

St. Alphonsus - St. John Catholic Church

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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 4:30-4:55
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

January 5, 2020



LIGHT OF THE WORLD

Epiphany can be understood as an extension of the Nativity of the Lord that we celebrate on December 25. While at Christmas we celebrate Jesus' coming as the long-awaited king and Messiah of the Jewish people, on Epiphany we celebrate the revelation that Jesus is the Savior and Light of all nations—Jews, Gentiles, and all people.

The star shines so brightly that it attracts magi who come from far distant countries to worship Jesus. They are not Jews, yet they are drawn to the Light of the world. The letter to the Ephesians reveals that the Light of the world was for the Gentiles as well as the Jews—Christ gathers all people into the light of his love. The reading from Isaiah also describes a gathering of diverse peoples, but this time it is to the light that emanates from the people of God.

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SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON (1774-1821)

Feast Day: January 4

Born into a wealthy Episcopalian family, Elizabeth married William Seton, whose untimely death in Italy where the young family sought healing for William's tuberculosis, left her, at twenty-nine, a widow with five children. Inspired by the faith and charity of the Italian family with whom they stayed, Elizabeth embraced Catholicism despite her family's disowning her and ceasing financial support. This woman of many firsts (and several vocations) opened the first free Catholic school, beginning the American Catholic educational system, and founded the first American religious community for women, the Sisters of Charity. The tuberculosis that claimed her husband took also her oldest and youngest daughters and, finally, at just forty-seven, Elizabeth herself.

Another first: in 1975 she was canonized the first native-born American saint. Once asked to summarize her spirituality, she replied: "Faith lifts the staggering soul on one side, hope supports it on the other, experience says it must be, and love says let it be!"

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St. Alphonsus

January 6 Monday 7:30 am	FOR: Deceased of the Korte family BY: Mary Korte family
January 7 Tuesday 7:30 am	<i>People of the Parish</i>
January 8 Wednesday 7:30 am	<i>People of the Parish</i>
January 9 Thursday 7:30 am	<i>People of the Parish</i>
January 10 Friday 7:30 am	<i>People of the Parish</i>
January 11 Saturday 5:00 pm	FOR: Deceased of the Hentrich family BY: Mary Korte family
January 12 Sunday 8:30 am	FOR: Eugene Papes BY: Junior & Donna Davis

St. John

January 12 Sunday 10:30 am	FOR: Delores Alward BY: Kevin & Jessica Alward
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The Epiphany of the Lord January 5, 2020

They opened their treasures
and offered him gifts
of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

— Matthew 2:11b



LITURGICAL ROLES

12/22 St. Alphonsus

Regular.....	\$2,338.48
Loose.....	\$475.00
Total Collected.....	\$2,813.48
Needed to meet budget 12/16 - 12/22.....	\$2,822.58
Deficit for week.....	-\$9.10
ACSA.....	\$208.00
Catholic Children's Home.....	\$60.00
Maintenance.....	\$20.00

12/22 St. John

Regular.....	\$760.00
Loose.....	\$140.00
Total Collected.....	\$900.00
Needed to meet budget 12/16 - 12/22.....	\$1,016.13
Deficit for week.....	-\$116.13
ACSA.....	\$280.00

Collections from 12/29 will be listed in the bulletin next weekend.

Pray For

Jennifer Gravert, Dan Kitzman, Kevin Goss, Dave Pranger, Abel Green, Richard Cox, Joan Cox, Roger Loy, Greg Green, Rachel Muffley Huddelston, Jacquelyn Howser, Angie Stassi, William Swarnes, Mary Hurd, Lindell Thompson, Geneva Quirk, Sher Lyerla, Bobbi Ulrich, Sherry Tuttle, Brantley Noble, Patricia Alward Johnson, Alice Greeling, Michael Lemons, Ronald Bellitto, Mabel Grace Rench, Zoe Kienstra, Ben Howell, Theresa Mayhall (sister of JoAnn Wheeler) Charlie Wolff, Jessie Highfill, Linda Partridge, Joan Kerkemeyer, Marilyn Rose, Deborah Olney, Peggy Kahl, Allen Garrett, Mary Cambron, Paul Griffin, Frank McDowell, Carroll White, Ed Tonsor, Sandi Ozee, Scott Beilsmith, Kane McCauley, Gene Miller, Cliff Woodson, Minnie Richards, Ron Hicks, Jeremy Hawkins, Mark Golike, Anna Mae Mills, Dan Kallal, Pat Schetter, Michelle Miller, Mike Reno, Kathy Risley, Nancy Quirk Stinnet, Brayden Granda, Steven Ahrens, Lawrence Albert, Patty Carpunky (cousin of Jan Rimbey), Mike Gibbons (son in law of Cal Vonnahmen), Don Keil, Dolly Grube, Forrest Randolph, Ella Curry, Lisa Mosby, Shirley Vinyard, Bob Plogger, Trista Golike, Denise Horton, Phyllis Plogger, Georgie Riddle. We pray that God may grant them strength and courage.

St. Alphonsus

	January 11 Saturday 5:00 pm	January 12 Sunday 8:30 am
Servers	Ava Ballard	Maria Berry
Lector	Jane Diestelhorst	Glenda Walden
E. Min.	B. Huebener G. Huebener L. Miller L. Beilsmith	G. Walden C. Huebener F. Huebener S. Allen
Gift Bearers	Bill Huebener family	Ushers
Ushers	B. Huebener T. Wolff	K. Walden C. Huebener

St. John

	January 12 Sunday 10:30 am
Servers	C. Geisler O. Alward
Lector	K. Wilson
E. Min.	D. Longmeyer D. Longmeyer D. Longmeyer
Gift Bearers	J. Wheeler M. Loy
Ushers	D. Longmeyer D. Longmeyer

