Saint Alphonsus

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

OCTOBER 31, 2021: THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



And when Jesus saw that he answered with understanding, he said to him,
"You are not far from the kingdom of God." (Mk 12:34)

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Mass Schedule

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

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: Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 [2]/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34
Monday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 6]/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a
Tuesday: Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1 or 4ab]/Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40a
Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10/Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9 [5a]/Lk 14:25-33
Thursday: Rom 14:7-12/Ps 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 15:1-10
Friday: Rom 15:14-21/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [cf. 2b]/Lk 16:1-8
Saturday: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11 [1b]/Lk 16:9-15
Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44

Giving Update

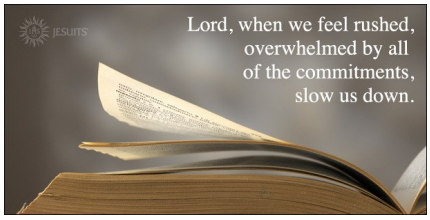
Weekly Budget Amount: $15,218

Offertory for 10/24/2021: $15,284

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

Please Pray for the Sick

Dorothy Bonds
Joanna Ravelingeen
Jamie Wallett
Romie Richard
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



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.

Wednesday Evening Men's Vespers
All men in the parish are invited to pray with us every Wednesday evening from 8:30 to 9 PM in the sanctuary.

Welcome Our Recently Baptized

Madison Esmee Marshall
Jack Urban Huber
London Victoria McCormick

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

Welcome to the Parish!

Delia and Jimbo Quinto

Fouad, Luma, and Louisa Dababneh

Amy, Brandon, Adeline, and Mackenzie Rux

Sue and Ronald Drinan

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, October 31
9:00 AM +Alice Ann Golby
11:00 AM Moises Jimbo
12:30 PM +Bertha Ledesma
5:00 PM +Helen Kam Kin Hui

Monday, November 1 (All Saints Day)
8:30 AM Justine Orillaza (Birthday Blessing)
7:00 PM The People of St. Alphonsus

Tuesday, November 2 (All Souls Day)
8:30 AM +All Souls In Purgatory
7:00 PM +For the Faithful Departed

Wednesday, November 3
6:00 PM +Agnieszka Jurecka (Agnes)

Thursday, November 4
8:30 AM +Nancy Marconi

Friday, November 5
8:30 AM + Alexander Penzinski

Sunday, November 7
9:00 AM +Living and Deceased Veterans
11:00 AM Demeter Bereznak
12:30 PM Moises Jimbo
5:00 PM +Helen Gorman

All Souls Day— Tuesday November 2 at 7 PM



November 2nd is a special day in the life of the Church as we take time to pray for our deceased family members and friends who have died and gone before us marked with the sign of faith. **St. Alphonsus Parish will be holding a special Requiem Mass on Tuesday, November 2nd at 7 PM**, to pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died. Through the Sacred Liturgy, the Church invokes the forgiving love and abundant mercy of God, that He may receive all those we remember into His kingdom so they can come to know the fullness of life and peace of Heaven.

During the Requiem Mass a memorial candle will be lit for each person asked to be remembered. Additionally, our music director Brian Bloye is arranging a special program with a men's schola singing chant in Latin and English from the traditional Requiem Mass of the Church. If you would like to honor a loved one who has died, go to: **https://tinyurl.com/All-Souls-Day-alphonsus** You can also write the names of your loved ones in the Book of the Names of the Dead, which will be available in the Church during November.

A Message From Our Pastor

Friendship With The Saints

Each year the Catholic Church looks forward to celebrating the Solemnity of All Saints on November 1st. Not only is it a high liturgical feast for the Church, but it's an invitation for us to reflect on the lives of the saints and why they're honored.

It's easy to approach the saints or a particular saint in an historical way: this happened to him, *x-y-z* happened to her, he did this, or she wrote that. But the Church does not want her saints to be relegated to biographical accounts; nor should they be confined to being characters in a morality play. Some people see them as intercessors, which is an improvement, but the saints are more than cheering spectators in the bleachers during our game of life. Just because the saints are in Heaven does not mean they are far removed from our daily lives.

