



St. Alphonsus Liguori Catholic Church

The Presentation of the Lord - February 2, 2020 - Volume 12, Issue 5

"He had to become like his brothers and sisters in every way."

— Hebrews 2:17a

Celebrating Milestone Wedding Anniversaries

In conjunction with World Marriage Day, St. Alphonsus Parish will honor couples celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries in 2020. This celebration will take place at the 4 PM Mass on Saturday, February 1, 2020, followed by a reception in the St. Francis Room.

Over 60 Years

Curley & Louvenia Ballard (73)
Neelis & Bernice Braud (72)
D.J. & Millie Strickland (72)
Joe & Dusty Champagne (71)
Curtis & Eleanor Mitchel (71)
Michael & Patsy Sagona (65)
Joe & Sylvia Samson (65)
Marvin & Mary Claire Garrene (63)
Joe & Billie Civello (62)
Ray & Beverly Heil (62)
Jimmy & Sybil LeSage (62)
Vince & Betty Vacarro (62)
Robert & Rita McKee (61)

60 Years

Don and Mary Ann Blue
Allen and Barbara Crochet
Buck and Mary Frederick

55 Years

Ray and Rita Aymond
Mike and Loretta Martone
Vance and Olivia Thomas

50 Years

A.J. and Gwen Aymond
Joe and Audrey Bossier
John and Barbie Fabre
Tommy and Marlene Fabre
Steve and Kathy Keas
Wayne and Janet Messina
Sonny and Jan Olivier

45 Years

Mike and JoAnn Stein
Bruce and Celeste Thibodeaux

40 Years

Joey and Cindy Davis
Roger and Terry Dyer
Randy and Dayna Ellis
Donald and Cathy Fauntleroy
Randy and Val Firmin
Richard and Sandy Goudeau
Al and Marty Jarreau
Dennis and Nealy Morain
Mike and Cindi Schlatter
Jim and Kathy Tate
Dennis and Jolene Walczak

35 Years

Denis and Diane Bertrand
Mike and Amy Canella
Bill and Nadine Witt

30 Years

Rhett and Tina Covington
Shawn and Lynn Kennedy
Gary and Becky Krouse
Stan and Sandra Pullam

25 Years

Keith & Melissa Broussard
Jodie and Jill Cashio
Dennis and Julie Dicapio
Alan and Olga Johnson
Michael and Veronica Rushing

20 Years

Michael and Kelly Hayes
Brett and Nicole Husser
Frank and Alison McCauley



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PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 2 - 9, 2020

Sunday	The Presentation of the Lord 8 AM, 10 AM & 12 PM Masses 10:00 AM JAM- SAS103 10:00 AM Children's Liturgy- S.F.
Monday	8:30 AM Mass 9:00 AM Galatians Study - S.F. (A&B) 6:00 PM Liturgy Committee- S.G. 6:30 PM Boy Scouts - F.C., MPB
Tuesday	8:30 AM Mass 9:00 AM Timeline Study - S.G. 4:00 PM Prophets - S.G. 5:30 PM RCIC- F.C. 3 6:00 PM Cub Scouts- SAS 101 6:30 PM Financial Peace - SAS114 6:30 PM Genesis to Jesus - S.G. 6:30 PM Men's Scripture - C.R. 6:30 PM Balanced Women - S.F. (A) 6:30 PM Grief Support - S.C. 7:00 PM H.S. Impact - Lighthouse, S.J.
Wednesday	8:30 AM Communion Service 9:00 AM Epic - S.F. (C) 11:00 AM James - S.G. 11:00 AM Bible & Sacraments - S.C. 1:00 PM Prime Timers - S.F. (A&B) 2:00 PM Hospitality - S.F. (A&B) 5:30 PM Bell Choir - C.R., Church 6:00 PM Ephesians -S.G. 6:00 PM Acts - S.C. 6:30 PM King's Men - S.J. 7:00 PM Young Adults - Lighthouse 7:00 PM Chancel Choir - C.R. 7:00 PM Baptism Seminar- S.F.
Thursday	8:30 AM Mass 9:00 AM Timeline - Mary Study - S.C. 9:15 AM Soul Core - S.J. 4:00 PM Matthew Study - S.C. 6:30 PM RCIA Catechists - C.R. 6:30 PM Corpus Christi Prayer - S.J. 7:00 PM Middle School Impact-Lighthouse
Friday	8:30 AM School Mass
Saturday	4:00 PM Mass (<i>Baptisms</i>) <i>Blessing of All Married Couples during Mass</i>
Sunday	The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>World Marriage Day</i> 8 AM, 10 AM & 12 PM Masses (<i>Baptisms</i>) <i>Blessing of All Married Couples during Masses</i> <i>Coffee & Donuts after 8 & 10 AM Masses</i> 10:00 AM JAM- SAS103 10:00 AM Children's Liturgy- S.F. 5:30 PM Learning Group- Church

