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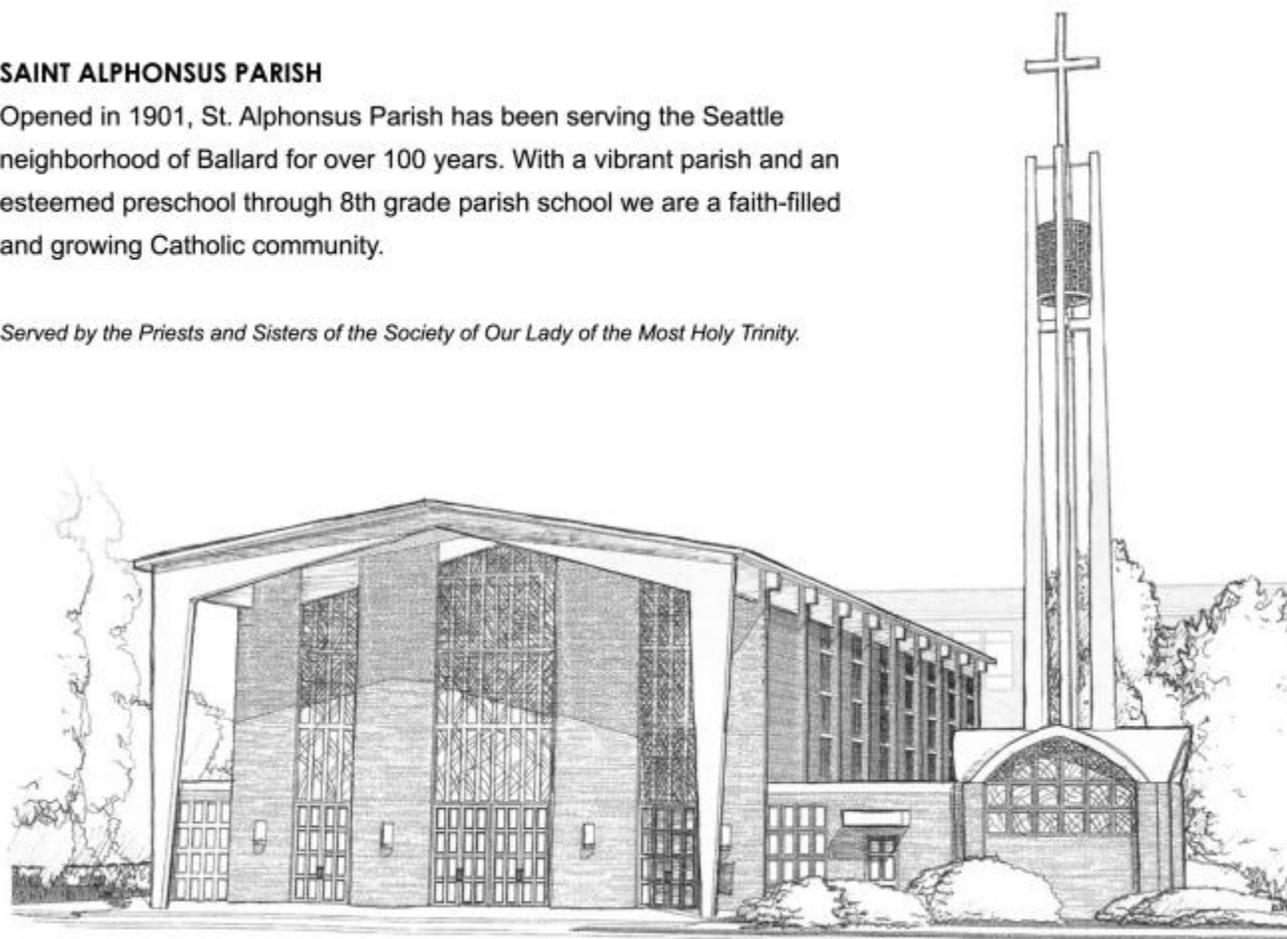
Sixth Sunday of Easter

WELCOME

SAINT ALPHONSUS PARISH

Opened in 1901, St. Alphonsus Parish has been serving the Seattle neighborhood of Ballard for over 100 years. With a vibrant parish and an esteemed preschool through 8th grade parish school we are a faith-filled and growing Catholic community.

Served by the Priests and Sisters of the Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity.



