Saint Alphonsus

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

APRIL 6, 2025: FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus bent down and began to write on the ground with his finger. But when they continued asking him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her."
- Jn 8:6b-7

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LITURGY SCHEDULE

Mass Schedule

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

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday	6:30—7:30 PM

Confessions

Wednesday	6:30—7:30 PM
Saturday	11:00—12:00 PM

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

Worship

This Week's Readings

Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11 Scrutiny: Ez 37:12-14/ Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45
Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:12-20
Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42
Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59
Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42
Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56
Next Sunday: Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/ Lk 22:14-23:56 or 23:1-49

Please Pray for the Sick

Dorothy Bonds
Jamie Wallett
Monica Alexis Rios
Margaret Nichols
Tessa Sergent
Diane Mareci
William Ahearn
Emilia Hurtado
Michael and Elizabeth Velten
Fidel Mercado Chavez
David Birks
Celeste Soult
Michael Aldape
Janet Horvat
Frank G. Bauer
Al Corleone
Tracy Duda
Jacob Duda
Dorothy O'Brien
Ryan Meadow
Danny Browder
Carol Kania
Leslie Salimi
Jason Jamero
Rosemarie Cordero
Gary Masterson
Ramona Colon
Michelle Renee Moya
Ernest Nora
Albert Meier
Daniel Kathrein

Welcome to the Parish!

Marie & Herminda Lopez
Chevy Humphrey & Matthew Treasure
Kelsey & Zach Rogers
Scottie
Molly
Brian Schneider
Meagan Nguyen
Natalie Casal
Ruth & Santurnino Villa
Walker Utley & Samantha Seymour
Karla Del Angel & Corey Flood
Pia
Gael

At Rest in the Peace of Christ

Charles Williams
Vera Wilkinson

Eucharistic Adoration: A Source for Peace:
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 Wednesdays at 6 PM, followed by Eucharistic Adoration from 6:30-7:30. This can be a great way to re-center yourself in God and experience the peace that only Christ can give.

Men's Vespers– WED evening
Men of the parish are invited to attend our Communio prayer group each Wednesday from 8-9 PM in the rectory chapel (come to the rectory side door) It's a great way to take your spiritual life a step further as we enrich our knowledge of the faith, encourage each other in life's challenges, and grow in fortitude together. We chant the Liturgy of the Hours and share reflections on the upcoming Sunday gospel reading, followed by a social with refreshments, fellowship, and conversation. All men of the parish are invited. Questions or more info, contact James Morrow, jemseoul@hotmail.com

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, April 6
9:00 AM William Graham (Birthday Blessings)
Kathy Graham (Birthday Blessings)
11:00 AM Maria Magturo & Family (Birthday Blessings)
Michael & Elizabeth Velten (50th Wedding Anniversary)
12:30 PM +Perfecta Monico y Genaro Corral
5:00 PM +Sarah Jean Hobart

Monday, April 7
8:30 AM The People of St. Alphonsus

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

Wednesday, April 9
6:00 PM +Christian Diaz

Thursday, April 10
8:30 AM The People of St. Alphonsus

Friday, April 11
8:30 AM +Chet Sullivan

Saturday, April 12
8:30 AM The People of St. Alphonsus

Sunday, April 13
9:00 AM +Bronius Stankevicius
11:00 AM +Ed & Mary Gobat
12:30 PM +Marcelina Felipe y Roberto Rodriguez
5:00 PM Smith Family

Holy Week & Easter Schedule



Palm Sunday, April 13
Mass times: Sunday 9:00, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM (Spanish) and 5:00 PM

Holy Thursday, April 17
8:30 AM Liturgy of the Hours
7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday, April 18
8:30 AM Liturgy of the Hours
3:00 PM Stations of the Cross
7:00 PM Good Friday Liturgy

Holy Saturday, April 19
12:00 PM Blessing of Easter Baskets
8:00 PM Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY, April 20
7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM,
1:00 PM (en Español)
No 5:00 PM Mass

Divine Mercy Sunday, April 27
Mass times: 9 AM, 11 AM, 12:30 PM (en Español) and 5 PM
3:00 PM Holy Hour & Confessions

St. Alphonsus– Generation to Generation Campaign

Our parish's participation in the campaign over the next few years, will meet the particular needs of individual parishes and also support Catholic ministries throughout Cook and Lake counties.

