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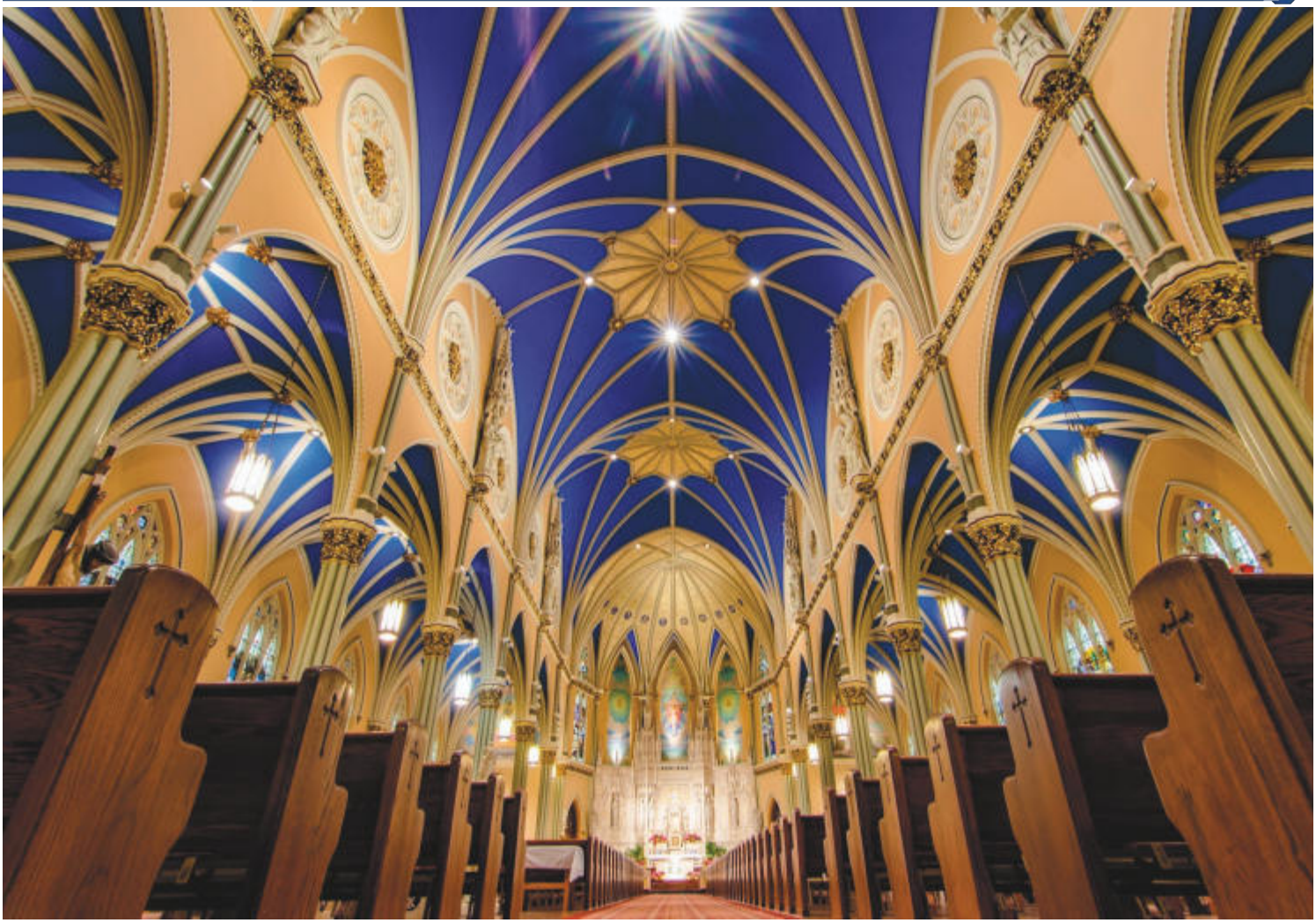
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

