

February 2, 2025

Receipts

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The Presentation of the Lord

"Faith, hope, and love remain, these three; but the greatest of these is love."

— 1 Corinthians 13:13



STEWARDSHIP OF FINANCE REPORT REPORTING PERIOD JULY 1, 2024 – DECEMBER 31, 2024

The role of the Finance Council is to advise the pastor on financial management of the parish. We review and approve the annual church budget and review monthly revenue and expenses. Each year your Finance Council reports the financial condition of the parish to parishioners. Listed below are the receipts and disbursements of the parish during the first six months of this fiscal year, July 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024.

Disbursements

Church Support Collections	713,376	Parish Share Tax to Diocese	153,732
Building Fund/Maintenance Program	142,737	Administrative Expenses	427,572
Other Income	59,959	Pastoral Services	84,645
Total Receipts	916,072	Plant Operations/Maintenance	121,536
		Capital Expenditures-Interest on Loan	31,845
		Capital Expenditures-Equipment Purchases	3,738
		Total Disbursements	823,068
		Receipts in Excess of Disbursements	93,004

Of our Net Income of \$93,004 from the first six months of the fiscal year, \$62,661 was used to pay the principal for the Parish Activity Center loan leaving a surplus of \$30,343.

Listed below is information on our loan for the Parish Activity Center.

Loan Balance 7/1/2024	1,724,480
Principal Payments Made	(62,661)
Loan Balance 12/31/2024	1,661,819

The Finance Council thanks you for your continued support. The wonderful facilities and personnel we have at our parish would not be possible without your generosity.

Serving on your Finance Council are:

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Deacon Ronnie Hebert	Melissa LeSage	Monica Zumo

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PARISH WEEKLY CALENDAR: FEBRUARY 1-9, 2025

Saturday	8:00 AM 9:00 AM 10 AM-4 PM 4:00 PM 6:00 PM	Mass & Adoration - Church SJA Bread Baking - SAS Caf. Pictorial Photography - PAC Vigil Mass MP3 - PAC
Sunday	8 AM, 10 AM & 1 10:00 AM	Retreat Sign-up after all Masses
Monday	9:00 AM 6:30 PM 6:30 PM 6:30 PM	Wisdom Bible Study - S.F. C Scouts Troop - St. Matthew Scouts Parents - PAC Office Cub Scouts Den - Sts. Luke, John & Mark
Tuesday	9:00 AM 11:00 AM 6:00 PM 6:30 PM 6:30 PM 7:00 PM	Epic Bible Study - S.C. Ladies Altar Society - S.F. Women of Faith - St. Matthew Grief Support - S.C. Men's Scripture - C.R. Liturgy Committee - S.G.
Wednesday	9:00 AM 9:00 AM 11:00 AM 11:00 AM 12:00 PM 1:00 PM 5:30 PM 6:00 PM 6:00 PM 6:00 PM 6:00 PM 6:30 PM	ACTS Bible Study - S.F. C James Bible Study - S.G. Hebrews Bible Study - S.C. Mark Bible Study - S.G. Hospitality Committee - S.F. Prime Timers Committee - S.C. Bell Choir - C.R. Cub Scouts Comm St. Matthew Jesus the Way, the Truth & the Life Bible Study - S.G. Prophets Bible Study - S.C. King's Men - K.C. Hall Family Catechesis - PAC E.H. Chancel Choir - C.R.
Thursday	10:00 AM 11:00 AM 6:30 PM 6:30 PM 6:30 PM	First Corinthians Study - S.C. Matthew Bible Study - S.G. OCIA Catechesis - S.F. C Bible & Church Fathers - S.G. First Eucharist Parent Meeting - PAC E.H.
Friday	8:30 AM 6:00 PM	School Mass Home & School Bingo - PAC
Saturday	9:30 AM 4:00 PM	uts Pinewood Derby - PAC Corpus Christi Prayer - S.J. Vigil Mass Milestone Anniversary Celebration - Church, S.F.
Sunday	The Firm Sunday	y in Ordinary Time

8 AM, 10 AM & 12 PM Masses

10:00 AM

10:15 AM

12:00 PM

Coffee & Donuts after 8 & 10 AM Masses - S.F.

