that lies before us. We are not called to be perfect, but to be perfected. We are perfected by receiving the grace of the Eucharist allowing it to take root within us fulfilling the core needs of our life. Thus we are made ready for life everlasting.

<b>August 10 Monday</b>	NO MASS
<b>August 11 Tuesday 7:30 am</b>	Communion service
<b>August 12 Wednesday 7:30 am</b>	Communion service
<b>August 13 Thursday 7:30 am</b>	Communion service
<b>August 14 Friday</b>	NO MASS
<b>August 15 Saturday 5:00 pm</b>	FOR: Edwarda Kallal BY: Ron and Karen Saale
<b>August 16 Sunday 8:30 am</b>	FOR: Bob Cairns BY: Mike and Sherry Allen

### Surgery News

Monday, I will be having surgery over at Barnes West. Please keep me in your prayers.

*J. Bell*



*From Death  
to New Life*

Your prayers are requested for the soul of Adele Albert, mother of Colette Miller. “May the angels lead you into paradise; may the martyrs come to welcome you and take you to the holy city, the new and eternal Jerusalem.”



Fr. Bill, Justin Means, Bobbie Ulrich, Tim McNear, Michelle Miller, Dale Rimbey, Richard Alward, Mike Beer, Mike Reno, Kathy Risley, Nancy Quirk Stinnet, Delmar Sandage, Nancy Scharfenberg (sister of Kim Vinyard), Brayden Granda, Brooke Patton, Steven Ahrens, Lawrence 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 15 Saturday 5:00 pm	August 16 Sunday 8:30 am
<b>Servers</b>	Isabelle Wolff	Emily Berry Kaylyn Holtorf
<b>Lector</b>	Tammy Wolff	Glenda Walden
<b>E. Min.</b>	T. Wolff D. Mizerski P. Schetter M. Miller	S. Allen M. Masterson J. Hanneken J. Highfill
<b>Gift Bearers</b>	Ushers	Ushers
<b>Ushers</b>	M. Miller T. Wolff	K. Walden B. Gray

*Where your treasure is,  
there your heart is also.*

MATTHEW 6:21

Regular	\$2,345.00
Loose	\$206.00
Total Collected	\$2,551.00
Total needed to meet budget 7/20-7/26	\$2,295.55
Surplus for week	+\$255.45
Marquette	\$133.00

## THE BEGINNING OF EVERYTHING

Everyone recognizes the truth of good proverbs, and so they endure from generation to generation. The Russians have a surprisingly bold one that fits this Sunday's Gospel: "Bread is the beginning of everything."

Judging from the first reading, Elijah might have felt that it was too late for bread - too late for life itself. This great prophet was at the end of his rope and endurance. Then, not one, but two angels visit him. One offers food and drink. The other gives startling directions. For Elijah, this food from the angels is bread for his journey. On the strength of the heaven-sent gift of food, he walks to the mountain of God.

In today's Gospel, Jesus offers himself, not just as bread for the journey, but as bread for life itself. He gives his flesh as life for the world. "I am the bread of life" (John 6:48). He is the beginning of everything.

### Bethalto KC's Scholarship Program

Buffet chicken dinner Sunday, August 16 11 - 2 pm

Adults \$10 Children \$5 (5 - 10 years old)

Dinner served in OLQP school gym

# LITURGICAL ROLES

## St. John

	August 16 Sunday 10:30 am
<b>Lector</b>	K. Wilson
<b>E. Min.</b>	P. Tonsor D. Longmeyer L. Longmeyer
<b>Gift Bearers</b>	J. Wheeler M. Loy
<b>Ushers</b>	P. Tonsor C. Bierman

## Mass Intentions

<b>August 16 Sunday 10:30 am</b>	FOR: Robert Kahl BY: Bob and Peggy Cheney
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## God's Plan For TITHING Church Support

Regular	\$914.00
Loose	\$80.00
Total Collected	\$994.00
Total needed to meet budget 7/20-7/26	\$842.94
Surplus for week	+\$151.06

# Luncheon

St. John's ladies will enjoy a luncheon on August 11 at Mulligan's in Jerseyville. Pre-registration is required - sign up sheet is in the back of the church.

## MAKE DEPOSITS

Friendship is like a bank account. You can't continue to draw on it without making deposits.

## 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