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Second Sunday Of Lent • March 13, 2022

From The Pastor's Desk



New St. Joseph Statue and Saturday Daily Mass

Even more good news to report this week. A fellow parishioner



was so happy to see the new statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the Chapel that they volunteered to donate her companion statue of St. Joseph. Be sure to make a visit to the Holy Family in the Chapel soon!

Also, beginning Saturday, March 12, daily Mass will be celebrated every Saturday at 8:00 a.m. in the chapel.

I will be on vacation from the afternoon of March 13, returning to the office on March 23. I will be in Arizona with some good priest friends. We originally planned to take in some spring training baseball...alas that was not to be I guess.



Bonjour! Early Bird Deadline is March 28

Get your reservation in now, and take advantage of the Early Bird discount! Join us for a night of fun at this year's Parish Auction set for Friday, April 29. Register for the event through the parish website or http://aesbid.com/ELP/ STALS22.



Feeling lucky? Pick up your cash raffle tickets at any of the upcoming weekend Masses or at the parish office. The raffle is important to the success of the Auction.

Your donations of items for the many raffles and silent auction are critical for our success (new items only)! Gift cards (any denomination) and bottles of wine are also a great donation. Donations can be dropped off at the Parish Office or at the table in the Gathering Space at any of the weekend Masses. If you need a donation pick-up, please call Doris Jome at 414-529-4739 or Sue Ruedinger at 414-731-0537.

Merci beaucoup!

Grief Support Group To Resume April 7, 2022

After our COVID break, St. Alphonsus Grief Group will resume meetings on Thursday, April 7. Those of you who have been a part of the group, we welcome you back and we invite anyone who has had a death loss to join us.

We meet in the sunroom of the Parish Ministry Center on the first and third Thursdays of each month from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

We're here to learn and support each other through these difficult life changes.

When we say we would like these difficult days to be over, what we are really looking for is a way through the difficult days. Who we will be in the future, depends on what we do in the meantime. To let us know you will join us or for more information please call Betty 414-759-7475.

Saint Alphonsus Food Pantry



For the next collection, March 26/27, the pantry is most in need of spaghetti sauce, cereal, soup (including vegetarian), granola bars, and mac 'n' cheese. Look for future bulletin updates for specific food items to bring. If you have any questions, please contact the Food Pantry at 414-514-4400. Thank you for your support of the Food Pantry. Food Pantry collection dates are April 23/24, and May 21/22, 2022.

Just Under 1,200 Census Forms Received!

Thank you for helping the parish with the 2022 Parish Census! Don't miss out! If you still have your form at home, please return



it to the box in the Church Gathering Space or mail it to the Parish Office at 5960 West Loomis Road, Greendale, 53129. We appreciate your support with this project.

Thank You For Your Generosity!

At each Mass on Ash Wednesday, we took up a collection to provide aid to our brothers and sisters in Ukraine. You generously provided \$3,289.12 for this worthwhile cause! A check will be sent via the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) to the *Committee on Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe*. The USCCB is uniquely positioned to offer direct aid with their 30-year relationship with fellow bishops in that part of the world. Thank you! You are a blessing.

Saint Alphonsus Men's Group

The St. Al's Men's Group, Men For Christ, is meeting on the third Sunday of the month, the next meeting being March 20, 2022.



We will return to the 7:30 a.m. Mass. Please meet in the narthex, and once again we will sit together as a group. All are welcome.



With the Lenten season soon upon us, the Parish Library will serve as an excellent source of literature for means of reflec-

tion during this time. There are numerous NEW books as well as fundamental ones pertaining to prayer, meditation and many classics. Feel free to browse the Library after any weekend Mass and whenever the church is open during the week. You will be surprised at the wealth of information that is located within the walls of our Parish Library.

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Parish Giving Results

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This Past Weekend's Contributions	\$ 47,005
This Month's Contributions (to date)	\$ 69,969
Budgeted Amount for March, 2022	\$111,892

For more detailed information on the Operations Budget and Balance Sheet, see the Monthly Financials at www.st-alphonsus.org/financecouncil.cfm.

We Need Wine!

The St. Alphonsus Auction Committee desperately needs wine for the upcoming Parish Auction. Please drop off bottles of wine at the Auction table in the Gathering Space after any weekend Mass or at the Parish Office. Thank you!



Lenten Missions

NO GREATER LOVE

WEDNESDAY MARCH 23, 2022

Looking for a way to deepen your Lenten Journey, and prepare for Holy Week?