JULY 11, 2021: FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. (Mk 6:7)

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Mass Schedule

Mon, Tue, Thur, Fri 8:30 AM
Wed 6:00 PM
*No online registration for Daily Mass
Sunday 9 AM, 11 AM, and 5 PM
*Please be sure to register online for Sunday Mass

Alphonsus Academy & Center For the Arts

Friday 8:30 AM or as announced

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday 6:30—7:30 PM

Confessions

Saturday 11:00—11:30 AM
**Or call one of the priests for an appointment*

Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help

Tuesday after the 8:30 AM Mass
Wednesday: 5:50 PM

Worship

This Week's Readings

Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13
Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8a]/Mt 10:34—11:1
Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34 [cf. 33]/Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7 [8a]/Mt 11:25-27
Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27 [8a]/Mt 11:28-30
Friday: Ex 11:10—12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18 [13]/Mt 12:1-8
Saturday: Ex 12:37-42/Ps 136:1 and 23-24, 10-12, 13-15/Mt 12:14-21
Next Sunday: Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 [1]/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34

Please Pray for the Sick

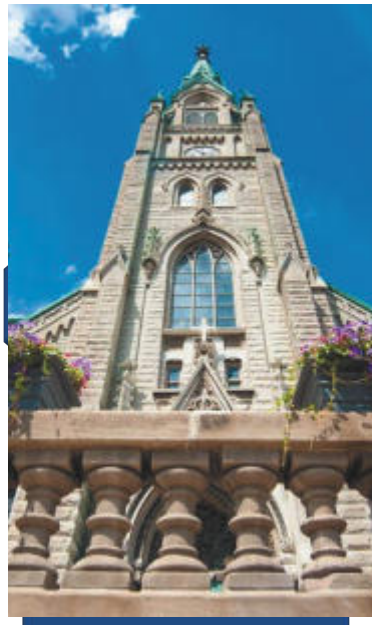
Dorothy Bonds
Joanna Ravelingeen
Jamie Wallett
Romie Richard
Sandra Wilson
Monica Alexis Rios
Margaret Nichols
Maria Eisler
Rita Gerich
Fidel Mercado Chavez
Leslie Putman
Carolina Goldie
Diane Mareci
William Ahearn
Emilia Hurtado
Bernard Zapp
Rachel Schopp
Mike Madigan
David Birks
Celeste Soult
Carol Reckwerdt
Doug Tally
Jeff De La Cruz
Stacy Strickland
Tim Dooling
Spencer Lyles
Magdalena Gonzalez
Christopher Bibat
Michael Aldape

Giving Update

Weekly Budget Amount: $15,218

Offertory for 7/4/2021: $15,801

Please remember to help the poor. Donations to the poor box in the narthex are allocated to our St. Vincent DePaul Society.



WEDDING BANNS

Alexa Miller
and
Matthew Stewart

At Rest in the Peace of Christ

Vito Graziano

Welcome Our Recently Baptized

Grace Margaret Bredemann
Elian Rafael Pereda
Paul Hans Ladenthin

For more info about having your child baptized at St Alphonsus, contact Kaitlin Holyk at stalsweddings@gmail.com

Saint Vincent DePaul Society - St. Alphonsus Conference is looking to increase our membership. We help with the emergency needs of anyone looking for assistance within our community. If you are looking for ways to get involved please consider joining. The time commitment is kept to a monthly meeting to consider the needs of the society and to serve our walk-in clients. Our service is based on demand and the financial ability to assist. As such, we are only able to assist because of your generous donations through the poor box at the back of the church. We are 100% funded through these donations. Thank you for your continued support. Please contact Luis Cantu at luiscan2@hotmail.com for more info.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, July 11
9:00 AM +Elizabeth Santos Baingan
+Jose Santos Baingan
11:00 AM Marci Ford
5:00 PM The People of St. Alphonsus

