Saint Alphonsus

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

JANUARY 16, 2022:SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs at Cana in Galilee
and so revealed his glory,
and his disciples began to believe in him. (Jn 2:11)

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Mass Schedule

Mon, Tue, Thur, Fri	8:30 AM
Wed	6:00 PM
Sun	9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 12:30 (Spanish) and 5:00 PM

Alphonsus Academy & Center For the Arts

Friday	8:30 AM or as announced

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday	6:30—7:30 PM

Confessions

Wednesday	6:30—7:30 PM
Saturday	11:00—11:30 AM

**Or call one of the priests for an appointment*

Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help

Wednesday	5:50 PM

Worship

This Week's Readings

Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11
Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6
Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12
Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19
Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21
Next Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Giving Update

Weekly Budget Amount: $15,218

Offertory for 1/9/2022: $13,719

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

Please Pray for the Sick

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



Welcome to the Parish!

Chris, Mary Eileen and Ben Zajac
James Ainscough
Anna, Christopher, Olivia and Adelaide Catizone
Vito Manzella and Marisa Casteneda
Nicholas Hofkamp, Sara Anderson, and Anderson Hofkamp
Matt Duff
Carlos, Maria and Rafael Calderon
Evan Miller and Mary Curtis
Madeleine Leritz and Chris Engle
Matthew Rebernick
Reilly Cosgrove

At Rest in the Peace of Christ

Marty Collins



Find Peace in the Middle of the Week: Sometimes our weeks can be quite hectic, making it hard to find quiet time to pray. If this sounds familiar, join us for Mass on Wednesday at 6 PM., followed by Eucharistic Adoration from 6:30 – 7:30. That can be a great way to experience re-center yourself in God and experience the peace that only Christ can give.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, January 16
9:00 AM +Veronika Sinkunaite
11:00 AM +Elizabeth Estelle White
12:30 PM +Felix Espinosa Jr.
5:00 PM +Dr. Ralph Ambrosino

Monday, January 17
8:30 AM The People of Saint Alphonsus

Tuesday, January 18
8:30 AM The People of Saint Alphonsus

Wednesday, January 19
6:00 PM +Diego Orozco-Arria

Thursday, January 20
8:30 AM The People of Saint Alphonsus

Friday, January 21
8:30 AM The People of Saint Alphonsus

Sunday, January 23
9:00 AM Keaton Pellino
11:00 AM +Ester Santillo
12:30 PM +Julio Giron
+Byron Flores
5:00 PM +Katie Brekke

Parish News and Events

Catholic Schools Week/ Family Mass

St. Alphonsus strongly supports our wonderful Alphonsus Academy & Center for the Arts school and our community families! Since 1974, National Catholic Schools Week is the annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States. It starts the last Sunday in January and runs all week, which in 2022 is January 30 – February 5. The theme for National Catholic Schools Week 2022 is **"Catholic Schools: Faith. Excellence. Service."** Schools typically observe the annual celebration week with Masses, open houses and other activities for students, families, parishioners and community members. Through these events, schools focus on the value Catholic education provides to young people and its contributions to our church, our communities and our nation.

St. Alphonsus will be having a special "Family Mass" on Sunday, Jan. 30 at the 11 AM to kick-off Catholic schools week. AACA students will have the opportunity to sign up to read, bring up the gifts, and the children's choir will perform. However, due to health concerns, there will not be a school tour w/ refreshments as customary in previous years. School tours are now virtual. If you have interest in AACA, you can contact Mary Bodlak, Director of Admissions at mbodlak@aaca.school

In addition after the 11 AM Mass on Jan. 30, thanks to our friends at Lakeview Roscoe Village Chamber of Commerce and an SSA 27 grant, worshippers will be treated to a special Ice Sculpting exhibition starting at 12:00 PM until 2:00 PM outside of church, in the area near the NW side of the veranda, where the Christmas tree currently stands. The Ice Sculpting exhibition also will take place on Saturday, Jan. 29 from 4-6 PM. You can learn more at www.lakeviewroscoevillage.org

