

St. Alphonsus - St. John Catholic Church

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| | <u>St. Alphonsus</u> | <u>St. John</u> |
| Religious Education: | Jane Hanneken/Amanda Allen | |
| Music Coordinators: | Ramona Berry Colette Miller | Stacey Bierman |
| 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.

May 24, 2020



St. Alphonsus

DEVOTED TO PRAYER

Today, as we await Pentecost, we come to the end of the baptismal homily from Peter that we have heard over the past few weeks. This homily was written by a realist who knew the joy and the glory of a Resurrection faith, but also knew that the strength of that faith would be put to the test and tried in suffering. Earlier this year we heard Jesus preach, “Blessed are you when they insult you . . . because of me” (Matthew 5:11) and this is echoed today by Peter. These words are also formed in the image of Christ who prays to the Father in heaven today, a prayer that is placed in John’s Gospel right before Jesus endures his suffering and death. Our awaiting the Spirit, awaiting our mission for Christ means that we are, most likely, awaiting some sort of trial and suffering. We don’t endure the same degree of persecution that Peter and John knew, but each of us has our faith put to the test eventually. And it is for this reason that we, like Jesus and like those faithful followers gathered in the upper room, devote ourselves to prayer.

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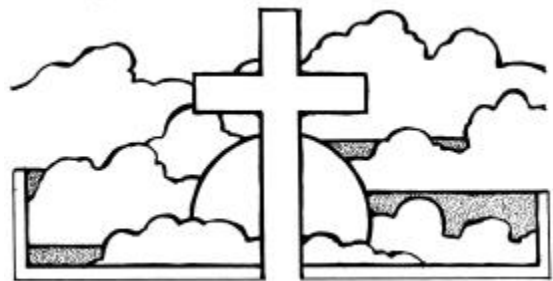
SECOND COLLECTION

Next weekend (May 30-31), on the feast of Pentecost, we will be taking up a collection for the *Retired Diocesan Priests*. Your donation allows us to monetarily thank our retired priests, many of whom continue to offer generous service in any way they are able throughout our diocese. Contributions are greatly appreciated.

Since there will be no in-church collection taking place, please make your donation online at parishgiving.dio.org/second-collections or mail your donation to your parish office.

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| May 30 Saturday 5:00 pm | FOR: Timothy John Millitello BY: Frank Millitello family |
| May 31 Sunday 8:30 am | FOR: Dan & Becky Huebener (40 th Anniversary) |

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.



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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab;
Jn 16:29-33
- Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21;
Jn 17:1-11a
- Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab;
Jn 17:11b-19
- Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11;
Jn 17:20-26
- Friday: Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab;
Jn 21:15-19
- Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7;
Jn 21:20-25
- Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or
Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35,
27-28, 29-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39
Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34;
1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

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**5/17
St. Alphonsus**

Needed to meet budget 5/11 - 5/17.....\$2,822.58

**5/17
St. John**

Needed to meet budget 5/11 - 5/17.....\$1,016.13

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>

Checks may be mailed to 920 N. Main, Brighton

Temporary Office Hours—Available by Phone
Monday & Tuesday, 8:30am - 4:30pm



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.

**Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 24, 2020**

“They have kept your word.”
— *John 17:6b*

RUMMAGE SALE

We are currently accepting donations for the **St. Alphonsus PSR Fall Rummage Sale**—held at the Christian Life Center on Friday, August 28th from 3:00pm to 7:00pm, and Saturday, August 29th from 8:00am to 12:00pm. *If you have any unwanted, gently-used items, please call our office to set up a time for drop-off. (Note: we cannot accept televisions or mattresses).*