Monday, July 12
8:30 AM The People of St. Alphonsus

Tuesday, July 13
8:30 AM The People of St. Alphonsus

Wednesday, July 14
6:00 PM The People of St. Alphonsus

Thursday, July 15
8:30 AM +John Seilo

Friday, July 16
8:30 AM The People of St. Alphonsus

Sunday, July 18
9:00 AM +Chet Sullivan
11:00 AM The Wasik Family
5:00 PM +Marie Olszewski

News and Events

Celebrating Sacraments at St. Alphonsus

To schedule a baptism, please review our website, and scroll on the Sacraments tab at the top. You will be contacted upon completion of the form. Baptisms will mostly be on Sundays, however certain Saturday dates may be available.

For information on scheduling your upcoming wedding at St. Alphonsus, please visit **our website page!**

Become an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

Our parish is in need of a few more Eucharistic Ministers for all Mass times. Those interested in assisting with the distribution of Holy Communion at Sunday Mass are invited to contact Fr. Patrick Gorman at pgorman@stalphonsuschicago.com. Candidates should be fully initiated and practicing Catholics having received baptism, confirmation, and first Eucharist.

Serve as a Wedding Coordinator!

Are you looking to get more involved in our parish? St. Alphonsus is currently looking for wedding coordinators to join our team. Being part of the Wedding Ministry is a rewarding opportunity, fun, and all volunteers receive a stipend for their time.Wedding coordinators are responsible for contacting couples prior to their wedding, reviewing paperwork, running wedding rehearsals, and supporting the couples on their wedding day. All volunteers will be trained, no experience necessary. For more information contact Kaitlin Holyk at weddings@stalphonsuschicago.com

Altar Server Training

For youth and adults interested in serving at Mass, St. Alphonsus will be having server training. We will be going over the parts of the Mass and doing a catechesis of the liturgy. Please contact seminarian Michael Frankiewicz at mfrankiewicz@usml.edu for more info.

YAMping August 13-15

Calling all campers! St. Al's YAM is bringing back a weekend filled with fun camping adventures for all young adults in their 20's and 30's!!!

We will be heading to Yellowstone Lake State Park (located about 3 hours NW of Chicago) for the weekend of August 14 & 15. The site offers opportunities for hiking, kayaking and swimming along with plenty of s'mores and storytelling around the campfire and games. So what're you waiting for?! Sign up and join us for a weekend of fun, food and friendship.

For Campers: Registration fee $60 https://www.givecentral.org/location/39/event/30690

For Drivers: Your registration fee will be $40 https://www.givecentral.org/location/39/event/30689

For full details and other Young Adult Ministry events, please visit the St. Alphonsus YAM Facebook page. Please email stalsyamsocial@gmail.com with any questions!

AACA Coaches Needed

Do you love sports and working with kids? Our parish school, Alphonsus Academy & Center for the Arts (AACA) are looking to fill a few coaching positions for the next school year. The following are available:

Fall Season (August to October)
Girls Volleyball - 8 week season
Cross Country - 6 week season
Flag Football - 8 week season

Winter (November to February)
Basketball
Cheer

Spring (March to May)
Girls and Boys Volleyball
Track and Field

All coaching opportunities are stipend positions. All inquiries should please contact AACA Athletic Director, Angela Kladis, akladis@aaca.school

Helpful Household Hints by Harvey Levin

Uses for WD-40

Untangling jewelry - Removing crayon from multiple surfaces - Removing wax from candleholders - Removing gum - Removing tape and sticker residue - Cleaning your car of road tar, bugs or grime – Removing lipstick, coffee, tea, berry, tomato stains and hair color dye in your towels - Unsticking zippers. Remember that WD-40 is flammable and should never be used in enclosed spaces.

Faith Formation

Spring Your Kids Into Totus Tuus Summer Camp

The Archdiocese is bringing the Totus Tuus summer camp back to St. Alphonsus, July 18-23. It's like a week-long vacation Bible school, only way more fun and active! Incoming 1st to 6th graders would attend the daytime session Mon 7/19 thru Fri 7/23, from 9 AM to 2:30 PM. A separate evening session for Junior High students and teens would be from 7-9 PM, from Sun 7/18 to Thurs 7/22.