Book Club at St. Alphonsus

Our parish has a group of intellectual avid readers who love our Catholic faith and learning more about life through the great works. They meet every Wednesday at 6 PM, either in-person in the rectory or on Zoom. For more info, contact Book Club coordinator Leora at lwallac2@alumni.nd.edu

Parish Co-Ed Volleyball League



Sign up for this year's St. Al's Co-Ed Volleyball League! Games will be played in the St. Alphonsus gym on Thursdays starting at 7:30 PM on February 17th and will go through April 28th. Teams will play a total of 8 games each over the course of 11 weeks. You can sign up individually or with up to 2 other people. Sign-ups are online at www.catholicsportsleagues.com. Sign up at the early bird price of $65 by January 21st.

Tuesday Evening Philosophy Group



Join us on Tuesdays in the St. Alphonsus rectory for weekly philosophy discussions and digging deeper into the greatest thinkers of all time. Get in touch with our YAM Intellectual chair, Ephrem at ephrem.shaffer@gmail.com for more information.

Recovery Programs at St. Alphonsus

If you or loved ones you know have a problem with alcohol/substance abuse, please seek help! Our parish hosts two AA programs. Daily Reflections meet on Monday mornings at 8:30 AM in the rectory Common Room. Contact Lauren Merrill Sammis, lauren.merrill@live.com for more information. There is also a Young People's Big Book AA group that meet Sunday evenings at 7 PM in the Festival Hall. You can contact one of the coordinators, Samuel, samuelaaronmosley@gmail.com for more info.

St. Alphonsus Vitalant Blood Drive— Sunday January 30

Please consider giving blood at the end of the month at St. Alphonsus! The blood drive will take place Sunday, Jan. 30 from 9 AM to 3 PM in the Festival Hall. Giving blood greatly benefits local patients and saves lives! There is a severe blood shortage in our area. Appointments are recommended but walk-ins are welcome. You can visit vitalant.org to make an appointment. Use the Group Code **ORD00581** to bring up the drive at St. Alphonsus. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact parishioner Paul Gillespie, (773) 612-4408.

Religious Goods Sale in Narthex This Sunday Jan. 16

This Sunday, please support Sister Faustina Marie of the Institute of the Consecrates of the Most Holy Savior, a contemplative missionary institute of consecrated life founded in Mexico, as she will be selling rosaries, spiritual books, religious images, medals, crucifixes as well as handmade products from Mexico.

Faith Formation

Women's Bible Study Meetings– Tuesdays at St. Alphonsus



Are you looking for a way to refuel and be refreshed, make authentic connections with other women, and learn more about God? It's time to come back to community! Our mission at Walking With Purpose is to help every Catholic woman and girl in America encounter Jesus Christ through our Bible studies.

Women of the Old and New Testaments were as flawed and broken as we can be, yet the power of God worked in their lives. Learn from their experiences in *Discovering Our Dignity*, a 22 lesson Bible Study.

Through their stories recorded in Scripture, women of the Bible reach out to touch our "present" in a tender, honest and loving way— woman to woman— with ancient wisdom, sage advice, and insights from sorrowful failures and emotional wounds.

Walking With Purpose meet on Tuesdays at the St. Alphonsus Common Room in the rectory. Meetings are from 9:30 AM to 11 AM or 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM. **Walking With Purpose took a short break during the holidays and will reconvene in-person meetings this Tuesday, January 18.** For more info, contact suecombes@hotmail.com

Sacraments at St. Alphonsus

Baptisms



Baptism is a fundamental sacrament for Christians. It is a sacrament of initiation that unites us to Christ's mystical body, incorporates us into the Church, and marks the beginning of the Christian journey. Without baptism we cannot participate in the full sacramental life of the Church. In the sacraments we concretely and most visibly encounter God's grace—life reunited with life. This Christmas season, as we celebrate the Word of God made flesh, remember your baptism and God's presence in your life. If you are interested in having your child baptized contact Kaitlin Holyk at weddings@stalphonsuschicago.com. For adult baptisms contact Brooks Robinson at brobinson@stalphonsuschicago.com

Marriage at St. Alphonsus



The love between two people is a gift from God. The commitment you make to be together for the rest of your lives is sealed before the community and God during the celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage. If you are recently engaged and planning to get married (either at St. Alphonsus Church or out of town) please review the Marriage page on our website and reach out to Kaitlin Holyk at weddings@stalphonsuschicago.com.