SUNDAY MASS

Saturday 5pm Vigil
Sunday 8am, 10am

DAILY MASS

Tuesday - Saturday: 8am

CONFESSION

Saturday: 4-4:45pm

ADORATION

Friday Evenings in Church,
6-8pm

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SAINT ALPHONSUS
PARISH

REFLECTIONS



SUNDAY MAY 9

5th Sunday of Easter

8am INT Vicki Kizer
10am INT St. Alphonsus Parish

MONDAY May 10

St. Damien de Veuster, Priest

TUESDAY May 11

8am RIP Eva Cernilova
3pm Divine Mercy Live Stream

WEDNESDAY May 12

Sts. Nereus, Achilleus, Pancras, Martyrs

8am RIP Joseph Meyer
3pm Divine Mercy Live Stream

THURSDAY May 13

8amq INT Andrew Killian
3pm Divine Mercy Live Stream

FRIDAY MAY 14

St. Mathias, Apostle

8am INT Cheryl Taylor
6pm Church Open for Adoration & Private Prayer

SATURDAY May 15

St. Isidore

8am INT First Communicants
4pm Confessions
5pm INT Janelle Kopshinsky

SUNDAY MAY 16

The Ascension of the Lord

8am INT St. Alphonsus Parish
10am RIP Fr. Stanislaus D'Souza



Dear St. Alphonsus Community,

I am excited to be part of **the wonder and beauty of Catholic education** at St. Alphonsus as your new principal. I know it is an honor to join a community so committed to integrating academic excellence with service to children and a vibrant Catholic faith.

I come to you already knowing **there is something special about St. Al's**. The confident and articulate **alumni** of St. Alphonsus School attracted my attention as a teacher of theology and social studies, a coach of cross country and basketball, and the director of Brave Summer at Bishop Blanchet High School. These students are outstanding! They ignited in me a desire to work alongside some of the best teachers in the Archdiocese of Seattle as well as the incredible SOLT community to help form your children in mind, body and spirit.

A long educational journey has prepared me to be your lead-learner, to partner with your staff, and to leverage your teachers' gifts across disciplines and grade levels from preschool through the distinctive single-gender middle school. Prior to my experience at Bishop Blanchet, I taught 5th grade for two years at a parochial school called St. Alphonsus on the Mississippi Gulf Coast through the University of Notre Dame's **Alliance for Catholic Education** program. A business administration degree from Gonzaga and a principal certification from Seattle University paved the way for deeper learnings at the Archdiocese's Catholic School Leadership Academy in fundraising, school governance, and operations.

Before this official education was a fundamental education from my family. We hail from Colorado, where my five younger siblings and I grew up hiking 14,000-foot peaks, competing in sports and school, and learning to pray and worship together. I want to embolden **families** in their sacred role of growing children in love, positivity, and togetherness as faith-filled disciples who transform communities. My wife Morgan and I are excited to join our family to yours in this mutual endeavor.

To our students, I cannot wait to meet you all and hear why you love being at St. Alphonsus! Make sure to tell me this when you see me in the cafeteria, hallways, classroom, or on the playground. **If you got game**, show me in a one-on-one basketball contest at recess. I'll always take some more schooling!

My mission as an educator is to lead with beauty. Whether it's drama, coding or that smoking science experiment, I want to celebrate these moments as icons of **Christ the Logos**—the unifying principle that binds all knowledge in harmony. The St. Alphonsus school community is in my prayers, and I ask you to keep me in yours as we look to be "St. Al Strong" together in 2021-22.

In Christ,

Nick Padrnos [pad·er·nōs], M.Ed.

PARISH NEWS



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Marnie Ahern, Lillian Anderson, Tricia Anderson, Buck Bradfield, Marty Bradfield, Linda Buchman, Susan Cifu, Emma Claire, Norma Curulla, Donna Day, Bertha Eriksson, James Flynn, Espedito P. Galvão, Ann Hahn, Shirley Hegge, Anna Herdlein, Fr. Bob Van Kempen, Dave Jebousek, Emily Jones, Joan Knebel, Stephanie Kunkler, Josephine Lynch, Norma Macke, Anne Manfredi, Barbara Day Miller, Patricia Mulka, Jennifer Nagel, Ray Naidu, Alice Nitteberg, Grace Norman, Roy Otness, Bob Pohlman, Stacey Riordan, Lucy Rogers, Darlene Selland, Nolette Serra, Jack Serwold, Fred Stull, Cheryl Taylor, Jude Vidal, Lillian Yamamoto

Serving in Iraq & Afghanistan

Christopher Dowling

EASTER COMMUNION

While the dispensation from the Sunday obligation is still in effect, receiving Holy Communion at Easter is a privilege and obligation treasured by Catholics. The Archbishop strongly encourages all the faithful of the Archdiocese of Seattle to make an "Easter Communion" at any Mass, whether weekday or Sunday, during Easter Time, which continues through Pentecost, May 23, 2021.

ONLINE GIVING

Did you know you can contribute to St. Alphonsus online? Just click on the giving tab on our website (www.stalseattle.org). You can set up payments to occur weekly, monthly, whenever is convenient for you. Contact Lizzy at 206-784-6464 or lscholz@stalseattle.org if you have questions or would like to discontinue your envelopes.

ALWAYS

Be sure to stay up to date on everything occurring with the restarting of Mass by making sure you are on our email list. You can sign up via our website (www.stalseattle.org) at the bottom of the home page, or by emailing Lizzy at lscholz@stalseattle.org.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Our SVDP chapter is available and ready to help with rent, utilities and food vouchers. Those seeking help should call the St Vincent de Paul intake line at 206-767-6449. All assistance is confidential. If you'd like to make a donation to our SVDP chapter, you can give online on our website (www.stalseattle.org) or mail your contribution to the parish envelope (either in one of the envelopes included in your monthly bundle or include a note that it is for SVDP).