This is a **super fun** camp that also helps children grow in their Catholic faith. And at $50 for a week of summer camp ($25 more for additional kids from the same family)... how can you beat that? It's currently limited to only 40 kids, and registration will fill. All safety protocols will be followed to ensure the health & safety of all participants and volunteers. For more info or to register, visit: https://vocations.archchicago.org/events/totus-tuus/what-is-totus-tuus Any parent or parishioner interested in volunteering with Totus Tuus should contact Fr. Bauer.

Quo Vadis Days— August 1-4

Registration Ends July 16

Quo Vadis Days is a 4-day/3-night camp held at St. Iakovos Retreat Center Kansasville, WI. This camp is run by the Vocation Office of the Archdiocese of Chicago, the Vocation Office of the Diocese of Joliet, and the seminarians from St. Mary of the Lake Seminary. During this camp, young men, ages 13–18 will participate in dynamic talks and small group discussions, outdoor activities, sports, daily Mass, and Liturgy of the Hours. You can learn more and register at https://vocations.archchicago.org/events/quo-vadis-days

Eagle Eye Young Adult Retreat

God Is Rich In Mercy September 10-12

Eagle Eye will be hosting its first young adult retreat for the Chicagoland area! The weekend will include Mass, Adoration, Confession, Intellectual Formation and a bonfire. Spend time in prayer, reflection, and fellowship while opening your heart to God's rich and endless mercy. To learn more and register, visit https://www.eagleeyeministries.org/retreats/

Gospel Meditation

Maybe the work is best left to the professionals. That's how many people view the preaching of the Gospel. That's the stuff priests, religious, deacons, lay ministers, and other professional Church people do. It has little to do with me. Well, that's not really true. The fact of the matter is that preaching the Gospel has everything to do with you, with all of us who are baptized members of the Body of Christ. Nobody gets off the hook from that job. The question is, however, how do we do it? Well, there's a safe way, which many choose, to preach the Gospel — and the risky way. The safe way pretty much keeps the Gospel in church and around like-minded people. I say my prayers, go to Mass, contribute to the food pantry, tithe, and attend Bible Study. That pretty much covers the bases, right? Wrong.

The risky way is the more challenging way and for many, the "road less traveled." Imagine those first disciples going out and into people's homes. They must have had some amazing conversations with folks about God's kingdom, changing their hearts, forgiving sins, and looking at the world differently. They must have met people who were hurting, exiled from their communities, neglected, lost, or living self-insulated lives in a society that served the rich and neglected the poor. While there were many who welcomed what they had to say and the conversations they had, there were others who no doubt rejected them and literally tossed them out on their ears! The Gospel, while being a message of joy and hope, is not always received well by those who are very comfortable keeping things as they are.

The risky way involves example and conversation. We have to take the Gospel from church and carry it with us wherever we go. What kinds of conversations do we have with others? We interact with those closest to us, in our work, social circles, institutions, corporations, in politics, and beyond. Our conversations with others reveal a great deal about how we see things and what we consider important. If we are really interested in seeing God's vision for the world succeed, then we will talk about it. It will become a part of our everyday conversation and find its way into our interactions with others. How will we preserve the dignity of human life and encourage others to have a relationship with God? We must be the example, live value centered, virtuous lives, stand against injustice, combating racism, and learn ways to resolve conflicts without violence.

If we are going to succeed going forward, we have to find a way to bring our prayer centered lives into the marketplace. Our conversations have to change. Not everyone wants to hear what the Gospel has to say. That's a risk God asks us to take.