Made For More



Save the Date! April 5
An evening of live music, visual beauty, and reflection

Where do we come from and where are we going? These questions are DECISIVE for understanding what it means to be human and how to orient our lives and our actions toward authentic fulfillment. Join Christopher West and Mike Mangione as they creatively weave together dynamic presentations with live music, movie clips, YouTube videos, and sacred art for an evening of beauty and reflection on the meaning of life, love, and human destiny. You will come away with a faith-filled vision of hope that will instill in you the sheer wonder and joy of being alive... For more info, contact Dawn Fitzpatrick, dfitzpatrick@archchicago.org or (312) 534-5355 **Ticket sales are now live.**

Young Adult Ministry

Cocktails After Mass This Sunday



This Sunday, January 16, join Young Adult Ministry for drinks and fellowship after the 5 PM Mass. We will gather in the back of the Church after mass and head over down the street to Side Street Saloon, 1456 W. George St. for drinks and apps. Side Street is a cash only bar, but there is an ATM in the establishment. Stay, mingle and have some drinks with St. Al's YAM Community. All are welcome! This is a great opportunity for new young adults to meet others in the young adult community and for people to mix & mingle in a laid back atmosphere. Hope to see you there!

*Please note: due to the city's recent vaccine mandate, you must be vaccinated to sit inside bars and restaurants.

Are You Looking To Get More Involved? Young Adult Social Committee Meeting



Are you interested in learning more about the social pillar and what we do? Do you have an idea for an event we could do? Are you looking to get involved with planning, volunteering and running some of our events? Come join us this **Wednesday, January 19 at 7:00 PM** to discuss and plan upcoming St. Alphonsus YAM social events for the community. We will meet at Will's Northwoods Inn, 3030 N. Racine Ave and discuss and brainstorm over drinks & dinner:
- Frequency of YAM Social Committee meetings - Recap past months events
- Finalize planning for current month, next big event - Brainstorm next two months ideas

Social Committee is a great way to get plugged into the community, learn and have a voice in what we are going to do, and meet amazing fellow friends. All are welcome! We are looking forward to meeting you!

Praise and Adoration— Friday January 21

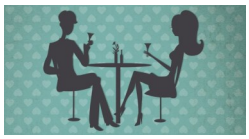


This Friday at 7:30 PM, spend time with our Lord in praise and adoration in the main church. We'll spend the first 15 minutes in silent adoration, and then our musicians will lead worship in song. The hour will conclude with benediction. Afterward, we will meet for refreshment and fellowship at a local pub. (Due to the increase in Omicron Covid-19 cases, The Archdiocese has postponed all food/drink at gatherings in parishes.) Want to sing/play an instrument with us? Come to the church an hour early (6:30pm) to run the songs with the music team! Or contact Eric Nyberg on Facebook.

Save the Dates for February YAM Events— Prove Me Wrong and Speed Dating!



Tired of all the mic-dropping in the Twittersphere? Prove Me Wrong is a speaker series that addresses some of your most pressing and complex questions about the faith. Rather than looking for quick, empty wins in an online debate, our speakers consider strong objections to their positions and then provide a response. The next rendition will be **Tuesday, February 15** from 7-8:30 PM in the Festival Hall. Topic and speaker are TBD.



SAVE THE DATE! We are pretty excited for this annual popular event! Speed Dating at St. Alphonsus will be on **Saturday, February 19** in the Festival Hall. Be sure to check the YAM Facebook page and St. Alphonsus bulletin/newsletter when the sign-up goes live as it generally sells out quickly. Must be 21-39 and single to participate. Already taken? Invite your single friends to join!