On March 23, 2022, join people from all over the Archdiocese of Milwaukee for Mass at 18 different parishes. Hear a message about God's amazing love for us. Deepen your understanding of this great gift, given to us in the Eucharist. Draw closer to Jesus and ready your heart for Holy Week.

For questions, please connect with Susan McNeil, mcneils@archmil.org or 414- 758-2214.



Saint Alphonsus will have their Lenten Mission on Wednesday, March 23, with Fr. Ken Omernick as the presenter.

To see the list of other parishes holding a Lenten Mission that day, go to: archmil.org/Lenten-Missions

Saint Of The Week

St. Patrick | March 17

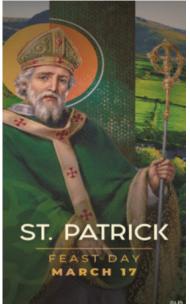
Whether you know him as the man who brought Christianity to Ireland or simply as a reason you eat corned beef and cabbage in March, St. Patrick (415 - 493) is a well-known saint around the world.

Saint Patrick was born in Britain of a Romanized family. At the age of 16, he was kidnapped by Irish raiders from the villa of his father, a deacon and local official, and brought into slavery in Ireland. He spent six long years there as a herdsman, during which he turned to his faith for strength. He later escaped back to Britain on a ship, where he was eventually reunited with his family.

His years of captivity changed him and brought out a zeal for God and a yearning to spread the message of Jesus Christ. Despite the constant danger of martyr-dom, he continued to travel throughout Ireland where he baptized and confirmed in the name of Christ. ©LPi

Outreach Sunday

The third Sunday of each month, excluding the months of Christmas and Easter, has been set aside as Outreach Sunday by the Pastoral Council. All loose monies and checks made out to St. Alphonsus Outreach Program will be given to the charity selected by the Outreach Committee for that month. For March, the Outreach Committee has selected the Christ Child Society as its charity for the month.





The Chapter welcomes members of all denominations whose interests focus primarily on following the child by providing:

- Clothing for newborns
- Parental support through our Second Saturday Program
- Tutors and library aides at Blessed Savior South School
- Children's vision screening at parochial schools
- Grants to schools for unmet needs that help their students

All of which nurture the youth in the Greater Metropolitan Milwaukee Area. These commitments, which enhance human dignity, reflect the goals and principles of Mary Virginia Merrick, founder of the Christ Child Society. The Chapter also provides members an opportunity for individual growth through interaction with the community and each other.

A collection will be taken up next weekend, March 19/20, in support of this worthy cause. We ask you to please give as generously as you can, and we thank you for your support.

Easter Memorial Flower Donation Names will be entered in our Easter memorial book and placed at the altar on Easter Sunday. Donations must be in by Wednesday, April 13, 2022	Easter Lilies	100
Person Remembered:		-
Remembered By:	· .	-
Amount of Donation:		-

"Turning Our Hearts To God"

"Of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face. It is your face O Lord that I seek; hide not your face from me." --Psalm 27 [26]:8-9



As we begin the second week of Lent, let's pause to ask: how's your Lent going? Perhaps you're just getting started or re-started in your Lenten practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. If so, I'd like to propose a way to grow in prayer. Consider participating in our Retreat on the Liturgy of the Hours next Friday evening and Saturday morning! (March

18, 6:00-8:30 p.m. & March 19, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon.)

Who is Our Retreat Leader? Our Leader is Dr. Michael Brummond, STD. Doctor Mike is Associate Professor of Systematic Theology. Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology, Hales Corners, WI. He is an excellent presenter, as Father Patrick and I will testify! Prior to Sacred Heart, Dr. Mike worked for nearly a decade in parish evangelization and catechesis. He and his wife, Mary Beth, live near Milwaukee with their sons. Lucas and Silas.

What is this retreat all about? It's a practical and informative introduction to the Liturgy of the Hours - the special prayer of the Church. Prayer and presentations will focus on impacting

our spiritual life. Participants will receive the practical tools to begin praying the Liturgy of the Hours in their everyday lives. Sessions take place in the Community Room. Liturgy of the Hours prayer times take place in our Chapel. Participants will each receive their own copy of the Shorter Christian Prayer Book. The Saturday session ends with a catered luncheon.

Fee: \$30, non-refundable. Register by Tuesday, March 15; call 414-421-2442 x 225. Questions? Contact Sr. Eileen, eileen@st-alphonsus.org; or Fr. Patrick, frpatrick@ st-alphonsus.org. Hope you can join us for this faith experience!