The campaign will allow us to save our veranda, some organ repairs and other campus beautification projects.

To see more, check out the posters in the narthex, or **join us for a wine & cheese reception in our Festival Hall this Thursday, April 10 from 6:30 - 8 PM** to learn more about the campaign, complete with a tour of the veranda's underside and an organ demonstration.



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TO GENERATION:
ANSWER THE CALL.....





Praise and Adoration This Friday— April 11 at 7:45 PM

On Friday, April 11th, spend time with our Lord in praise and adoration in the church. We'll spend the first 30 minutes in silent adoration, and then our musicians will lead worship in song. Confession will also be available! The hour will conclude with benediction, and our Young Adult Ministry will gather a group for fellowship and drinks at a local establishment after!

SERVICE EVENT

Volunteer Opportunity— Saturday, April 12 at 9 AM

Next Saturday, all young adults are encouraged to help out with decorating the church in anticipation of Holy Week! There is a sign-up form on the YAM Facebook page. For questions, feel free to contact us at stalsyamservice@gmail.com

Faith Formation

Walking With Purpose—Women's Bible Study

Tuesday Mornings at 9:30 AM; Evenings at 6:30 PM

Come as you are. You are welcome here. Make authentic connections with other women. Refuel and refresh. Learn more about God!

Become a true , dynamic disciple of Jesus Christ.

Passionate Discipleship is a Bible study focused on equipping women to know Christ and to make Him known. Study 2 Timothy verse by verse as we immerse ourselves in Paul's last and deeply personal letter to his beloved friend and mentee, Timothy.

walking with purpose

Come learn how to live as disciples of Christ, living with Him as the center of our lives and entrusting this message to others who can pass it on as well.

Meetings take place every Tuesday on the 2nd Floor Common Room in the parish rectory. For questions and more info, please contact Marianne at mariannek36@yahoo.com

St. Alphonsus Men's Group

St. Alphonsus Men's Group meets Thursday nights to pray the liturgy of the hours, have fellowship, and to propose challenging topics to discuss.

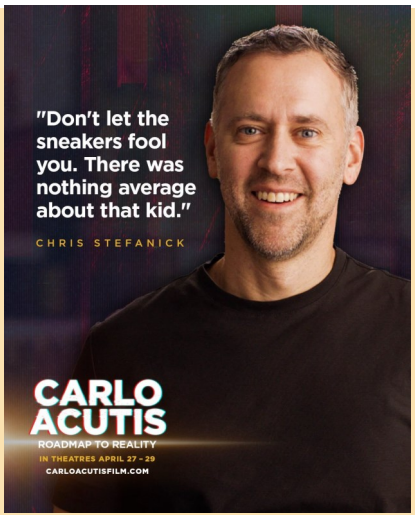
When great conversations happen, synergy that creates connections and helps values be shared develops. *Proverbs 27:17* describes this as two iron tools being sharpened and made more effective. The same applies with friends coming into contact, sharpening and encouraging each other to greater service.

We meet every Thursday night at 7 PM in the rectory. Food and drinks provided. All men are welcome, with most men being in their 20s and 30s. Access can be gained at the west facing rectory door in the parking lot.



For questions or more information, contact Men's Group at our email, divineofficers@gmail.com

"Come to me all you are labored and burdened and I will give you rest" Matthew 11:28



Faith at the Movies

Carlo Acutis: Roadmap to Reality in theatres April 27 - 29 ONLY. Don't miss out! Get your tickets NOW at http://CarloAcutisFilm.com/Tickets



Pope Francis April Intention

For the use of the new technologies

Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.

Mama Meetup Ministry

Easter Egg Hunt!

Join the Mama Meetup Ministry for our next outing at the Gallagher Way Easter Egg Hunt on **Saturday, April 12**! We will meet up on the grassy area near the main stadium door at 10:30 AM, and then go into the event together for some early Easter entertainment! This event is great for the whole family, with face painting, goodie bags, an easter egg hunt for older kids (must RSVP with Gallagher Way through their website to get tickets for this), and a meet and greet with the Easter Bunny! Come socialize with other moms and participate in family fun! More information on the event can be found on the Gallagher Way website.