9 Days for Life— Jan. 19-27

Join thousands of Catholics nationwide in the annual Respect Life novena, 9 Days for Life, Wednesday, January 19 – Thursday, January 27. Get daily intentions, brief reflections, and more. Sign up at 9daysforlife.com!





ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIPS

Fund a Child's Future



Donate now, reduce your state income tax and invest in our children's future! Take advantage of a limited time 2-for-1 matching gift.

Looking for a way to decrease your Illinois state income tax liability? What if you could decrease what you owe to the state and potentially increase your state tax refund, while also helping fund scholarships for low-income students to attend the Catholic school of their choice?

The Illinois Invest in Kids tax credit scholarship program awarded scholarships to more than 9,300 students in the first four years. This year, as a global pandemic has created so many uncertainties in our society, you can still invest in a brighter future for children from our most vulnerable communities. By contributing through the Illinois **Invest in Kids** program you can make the lifelong advantage of a Catholic school education possible.

Thanks to the generosity of several donors, between Dec. 1, 2021 and Feb. 28, 2022, you can take advantage of a 2-for-1 matching gift program that will triple the impact of your gift! Limitations apply. A donation can be made using cash, check, appreciated stock or credit card.

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:

The Garcia family makes $50,000/year and pays $2,475 in Illinois state income taxes.

Family Income $50,000/year	Option A	Option B	Option C
Illinois state taxes at 4.95%	$2,475	$2,475	$2,475
Invest in Kids donation	**$500**	**$1,000**	**$3,300**
Tax refund	$375	$750	$2,475
Total taxes paid to Illinois (after refund)	**$2,100**	**$1,725**	**$0**
Cost of donation to family after refund	$125	$250	$825
2-for-1 matching gift program triples impact and provides three times the scholarships	**$1,500**	**$3,000**	**$9,900**

Each option provides a refund to the family; however, **Option C** completely eliminates the family's tax burden and provides nearly $10,000 in scholarships for students to attend Catholic schools.

For more information please contact the TCS hotline at **312.534.2617** or **tcs@archchicago.org**, or visit **archchicago.org/tcs**.

Please consider donating and designating Alphonsus Academy & Center for the Arts for your funds. Last year there was funding for only 6 out of 10 qualifying students. We need your help to give everyone an opportunity!

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*

Inspiration for the Week



Pastoral Leadership— Like a Game of Chess

Day to day and week to week duties are important, especially in relation to the strategic vision of the church in the present quarter, over the year, and in the years to come. Some lessons can be learned from this (what is thought to be) 6th-century game. *"The game of chess is like a sword fight; you must think first before you move"* {Your friendly bulletin editor couldn't resist the in-joke… :) }

Although this article is geared towards pastoral leaders in the church, the ideas can also be utilized in many professional fields.

So let's call this strategy CHECKMATE:
*C*reativity: we need to come up with new plans, and without being creative, we cannot make new plans.
*H*unt for Patterns: when we can take notice of patterns, we are better equipped to predict the next best move and how to deal with them.
*E*mbrace opportunities: if we are given any small or big opportunity, we should not let it pass by. We must pray about it, measure it, weigh the benefits, and if it's decided to proceed then stick with it.
*C*ommitment: There are more times than not in our lives when we need to make quick decisions. We are able to do this when we are committed to the cause- the goal is always in mind so whether the decision needs to be a quick one or not, we can proceed with confidence.
*K*nowledge: how we translate larger visions into concrete details so that the team can evaluate whether the vision, timeframe, and methods are doable and affordable is key.
*M*oldability: we may need to change our plans. Things do not always go according to our plan and people surrounding us are unpredictable. Remaining flexible is an invaluable life lesson. The less rigid we are, the better we are able to handle situations thrown our way.
*A*bandon: Without sacrifice, we may never get what we truly want or what we really need. Sacrifice is a necessary part of life, and we see it exemplified throughout the Bible, so it shouldn't be a surprise when it's a decision that we must make for the betterment of the church.
*T*hinking outside the box: helps us find solutions to problems in ways that others may not think of. Calculating is not a bad thing- it's needed. If this then this or without this then this. It's critical thinking, after all.
*E*xecution: not every plan will be successful or even when it is, there may be a hiccup or two along the way. From church events planning checklists to stressing the importance of why church volunteers need background checks, we need to give more importance to analyzing the mistakes and learning from them so that next time we can do it differently and more effectively.

