

St. Alphonsus

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St. John

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Catholic Churches



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St. Alphonsus

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Parish Website: www.sap-brighton.org

Diocesan Website: www.dio.org

Parish YouTube Channel: St Alphonsus Catholic Church

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.

November 15, 2020



CHANGE OUR LIVES

The letters of Paul to the Thessalonians are among his earliest writings, and are driven by his belief and the belief of the entire early Christian community that the return of Christ was imminent, and that devoting time or attention to anything else was foolish.

As time progressed, this fervor subsided a bit. Today we may wonder, when we hear these readings about the coming end-times, if we should take them to heart, if we really believe that Christ still may come upon us as a “thief at night” (1 Thessalonians 5:2). Does this mean that we are to stop our long-range goal-setting, get rid of our yearly calendars and planners, or stop putting money in the college education fund? Of course not. What it does mean is that we need to change our lives, living like children of the light and illuminating the world around us with the light of the gospel. Then, on that day, when the details of our daily living become unimportant, we will be ready to find our peace and security in Christ Jesus.

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DIOCESAN CAMPAIGN FOR JUSTICE AND HOPE

Diocesan Campaign for Justice and Hope (DCJH) provides financial aid to agencies whose mission is to help the poorest of the poor at our own doorstep (Luke 16:20). Your support and partnership in the DCJH Collection is essential to success. This past June, eighteen organizations throughout the diocese were offered grants from the money you donated to last year's DCJH collection. Through your generosity, all qualified organizations received assistance.

A collection for the DCJH will be taken up the weekend of November 21 - 22. As Catholics, we are called upon to care for the weakest and most vulnerable among us. The Campaign gives all of us an opportunity to help our neighbors in need.

St. Alphonsus

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| November 16 Monday 7:30 am | FOR: Melvin LaBruyere BY: David & Debbie Nolte |
| November 17 Tuesday | No morning mass |
| November 18 Wednesday 7:30 am | FOR: John M. Murphy (anniversary of death, 11/17) BY: Deacon Bill & Pat Kessler |
| November 19 Thursday 7:30 am | FOR: Fr. Donahoe BY: Jean Kramer |
| November 20 Friday 7:30 am | FOR: Joseph J. Kessler, Jr. BY: Deacon Bill & Pat Kessler |
| November 21 Saturday 5:00 pm | FOR: Cal Vonnahmen BY: Mike & Sherry Allen |
| November 22 Sunday 8:30 am | FOR: Edward J. Kerkemeyer BY: Ramona Berry |

St. John

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| November 22 Sunday 10:30 am | FOR: Dominic Gray BY: Jeff & Susie Matsche |
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To attend mass, please visit our online Sign Up Form. Below is the link, which can also be found on the main page of our parish website.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040544ABA72CA3FF2-public>

If you are unable to attend in person, we invite you to visit our website to watch the LIVE stream of each mass said by Father Bill at St. Alphonsus Church.

The dispensation for the Sunday obligation remains in place.



**11/08
St. Alphonsus**

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| Regular..... | \$1,936.00 |
| Loose..... | \$183.00 |
| Total Collected..... | \$2,119.00 |
| All Saints' Day..... | \$35.00 |
| All Souls' Day..... | \$35.00 |
| Needed to meet budget 11/02 - 11/08..... | \$2,916.67 |
| Deficit for week..... | -\$727.67 |
| Maintenance..... | \$355.00 |
| Marquette High School..... | \$25.00 |
| World Mission Sunday..... | \$10.00 |
| ACSA..... | \$25.00 |

**11/08
St. John**

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| Regular..... | \$248.00 |
| Loose..... | \$25.00 |
| Total Collected..... | \$273.00 |
| Needed to meet budget 11/02 - 11/08..... | \$1,050.00 |
| Deficit for week..... | -\$777.00 |
| Maintenance..... | \$195.00 |

OFFERTORY GIFT

During this time, if you are unable to attend mass and will be viewing the YouTube livestream instead, please consider mailing your regular offertory gift to our office. 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 — your generosity is much appreciated!

St. Alphonsus

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

St. John

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

Checks may be mailed to 920 N. Main, Brighton

Office Hours

Available by phone / appointment

Monday — Tuesday, 8:30am - 4:30pm

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

Pray For
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Dan Kitzman, Dave Pranger, Abel Green, Richard Cox, Joan Cox, Roger Loy, Rachel Muffley Huddelston, Angie Stassi, Mary Hurd, Lindell Thompson, Geneva Quirk, Sher Lyerla, Bobbi Ulrich, Sherry Tuttle, Brantley Noble, Patricia Alward Johnson, Alice Greeling, Ronald Bellitto, 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, 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, Patty Carpunky (cousin of Jan Rimbey), Mike Gibbons (son in law of Cal Vonnahmen), Dolly Grube, Forrest Randolph, Ella Curry, Lisa Mosby, Shirley Vinyard, Bob Plogger, Trista Golike, Denise Horton, Phyllis Plogger, Georgie Riddle, Mike Mohr, Karlie Swisher, Bill Hurd, Gary Schell, Carey Keay, Mary Kay Green, Lyn Miller. We pray that God may grant them strength and courage.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 18:35-43
- Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Ps 15:2-5; Lk 19:1-10
- Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 19:11-28, or (for the memorial of the Dedication) Acts 28:11-16, 30-31; Ps 98:1-6; Mt 14:22-33
- Thursday: Rv 5:1-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 19:41-44
- Friday: Rv 10:8-11; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Lk 19:45-48
- Saturday: Rv 11:4-12; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Lk 20:27-40
- Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-3, 5-6; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46

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**Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 15, 2020**

Blessed are you who fear the Lord.
— *Psalm 128:1a*