

# ST. ALPHONSUS ST. PETER

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**PARISH SACRAMENTS**

•**Baptism:** Baptismal preparation class by appointment.

• Please contact office for more information.

•**Weddings:** Make arrangements with pastor at least six months before the wedding date. Dates and times for wedding in both parishes must be scheduled by contacting the pastor.

•**OCIA:** Classes begin mid-Sept for adults wishing to join the Catholic church and/or wanting to enter more fully by receiving the other sacraments. Please contact the parish office to register.

•**CHILD ABUSE REPORTING:** Call Iowa Department of Human Services Child Abuse Hotline: 800-362-2178 and if it involves clergy or church personnel also notify Alicia Owens, the Victim Assistance coordinator, 563-349-5002; vac@diodav.org

**DAVENPORT**

**BUFFALO**

**MASS SCHEDULE**

<b>St. Alphonsus</b>	8:00 AM	Saturday*
	4:00 PM	Saturday
	11:00 AM	Sunday
<b>Holy Family</b>	<b>5:30 PM</b>	<b>First Friday</b>
	4:30 PM	Saturday
	7:30 AM	Sunday
	9:00 AM	Sunday
<b>St. Peter</b>	8:30 AM	Sunday

\*Mass will be held at Holy Family the 3rd Saturday each month



**7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**"As you sent me into the world, so I sent them into the world." - Jn 17:18**

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**MAY. 12TH—7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

# A LETTER FROM FATHER NICHOLAS

## Truth and Mercy series

“This is the will of the Father, that whoever sees the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.” (John 6: 40).

This scripture passage is very apt now that we are in the season of first communion. We can see how our children are so well dressed by parents and prepared by catechists, parents, and religious education directors as well as by priests. They have received instructions on the importance of the Body and Blood of Christ in their faith journey. When Christ the Lord was first born into the world, he was received by shepherds, but definitely by Mary and Joseph. The angels of God also were on hand to receive their **LORD** and God, whom they sang to immediately when he was born, “Glory to God in the highest.” (Luke 2: 14). They saw the child wrapped in swaddling clothes, and lying in a manger but they saw their God in that utter simplicity. (Luke 2: 12). God in his wisdom chose to be hidden in the obscurity of a little infant so that only those who are lowly and humble can find him and worship him.

Going back to the Gospel of John just quoted above, Jesus was reiterating to his followers, disciples as well as apostles, what salvation entails. The will of the Father is that everyone or anyone who “**SEES**” the **SON** and “**BELIEVES**” in him shall have eternal life. What kind of seeing does this entail? What kind of sight is expected of us as followers of the Lord in our time? If we follow the example of the shepherds and the holy angels above, they saw with the eyes of faith and did God homage. This is the kind of faith the magi at the birth of Jesus had and they did him homage. This is how the scripture records it, “They went into the house and when they saw the child with Mary his mother, they knelt down and worshipped him.” (Matthew 2: 11). The magi were astrologers and scientists but “**SEEING**” with the eyes of faith, they knew, this was the **SON** of God. They worshipped him and offered him gifts and treasures appropriate to his status and mission.

The infant wrapped in swaddling clothes is the **SON** of God! The baby in the manger is the infant King Son of God sent to bring us eternal life. The Word of God made flesh in the womb of the Virgin Mary is the **WORD** crucified on the wood of the cross. This is the same person whom the centurion recognized after his crucifixion when he said, “Indeed he is the **SON** of God.” This is the Christ our children receive as they come for their first communion. Jesus will become a part of their lives forever bringing them mercy, healing and protection every moment of their lives. St. Paul has great encouragement for all of us when he said, “for we live by **FAITH** and not by sight.” Our Lord Jesus Christ is hidden in the bread and wine consecrated on the altar by our priests. He is the **ONE** recognized by the angels and shepherds and also by the magi. Do you recognize **HIM** in the **SACRED HOST** as well? How do you prepare yourself to receive him? Do you show him respect, reverence or disrespect?

The will of the Father is that we see and believe, so that we might have eternal life. Anywhere Jesus went in scripture, he always asked if people believe he could perform a miracle before he goes ahead. If there is no belief then no miracles were possible. In Capernaum Jesus said there were no miracles because they do not believe. Do you believe in the **REAL PRESENCE** of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament? Do you believe the same Jesus who performed so many miracles is also present in the **SACRED HOST** in the hands of the priest? Then there must be a change in how to receive him and what to do when he is in my heart and body. Do I offer him thanks and gratitude for coming to my heart and body? Do I offer him my love and adoration, reverence like the magi in the scripture?

