



St. Alphonsus Liguori Catholic Church

The Second Sunday of Advent - December 4, 2022 - Volume 14, Issue 49

"Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths."

- Matthew 3:3



Immaculate Conception

Holy Day of Obligation

Thursday, December 8, 2022

Masses at 6 AM, 8:30 AM & 6 PM



Kids in Ministry

CHRISTMAS PARTY



Saturday, December 10, 2022

9:30-11:30 AM - Family Center

Infant through Fifth Grade

CELEBRATE GOD'S GREATEST GIFT: JESUS!

Breakfast

Games

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Nativity Story



Please RSVP at www.alphonsus.org.



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PARISH WEEKLY CALENDAR: DECEMBER 3-11, 2022

Saturday	8:30 AM 9:30 AM	Family Adoration - Church Health & Wellness Class with Dr. Damon Butler - S.F.
	4:00 PM	Vigil Mass
Sunday	Second Sunday of Advent 8 AM, 10 AM & 12 PM Masses	
	10:00 AM	Children's Liturgy - S.F.
	12:00 PM	Confirmation Year 2 - Church, All Rooms
	6:00 PM	Theology on Tap - S.F.
Monday	8:30 AM 6:30 PM 7:00 PM	Daily Mass Scouts - F.C., S.J., Blessed Seelos Liturgy Committee - S.G.
Tuesday	8:30 AM 9:00 AM 9:00 AM 11:00 AM 6:30 PM 6:30 PM 6:30 PM	Daily Mass Mark Study - S.C. John Study - C.R. Ladies Altar Society - S.F. Grief Support - S.C. Men's Scripture - C.R. Ladies Welcome - Blessed See.
Wednesday	9:00 AM 11:00 AM 11:00 AM 12:00 PM 1:00 PM 5:30 PM 6:00 PM	Matthew Study - S.G. Mass Study - S.G. Timeline Study - S.F. A/B Hospitality - S.F. C PrimeTimers - S.C. Bell Choir - C.R. Remembering Our Children Rehearsal - Church, S.F.
	6:00 PM 6:30 PM 7:00 PM	Cub Scouts - S.G. King's Men - S.J. Chancel Choir - C.R.
Thursday	Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary <i>Holy Day of Obligation</i>	
	6:00 AM	Mass
	8:30 AM	School Mass
	6:00 PM	Mass
	6:30 PM	RCIA Inquiry - S.C.
	7:00 PM	RCIA Sessions - Church
Friday	8:30 AM 9:30 AM	Mass Coffee Break - S.F.
Saturday	9:30 AM 9:30 AM 4:00 PM	KIM Christmas Party - F.C. Corpus Christi Prayer - C.R. Vigil Mass
Sunday	Third Sunday of Advent 8 AM, 10 AM & 12 PM Masses	
	10:00 AM	Children's Liturgy - S.F.
	10:30 AM	Learning Group - All Rooms
	6:00 PM	Remembering Our Children - Church, S.F.

WORSHIP

Readings for the Week - December 5-11

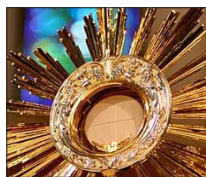
Monday: Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Lk 5:17-26
Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13; Mt 18:12-14
Wednesday: Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10; Mt 11:28-30
Thursday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19
Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13
Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10; Ps 146:6-10; Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11

Vocation View: Second Sunday of Advent

John the Baptist was called to prepare the way of the Lord. Is God calling you to be a priest, brother, or sister to do the same? If yes, call Rev. Joshua Johnson at (225) 336-8778 or email jjohnson@diobr.org.

Family Adoration

Join us for Family Adoration & Benediction on **December 3, 2022**, at 8:30 AM in the Church. We will have coffee and donuts in the St. Francis Room following Adoration.



Decor Committee: Christmas Schedule

Fri., Dec. 16 at 9:15 AM: Christmas tree delivery.

