



St. Alphonsus Liguori Catholic Church

The 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 24, 2021 - Volume 13, Issue 4

“The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel.”

— Mark 1:15

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

Friday, January 22, 2021



A great prayer for life is urgently needed, a prayer which will rise up throughout the world. Through special initiatives and in daily prayer, may an impassioned plea rise to God, the Creator and lover of life, from every Christian community, from every group and association, from every family and from the heart of every believer.

Pope Saint John Paul II
Evangelium Vitae



The over 60 million abortions since the 1973 decisions of *Roe v. Wade* and *Doe v. Bolton* reflect with heartbreaking magnitude what Pope Francis means by a “throwaway culture.” However, we have great trust in God’s providence. We are reminded time and again in Scripture to seek the Lord’s help, and as people of faith, we believe that our prayers are heard.

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM), no. 373, designates January 22 as a particular day of prayer and penance, called the “Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children”: “In all the Dioceses of the United States of America, January 22 shall be observed as a particular day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion.”

As individuals, we are called to observe this day through the penitential practices of prayer, fasting and/or giving alms. Another way to take part is through participating in special events to observe the anniversary of *Roe v. Wade*. *Courtesy of USCCB website.*

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FAREWELL, RONNIE DEATON

Blessings on Your Retirement

Fr. Mike Moroney and the staff of St. Alphonsus Liguori Catholic Church and School would like to wish Mr. Ronnie Deaton blessings and best wishes on his retirement! Mr. Ronnie has been an amazing part of our St. Alphonsus Church and School family for many years as our Facilities & Grounds Manager. We are not only going to miss his talents, but his sense of humor and bright smile as well. Please join us in wishing him many blessings for his future!



WELCOME TO OUR STAFF

Bill Bordelon Facilities & Grounds Manager

Fr. Mike Moroney and the staff of St. Alphonsus Liguori Catholic Church and School would like to welcome Mr. Bill Bordelon to our staff as our new Facilities & Grounds Manager.



Bill was born and raised in Baton Rouge. He has been a member of St. Alphonsus Parish since he was six years old and attended St. Alphonsus Catholic School. He and his wife Trudie have been married for 33 years and have three children and one grandchild. They have been members of the Central community for the past 26 years.

Bill recently retired from General Electric Company after 38 years of service. In his spare time, he enjoys playing golf and cheering on the LSU Tigers. Bill is looking forward to maintaining the beauty and safety of the St. Alphonsus campus.

WORSHIP

Mass Attendance Changes

Due to the rise in COVID-19 cases, St. Alphonsus Liguori Catholic Church will continue to limit Mass attendance in the church. Due to the limited seating, overflow from the 10 AM Mass will be in the St. Francis Room, where Mass will be live-streamed. Those in the St. Francis Room will receive the Eucharist during Communion time.

Readings for the Week - Jan. 25 - 31

Monday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18
Tuesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 4:1-20
Thursday: Heb 10:19-25; Ps 24:1-6; Mk 4:21-25
Friday: Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40; Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 1:69-75; Mk 4:35-41
Sunday: Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28

*Flowers in the church this weekend
are in memory of Robert Blake
by his wife Francis Blake*

Family Adoration & Benediction

Invite a friend and join us for Family Adoration and Benediction on the first Saturday of each month. "Spending time with God is the key to our strength and success in all areas of life. Be sure that you never try to work God into your schedule, but always work your schedule around Him." The next date for Family Adoration is **February 6, 2021**, at 8:30 AM in the Church.



SCHOOL

New Student

OPEN HOUSE

Has been cancelled

***Format changed due to COVID precautions
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OUTREACH

Rest in Peace

Myriam Joseph White - Child of Vincent and Kim White.

Rudy Serio - Brother of Vince Serio.

Stand for Life with the K.C.s

Saturday, January 23, 2021, from 10:30 AM – Noon

Stand for Life with the Knights of Columbus #2807

Join the Knights of Columbus #2807 on Saturday, January 23 from 10:30 AM-12 PM on the Wal-Mart side corner of Sullivan and Wax Road. There is a sidewalk which can provide a safe space and room for social distancing. Parking is available in the Wal-Mart lot. Make a homemade sign and stand for life to highlight January Respect Life Month.

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PROTECT
HUMAN LIFE!



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.

Ministry currently on hold until further notice.

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 Lines

Mary Frederick 225-261-5145

Adam Landry 225-938-8000

Serving Our Country

If you have a family member serving in the military, please call 261-4650, and let us know their name, rank, and branch of military.

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U.S. COAST GUARD: SME3 Dylan Lirette

Pray for the Sick

Please note: Names are removed after eight weeks.