Please email Kathryn at kkibler@stalphonsuschicago.church to RSVP, or if you have any questions!

Lent 2025

Coming to Confession During Lent



Lent is a traditional time to 'take stock' and discover the ways in which we can turn more fully toward the Lord and away from the sin that weighs us down. It is a great season in which to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation.

The sacrament is Reconciliation is regularly offered twice each week: Wednesday from 6:30 to 7:30 PM; Saturday from 11:00 to 11:30 AM. You may also contact the rectory office and schedule an appointment with a priest.

Divine Mercy Chaplet

The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed at 6:40 PM on Fridays before Stations. If you need a refresher on how to pray the chaplet, you can go to www.catholic-link.org/how-to-pray-the-divine-mercy-chaplet-your-step-by-step-visual-guide/

Stations of the Cross



Each Friday during Lent, the Stations of the Cross are prayed at 6 PM (en Espanol) and 7 PM (in English). This prayer allows us to meditate on Christ's Passion and death while walking the "Way of the Cross." It is a wonderful way to grow in one's knowledge of being a disciple of the Lord.



Lakeview Easter Egg Hunt— Saturday, April 19 at 11 AM

Hop on down to the brand new Lakeview Egg Hunt event on April 19th, perfect for families and small children, near our parish's Veranda at Lincoln & Wellington. (same area as the Christmas tree)

Enjoy a 100% free Easter Bunny photo opportunity, giveaways, a small -scale Egg Hunt with eggs including candy for kids and small gift cards and coupons from Lakeview businesses for parents.

Funded by Lakeview Roscoe Village Chamber of Commerce's SSA 27 grant programs. Learn more at www.lakeviewssa27.com

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.

FIRST FRUITS
time talent treasure

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

Giving Update

Weekly Budget Amount: $15,192

Offertory for 3/30: $15,139

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

Left QR code for GiveCentral; Right QR code for Venmo

For Mass donations via Zelle, please submit to general parish email account, parish@stalphonsuschicago.church

Stewardship Reflection

"...For his sake I have accepted the loss of all things and I consider them so much rubbish, that I may gain Christ..." (Philippians 3:8)

The first commandment says that we should not put other gods before the Lord. Sharing all of our gifts - our time in prayer, our talent in charitable works, and our treasure to support the Church helps us keep God first in everything. It helps us from putting other gods before God. It helps us from becoming a slave to our possessions. It helps us to use our gifts for the glory of God and not for the glory of ourselves.

This is a good recipe for Lent. You will not believe how good it is. It originally came from the Middle East. There are two theories of how it got its name, *Imam Fainted*. 1. That it was so good that the Imam fainted. 2. Olive oil was expensive so when the Imam discovered the amount of expensive oil that was used, he fainted.

1 ¾ Lb. eggplants, thinly sliced 1/4 inch (The smaller the eggplant, the tenderer. I prefer the Indian eggplant if you can get it.)

Sea salt

Olive oil

1 yellow onion, diced

2 large garlic cloves, minced

1/4 teaspoon red chili flakes

2 tablespoons finely chopped fresh dill

2 tablespoons finely chopped fresh basil

Dash of cinnamon

One 14.5 ounce can diced tomatoes

2 tablespoons finely chopped fresh parsley, divided

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F.

Lightly salt the eggplant slices and allow to stand for 20 minutes. Pat the slices dry and set aside.

Heat a thin layer of olive oil in a large ovenproof (preferably cast iron) skillet. Pan fry the eggplant in batches over medium-high heat until golden brown on both sides, about 2 minutes per side. Add more oil as necessary between batches so the eggplant doesn't burn, but try not to have too heavy a hand - the pan just needs to be greased. Remove the eggplant to a plate.

Add the onion to the skillet and sauté over medium heat until soft, 5 minutes. Add the garlic, chili flakes, 1/2 teaspoon sea salt and cinnamon. Cook for one minute more, until fragrant. Carefully pour in the tomatoes and simmer until thickened slightly, 5 minutes. Remove from the heat and stir in half the parsley, the dill and the basil.