Fr. Nicholas Akindele, pastor



**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: ACTS 2:1-11; PSA 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34; 1 COR 12:3B-7, 12-13; GAL 5:16-25**

# PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

## ST. ALPHONSUS – DAVENPORT

Parishioners will have the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Alphonsus on Saturday's at 3 p.m. and at Holy Family on 1st Fridays at 4 p.m. and Sundays at 10:10 a.m.

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR MAY 13–MAY 19

<b>Mon.</b>	8:00	Judith Noah †
<b>Tues.</b>	8:00	L/D Members of the O'Brien & Podhirny Families
<b>Wed.</b>	10:30	Gene Oliver † Public Good Samaritan Mass
<b>Thurs.</b>	8:00	Bill Podhirny †
<b>Fri.</b>	8:00	Staff Sergeant Matt Underwood & His Soldiers
<b>Sat.</b>	4:00	L/D Members of the Williams & Taylor Families
<b>Sun.</b>	11:00	For the People of St. Alphonsus

### LITURGICAL ROLES FOR MAY 19

#### LECTOR

Saturday	4:00 PM	.....Jane Kroening
Sunday	11:00 AM	..... Vickie Stoefen

#### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Saturday	4:00 PM	..... Mary Ann Hagemann, Sharon Williams, Volunteer
Sunday	11:00 AM	..... Vickie Stoefen, Will & Diana Underwood

#### St. Alphonsus Weekly Offering Breakdown 05/04-05/05

Envelopes (Mailed & Offertory).....	\$2251.00
Electronic Giving.....	\$2132.78
Offertory (Loose Checks and Cash).....	\$177.01
Diocesan Collections.....	\$10.00
CRS Rice Bowl Contributions.....	\$23.03
<b>Total Offertory.....</b>	<b>\$4593.82</b>

*Thank you for your support of St. Alphonsus Church!*

### Happy Mother's Day!

St. Alphonsus parish wishes a Happy Mother's Day to all of our mothers and grandmothers! "Thank you, women who are mothers! You have sheltered human beings within yourselves in a unique experience of joy and travail. This experience makes you become God's own smile upon the newborn child, the one who guides your child's first steps, who helps it to grow, and who is the anchor as the child makes its way along the journey of life."

*--Pope St. John Paul II*

### Altar & Rosary Society Food Drive!

The Altar & Rosary Society will be sponsoring a food drive for the month of May. There is a donation box available in St. Clement's Center where nonperishable items can be dropped off. For more information, please reach out to Laura Patton.

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## ST. PETER – BUFFALO

### MASS INTENTION - MAY 19

**Sun.** 8:30 Judy Morgan Stottenberg †

### LITURGICAL ROLES FOR MAY 19

**GREETERS**..... Jennifer Behncke & Family  
**LECTORS**..... Dave Kenney & Jen Hady  
**ALTAR SERVERS**..... Mason Morgan & Carl Kordick

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<b>Sun. May 12</b>	<b>7th Sunday of Easter</b> <b>Mother's Day</b> <b>May Crowning &amp; Mother of the Year/St. Peter</b>
<b>Mon. May 13</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b> <b>Choir Practice/St. Alphonsus</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> <b>Altar &amp; Rosary Meeting/St. Peter</b>
<b>Tues. May 14</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b> <b>Small Faith Group/St. Peter</b>
<b>Wed. May 15</b>	<b>10:30 AM</b> <b>Good Samaritan Mass</b> <b>6:00 PM</b> <b>Adoration/St. Peter</b>
<b>Sun. May 19</b>	<b>Pentecost Sunday</b>

### Congratulations!

To our young parishioners who received their First Communion at St. Peter on Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>:

**Charlie Fox**  
**Chase Harland**  
**Shepard Imborek**  
**Laken Rehn**

We wish a warm and heartfelt Congratulations on this very important step in your journey with Christ! May you always feel the joy of Jesus' love today and every day!

### Birdies for Charity:

Summer is fast approaching and it's time for the John Deere Classic and Birdies for Charity. The JDC runs July 1-7 at the scenic Deer Run course. The Birdies campaign has kicked off! This year Every donation it guaranteed a minimum of a 5% bonus. In addition John Deere covers all of the administrative costs of the program and St Alphonsus receives 100% of pledges received. Please support our parish and submit your completed pledge form and payment as soon as possible. For questions call 563-210-9971.

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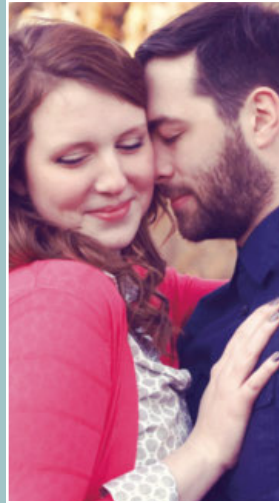
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