Lenten Blessings,

-Sr. Eíleen Kazmierowicz Pastoral Associate

Youth & School Notes

Reaching Out

Please support the efforts of our Christian Formation and St. Alphonsus students who are collecting Easter candy and toys to create Easter gift bags for 4 Catholic Schools in the Milwaukee area. We have a goal of filling 1400 gift bags to bring Easter joy and hope to elementary students at the following schools: Notre Dame, Nativity Jesuit, St. Anthony, and St. Josephat. Please drop off donated items in the box located in the Gathering Space. Weekend collection will be after all Masses this weekend, March 12/13. Christian Formation and St. Al's school families will be assembling the treat bags Monday evening March 28, from 6:00-8:00 p.m., in the multi-purpose room, with an April 4 or 5 targeted delivery date. Thank you Judy Paz for your assistance, and thank you, St. Alphonsus parishioners, for helping us fulfill our goal and bring smiles to children this Easter. If you have questions, please contact Julie Lobitz: lobitzj@st-alphonsus.org. Blessings this Lenten season!

- Julie Lobitz

Director of Christian Formation



School Scene

With the Lenten season upon us. the third grade class is doing a "Compliment Wall." This is our way of helping each other and giving each other a confidence boost. Students are able to leave a compliment like "You are doing great!" Other students are able to come up and read this message to help motivate them or make them feel better on a tough day. Students are also allowed to take a compliment off the wall and keep it on their desk for the day. This way, in case they are having a tough day, they are able to look down at that note and believe in themselves again!

-Calli Gonring. Third Grade Teacher



Scripture Readings

for the week of March 12, 2022

Readings for	or the week of March 13, 2022			
Sunday:	Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9,			
	13-14/Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1/Lk			
	9:28b-36			
Monday:	Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk			
	6:36-38			
Tuesday:	Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17,			
	21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12			
Wednesday:	Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt			
	20:17-28			
Thursday:	Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk			
	16:19-31			
Friday:	Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps			
	105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-			
	43, 45-46			
Saturday:	2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3,			
	4-5, 27 and 29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/			
	Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a			
Next Sunday:	Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-			
	7, 8, 11 [8a]/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk			
	13:1-9			
Observances for the week of March 13, 2022				
Sunday:	2nd Sunday of Lent; Daylight Saving			
-	Time begins			
Monday:	-			
Tuesday:				
Wednesday:				
Thursday:	St. Patrick, Bishop; St. Patrick's Day			
Friday:	St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and			
-	Doctor of the Church			

Doctor of the Church Saturday: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Lent

Gospel Meditation

There is so much wisdom in the first commandment. The daily demands of life, current political ideologies and dynamics, social expectations, corporate philosophies, and even technology can easily become lesser gods. We can find ourselves beholden to and held captive by these secular constructs and systems. Even for those who profess a faith in the one true God, these lesser, attractive but false gods are a temptation. Being overly preoccupied and even obsessed with the state of our present lives, we lose sight of our real destiny and purpose.

Jesus showed his disciples a glimpse of this destiny when he was transfigured before their eyes. In fact, Peter was so caught up in the brilliance, awe, and sacredness of these fleeting moments that he wanted to extend them as long as possible. Wonderful things happen when we leave our illusions and discover something that is true. This is why creating some sacred space in our lives for reflection, prayer, renewal, refreshment, centering ourselves, and disconnecting from the noise is so important. It shows us how false and shallow our lives can be and what is really of importance. Do you create some kind of sacred space in your life? Lent is a perfect time to do so.

Saint Irenaeus, one of the early fathers and martyrs of the Catholic Church, said that, "he who was the Son of God became the Son of Man that man ... might become the son of God." We mistakenly believe that life is all about us. It's not. Ours is a journey of transformation in which we become more and more one with the mind of Christ and Christ himself. Saint Augustine saw this same transformation occurring when the Eucharist is received. In receiving the Eucharist, we become what we eat, the Body of Christ. Honestly acknowledging false gods that we cling to can open the door for God to show us the wholeness and holiness to which we are called. Take time to discover the sacred. When we do, we will want to stay there for a while. Then, when we return to our personal affairs, we will see more clearly. ©I Pi



Please join us for Stations of the Cross every Friday in Lent at 7:00 p.m. in the church.

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RCIA News: The Rite Of Sending And Election

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On Sunday March 13, during the 11:00 a.m. Mass, our RCIA candidate, Lisa Bart, will be acknowledged and prayerfully sent to St. John Cathedral to meet with Bishop Schuerman for the Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion. This special Prayer Service formally recognizes that Lisa is a candidate for reception into the Catholic Church and the sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist. Please pray for Lisa, her sponsor, catechists, and family, as she continues her faith journey to Easter.