Pat Matthews, Joy Lonibos, Sharon Loeb, Laurence LeSage, Jaycee Richard, Gary Saucier, Darrell Firmin, Alexander Landry, Sally Stears, Monica Kelly, Devin Mounce, Chris Bringol, Daniel Guerin, Janice & Barton Jeansonne, Mark Davis, Curtis Mitchell, Doris Bennett, Datz Family, Schittone Family, Jane Mizell, Marlene LeBlanc, Catherine Willis, Lynette Shaffett, Larry Bueche, Ashley Smith, Chris Dickerson, John Martone, Jackie Scardina, Fisk Morris, Mollea Hood, Michael Morales, Gloria "Jinkie" Phillips, Theresa Ognibene, John Larkin, Savannah McNair, Briggs Elliser, Anita Bueche, Jamie Samson, Louis Lamar Bordelon, Mildred Faul, Kathy Madere, Krystal Feltman, Melanie Way, Sandy Dares, Ashlynn Ferguson, Barbara Simoneaux, Millie Strickland, Wayne & Carolyn Rogillio, Patsy York, Angie Welsh, Trey Spears, Kenny Miller, Lance & Catina Lockhart, Ruby Bellina, Alan Bourgeois, Patrick Bourgeois, Aubrey Aucoin, Keith Lefeaux, Holly Hart, Jeff Ferguson, Liam Thistlewaite, Al Felps, Nicholas LaCroix, P.H. Zito, Patsy Sagona, Dammers Family, Debbie Mouton, Marion Robillard, Ron Dodson, John Nicosia, Sonja Clement, John Huval, Billy Stears, Luke Allen, Betty Castor, Blanche Hoover, Carolyn Watts, Marlene Ortego, Gwen Moore, Wick Samson, Jeanette Felps, Claudia Mouton, Jackie Pina, Betty BeJeaux, Ashley Nix, Wayne Alexander, Albert Penny, Connie Messina, Mark Corrick, Hubert Chauvin, Leah Gioele, Olivia Gioele, Kevin Murphy, Brandon Menesses, Alex Menesses, Jimmy LeSage, Larry Stevens, Buddy Domig, Josie Johnson, Paulette Peters, Christy Cartaginense, Kelli Campo LaCroix, Sonja Chauvin, Poonie Fruge, Zoula Fruge, Michelle Richard, Buddy Doming, Tom & Mary Arceneaux, Delores Bapttilee

Woman's New Life Center Needs YOU!

Woman's New Life Center is located next to Delta Woman's Clinic (the main abortion center for the Baton Rouge area). Since 2001 WNLC has saved over 2,330 lives from abortion. They offer free professional counseling, pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, and case management to women in unplanned pregnancies. They also offer professional post-abortion counseling, pregnancy loss counseling and material assistance ALL FREE OF CHARGE. For the next two weeks January 23 – January 31, St. Alphonsus will attempt to assist these pro-life warriors with a baby bottle envelope campaign. Envelopes will be located on tables with the bulletins. Please consider a donation and either return it to the church or mail it to Woman's New Life Clinic. Thank you for Respecting Life in our community.

FORMATION

Confirmation Year 1 Meeting

Confirmation Year 1 meeting will be held on Sunday, January 24, 2021. We will begin at 5:30 PM in the St. Francis Room and end at 7:30 PM.

Adult Confirmation

This program is for baptized Catholics, ages 18 or older, who are practicing their faith but have not completed their Sacraments of Initiation in the Catholic Church. This annual program begins with a one-on-one interview for a catechist to learn more about the candidate. This enables the catechist to tailor the program for all to receive the most benefit. Candidates are given the opportunity to (re)discover the essentials of our Catholic Faith.

The interview process for this program begins on March 9, 2021. Candidates completing the program will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on Pentecost Sunday, May 23, 2021, at St. Joseph Cathedral. Please contact the Faith Formation Office at 225-261-4644 to register or for more information.

Youth Group

All high school youth are invited to join us for the Vigil for Life at St. Alphonsus on Saturday, January 23. See flyer below!

All High School Youth are invited Saturday, January 23

Join us for 4 PM Mass Rosary with Knights of Columbus after Mass

Dinner followed by video talks, activities, and discussions

Concluding Adoration ends at 8:30 PM

COMMUNITY LIFE

Updating Parish Census Records

Over the next few months, our church staff will be calling all registered families to check in and update your family's listing in our parish data system. If you think your contact information is outdated, please call the Church Office at 261-4650 to let us know how to reach you.

New Members

Matthew and Ashton Canella
 Edmond and Kristi Merilh
 Stephen Scardina
 Alex and Erin Veillon
 Tony and Chelsea Stone
 Joshua, Jamie, Lillianne and Reid Dantin

Expectant Parents

Pray for expectant families who have been entrusted with a new life to nurture and love: **Caleb & Sara Puissegur, and Michael & Mackenzie Yarbrough.** If someone you know is expecting, call 225-261-4650 and let us know.

Special Collections on Parish Soft Giving

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ADMINISTRATION

Gifts of Stewardship

There is a certain urgency in today's Gospel as Jesus calls His first disciples - Andrew and Simon, James and John. Each one follows Jesus *immediately*, unhesitatingly abandoning nets and boats and father and fellow-workers. To what is Jesus calling me - *at this moment, in these circumstances?* What will I need to abandon in order to follow Him?

For January 9-10, 2021, your *Stewardship* resulted in:

Weekly Collection

Envelopes	\$	15,885.00
Unidentified	\$	982.00
WeShare	\$	5,956.00
Parish Soft	\$	7,532.00

Building/Maintenance Fund

Envelopes	\$	1,318.00
WeShare	\$	50.00
Parish Soft	\$	1,730.00

Christmas Offering

	\$	25.00
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Solemnity of Mary

	\$	505.00
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Immaculate Conception of Mary

	\$	5.00
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Total Received

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