

St. Alphonsus - St. John Catholic Church

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	<u>St. Alphonsus</u>	<u>St. John</u>
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Altar Society President:	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 4:30-4:55
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

March 1, 2020



STRENGTH AGAINST TEMPTATION

The first Sunday of the season of Lent always includes a Gospel account of the temptation of the Lord Jesus in the desert by the devil. This year, the story is set against the backdrop of the first reading from Genesis, which recounts the very first temptation by the devil. That story is set in a garden of delight. The Gospel story is set in the desert. As believers, we know that temptation comes our way in our own gardens of delight, as well as the deserts of our lives. As Lent begins, our attention is drawn to that temptation within each of us to become like God—we want control, power, and answers to all of life’s difficult questions. As communities of faith, we are given this season of repentance so that we can join our hearts with others on the difficult journey of conversion. We look to God and to one another for strength against temptation.

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SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL (1858-1955)

Feast Day: March 3

Born into Philadelphia society, Katharine was an infant when she lost her mother. Her father remarried and the couple taught their daughters that their wealth was a “gift on loan” to be shared with the poor, whom they fed and cared for in their home. Invited by priest friends to witness firsthand the destitution on Native American reservations, Katharine resolved to devote her inheritance to this apostolate and enter a contemplative order. When, however, in private audience, she begged Leo XIII to send missionaries to staff the schools she was building, the pope replied, “My child, why not become a missionary yourself?” Katharine renounced a twenty-million-dollar fortune and founded the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, adoring Christ present in the Eucharist and ministering to Christ suffering in victims of racial discrimination. Her Sisters established over sixty schools nationwide, including Xavier University, New Orleans, the first dedicated to professional education for African Americans. In 2000, John Paul II canonized “Mother Drexel,” praising her “excellent example of practical charity and generous solidarity with the less fortunate, long the distinguishing mark of American Catholics.”

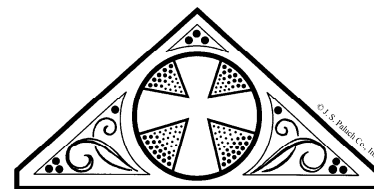
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St. Alphonsus

March 2 Monday 7:30 am	<i>People of the Parish</i>
March 3 Tuesday 7:30 am	<i>People of the Parish</i>
March 4 Wednesday 7:30 am	<i>People of the Parish</i>
March 5 Thursday 7:30 am	FOR: Susan C. McNamara BY: Deacon Bill & Pat Kessler
March 6 Friday 7:30 am	<i>People of the Parish</i>
March 7 Saturday 5:00 pm	FOR: Kimberly Ulrich BY: The Ulrich family
March 8 Sunday 8:30 am	FOR: Krissy Little BY: Mike & Sherry Allen

St. John

March 8 Sunday 10:30 am	FOR: Maxine Tonsor BY: Kevin & Jessica Alward
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**First Sunday of Lent
March 1, 2020**

“The Lord, your God, shall you worship
and him alone shall you serve.”

— *Matthew 4:10*



**2/23
St. Alphonsus**

Regular.....\$2,271.00
 Loose.....\$218.00
 Total Collected.....\$2,489.00
 Needed to meet budget 2/17 - 2/23.....\$3,017.24
 Deficit for week.....-\$528.24
 Church in Central & Eastern Europe.....\$20.00
 ACSA.....\$135.00

**2/23
St. John**

Regular.....\$862.00
 Loose.....\$68.00
 Total Collected.....\$930.00
 Needed to meet budget 2/17 - 2/23.....\$1,086.21
 Deficit for week.....-\$156.21
 Food Pantry.....\$20.00
 ACSA.....\$312.00

Pray For
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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, 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, 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, Mike Mohr, Carolyn Hernandez, Rita Ortman, MaryAnn Pranger. We pray that God may grant them strength and courage.

LITURGICAL ROLES

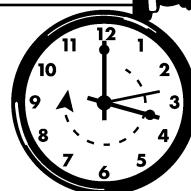
St. Alphonsus

	March 7 Saturday 5:00 pm	March 8 Sunday 8:30 am
Servers	Adult Volunteer	Amelia Walden
Lector	Gayle Huebener	Sher Lyerla
E. Min.	B. Huebener G. Huebener L. Miller D. Mizerski	G. Walden A. Berry M. Masterson S. Lyerla
Gift Bearers	Ushers	D. Huebener family
Ushers	B. Huebener S. Wolff	A. Berry D. Huebener

St. John

	March 8 Sunday 10:30 am
Servers	C. Geisler O. Alward
Lector	K. Alward
E. Min.	P. Tonsor D. Longmeyer L. Longmeyer
Gift Bearers	J. Wheeler M. Loy
Ushers	P. Tonsor B. Muffley

Set Clocks Ahead 



Daylight Saving Time begins Sunday, March 8.
Be sure to set your clocks forward 1 hour.