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www.acstechnologies.com/church-growth/pastoral-leadership-its-like-a-game-of-chess/ Used with permission

Gospel Meditation

God delights in you. How do you feel when you hear that? Delight usually comes with an exuberant flow of joy that seemingly arises from one's toes with the expression of great glee. Reflecting upon the deep measure of joy God has in us can be a source of joy for ourselves. Delight is infectious. A very young brother and sister were playing on the beach when the all too familiar ice cream truck made its daily rounds. The boy shook with excitement and delight as he took his sister's hand and exclaimed, "The ice cream man is here, isn't it great!" As they ran off toward the truck, one could hear the girl reply, "Yeah, I can't wait!" The experience of a child's delight in something so simple as ice cream, lifts our spirits from our burdens and transports us to the lighter, more innocent side of life.

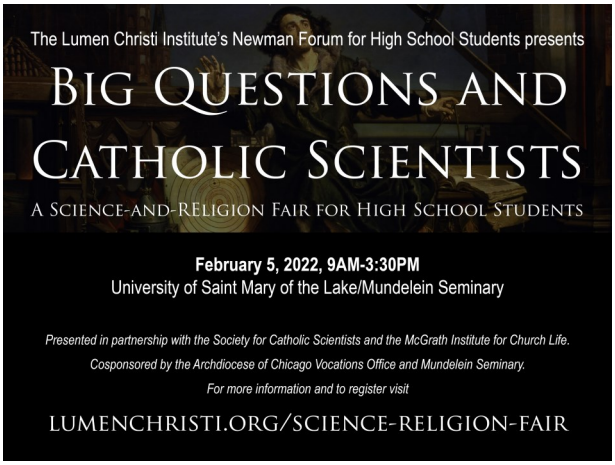
Life is not meant to be a burden. Believe it or not, God actually wants us to be happy! In fact, the wedding feast at Cana shows us that God even puts His blessing on our happiness. It is okay to celebrate the wonder of ourselves and others. Life is good. It is always interesting to note that Jesus saves the good wine until last. You would think it would be the other way around. The superb quality of Jesus' wine points to the superior quality of life we find in Christ. It is not a life of burdens but a life of wonder and delight! In Christ, we are lifted from the superficial and mundane to a life of purpose, hope, and love.

God is with us through the long haul, through the challenges and sorrows as well as the successes and accomplishments. In spite of the fact that we often wander from the path, God's celebratory delight in us remains. As spouses are asked to remain faithful to each other through whatever life brings, God remains faithful too. This promise remains through this life and into the next. All we have to do is take the advice of Jesus' mother to heart when she says, "Listen to him." This wisdom saves us from foolishly giving in to the illusion that we can make better wine than Jesus.

Around the Archdiocese

Big Questions and Catholic Scientists

The Lumen Christi Institute's Newman Forum for High School Students presents "Big Questions and Catholic Scientists: A Science-and-Religion Fair for High School Students" February 5 at the University of Saint Mary of the Lake/Mundelein Seminary. Join us at beautiful Mundelein Seminary for a day full of scientific presentations from the country's premier Catholic scientists. We'll hear a keynote lecture, and then have three "lightning rounds," where students will choose from four mini-lectures each round, whichever sparks their interest most. Then we'll gather for our "reverse science fair," and students will have the chance to ask scientists questions one-on-one. There will also be opportunities for prayer. Learn more and register at https://newmanforum.org/2021/08/06/science-and-religion/