Remove 3/4 of the sauce to an ovenproof bowl, leaving a thin layer behind. Arrange one layer of eggplant evenly in the bottom of the skillet or dish. Slather with a layer of sauce, and repeat with the remaining eggplant and sauce - like a lasagna.

Helpful Household Hints by Harvey Levin

Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. But early in the morning he arrived again in the temple area, and all the people started coming to him, and he sat down and taught them. Then the scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery and made her stand in the middle. John 8:1–3

Scandalized by Mercy

What a painful and humiliating experience this must have been for this woman! Fortunately, the Savior of the World was there to care for her and to help her navigate this situation through His abundant mercy. Though she was a sinner, God's mercy offered a remedy for her sin and its consequences.

Interestingly, this story is not included in some of the most ancient manuscripts of the Gospel of John. Saint Augustine believed that it was excluded by some of the early copyists of this Gospel because they were moral rigorists and were scandalized by the depths of Jesus' mercy. They feared that if this incredible act of mercy was conveyed to others, it would lead to a relaxation of moral rules.

The scribes and Pharisees who brought this woman to Jesus also appeared to be scandalized by Jesus' mercy. Thus, the depths of mercy offered to this woman was one of many occasions in which Jesus was merciful to a point that was hard for the people to comprehend.

How about you? How far are you willing to go when it comes to mercy? It is easy for us to resort to condemnation when we see the sins of others. We might feel justified in condemning them and even obliged to do so out of a desire to condemn sin itself. But Jesus' action shows that the sin must not be equated with the sinner. Sin must be condemned and was condemned by our Lord when He said to this woman, "Go, and from now on do not sin any more." Though He condemned her sin, he did not condemn her: "Neither do I condemn you."

The mercy of God is incomprehensible. For example, recall that Jesus cried out from the Cross, "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do." Imagine the surprise that the first hearers of those words would have had. How could this man ask that God forgive the people who were murdering Him? Perhaps the only person who truly understood this prayer of mercy from the Cross was Jesus' own mother as she stood there gazing at Him with love.



An important lesson for us to learn from Jesus' depth of mercy is that, at first, it will most likely scandalize us also. Mercy to this extent is supernatural. It challenges our natural reason and calls us to a new way of thinking and relating to others. The only way to overcome the "scandal" we might feel in the face of God's mercy is to live it ourselves. Doing so will require that we put on new eyes to see sin, mercy and forgiveness through the eyes of God. If doing so shakes you to the core of your being, that might be a good sign. Are you allowing the apparent scandal of God's abundant mercy to transform you so that it is no longer a shock or scandal to you, but is experienced as good and holy and from the Heart of our God?

Reflect, today, upon how deeply you understand God's mercy. Do you rejoice when mercy is offered to another? Or do you find yourself condemning? Our Lord said, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." None of us are without sin; therefore, none of us has the right to cast a stone at another. Allow the apparent scandal of God's mercy to challenge you so that you come to not only understand God's infinite mercy but also to act as an instrument of that mercy to everyone.

Most merciful Lord, You came to call the sinner to repentance and salvation. You offer mercy and forgiveness in superabundance. When faced with the sins of others, help me to imitate Your love for them and to show mercy and compassion to the greatest degree. I love You, Lord. Help me to love You and others with Your Heart of merciful love. Jesus, I trust in You.

Fish Fry Thank You!

To our wonderful volunteers and support teams,

We would like to express our deepest gratitude to each and every one of you for your hard work and dedication during our Fish Fry events. Your time, energy, and enthusiasm were at the heart of both 'Fryday' events. Our Fish Fries are a success because of you.



From Festival Hall set-up (the night before), prepping food, serving our guests, cleaning up, and everything in between, your efforts were essential. It truly made a difference in creating a memorable experience for everyone involved.

Thank you for your generosity, teamwork, and the positive spirits you brought to our events. Our parish community is fortunate to have such a wonderful group of individuals. We look forward to many more opportunities to work together in the near future.



Lenten Blessings to you all.

With much gratitude,
Ray C. San Agustin
Grand Knight – St. Alphonsus Knights of Columbus

"Working with a group of awesome people who really care, in service of good, honest people has given me a sense of agency towards creating positive change in my community.

Religious Education News

NET Missionary Housing and Food Donations Needed!