A beautiful aspect of our faith is that Heaven is not as far away as we think it is, which means the saints are closer to us than we realize. While we profess belief in the Communion of Saints every time we pray the Creed, All Saints Day can be an opportunity for us to see Heaven more clearly by growing in friendship with the saints. Granted, there are *a lot* of officially beatified and canonized saints, but the best place to start is by rekindling a relationship – a genuine friendship – with your Confirmation Saint.

When we choose patron saints for the Sacrament of Confirmation, they never stop being our patron, intercessor, protector, mentor, *or friend,* even if we've not thought about them since the day the bishop anointed our foreheads with oil. The saints all have faced human challenges, temptations and tribulations like us, and they stand ready to help us navigate the spiritual and earthly challenges we face, so that with their help, we can see the power and salvation of Christ's love more clearly. The saints greatly desire to be our friends because they want to show us the joys and beauty of Heaven – in a sense, they want to be tour guides. For their new best friends: us!

Literarily A Journey To Heaven

(I wonder how many people misread the first word of the above subtitle as a derivative of literal instead of literary. Here, though, I intend to refer you to literary journey to heaven.)

It has been said by many literary scholars that the *Divine Comedy* by Dante Alighieri is the greatest poem ever written. In his narrative poem, Dante's character is guided on a kind of spiritual pilgrimage through the various layers of hell, purgatory, before finally into Heaven. His guide on the tour through Heaven is St. Bernard of Clairvaux... someone with whom Dante felt a very special kinship.

To help grow in an understanding of Heaven, especially in the context of All Saints Day, I would like to formally invite all parishioners to attend ***Dante 360*** at our own Athenaeum Theater on Sunday, November 14th (see page 6 for more info). It will be a journey of music, performance, art and beauty into the experience of Dante's magnum opus.

Someday the Lord God will call each one of us to stand before Him, and by faith in Christ Jesus and love of His salvific work, we can have the hope of Heaven. And I don't believe it to be a stretch of the imagination to imagine that our favorite saints (i.e., those who have become our best friends through prayer), will be our guides to show us the glory and joy of Heaven.

Gospel Meditation

Centuries of God's devoted people have found this prayer on their lips: "Hear, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord alone!" The fundamental prayer has been laid as the cornerstone of many spiritual lives. Where did you learn how to pray or did you? Maybe there is a wisdom figure in your life who inspired and guided you by the genuine, holy simplicity of their lives. His or her example may have led you to God and taught you how to pray. Or perhaps you discovered this art on your own after stumbling over yourself enough times and finally realizing it was time to reach out to Someone greater than yourself. There is a timeless truth that we not only tend to forget, but may have never learned. There is only one God, the Lord alone! As a result, we often worship other gods rather than the One true God. Everything in our life gets distorted and we find ourselves lost and off center.

If we haven't learned it yet, there is a life lesson at the top of all of the possible lessons to be learned. There is One True and Eternal God who alone has a solitary claim on us and must be loved with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. Until we learn this primary lesson, we run the risk of getting distracted and sidetracked.

We will also never really figure out what is at the heart of the relationships we share with the other human beings on this planet with whom we share life. That one primary lesson will teach us the second most valuable lesson: that we must love our neighbor as ourselves. You cannot have one without the other. The presence of God in the core soul of each one of us requires that all of our relationships work together. This truth is at the heart of the Gospel.

If every human being, each in their own way, could stumble upon and genuinely embrace this truth, look how different life would be! Our priorities will immediately shift from "I and me" to "us and we" and we will develop a more inclusive vision for our brothers and sisters. Concerned not only about my own wellbeing and happiness but also that of our brothers and sisters, humanity stands a chance at succeeding in the struggle with injustice, abuse, inequity, violence, war, entitlement, and privilege. It seems that getting to this point has been at the heart of the Gospel and the kingdom of God from the moment Jesus first started to preach. It's a wonder why, then, why so many centuries later, we have still failed to achieve his vision. Maybe we just haven't learned our primary lessons yet.