Tuesday, March 22 & March 29, 7:00-8:30 p.m. "The Dead Sea Scrolls: Who, What, Where?" "Contents and Contributions, "with Don Rappé, Ph.D. St. Alphonsus Community Room



In the Judean Desert, a group of first century Jews hid an extensive library in a series of caves overlooking the Dead Sea. We'll explore one of the world's most extraordinary archeological discoveries-one that shines fuller light on ancient Judaism, the context of Jesus' ministry.

Doctor Rappé is Professor of Theology at Mt. Mary University. To register, call 414-421-2442 x 225; Freewill Offering.

Full Of Grace—A Marian Musical

March 12,18 & 19 at 7:00 p.m.; March 13 & 20 at 2:30 p.m., Holy Apostles Catholic Church, 16000 W. National Avenue, New Berlin. Gather for the debut of a new musical by Elisa R. Neckar and Jeffrey Honore, celebrating Mary's story and the power of the women of God. This fully staged show is entirely produced and performed by parishioners. Join them as they explore the dualities of life - joy in darkness, awe and sorrow - and the strength required to say, "My soul proclaims the greatness of my God." ALL ARE WELCOME! There will be no admission fee or tickets for this show, but your free-will donation is appreciated.

SPEND TIME WITH JESUS!

You are invited to stop by our "Adoration table" in the gathering space after each mass next weekend to learn more about the gift of Eucharistic Adoration.

 Consider signing up for a weekly commitment for an hour period of adoration between 8 am to 8 pm on Thursdays If you can't fulfill your weekly commitment on a given week a list of "substitutes" will be available.

When you look at the crucilix, you understand how much Jes red you. When you look at the Sacred Host, you understand much Jesus loves you now." Saint Teresa of Calcutta

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Ouestion Of The Week

Theme: Lent calls us to transform our lives. Question for Youth: What do you most want God to help you with?

Question for Adults: Sometimes we can see Christ with clear eyes, as the disciples did on that mountain. Share about such a time in your own life.

St. Alphonsus Directory and Calendars

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Prayer Network

If you have a Special Intention for which you would like prayers, please call one of the St. Alphonsus Prayer Networks: St. Patrick (Holly)......414-282-0485

Do you know that St. Peregrine is the cancer saint?

Eucharistic Celebrations

Saturday 4:30 pm

Sunday 7:30 am, 9:00 am & 11:00 am Weekday Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 7:00 am and Wednesday 8:00 am

Sacrament of Baptism

For Baptismal arrangements, call the Parish Office, 414-421-2442 Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesdays 5:00-6:00 pm and Saturdays 3:30-4:30 pm in the Chapel

Anointing of the Sick

Please contact the parish office to make an appointment to be anointed New Membership

You can register online at www.st-alphonsus.org or at the Parish Office.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Match • 12 Lenten Weekday
4:30 pm † Richard Hart (Family)
Sunday, March • 13 Second Sunday Of Lent
7:30 am † James Litzau (Ted & Bernie Knier)
9:00 am For The Parishioners
† Colleen Gengler (Jan Gengler)
† Marilyn Cychosz
11:00 am † Werner John Dornacker (Gene & Rosemary Miller)
Monday, March • 14 Lenten Weekday
7:00 am † Charlotte Cleve
Tuesday, March • 15 Lenten Weekday
7:00 am † John & Genevieve Donaj (Jerry & Kathy Wicihowski)
6:30 pm Rosary-Devotions In The Chapel
Wednesday, March • 16 Lenten Weekday
8:00 am † Barbara Olinger (James Olinger)
(All School)
5:00 pm Confessions
Thursday, March • 17 Lenten Weekday
7:00 am Intention Of Joan Borucki (Sterle Family)
† Wayne Eder
8:00 am Eucharistic Adoration
Friday, March • 18 Lenten Weekday
7:00 am † Bernard Nowak
7:00 pm Stations Of The Cross
Saturday, March • 19 St. Joseph, Spouse Of The Blessed Virgin Mary
8:00 am Priest Intention
3:30 pm Confessions
4:30 pm Clare & Paul Servais (Mary Bek)
(50th Wedding Anniversary)
Sunday, March • 20 Third Sunday Of Lent
7:30 am † Linda Pelzek (David Pelzek)
9:00 am For The Parishioners
† Al Mikna (Wife, Arlene)
11:00 am † Thomas H. Meier (Terry Germani)

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