Luncheon with Bishop Barron

On March 10-11, Mundelein Seminary will host Bishop Robert Barron for a special luncheon as he delivers the Albert Cardinal Meyer lecture series. Bishop Barron, as the creator of the award-winning *Catholicism* series and founder of global media ministry Word on Fire, is the world's most influential and followed Catholics. More info to follow at https://100.usml.edu/events/luncheon-with-bishop-robert-barron/

ACCW Scholarship for Young Catholic Women

The Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (ACCW) offers a $1000 scholarship renewable for four years to a deserving young Catholic woman in her senior year of high school (applicants need not attend a Catholic High School, nor plan on attending a Catholic college or university). Complete rules/criteria and application for scholarship are available for download on the ACCW website at https://accw.archchicago.org/accw-scholarship The deadline for submission of completed application and all required letters of recommendation is April 30, 2022. Call the ACCW office with questions or for more information (312) 534-8330 or (312) 534-8325.

Misa de Señor de Esquipulas

Señor de Esquipulas Mass Sunday January 16 at 12:30 PM



The 12:30 PM Mass this Sunday Jan 16 will be a grand liturgical celebration to honor our Lord in a way that is particular to the people of Guatemala, yet also bears relevance for all of us, who, by virtue of their baptismal call, follow the way of Jesus. Therefore the invitation to participate is extended to all the Christian faithful.

The celebration of Señor de Esquipulas, a cultural devotion to the Black Christ of Esquipulas, therefore invites all the Christian faithful to participate, since we are all called to walk in the way of the Lord Jesus. Esquipulas is a city in Guatemala, and in 1594 an artist from Portugal carved a large crucifix there to help foster devotion among the natives, who found Jesus and the Catholic faith more relatable because of the dark color of the cross. (You may have seen the replica of the cross which resides in the shrine next to the image of Our Lady of Guadalupe.) Down through the centuries, devotion to this image of our Lord has grown in Central America. The Cross is carried in processions each January, and it has become a powerful symbol offering hope, peace and justice to so many. While the procession at the start will happen, due to health concerns of the Omicron Covid-19 variant, the annual fiesta in the Festival Hall will not take place. When we worship at this Mass, let us pray to the Lord of Esqupulas to end this pandemic.

Church in Latin America



Next Sunday, there will be a special collection taken up in support of the Church in Latin America. After the conclusion of the Second Vatican Council, the bishops of the United States initiated the Collection for the Church in Latin America in the mid-1960s as a way of fostering unity and solidarity between our country and those in Central and South America and the Caribbean. For over 50 years, Catholics in the United States have supported seminary studies, formation of religious sisters and brothers, family life and youth ministries, and many other vital programs throughout the region. This year on January 23, you can continue this tradition of generosity by giving to the Collection for the Church in Latin America. Please consider giving at Mass or through www.givecentral.org/location/39/event/12642

Helpful Household Hints by Harvey Levin

Clumping Salt

Tired of your salt clumping together and getting hard inside the salt shaker? Here's a trick that restaurants use. Just add a few grains of rice. Rice is amazing at absorbing moisture, and will keep the salt dry. The rice grains are too large to get through the holes in the top of the salt shaker so you will not get hard rice on your food. This keeps the salt from clumping.

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.

You can ***register in the parish*** by coming to the rectory office or going online at *www.stalphonsuschicago.org*. The advantage to registering is that we know who you are and can better plan our programs by knowing whom we serve.

Want *to find out what is happening in the young adult community?* Join the St. Al's Young Adult Listserv. We send out monthly emails to let people know about our upcoming events. To register for the listserv, contact *stalphonsusyam@gmail.com*

The ***Knights of Columbus*** are the world's largest Catholic fraternal service organization. For more information, visit *www.stalphonsusknights.com*

Our parish has received permission to once again host important sacraments. Please be patient as the pandemic created a scheduling backlog regarding Baptisms and Weddings. You can find more info at:

www.stalphonsuschicago.org/baptism

www.stalphonsuschicago.org/marriage

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

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Parish Office Hours:

9:00 AM— 4:00 PM Mon, Wed, Fri
9:00 AM— 1:00 PM Tue, Thurs

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

Parish Staff

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