Adaptive PSR

Children's Liturgy - S.F.

OCIC, Learning Group,

K.C. Quarterly Communion

WORSHIP

Readings for the Week - Feb. 2-9

Sunday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 **Monday**: Heb 11:32-40, Ps 31:20, 21, 22, 23, 24; Mk 5:1-20 **Tuesday**: Heb 12:1-4; Ps 22:26b-27, 28 and 30, 31-32; Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a;

Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24; Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 9, 10-11;

Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc; Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mk 6:30-34 **Sunday**: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8; Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8; 1 Cor 15:1-11 or

1 Cor 15:3-8, 11; Lk 5:1-11

Featured Saint of the Week

St. Andrew Corsini (1302-1374) Feast Day: January 6

Early in his life Andrew had no direction, but showed tremendous interest in wine, women, and song. That was, until his mother rebuked



her son for his behaviors. She'd prayed about it, but then quite forcefully "encouraged" him to visit the local church to spend time talking with God. Her words were not wasted. He eventually came to the decision and resolved to join the Carmelites to become a priest or friar. This was despite the urging of his friends to return to his former life.

Andrew began his new life within the Carmelite monastery in 1318. His ordination and first Mass took place in 1328; then he chose to live a more reclusive religious life as a friar. He developed a reputation earning the nickname of the "Apostle of Florence." He was later chosen as prior of the monastery.

In 1349, Pope Clement VI appointed Andrew as the new Bishop of Fiesole. Not wanting the position, Andrew's response was to go into hiding. Ultimately, he accepted his new role as Bishop.

Andrew was born into a life of nobility, plus he had a heart for the challenges of the poor. Pope Urban felt Andrew's experiences would make him a valuable asset as a peacemaker between political factions of the people. So he sent Andrew to Bologna as a papal legate to heal some breaches between the nobles and the poor. Once this matter settled, Andrew returned to his work as Bishop; remaining Bishop of Fiesole from 1349 until his death at 71.

It is reported that as Andrew celebrated Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve, the Blessed Virgin appeared to him and told him that he would leave this world on the Three Kings' feast. It came to pass that he fell ill on Christmas night and died as foretold on 1/6/1374.

His remains were exhumed in 1385 for relocating to Florence, Italy and found to be incorrupt. There were a number of miracles credited to him including healings and some war victories. Pope Clement XII canonized St. Andrew on April 22, 1699.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM & 12:00 PM



Live Stream

Sunday 10:00 AM on Facebook & YouTube

Daily Masses

Tuesday, Wednesay, Thursday & Friday 8:30 AM

Novena on Tuesday 8:30 AM

Respect Life Rosary on Thursday after Daily Mass

Holy Day Masses

As Announced

Children's Liturgy of the Word

For children in kindergarten through second grade.

SACRAMENTS & RESOURCES

Baptism

Contact Margaret Garza at the Parish Office in the early months of pregnancy for dates and preparation requirements.

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 PM and by appointment

Christian Initiation of Adults

If interested in becoming Catholic and want more information on the process, call the Formation Office at 225-261-4644.

Marriage

Contact Sara Puissegur at the Parish Office six months to one year prior to projected wedding date for information concerning preparation programs.

Anointing of the Sick

You can receive this sacrament during a serious illness, before a major surgery, or for spiritual and mental healing. Contact the Parish Office for more information.

Funerals

Contact Margaret Garza at the Parish Office for arrangement information.

Formed

Go to formed.org, find St. Alphonsus Liguori Parish, and enjoy access to this free online Catholic gateway.

Prayer Line

Beverly Heil 225-772-4278 Gloria Jones 225-337-8929

Flowers for the Church

Want to place flowers in the church in memory/honor of a loved one? Contact Margaret at 225-261-4650 to schedule a weekend.