MASS REGISTRATION

We no longer require registrations for daily and Sunday Masses.

For our Sunday liturgies, a volunteer will tally the number of households attending as you enter (entrance will still be restricted to the north side entrance), and if we are nearing capacity, they may ask you to pause so they can verify adequate space is available. We do ask that you follow their instructions on where to sit, as that will maximize the number of people that can safely attend. Single-person households should sit 3 to a pew (one on each end, one in the middle), 2-5 person households will sit on each end of the pew and 6+ person households will have their own pew.

Annual Baby Bottle Campaign for Next Step Pregnancy Services

Beginning **Saturday May 8th through Sunday May 30th** - parishioners can participate in our annual campaign to support local **Pro-Life Pregnancy Clinic Next Step Pregnancy Services** in Lynnwood.

Bottles will be handed out after all Masses the weekend of May 8th – please look for the Next Step Pregnancy Services Information Table where you can meet Executive Director Heather Vasquez and pick up a bottle. **All bottles can be returned to the church the weekend of May 30th or to the Next Step Pregnancy Services clinic.**

Next Step is open Monday-Friday
930a-530p

You are welcome to come visit and get a tour!

You can also donate online at our support site in lieu of taking a bottle – nssupport.org – just look for the Baby Bottle Campaign tab to find St. Al's baby bottle drive to support women and men in choosing life for their unborn children.

Next Step Pregnancy Services offers pregnancy tests, early OB ultrasounds, prenatal care and baby, toddler, and maternity supplies all free of charge.

Next Step Pregnancy Services believes in the sanctity of all human life and strives to protect our most vulnerable. We need your help! Check out nssupport.org for all information including news, events, blogs, and volunteer opportunities at Next Step! Bless you and thank you for your support.

SCHOOL NEWS



We invite our parish community to this year's middle school play. Due to COVID-19 restrictions this year's play will be virtual. Use the information below to sign up.

**~ The St. Alphonsus Drama Department Presents: ~
The Not So Mysterious Disappearance of Cinderella**

This hilarious new version of Cinderella offers up a much more contemporary twist to the old tale. This time, Cinderella goes missing and everyone in the kingdom is a suspect. Packed with humor, fresh takes on classic characters, and plenty of pop-culture references, this play is sure to entertain.

Family friendly for all ages!

Virtual Performance Dates:

Special Encore Showing for St. Alphonsus Parish!

Running through May 16

(Show running time is approx. one (1) hour)

\$15 admission for household per date/performance

Contact the school for more information.

206-782-4363

Kathleen (Cifu) Daspit

Principal

St. Alphonsus Parish School

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CAR DONATIONS

Thank you to those who have donated a vehicle to St. Alphonsus; your gift is very appreciated!

If you have a vehicle you would like to donate for the benefit of our parish, parish school or an Archdiocesan campaign visit seattlearchdiocese.careasy.org/HOME.html or call 844-407-GIVE.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Submit them to the Rosary Group that meets via zoom on Friday mornings. Contact christine.cavanaugh@outlook.com to join or to ask us to pray for you or someone else.

THROUGHOUT THE ARCHDIOCESE

A PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT FOR THE RENEWAL AND SPREAD OF THE FAITH

On the feast of Pentecost, May 23, Archbishop Paul D. Etienne will promulgate a new pastoral plan for the Archdiocese of Seattle. The archbishop invites Catholics to pray a novena to the Holy Spirit leading up to Pentecost (May 14-22), for the intention of "the renewal and spread of the faith." The novena prayer is a translation of the traditional Pentecost hymn: *Veni Creator Spiritus*.



Come, Creator Spirit,
visit the minds of those who are yours;
fill with heavenly grace
the hearts that you have made.

You who are named the Paraclete,
gift of God most high,
living fountain, fire, love
and anointing for the soul.

You are sevenfold in your gifts,
you are finger of God's right hand,
you, the Father's solemn promise
putting words upon our lips.

Kindle a light in our senses,
pour love into our hearts,
infirmities of this body of ours
overcoming with strength secure.

The enemy drive from us away,
peace then give without delay;
with you as guide to lead the way,
we avoid all cause of harm.

Grant we may know the Father through you,
and come to know the Son as well,
and may we always cling in faith to you,
the Spirit of them both.

Amen.



Cardinal Nguyen Van Thuan on the Eucharist

When I was arrested, I had to leave immediately, with empty hands. The next day I was allowed to request in writing the things I needed most: clothes, toothpaste.... I wrote, "Please, could you send me a bit of medicine for my bad stomach?"

The faithful understand what I meant and they sent a little bottle of wine for Mass, which they labeled "stomach medicine," as well as some hosts sealed in a flashlight to protect them from humidity. The police asked me: "Do you have a bad stomach?" "Yes," I answered. "Here's some medicine for you." I will never be able to express my immense joy: every day, with three drops of wine and one drop of water in the palm of my hand, I celebrated my Mass.

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