Young Adult Ministry (YAM)

Our Mission

As members of St. Alphonsus Young Adult Ministry, we walk alongside one another in faith. Our community is focused on:

- Meaningful worship, careful discernment, and prayerful reflection
- Curiosity and a thirst for the truth
- Service to one another, our church, and our city
- Lasting friendships and an invitation to fellowship and meaningful participation

Theology on Tap

Miss out on the first speaker of our annual Theology on Tap series? Make sure to join us on Wednesdays in July and into August on the veranda outside the church for free food and drinks and a variety of talks related to the Catholic faith! **Food and drinks will be available at 6:30pm and the speaker will begin at 7:00pm.**

Wednesday, July 14

Listening to God: Decisions & Discernment
Fr. Timothy F. Monahan

Learn more about how to listen to God, discern his will, and make good decisions. Fr. Tim will discuss St. Ignatius' approach to discernment and listening to God in our lives.

Wednesday, July 28

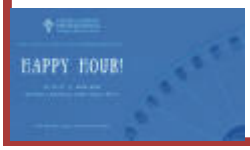
Understanding Salvation as the Fulfillment of our Needs
Abbot Austin – St. Procopius Abbey

Abbot Austin draws from Catholic teaching to explain how the meeting of our authentic needs is what constitutes salvation. In turn, working out our salvation is a matter of cooperating with God to meet our real needs.

Wednesday, August 4

James M. Kushiner
Executive Editor of Salvo and Touchstone Magazines

Young Catholic Professionals— Happy Hour Summer Networking July 12



Meet and mingle with other young professionals from across the Chicagoland area, and learn how YCP Chicago can empower both your professional and faith life.
Register at: https://bit.ly/offshore-nhh

Stewardship—First Fruits

We want to invite all parishioners who want to participate in online giving to do so by enrolling through GiveCentral and setting up your donation via the First Fruits campaign (weekly Mass offering).

A huge thank you to those that are already giving online. Please consider making St. Alphonsus an extension of your home and family when contributing.

Sign up at *www.givecentral.org/location/39*

Contact

Sacramental Information

Contact our parish office 773-525-0709 for information regarding celebrating sacraments including Baptisms (infant and adult), Reconciliation (confession), Eucharist (Communion), Confirmation, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick. For information regarding Funerals, please first contact the funeral director of your choice to begin making arrangements.

How to Offer a Mass Intention

Did you ever notice that every Mass said here at St. Alphonsus is offered for a special intention? The entire congregation prays for that intention during the petitions (Prayers of the Faithful) when we say, "For those who have died, and for the intention of this Mass: (named intention)"

You can make a Mass Intention request here. Masses are often offered for family, friends and relatives that have died. Praying for the dead is a Spiritual Work of Mercy. Offering a Mass for someone that has died is an especially comforting gesture to the family. Mass can also be offered to commemorate joyful occasions and to give thanks to God for blessings received.

The customary offering for a Mass here is $15. However, any amount that you would like to offer is completely acceptable. You can request Masses by visiting the Parish Office during office hours or calling the Parish Office at 773-525-0709.

St. Alphonsus Social Media

Choose to participate in meaningful engagement! Having an attitude of engagement challenges us to love our digital neighbor as ourselves. You can find St. Alphonsus' Facebook and Twitter by going to the parish website and clicking the icons at the footer of the page.

DIRECTORY

Parish Office
1429 W Wellington Ave, Chicago, IL 60657-4121
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School Office
1439 W Wellington Ave, Chicago, IL 60657-4121
(P): 773-892-1397 | (F): 773-348-4829
www.alphonsusacademy.org

School Office Hours:
8:00 AM– 3:00 PM

STAFF

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Rev. Steven Bauer, Pastor
Rev. Patrick Gorman, Associate Pastor
Brooks Robinson, Pastoral Associate
Brian Bloye, Director of Music and Organist
Erica Cook, Coordinator of Religious Education
Dorothy Spencer, Business Manager
Mario Serrano, Parish Office Manager

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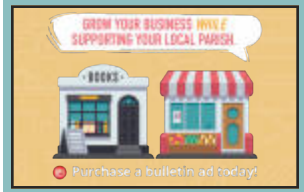

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