

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.

April 12, 2020



SEEDS OF FAITH

There is a brevity, a certain terseness, in the scripture readings for Easter Sunday. Peter's speech in Acts is built of direct, pointed sentences. Paul's letters are based on straightforward creed-like statements. Even the Gospel story only briefly recounts what will turn out to be one of the most remarkable events in human history—the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. Advertising agents call these encapsulated points of information “bullet points.” Scripture scholars call them *kerygmata*, or “kernels” of our faith. Actually, “kernels” or “seeds” are good terms for these statements, since throughout the Easter season, we will hear in the Acts of the Apostles, the Letters of Paul, and the Gospel accounts of the days following the Resurrection exactly how these *kerygmata* began to flower, how they continued to grow through the life of the early church. May these Easter “seeds” of faith serve a similar purpose for us, too, so that the life of the Risen Christ will flourish in us and through our witness in the coming days.

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BIRTHDAY WISHES

Edith Maher celebrated her 100th Birthday on Saturday, April 4th.

Edith (Blumstein) Maher was born in Woodburn to Charles and Katherine Blumstein in 1920. She married William L. Maher on October 31, 1944. They were together 44 years before he passed away. Edith is the mother of Patricia (Louis) Johnson of Shipman, Teresa Lahr of Brighton, Tim (Lisa) Maher of Brighton, Kathleen (Don) Reed of Greenville, Regina (Steve) Bellitto of Medora, and Rita Scanlon of Brighton.

If you would like to wish her a Happy 100th Birthday, cards can be mailed to:

Edith Maher
Cedarhurst of Greenville
1200 Harris Ave., Apt.#7
Greenville, IL 62246

What a wonderful way to shine a light in our community, during these difficult times.

St. Alphonsus

April 18 Saturday 5:00 pm	FOR: Marie Millitello BY: Frank Millitello family
April 19 Sunday 8:30 am	FOR: The Children & Grandchildren of David & Lisa Longmeyer BY: David & Lisa Longmeyer

Please visit our website to watch the LIVE stream of each private mass said by Father Bill on Saturday and Sunday at St. Alphonsus Church.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35
Thursday: Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48
Friday: Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27a; Jn 21:1-14
Saturday: Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-21; Mk 16:9-15
Sunday: Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

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**4/5
St. Alphonsus**

Needed to meet budget 3/30 - 4/5.....\$2,889.78

**4/5
St. John**

Needed to meet budget 3/30 - 4/5.....\$1,040.32

OFFERTORY GIFT

Amid the many concerns currently facing us, please also remember that your parish depends on your generosity and support. With the cancellation of masses, our parishes have lost offertory collections that are essential to pay staff and bills for the maintenance of our churches. If you are able to, please consider mailing your regular offertory gift to our office, during this unprecedented time. For those with internet access, you can find links to tithe to our parishes below. Thank you to those who have continued to support the Church in anyway you can.

St. Alphonsus

<https://parishgiving.dio.org/stalphonsusbrighton>

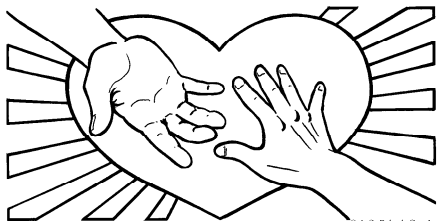
St. John

<https://parishgiving.dio.org/stjohntheevangelistmedora>

Parish Office Hours—Available by Phone

Monday & Tuesday, 8:30am - 4:30pm

Wednesday & Thursday, 8:30am - 11:30am



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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, Karlie Swisher, Rita Ortman, Bill Hurd. We pray that God may grant them strength and courage.

**Easter Sunday
of the Resurrection of the Lord
April 12, 2020**

When Christ, your life, appears,
then you too will appear with him in glory.

— *Colossians 3:4*

REMINDER

If you, or a fellow parishioner, are of the most vulnerable to COVID-19 and need assistance in picking up groceries and other essentials, please contact the parish office. We have parishioners who have kindly offered their help. If you are able and wish to volunteer or contribute in anyway, please also call or email the parish office.