Baptisms - January 2025

Derek Paul Keating, Jr. - Child of Amy Coston & Derek Keating, Sr.
Gabriel Wyatt Keating - Child of Amy Coston & Derek Keating, Sr.
Vincent Joseph Misuraca IV - Child of Vincent "Trey" III &
Nicole Misuraca.

OUTREACH

Habitat for Humanity

The 2025 Catholic Sponsored Habitat Build begins in January. St. Alphonsus and St. George will be teaming up to build on Saturday, Feb. 1 and Wednesday, Feb. 5. Please contact Glenn Jarreau at (225) 287-1295 if you would like to participate.

Pray for the Sick

Please note: Names are removed after 8 weeks.

Pat Matthews, Sharon Leod, Jaycee Richard, Gary Saucier, Alexander Landry, Sally Stears, Monica Kelly, Devin Mounce, Chris Bringol, Daniel Guerin, Datz Family, Schittone Family, Catherine Willis, Lynette Shaffett, Larry Bueche, Ashley Smith, Chris Dickerson, Jackie Scardina, Fisk Morris, Mollea Hood, Michael Morales, Theresa Ognibene, John Larkin, Briggs Elliser, Anita Bueche, Jamie Samson, Kathy Madere, Krystal Feltman, Melanie Way, Sandy Dares, Ashlynn Ferguson, Carolyn Rogillio, Patsy York, Angie Welsh, Lynette Lemoine, Chris Hobkirk, Patrick Bourgeois, Holly Hart, Jeff Ferguson, Patsy Sagona, Dammers Family, Debbie Mouton, Marion Robillard, Ron Dodson, Stevie Calverley, Luke Allen, Blanche Hoover, Marlene Ortego, Claudia Mouton, Jackie Pina, Ashley Nix, Donna Hebert, Bill Witt, Priscilla Perez, Charlotte St. Romain, Brenda Lovett, Karen Rabalais, Sonya Guedry, Marie Chamberlin, Ramona Hartman, Lucky Ross, Melise Efferson, Angelo Silvio, Christopher Silvio, Mona Miller, Mark Mitchell, Lori LeSage Gautreaux, Ruth Riddle, Fr. Tom Duhe, Cindy Vavasseur, Rita Neck, Lex Verbois, Jackson Holley, Vickie Calamia, Ashton Griggs, Bradley Brouillette, Jeanette Felps, Al Felps, Kevin Nicosia, David Lonibos, Joy Lonibos, Glenda Bringol, Jan Bankston, Harrison Simpson, Cathey Chustz, John Nicosia, Homer Brown, Vance & Olivia Thomas, Matthew Chambers, Ryan Babin, Andy Juneau, Charles Holland, Janis Donellan, Janet Messina, Scott Corrick

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Alphonsus Liguori Parish celebrates the living waters of Christ by nourishing our Catholic community spiritually and academically so that Christ may be known in our world.

Serving Our Country

If you know someone serving in the military, please call the Church Office at 261-4650, and let us know their information.

ARMY: Major Chad A. Alford, Warrant Officer Jody K. Hunt, Capt. Brian C. Greco, Sergeant Charles N. Garner, Lt. Col. Keith Madere, Brian D. Duvic, Chief Warrant Officer Ryan Martin, PFC Jacob Fontenot, SPC Kory A. Nijoka, SPC Quillan McMillan, SPC Nathan Casselberry, Sgt. Natalie Arceneaux

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U.S. MARINE CORPS: Major Blaine Ballard, Tyler Datz, Eric Vlahos, Lance Corp. Mahala Hausse, Lance Corporal Kristian Morris

U.S. COAST GUARD: EM2 Dylan Lirette, EM4 Kobe Naquin

COMMUNITY LIFE

Ladies Altar Society

Our February luncheon/meeting will be held on **Tuesday, February 4, 2025**, in the St. Francis Room at 11 AM. The cost of the meal will be \$10. All ladies of the parish are invited to join us. If you



have any questions, contact Dianne at 225-921-8356 or Cherryl at 225-235-0198.