Invest in the faith of our next generation! A perfect tithe for your Lenten Almsgiving! Help provide either shelter or food for NET Missionaries who are coming to St. Alphonsus to hold retreats for our 7th & 8th graders!

We are hoping to find 3 families to provide:

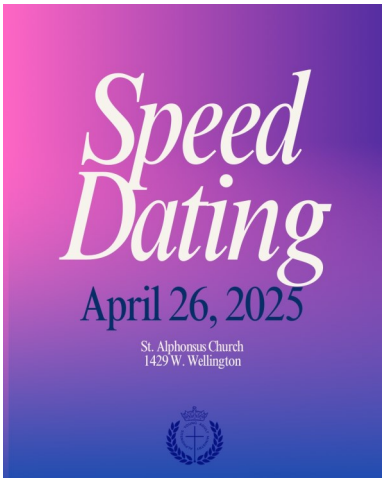
- **A Space for 2-3 Missionaries to Sleep April 10th-12th** (*they have their own sleeping bags so floorspace, couches, or air mattresses are fine)*
- **Shower Access**
- **Continental Breakfast** *(like cereal, yogurt, or fruit)*

We are also looking for families to help provide meals for the missionaries *(either home cooked or gift cards like Chipotle/Panera, etc).*

During this Jubilee Year, you can receive an indulgence for performing a work of mercy! Please help us to host these missionaries that will help to spark the faith in our youth! Email any questions to Emily Ember at eember@stalphonsuschicago.church

Young Adult Ministry

Young Adult Speed Dating— Saturday, April 26

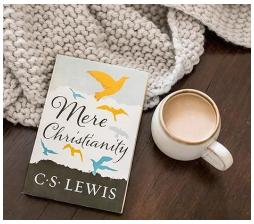


Mark your calendar! Young Adult (21 - 39 years old) Speed Dating will take place on Saturday, April 26th, with check-ins beginning at 6:00 PM. This event will be held in St. Alphonsus Festival Hall.

Cost per individual ticket will be $50. You must pre-register for the event! Sign-ups at the door will NOT be allowed. This is a necessity to ensure that we are able to properly plan everyone's conversations. The final day to register will be Wednesday, April 23rd at NOON, no exceptions. Cost of entry includes light refreshments, two drink tickets for the beginning of the event and two drink tickets for afterwards. We will NOT be serving a full dinner so we strongly recommend eating dinner before arriving as this is a longer event.
In order to register for this event, each individual will have to sign up through two links: Give Central (to pay for the event) and our Speed Dating link (your account will require your email, a password to see matches afterwards, your age, your minimum dating age, and your maximum dating age). Remember, you must both pay and sign up through the link order to attend this event.

GiveCentral Link for Men: www.givecentral.org/otp/42962
GiveCentral Link for Women: www.givecentral.org/otp/42961
Speed Dating Account (all signups): www.stalphonsuschicago.org/yam-speed-dating-form

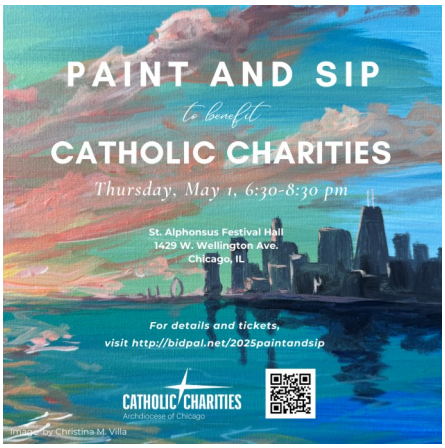
Young Adult Book Club



Book Club meets in the rectory on Wednesday evenings to discuss a few chapters, grow in faith and intellect, and share in fellowship. Our next book will be C.S. Lewis' "*Mere Christianity*", starting on Wednesday, April 23.
For more information, please contact coordinator Leora, lwallac2@alumni.nd.edu

Catholic Charities

Paint and Sip Event— Thursday, May 1



We invite you to join us for an evening of painting the Chicago skyline to support the essential work of Catholic Charities! You will have the opportunity to learn more about Catholic Charities' programs and services while joining in fellowship.
Thursday, May 1 6:30 PM— 8:30 PM
St. Alphonsus Festival Hall

Event is BYOB. Snacks and painting materials will be provided. Tickets are $40 and can be purchased at bidpal.net/2025paintandsip

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago partners with mission-driven people and organizations across Cook and Lake counties to witness a message of mercy and hope to a world in need. We are called to serve and accompany anyone, regardless of their faith, gender, race, or ethnicity.