Stewardship—First Fruits

FIRST FRUITS
time talent treasure

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*

Stewardship Reflection

"And 'to love him with all your heart, with all your understanding, with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself' is worth more than all the burnt offerings and sacrifices" (Mark 12:33)

Of all the gifts that God gives us, the one He wants the most is our heart. He wants us to share out of our love for Him, not out of obligation. Using our talent in parish ministry and contributing money to support our parish mission is important, but it's more important to spend time in prayer with God daily and discern how He is calling us to be generous with all of our gifts. Not just the visible ones, but the invisible ones like love, mercy and forgiveness.

Walking With Purpose

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.

Discovering Our Dignity

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. For more info, contact suecombes@hotmail.com

News and Events

Blessings In A Backpack— AACA Program For Jahn Elementary



Did you know: * 13 million American school-aged children are struggling with food insecurity.
* One in six kids receives free or cost-reduced meals at school during the week, but are without access to affordable, healthy food on Saturday and Sunday.
* Blessings in a Backpack is the only national charitable organization solely dedicated to preventing childhood hunger on the weekends.

Most people can't wait for the weekend. Kids at risk of hunger can't wait for it to be over.

For years, AACA provided weekend nutrition for students in need at Jahn Elementary School through packing Blessings in a Backpack bags. This was put on hold during Covid when CPS schools were closed. The AACA Alumni (high schoolers) stepped up last year when CPS reopened and delivered 50 bags of food/week from April - June. Now Team Rockets is looking to restart the program at AACA and we are raising money through the Blessings "Do It Yourself" 5K.

The Blessings DIY 5K is a run/walk done on your own time, at your own pace, and in your own place from November 6 to 14th to raise money to feed kids on the weekend in Chicagoland. Registration is $25 for a student, $50 for an adult, and $130 for a family of up to 5. Additional donations welcome.

Join Team Rockets for the DIY 5K and help us close the weekend hunger gap for our neighbors! Use this link to register or donate to "Team Rockets", bit.ly/DIY5K21
For questions or more info, please email kristine@theprughs.com

Use Food Research and Action Center (FRAC) Action Network to tell Congress to protect provisions in the Build Back Better Act that take important steps to increase access to & improve the nutrition of school meals— a significant step in the direction of #SchoolMeals4All. Learn more at https://p2a.co/dkqsZf5

South Lakeview Neighbors Meeting

Date : Tuesday, November 2, 2021
Location : The Athenaeum Theatre, 2936 N. Southport
Time : 7:00PM Sharp, Doors open at 6:30PM
Speaker – State Rep. Ann Williams will describe the recently passed Climate and Equitable Jobs Act.
All are invited.
SLN Membership boundaries to join : Diversey to Belmont – Ravenswood to Racine
Please wear your MASK per Chicago Mask Mandate
Email = info@slneighbors.org
Website = www.slneighbors.org

Are You Looking For a Home Caregiver?

Jonah Espino
Full-time caregiver, M-F 8-12 hours/day.

Jonah is a loving, compassionate and competent care giver who will be a true partner with the family. Caring for the elderly requires patience and understanding of the unique circumstances necessary to maintain their quality of life. Jonah was a wonderful companion for my mother-in-law and we worked closely together to navigate her every changing needs. She is a great cook and keeps the home very clean. Jonah can be reached at (773) 516-1052. If you'd like to speak to me as a reference, my name is Donna Villanueva and I can be reached at (773) 505-1230.


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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

Prove Me Wrong Speaker Series

Wednesday November 3 at 6:30 PM



What is it, you ask? In the age of 'gotcha' arguments on social media, in which the only goal is to score points, we need to be extra intentional about pursuing truth. Prove Me Wrong endeavors to outline both sides to any given (controversial) topic to equip us in discerning the truth which ultimately aids in strengthening our faith.

Wear your best networking attire and join us on Wednesday, November 3rd in the St. Al's Festival Hall (church basement) to hear Father Carlos Rodriguez speak. Hors d'oeuvres and drinks will be provided. A $5 suggested donation is encouraged. You are welcome to join us for mass at 6 PM before the event!

YAM Has An Instagram!

