

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

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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.

December 5, 2021



**Reminder — MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP
for Adults & Children**

In January of 2022, St. John's members will begin hosting a monthly fellowship that parishioners of both parishes are invited to attend!

We plan to gather immediately following the 10:30am mass, around 11:15am, for a **potluck meal** in the church basement. The event will be approximately one and a half hours in length; ending around 12:45pm.

During the first half of the event—while the adults set up and enjoy the potluck—our mom and dad leaders will be offering the **Little Flowers** & the **Blue Knights** clubs for children ages 5 and up. A number of older children—pre-teen/teens will have the opportunity to be junior leaders. These clubs are entirely Catholic based (endorsed by bishops) and are a fun and interactive way for the children to explore the virtues and earn badges. Please note, these clubs do not replace PSR—which covers the full Catholic Religion curriculum. The clubs are a fun addition for the kids to grow in the virtues by gathering with friends in faith, exploring indoors and out, and working with their hands. Once the children's club activities are completed for the day, they will join their family for the remainder of the potluck.

As soon as we set the date for our January fellowship, an announcement will be shared in the bulletin.

If you would like to sign your child up for one of the clubs, please contact the Parish Office.

Pray For

Dan Kitzman, Dave Pranger, Abel Green, Joan Cox, Roger Loy, Rachel Muffley Huddelston, Angie Stassi, Mary Hurd, Lindell Thompson, Geneva Quirk, 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, Linda Partridge, Joan Kerkemeyer, Marilyn Rose, Deborah Olney, Allen Garrett, Mary Cambron, Paul Griffin, Frank McDowell, Scott Beilsmith, Kane McCauley, Cliff Woodson, Minnie Richards, Ron Hicks, Jeremy Hawkins, Mark Golike, 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, Carey Keay, Mary Kay Green, Lyn Miller, Cindy Klunk, Susie Gable, Edith Maher, Gary Schafer, Aaron Biermann, Marya Davidson, Joshua Hawkins, Steve Arbuthnot, Nelda Schwab, Susie Matsche, Cadyn Oberkfell, Kathy Alward. We pray that God may grant them strength and courage.

St. Alphonsus

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| December 6 Monday 7:30 am | FOR: Anne Hullett BY: Berry family |
| December 7 Tuesday | No morning mass |
| December 8 Wednesday 7:00 pm | Immaculate Conception FOR: Ron Wenzel BY: Bill & Gayle Huebener |
| December 9 Thursday 7:30 am | FOR: Deceased of Hentrich & Korte families BY: Korte family |
| December 10 Friday 7:30 am | FOR: Lauren & Van BY: Berry family |
| December 11 Saturday 5:00 pm | FOR: Sandi Ozee BY: Fr. Raphael Paul |
| December 12 Sunday 8:30 am | FOR: Ron Wenzel BY: The Charles Huebener family |

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| December 12 Sunday 10:30 am | FOR: Melinda Cheek BY: Don & Joan Reno |
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The December Military Mass will be Thursday, December 9th at 6:00pm at Ss. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Alton. Please join in praying for our Military service members, living and deceased, and their families.

DATES TO REMEMBER

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| December 24 | Christmas Eve mass at St. John* | 4:00pm |
| December 24 | Christmas Eve mass at St. Alphonsus | 7:00pm |
| December 25 | Christmas mass at St. Alphonsus | 10:00am |

**Subject to completion of repairs at St. John's, Medora.*



**11/21
St. Alphonsus**

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| Regular..... | \$3,946.00 |
| Loose..... | \$296.00 |
| Total Collected..... | \$4,242.00 |
| Needed to meet budget 11/15 - 11/21..... | \$2,916.67 |
| Surplus for week..... | +\$1,325.33 |
| Maintenance..... | \$90.00 |
| Campaign for Justice & Hope..... | \$95.00 |

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| Regular..... | \$877.00 |
| Loose..... | \$20.00 |
| Total Collected..... | \$897.00 |
| Needed to meet budget 11/15 - 11/21..... | \$1,050.00 |
| Deficit for week..... | -\$153.00 |
| Maintenance (Remodel)..... | \$6,950.00 |
| Food Pantry..... | \$130.00 |
| Campaign for Justice & Hope..... | \$32.00 |

*Collections from 11/28 to be listed in
the next bulletin.*

Please note: loose cash in collections will go toward the church for the mass time you are attending. For example, if you attend the 8:30am mass but want to contribute to St. John's — label your loose contribution for that church.

Please consider mailing your regular offertory gift to our office (920 N. Main Street, Brighton) should you forget to bring it to mass.

For those with internet access, links to tithe to our parishes are listed below. Includes option for automated tithe— simply enter dollar amount and select frequency. A receipt will be emailed to you and the check will be sent directly to our parish office.

St. Alphonsus

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

St. John

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

Thank you to those who have continued to support the Church in anyway you can — your generosity is much appreciated!

eBulletin SIGN UP

If you wish to receive an electronic copy of our bulletin each week, please email the Parish Office with the email address you would like it sent to, and we will add you to the list.

LITURGICAL ROLES

St. Alphonsus

| | December 11 Saturday 5:00 pm | December 12 Sunday 8:30 am |
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| Server | Clayton Allen | Amelia Walden |
| Lector | Lyn Miller | Sher Lyerla |
| E. Min. | D. Mizerski (or volunteer) | F. Huebener (or volunteer) |
| Gift Bearers | Ushers | Ushers |
| Ushers | B. Klunk S. Wolff | C. Huebener A. Berry |

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| | December 12 Sunday 10:30 am |
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| Server | Volunteer |
| Lector | D. Christopher |
| E. Min. | P. Reed |
| Gift Bearers | Ushers |
| Ushers | K. Alward Volunteer |

Office Hours *

Available by phone / appointment
Monday — Tuesday, 8:00am - 4:15pm
Wednesday — Thursday, 8:30am - 11:15am

** Subject to change.*