



Congratulations to the First Communion Class

Front row: Drew Spinner, Claire Orr, James Ogles-Tish, Kylie Miller, Zachary Smith. Second row: Archie Scott, Avery Fedler, Katie Nguyen, Anthony Freebury, Emily Orr, J.T. Klein, Phoebe Metcalf. Third row: Alejandra Figueroa, Khanon Koller, Ruby Syfert, Graham Haines, Lucas Hurd, Saul Figueroa. Fourth row: Margi Mountz and Fr. Paul Connolly.



Congratulations to the Confirmation II Students

Front row: Fr. Paul Connolly, Lisa Carrasco, Sophia Lopreato, Kaylee Shelman, Desiree Leonardo, Katie McCormick, Grace Kelley, Bishop Thomas Zinkula. Second row: Ted Mountz, Jacob Fry, Molly McLaughlin, Reed Kempker, Avery Sutter. Third row: Samuel Carrasco, Chase Williamson, Sawyer Carrasco, Thomas Schnicker and Joseph Holtkamp.

MASS SCHEDULE AND READINGS FOR THE WEEK

| | <u>Mass time</u> | <u>Mass Intention</u> | <u>Saint of the Day</u> | <u>Readings for the day</u> |
|-------------|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|--|
| Mon, May 13 | NO MASS | | Our Lady of Fatima | Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:1-10 |
| Tue, May 14 | 7:00 AM | Buena Messer † | St. Matthias, Apostle | Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Jn 15:9-17 |
| Wed, May 15 | 5:30 PM | Bernice Becker † | St. Isidore | Acts 12:24--13:5a/Jn 12:44-50 |
| Thu, May 16 | 12:00 PM | Victor Fraise † | Weekday | Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13:16-20 |
| Fri, May 17 | 12:00 PM | Jack Hawks † | Weekday | Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6 |
| Sat, May 18 | 5:30 PM | For Parishioners | St. John I, Pope | |
| Sun, May 19 | 8:00 AM | Mary Loving † | 5th Sunday of Easter | Acts 14:21-27/Rv 21:1-5a/ Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35 |
| | 11:00 AM | Bob Bonar † | | |

MINISTERS FOR MAY 18 & 19

LECTORS

- 5:30 PM Mary Rink
- 8:00 AM Ted Mountz
- 11:00 AM Robb Gardner

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

- 5:30 PM Team D Jerry Keeley
- 8:00 AM Team E Ken Feldmann
- 11:00 AM Team F Judy Warning

SERVER

- 5:30 PM Lily/Tucker Syfert
- 8:00 AM Chris Dyar/Owen Baker
- 11:00 AM Katherine Tansey/Linzey Striegel

USHERS

- 5:30 PM Todd/Audra Gerleman
- 8:00 AM RJ/Chris Dodson
- 11:00 AM Colin/Nick McCormick

GREETERS

- 5:30 PM Bob/Lea Cardoni
- 8:00 AM Jeff/Jill Baker
- 11:00 AM Janet/Jared Smith

Inspiration for the Week

When something delights us, it touches us in a unique and special way. We are stirred within, filled with happiness, glee, and joy. The object of our delight captivates us, and we are eager, sometimes beyond words, to obtain it. Have you ever been delighted by your faith, the Gospel, God’s Word, or an encounter with God? The Gentiles were delighted when they learned they were sharers in the Good News and ecstatic that they were included. They recognized their shepherd and realized that they discovered something or someone unlike any other before. We can easily become lukewarm in our relationship with God and forget just how life-changing the Good News of our faith really is. We are brought to the springs of life-giving water and are gifted with something secular life simply cannot provide: Jesus, the Good Shepherd.

Offertory for May 4 & 5

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| Envelopes..... | 4784.00 |
| Offertory..... | 369.72 |
| Diocesan Volunteers & Latin America..... | 799.00 |
| St. Vincent de Paul collection..... | 535.00 |
| Direct Deposit..... | 3794.00 |
| Total..... | 10,281.72 |

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Parish Picnic on June 2nd

All are invited to attend our Parish Picnic on Sunday, June 2nd. On that day there will be one Mass at 10:00 AM followed by a potluck in Manning Hall. The Knights of Columbus will be grilling the meat, leaving salads and desserts for parishioners to bring. We will also be celebrating the retirement of our staff members: Vicki, Margi and Ted.

ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

| Sunday, May 12 | Mon, May 13 | Tues, May 14 | Wed, May 15 | Thurs, May 16 | Fri, May 17 | Sat, May 18 |
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| Rosary, 7:30 am Mass, 8:00 & 11:00 am Senior Mass, 8:00 am followed by Breakfast in Manning Spanish Mass, 2:00 pm Homebound Ministers-Team 4 | NO MASS | Men Scrip, 6:00 am Women Scrip, 6:00 am Mass, 7:00 am Ladies for Charity, 1:30 Quilters, 6:00 pm Social Action, 6:30 pm | Women Scrip, 9:30 am Mass, 5:30 pm | Mass, Noon | Adoration 9 am-Noon Mass, Noon KC Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser for Mark Shull, 6-8:00 pm in Manning Hall | Confessions— 4:30-5:00 pm Mass 5:30 pm |
| Sunday, May 19 Rosary, 7:30 am Mass, 8:00 & 11:00 am KC Breakfast, 9:00 am Homebound Ministers-Team 1 | NO MASS | Men Scrip, 6:00 am Women Scrip, 6:00 am Mass, 7:00 am Prayer Shawl, 2:00 pm Quilters, 6:00 pm Old Thresher committee meeting, 6:00 pm VBS planning, 7:00 pm | Women Scrip, 9:30 am Mass, 5:30 pm | Mass, Noon | Adoration 9 am-Noon Mass, Noon Widows/widowers luncheon following Mass | Confessions— 4:30-5:00 pm Mass 5:30 pm |

The Widow/Widower's Luncheon has been rescheduled for Friday, May 24th.
 All widow or widowers who would like to attend, please call the parish office @ 385-8410.

Old Thresher's Committee
Anyone interested in joining the Old Thresher Committee—come to the meeting on Tuesday, May 21 at 6:00 PM in Manning Hall.
Join the OT committee and help plan for this September.

Sending Some Love to our Seminarians
 We, the St. Alphonsus Church Family are sending care packages to the 13 Seminarians from our diocese to show our support and love. We invite you to take part by donating an item or items to put in their boxes. There is still time to bring your items:
We will be collecting items until May 26th.
 There will be a collection box in the gathering space to drop off your donations. Some ideas include.


- Hot chocolate/juice packets
- Snacks
- School supplies
- Toiletry items
- Homemade goodies (May 4th or 5th)
- Games
- A note of encouragement

Thank you for your generous support!
 St. Alphonsus Vocational Ministry Team

May is Mental Health Awareness Month
 We pray for all men, women, and children—and on this day especially mothers—who themselves or within their families deal with mental and emotional crisis, that the joy and love of Jesus may bring them comfort. More information can be found at the National Catholic Partnership on Disability, www.ncpd.org.

Happy Birthday Tiny!!
 The children of Tiny Alaniz invite all to come celebrate Tiny's 90th birthday on May 18th, 1:00 to 4:00 PM at the Club House at 1801 East Ashford Ave. No gifts please.

Save the date !!
VBS Vacation Bible School
 week of July 22nd to July 26th.
 There will be a planning meeting on Tuesday, May 21 at 7:00 PM in the library. Anyone interested in helping is welcome.



"Thank You, Mom"
 From the initial wonder to the morning sickness,
 From the sleepless nights to the giggles of delight,
 From the first steps to the temper tantrums,
 Thank you, Mom.
 From the school day pride to detention day disappointment,
 From the big game to the big show to the big "uh-oh,"
 With secret shared moments and home-cooked meals,
 Thank you, Mom.
 Through tears and laughter, sorrow and joy,
 For all the ups and downs, and for the journey yet to come,
 Thank you, Mom!

Happy Mother's Day!

Keep in Your Prayers
 Our condolences to Diane Thompson and family on the passing of Diane's mother, Mary Loving. May Mary be welcomed into the everlasting life.
 Our condolences to David Sindelar and family on the passing of David's sister, Loretta Sindelar. May Loretta be welcomed into the everlasting life.
 Our condolences to Pat & Elmont Hollingsworth on the passing of their daughter, Laura Hollingsworth. May Laura be welcomed into the everlasting life.
 Our condolences to Laurie Hutchinson and family on the passing of Laurie's husband, Tom Hutchinson. May Tom be welcomed into the everlasting life.
 Our condolences to Chrissy Fox Bentler and family on the passing of Chrissy's daughter, Lindsay Fox this past week. May Lindsay be welcomed into the everlasting life.
 Pat Shepherd Woodard passed on April 29, 2019 in Virginia. Pat and her daughter Stephanie Horn Becker were members of St. Alphonsus for many years. Cards may be sent to: Stephanie & Jeff Becker, 1014 Vineyard Court, Chesapeake, VA 23322. May Pat be welcomed into the everlasting life.

HOLY LAND TOUR
 The Newman Catholic Student Center at The University of Iowa is sponsoring a 10-day tour of the Holy Land March 17-26, 2020. Tour hosts will be Fr. Jeff Belger and Newman Center rep, April Rouner. The full tour itinerary can be viewed at www.iowacatholic.org. Cost is \$4059 per person from Chicago (other departure cities available). A charter bus will take travelers to/from O'Hare from Iowa City. Price includes RT air, first class accommodations, most meals, professional tour director, sightseeing entrance fees, optional daily Mass and more. Contact April Rouner at april@newman-ic.org or 319-337-3106 Ext. 119 for more information or a registration brochure.


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