Blossoms of Hope Brunch— Sunday, April 27



Join Catholic Charities this April for the annual Blossoms of Hope Brunch, benefiting the Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide (LOSS) program. The LOSS Program provides grief support to individuals and families who have lost a loved one to suicide. Since 1979, the program has served thousands of suicide loss survivors through support groups and individual counseling. RSVP at catholiccharities.net/events/blossoms-of-hope-brunch-2025

Jubilee 2025

April 5-6— Jubilee of the Sick and Health Care Workers

A Jubilee Year is an important and historical event in the life of the Church designed for the faithful to experience God's loving mercy in a special way. Traditionally, a Jubilee is proclaimed every twenty-five years, and the activities include pilgrimages, processions, special celebrations of Mass, and an invitation to the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This Jubilee's theme is *"Pilgrims of Hope"* and it began on Christmas Eve, 2024 in Rome and concludes the following year on the Epiphany in 2026. The Jubilee's activities are meant to encourage Catholics to both receive God's mercy and invite participation in acts of mercy in our daily lives and communities. Pope Francis specifically asks us to consider working for peace and an end to conflicts, promoting human life, showing amnesty to prisoners, upholding the dignity of migrants, healing the sick, and accompanying the elderly.

The Holy See has designated a number of Jubilee Days throughout 2025 to recognize and celebrate different groups of people and various ministries in the Church.

The **Jubilee of the Sick and Health Care Workers** helps us to celebrate the important service of healthcare providers and to recognize that accompanying the sick is an important vocation. Whether due to our own health or the health of a loved one, each of us has interfaced with health care workers at some point in our lives, and experienced first-hand the value of their accompaniment. Not only this, but each of us has likely also cared for a sick loved one in some capacity, and so we know how taxing it can be. As the Catholic Health Association states, "Catholic health care, [is] a ministry of the church continuing Jesus' mission of love and healing today. [This] ministry is an enduring sign of health care rooted in our belief that every person is a treasure, every life a sacred gift, every human being a unity of body, mind, and spirit" (Statement of Shared Identity). While each of us are called to continue Jesus's mission of love and healing in our own way, we recognize that the unique vocation of health care workers during this Jubilee.

Prayer for the Sick: *Dearest and gentle Jesus, You knew what it was to suffer, to feel pain, to be afraid of what may come. I know that in my most difficult moments, you are nearer to me than my own breath, filling every part of me with your deep and overwhelming love. Never allow me to forget, that your love is wrapped around me like a soft warm blanket, keeping me safe, giving me courage and comfort. Lord, I ask you, watch over my loved ones and those who care for me. Lift them up when they grow weary, or when patience grows thin. Bless them and hold them close to your heart. You are with us all in this journey. We are grateful. Amen.*

Volunteer Opportunities



April is National Volunteer Month!

Nourishing Hope (formerly Lakeview Pantry) provides quality food, friendly service & hope for tomorrow — and volunteers are the bearers of that hope. Visit www.nourishinghopechi.org/volunteer

Mission of Our Lady of the Angels



Mission OLA, 3808 W. Iowa St., is always welcoming new volunteers! Opportunities to help range from the mobile food pantry on Saturdays, pantry prep on Mondays, Tuesday food pantry distribution, and more! Visit their website at www.missionola.com/getInvolved_Volunteer.html

Volunteering Untapped

The concept is simple – volunteer with a different nonprofit organization in Chicago on the second Saturday of every month from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM, then spend the afternoon at a local bar for food, drinks, networking and fun with everyone who volunteered. Questions? Send a note to Hannah at contactus@volunteeringuntappedchi.org If you'd like to learn more about VU Chicago, visit their website: www.volunteeringuntappedchi.org

Contact

Sacramental Information

Contact our parish office at (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

Have you ever noticed 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 is $15. However, any amount that you would like to offer is 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*

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 Instagram by going to the parish website and clicking the icons at the footer of the page.

Directory

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