Consecration of our New Altar

On Friday, January 24, 2025, Bishop Duca consecrated the new St. Alphonsus Altar and blessed the tabernacle, ambo, and cantor's stand. We are so thankful for the many generous parishioners who donated toward this project. Special thanks to Ronnie Deaton, Glen Jarreau, and Larry Buhler, who worked on these pieces as volunteers. Fr. Jason also commissioned Mrs. Tina Guillory of Denham Springs to do all of the painting and gold accents that you see on these pieces. Thank you to Eric Frank Photography for the wonderful photos from this Mass. See the St. Alphonsus Catholic Church Facebook page for more photos and the live stream.

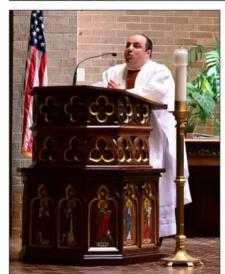


















FORMATION

Family Catechesis

The next meeting for Family Catechesis for K-6th grades will be held on Wednesday, February 5, 2025, at 6:30 PM in Emmanuel Hall. Bring books and assignments to be checked.

First Eucharist Parent Meeting

Parents of children receiving the Sacrament of Eucharist for the first time must attend one meeting and retreat.

Parent Meetings are for parents only.

Thursday, February 6, 2025

at St. Alphonsus 6:30 PM in the P.A.C Emmanuel Room Nursery available upon request.

Pray for our students

Please continue to pray for all of our candidates that are preparing for Sacraments of 1st Eucharist and Confirmation.

Learning Group

Learning Group dates: February 9th and 23rd.

The King's Men

The King's Men exists to create and develop a thriving community of Catholic men in our parish. We meet Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:30 PM at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Oak Cluster Dr. We participate in a wide variety of compelling programs such as "That Man is You", "Welcome Retreat" men's retreat, The Men of Immaculata Men's Conference and retreats at Manresa. Contact the Faith Formation Office for more information.

Confirmation Retreat

On January 25-26, our Confirmation students attended an off-site retreat at St. Joseph Abbey. Everyone had an amazing weekend. Special thanks to our wonderful catechists, mentors, Fr. Jason, and our facilitator Lynette Shaffett. Photos submitted.













Corpus Christi Prayer Group

The Corpus Christi Prayer Group meets the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month from 9:30–11 AM in the St. Matthew Room of the Parish Activity Center. We praise and worship God for an hour, then have talks, teachings or testimonies for twenty minutes. Prayers are offered for anyone who wants or needs them. This is an open invitation for anyone. Are you looking to strengthen or grow in an intimate relationship with the Lord? You can do that here. This will teach you how to walk in the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. If you are interested, please contact Jean LeBlanc.

The Men's Bible Study

The Men's Bible Study meets Tuesday evenings in the Choir Room from 6–8 PM. Many of us know the Scripture readings from Mass, but do you know how they apply to your everyday life? Come share time with Scripture from the Sunday readings and fellowship with other men of the parish.

ADMINISTRATION

Online Giving Made Easy

If you would like to give online or set up recurring giving online, scan this QR code to go to our ParishSoft Giving page.



Gifts of Stewardship

For January 18-19, 2025, your Stewardship resulted in:

Weekly Collection

WEEKIY COHECHOH	
Envelopes	\$ 14,080.00
Unidentified	\$ 2,098.00
Parish Soft	\$ 7,578.50
Bank Draft	\$ 2,824.00
Building/Maintenance Fund	
Envelopes	\$ 155.00
Parish Soft	\$ 497.00
New Parish Activity Center	
Envelopes	\$ 300.00
Parish Soft	\$ 560.71
<u>Children</u>	\$ 22.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 30.00
<u>Latin America</u>	\$ 115.00
Total Received	\$ 28,260.21
SVDP Building Project	\$ 75.00

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