Need help placing trees in church and erecting poinsettia tree frame. We will place poinsettias in pots and refresh wreaths at this time. They will be staged in small meeting rooms. We will also stage the area for the manger. All garland and lights can be hung at this time.

Sun., Dec. 18 after 12 PM Mass: Finish decorating church for Christmas.

Need help to move poinsettia tree frame into church and fill with poinsettias. Finish altar décor and outside decor. We will also move manger figures into place and decorate gather space tree.

November 2022 Baptisms

Bo Archie Buxton - Child of Steven & Sybil Buxton.

Rowan Claire Buxton - Child of Steven & Sybil Buxton.

Randall Hayes Carter - Child of Blake & Rebekah Carter.

Clayton Lee Neames - Child of Brice & Morgan Neames.

November 2022 Weddings

The following couples were joined in the Sacrament of Marriage:

Samuel Paul LaMotte & Michael Ann Marchand

John Paul Mouton & Kaylee Elise Kwan

OUTREACH

Health & Wellness Class with Dr. Butler

St. Alphonsus Church is pleased to host a Health and Wellness Class. Dr. Damon Butler, owner of Central Chiropractic Center, will share tips on how to keep a healthy lifestyle for yourself and your family. Join us Saturday, December 3, 2022, at 9:30 AM in the St. Francis Room. Admission is free.

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

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8:30 AM

Novena on Tuesday 8:30 AM

Holy Day Masses

As Announced

Children's Liturgy of the Word

For children kindergarten through second grade.

SACRAMENTS & RESOURCES

Baptism

Contact Robin Debetaz 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 Robin Debetaz at the Parish Office for arrangement information.

Formed

Go to formed.org and enjoy access to this free online Catholic gateway with our parish access code- 9R9K3M.

Prayer Line

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Rest in Peace

John Murphy - Father of Bo (Sarah) Vann.
John Durrett, Sr. - Father of John (Marguerite) Durett, Jr.
Barbara Simoneaux
John Hood

Pray for the Sick

Please note: Names are removed after eight weeks.

Jeanette Felps, Al Felps, Nicholas Weber, Kelly Williber, Mary Killet, Carol Paul, Betty Casper, Kevin Nicosia, David Lonibos, Joy Lonibos, Theresa Bourgeois, Jan Bankston, Mary Bridges, Pat Matthews, Sharon Leod, Jaycee Richard, Gary Saucier, Alexander Landry, Sally Stears, Monica Kelly, Devin Mounce, Chris Bringol, Daniel Guerin, Janice Jeansonne, 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, Louis Lamar Bordelon, Kathy Madere, Krystal Feltman, Melanie Way, Sandy Dares, Ashlynn Ferguson, Millie Strickland, Carolyn Rogillio, Patsy York, Angie Welsh, Kenny Miller, Lynette Lemoine, Chris Hobkirk, Carolyn Miller, Rick Mock, Patrick Bourgeois, Holly Hart, Jeff Ferguson, Liam Thistlewaite, Nicholas LaCroix, Patsy Sagona, Dammers Family, Debbie Mouton, Marion Robillard, Ron Dodson, John Nicosia, Keira Boone, Stevie Calverley, Billy Stears, Luke Allen, Betty Castor, Blanche Hoover, Marlene Ortego, Gwen Moore, Claudia Mouton, Jackie Pina, Betty BeJeaux, Ashley Nix, Kelli Campo LaCroix, Donna Hebert, Alex Menesses, Bill Witt, Priscilla Perez, Joan McIntyre, Charlotte St. Romain, Gary Whittington, Brenda Lovett, Christine Cobb, Kenny Kuykendall, Karen Rabalais

Ladies Altar Society

Our December Ladies' Altar Society luncheon/meeting will be held on **Tuesday, December 6, 2022**, in the St Francis Room at 11 AM. The cost of the meal will be \$5 per person. All ladies of the parish are invited to join us. If you have any questions, you may contact Dianne at 225-921-8356 or Cheryl at 225-235-0198.