Make sure you give us a follow at www.instagram.com/stalphonsusyam/ to keep up with social and service events, groups to join, and all of your YAM updates! Next time you attend a YAM event, tag us in your story or post and use #stalphonsusyam

Fall Trivia Night



Are you the friend who just happens to know random factoids? Or, the one with the most fun party conversations? Well, calling all you trivia fans and friends, alike, to come join us, in the St. Alphonsus' Festival Hall on **Saturday, Nov 13th** from 5-8 PM because St. Al's YAM Trivia is back!

The cost of tickets is $25 per person (it is a fundraiser!).😉 Teams of 5-6 people can register individually or together. Simply list the names of everyone on your team in the "Comments" section on GiveCentral, during your purchase. Light refreshments, beer and wine are included in the event cost and prizes will be provided to the winning team members.

Don't know anyone or don't have 6 people on your team? Fear not! You may also register individually or in a smaller group (2-4 people). We will assign you to a team. ***This event is open to everyone in the parish, not limited to only young adults in our community. All are welcome!***

***Please note:** pre-registration/payment through the GiveCentral link is required to attend. **No walk-ups will be allowed due to team assignments.** Social distance rules set by the Arch will be followed. For any questions or concerns, please reach out to the YAM social team at: stalsyamsocial@gmail.com!

Around the Archdiocese

Run w/ Team OLA in the 2022 Chicago Marathon



Mission of Our Lady of the Angels (via the Franciscans of the Eucharist) provides hope to the poor on the west side of Chicago via food pantries supporting 3000 families a month, afterschool programs, seniors programs, community meals, and much more. Consider running to support Mission OLA in the…

BANK OF AMERICA CHICAGO MARATHON (Oct 9, 2022) Registration is OPEN!

They have a limited # of guaranteed entries— sign up today!

Benefits of joining:

-T-shirts, pre-race Mass & dinner, place to stay the night before the race, and more…

-Sr. Stephanie (2:53 marathoner, NCAA D1 cross-country and track athlete, as featured in Runner's World) can write a training plan for you.

-Each team member will be paired with a member of the prayer team to pray for them!

-Please see missionola.com/marathon.html for details.

Centennial Holy Hours For Vocations

Parishes across Chicago and neighboring dioceses are celebrating Mundelein seminary's centennial by hosting a holy hour for vocations. You are invited to join us at these parishes to pray in adoration with the historic monstrance that was used at the 1926 Eucharistic Congress held on the seminary grounds, when 800,000 people traveled to Mundelein to pray. You can view the schedule at https://100.usml.edu/events/holy-hours-for-vocations-centennial-tour/

****The Holy Hour will be prayed at St. Alphonsus on Wednesday November 10 at 6:30 PM.****

November Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 All Saints Day Mass at 8:30 AM and 7:00 PM **8:30 AM** Daily Reflections AA Recovery Meeting	**2** All Souls Day Mass at 8:30 AM and 7:00 PM **4:00 PM** Boy Scout Troop Meeting **6:15 PM** Religious Education **7:00 PM** Boy Scout Troop Meeting **7:00 PM** YAM Philosophy Forum	**3** **1:45 PM** 1st Grade Daisy Scouts **6:00 PM** First Communion Prep **6:00 PM** RCIA **6:30 PM** YAM "Prove Me Wrong" Speaker Series **7:00 PM** Young Adult Book Club	**4** **6:30 PM** Women's Faith Sharing Group **7:00 PM** Men's Faith Sharing Group **8:30 PM** CL School of Community	**5** **9:00 AM** Holy Fire Retreat **5:00 PM** 4th/5th Grade Webelos AOL Scouts	**6** **9:00 AM** Holy Fire Retreat
7 **1:00 PM** Samuel Group Meeting **6:00 PM** YAM Board Meeting **7:30 PM** Big Book AA Meeting	**8** **8:30 AM** Daily Reflections AA Recovery Meeting **7:00 PM** Knights of Columbus Meeting	**9** **9:30 AM** Walking With Purpose **3:00 PM** 3rd Grade Brownie Scouts **6:15 PM** Religious Education **6:30 PM** Walking With Purpose **7:00 PM** Parish Council Meeting **7:00 PM** Boy Scout Troop Meeting **7:00 PM** YAM Philosophy Forum	**10** **1:45 PM** Kindergarten Daisy Scouts **6:00 PM** First Communion Prep **6:00 PM** RCIA **6:00 PM** Centennial Holy Hour for Vocations **7:00 PM** Young Adult Book Club	**11** **6:30 PM** Women's Faith Sharing Group **7:00 PM** Marriage Information Meeting **7:00 PM** Men's Faith Sharing Group **8:30 PM** CL School of Community	**12** AACA— No School	**13** **5:00 PM** Trivia Night sponsored by Young Adult Ministry

