

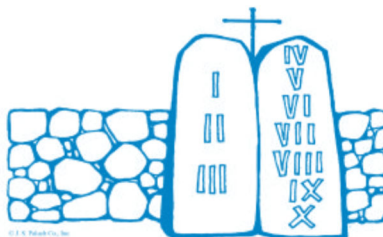
# St. Alphonsus

920 North Main Street Brighton, IL 62012

# St. John

203 North Main Street Medora, IL 62063

## Catholic Churches



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### St. Alphonsus

### St. John

**Religious Education:**

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Ramona Berry  
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**Altar Society President:**

Donna Mizerski

**Parish Website:** [www.sap-brighton.org](http://www.sap-brighton.org)

**Diocesan Website:** [www.dio.org](http://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.

March 7, 2021



**FEAST OF FAITH  
Postures of the Mass**

In the Mass, we pray not only with our lips, but with our bodies as well. We stand when the ministers enter. In Western culture, standing is a sign of attention, a mark of respect: all stand when the judge enters the courtroom, for example. Standing is also an ancient posture of prayer, mentioned frequently in the Old Testament. When the readings begin, we sit down: a listening posture. Mary sat at Jesus' feet to listen to his teaching; the crowds sat on the hillside or the seashore to hear his words. Kneeling is another posture that is full of meaning. It expresses adoration and worship, but it can also express humility and contrition. We bow: a sign of honor and reverence, acknowledging the presence of God, especially when we receive the Eucharist. And there are other ritual gestures as well—striking the breast, genuflecting, and of course making the sign of the cross. The liturgy invites us to pray with our whole person—with heart and mind, voice and body.

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**St. Alphonsus**

<b>March 8 Monday 7:30 am</b>	FOR: The repose of the soul of Charlene Berry BY: Greg Berry family
<b>March 9 Tuesday</b>	<b>No morning mass</b>
<b>March 10 Wednesday 7:30 am</b>	FOR: Emily Berry BY: Berry family
<b>March 11 Thursday 7:30 am</b>	FOR: Bill Leady (deceased) BY: Berry family
<b>March 12 Friday 7:30 am</b>	FOR: Maria Berry BY: Berry family
<b>March 13 Saturday 5:00 pm</b>	FOR: Larry Bray BY: Steve & Regina Bellitto
<b>March 14 Sunday 8:30 am</b>	FOR: Vivian Woll BY: Jane Hanneken

**St. John**

*(said at St. Alphonsus during closure for repairs)*

<b>March 14 Sunday 10:30 am</b>	FOR: Dominic Gray BY: Don & Janet Werts
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**40 DAYS FOR LIFE, GRANITE CITY**

Outside the abortion clinic called Hope in Granite City, 40 Days for Life keeps vigil with peaceful prayer and presence, providing pregnant women with God's love, support, hope, direction, and better alternatives in their decision regarding the blessing God has placed in their womb. Our parish would like to sponsor a vigil for a full day, if we have enough interest.

General information can be found at [www.40daysgc.com](http://www.40daysgc.com), and our coordinator, Jane Hanneken can be reached at **618-420-5537**. If you would like to sign up to keep vigil for a 1-hour time block on another day of your choosing (2/28 - 3/31), Jane can assist with that as well.

*Please note: this is an outdoor event—rain or shine.*

**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.*



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**02/21  
St. Alphonsus**

Regular.....	\$1,172.00
Loose.....	\$195.00
Total Collected.....	\$1,367.00
Ash Wednesday.....	\$127.00
Needed to meet budget 02/15 - 02/21.....	\$3,017.24
Deficit for week.....	-\$1,523.24
Maintenance.....	\$70.00
Catholic Charities.....	\$25.00
Church in Central & Eastern Europe.....	\$155.00

**02/21  
St. John**

Regular.....	\$945.00
Loose.....	\$5.00
Total Collected.....	\$950.00
Ash Wednesday.....	\$5.00
Needed to meet budget 02/15 - 02/21.....	\$1,086.21
Deficit for week.....	-\$131.21
Food Pantry.....	\$50.00

*Collections from 02/28 to be listed in the next bulletin.*

**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

*\* Subject to change.*

# 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, Cindy Klunk, Susie Gable, Edith Maher, Gary Schafer. We pray that God may grant them strength and courage.

## Calendar of Events

March 10	Stations of the Cross	6:30 pm
March 14	Daylight Saving Time begins	

## Set Clocks Ahead



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