Remembering Our Children Candlelight Service

"Sometimes our light goes out, but it is blown again into flame by an encounter with another human being." -Albert Schweitzer

Everyone is invited to be that human encounter supporting our parents who have lost children. Please join them for our Remembering Our Children Candlelight Service on **Sunday, December 11** at 6 PM, in the church. This service will symbolize that the light of these precious children will forever be held in our hearts. If you have lost a child and did not receive a personal invitation to our Candlelight Service, please call the Church Office at 261-4650 to let us know.

K.C. Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest

Children **ages 5-14** are invited to submit their Christmas poster designs to the Knights of Columbus by **December 15, 2022**. SAS students can turn in their submissions at the school. Contact Mike Martone at 225-445-7234 with any questions. The entire parish is invited to view all poster contest submissions on the weekend of **Dec. 17-18** in the Family Center. Come enjoy coffee and donuts while you view and vote on your favorites.

New Members

Kevin, Simone and Lucia Cohn
Joshua, Kristin, Jaxson, Isabella and Isaac Drago
Sandra Griscom
Brad, Kennedy and Trip Miller

COMMUNITY LIFE



CAMPAIGN FOR TOMORROW

To view our latest Pledge Drive total, see our website www.alphonsus.org, St. Alphonsus Church Facebook page, and the poster in the Gather Space.



If you have not turned in your pledge card yet, please fill it out and place it in the weekend collection or bring it to the Church Office.

FORMATION

Learning Group

Learning Group classes will meet on Sunday, December 11, 2022. We pray our parish family has a Merry Christmas and safe New Year. Learning Group classes resume on Sunday, January 8, 2023.

Confirmation Year 2

Confirmation Year 2 Session 3 will be held on December 4 from 12-3:30 PM. We will begin with Mass at 12 PM. Sponsors are required to attend the Mass and session. Lunch will be provided.

First Reconciliation

1st Reconciliation books are due the week of December 2, 2022. The date for the Sacrament of Reconciliation is: Wednesday, December 14, 2022, at St. Alphonsus Church at 7 PM

Family Catechesis

Our next Family Catechesis for 7th -11th grade will be held on **Tuesday, January 10, 2023**. The next Family Catechesis for K-6th grade will be held on **Tuesday, January 24, 2023**.

*St. Alphonsus
Theology on Tap*

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Dr. and Dr. Ryals

JOIN US FOR THEIR TALK ON MARRIAGE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2022

DINNER AT 6:00 PM IN THE ST. FRANCIS ROOM

TALK TO BEGIN AT 6:30 PM

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ALLERGIES, PHYSICAL OR DIETARY LIMITATIONS

EMERGENCY CONTACT _____ PHONE _____

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ADMINISTRATION

Gifts of Stewardship

For November 19-20, 2022, your *Stewardship* resulted in:

Weekly Collection

Envelopes	\$	13,410.00
Unidentified	\$	989.00
Parish Soft	\$	5,858.50
Bank Draft	\$	3,064.00

Building/Maintenance Fund

Envelopes	\$	406.00
Parish Soft	\$	433.00

New Parish Activity Center Fund

Envelopes	\$	14,750.00
Parish Soft	\$	6,049.06

Children

St. Vincent de Paul - Thanksgiving	\$	1,568.00
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Total Received	\$	46,540.56
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Special Collections on Parish Soft Giving

Immaculate Conception of Mary	Closes Dec. 8, 2022
Retirement Fund for Religious	Closes Dec. 11, 2022

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

St. Alphonsus Liguori Catholic Church is seeking a dedicated person to fill the part time (25 hours weekly) **Community Outreach Assistant** position.

Requirements include:

- Be a practicing Catholic with good interpersonal skills
- Ability to coordinate, plan, develop, and implement programs, activities, and events for the parish community and outreach programs
- Proficient in oral and written communication and computer skills
- Strong organization skills and ability to procure and manage volunteers
- Knowledge of available resources within and outside the parish
- Ability to work some evenings and weekend hours as needed
- College degree in a related field preferred and/or commensurate experience required

Please submit your resume and salary requirements to: Search Committee

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