November Calendar

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14 **Bethlehem Arts Holy Land Artifacts Sale After Masses** **11:00 AM** Rite of Acceptance **3:00 PM** Dante 360 at ACTC **7:30 PM** Big Book AA Meeting	**15** **8:30 AM** Daily Reflections AA Recovery Meeting	**16** **9:30 AM** Walking With Purpose **3:00 PM** Brownie Girl Scouts **6:15 PM** Religious Education **6:30 PM** Walking With Purpose **7:00 PM** Parish Finance Council **7:00 PM** Boy Scout Troop 889 Meeting **7:00 PM** YAM Philosophy Forum	**17** **6:00 PM** RCIA **7:00 PM** Young Adult Book Club	**18** **6:30 PM** Women's Faith Sharing Group **7:00 PM** Men's Faith Sharing Group **8:30 PM** CL School of Community	**19** **3:00 PM** 2nd Grade Brownie Scouts **5:00 PM** 4th/5th Grade Webelos AOL Scouts	**20**
21 **Catholic Campaign for Human Development Collection** **1:00 PM** Samuel Group Meeting **6:00 PM** Lakeview Tree Lighting Ceremony **7:30 PM** Big Book AA Meeting	**22** **8:30 AM** Daily Reflections AA Recovery Meeting	**23** **9:30 AM** Walking With Purpose **6:30 PM** Walking With Purpose **7:00 PM** Boy Scout Troop 889 Meeting **7:00 PM** YAM Philosophy Forum	**24** **AACA No School Rectory Closed**	**25** **Thanksgiving** **Mass at 9:00 AM**	**26** **AACA No School Rectory Closed**	**27** **Celebration of Giving/Giving Tree Project Begins**
28 **Blessing of Advent Wreath at Masses** **7:30 PM** Big Book AA Meeting	**29** **8:30 AM** Daily Reflections AA Recovery Meeting	**30** **9:30 AM** Walking With Purpose **6:15 PM** Religious Education **6:30 PM** Walking With Purpose **7:00 PM** Boy Scout Troop 889 Meeting **7:00 PM** YAM Philosophy Forum				

Scheduling at St. Alphonsus

The monthly calendar in the bulletin only shows all current parish events/activities. It does not indicate all sacraments such as weddings and baptisms. You can view the entire parish calendar on our website at www.stalphonsuschicago.org/calendar If your group's events are not listed in our calendar, please contact Mario Serrano at mserranostals@gmail.com

Helpful Household Hints by Harvey Levin

Dirty Fingernails

When you are working with something dirty like car repairs, mechanical work or gardening, dirt tends to get under your fingernails. Then you have to work with hand cleaner and a scrub brush to get it out. Here is a way to make the task easier. Before you start the job, claw your fingernails on a bar of soap. Then there will be a layer of soap behind the dirt and it will wash out easily.

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

1429 W Wellington Ave, Chicago, IL 60657-4121
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www.stalphonsuschicago.org

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
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www.alphonsusacademy.org

School Office Hours:

8:00 AM– 3:00 PM

Staff

Parish Staff

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
Daniel Szymanski, Director of Operations
Mario Serrano, Parish Office Manager
Kaitlin Holyk, Sacrament Ministry Coordinator

School Staff

Gerit McAllister, Principal
Matt Gunsaulus, Assistant Principal
Mary Bodlak, Director of Admissions
Caroline Jordan, Advancement Director
Kim Wallett, Secretary
Connie Del Toral, Administrative Assistant