S.C.- St. Clare S.F.- St. Francis C.R.- Choir Room
MPB-Multi-Purpose Building F.C.-Family Center G.S.-Gather Space

SCAM WARNING

Anyone who receives any solicitation of gift cards or money from "Fr. Mike Moroney" via an email or text should IGNORE the message. It is a SCAM. Fr. Mike will never contact a parishioner to ask for gift cards or donations in these ways.

If you receive a message claiming to be Fr. Mike, we advise that you do not respond to these emails or texts, and do not send any money or personal information to the scammers. Please call the Church Office at 225-261-4650 if you are questioning whether a message is from Fr. Mike or any staff member.

WORSHIP

Readings for the Week - Feb. 3 - 9

Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Ps 3:2-7; Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 — 19:3; Ps 86:1-6; Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 6:1-6
Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chr 29:10-12; Mk 6:7-13
Friday: Sir 47:2-11; Ps 18:31, 47, 50, 51; Mk 6:14-29
Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119:9-14; Mk 6:30-34
Sunday: Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16

Family Adoration & Benediction

Come join us on the first Saturday of each month for Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction! Join us in St. Alphonsus for the Rite of Eucharistic Exposition and Benediction in the Church on **February 1st at 8:30 AM**. This Rite will last about 30 minutes and will include 10 minutes of Adoration for personal prayerful reflection. All are invited: families, children of all ages, grandparents, singles and married couples. Join us for donuts after Adoration in the St. Francis Room.



Baptized in January 2020

Clark Steven Hubbard, Jr.- Child of Clark & Ashley Hubbard
Brynleigh Fay Lieux- Child of Eric & Jennifer Lieux
Calvin Everett Manzella- Child of David & Grace Manzella
Paul Anthony Rodriguez- Child of Pablo & Amy Rodriguez
Eli Wayne Smiley- Child of Dillon & Rachel Smiley

Sacrament of Holy Matrimony - Jan. 2020

Lance & Jennifer Landry

MISSION STATEMENT

*We are a faith-filled community who,
 through prayerful discernment,
 call forth the gifts of the Spirit given to each individual,
 that Christ may be known in our community
 and in our world.*

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

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

Daily Masses

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8:30 AM
 Novena on Tuesday 8:30 AM

Communion Services

Wednesday 8:30 AM

Holy Day Masses

As Announced

J.A.M. (Jesus and Me)

During the school year for preschool ages 3-5 at 10:00 AM Mass.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

During the school year at the 10:00 AM Mass.
 For children kindergarten through 2nd 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 Lines

Mary Frederick 225-261-5145
 Adam Landry 225-261-8854

OUTREACH

Serving Our Country

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

ARMY: Capt. Chad A. Alford, Warrant Officer Jody K. Hunt, Capt. Brian C. Greco, Specialist Sam Lockwood, Specialist E-4 Charles N. Garner, Lt. Col. Keith Madere, Capt. Joseph Sherwin (Chaplain)

LA NATIONAL GUARD: Spec4 Terrell Vidrine, Scott Armand

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U.S. MARINE CORPS: Capt. Blaine Ballard, Tyler Datz, Eric Vlahos

Pray for the Sick

Please note: Names are removed after eight weeks. Call the office to put name back on the list.

Holly Hart, Jeff Ferguson, Liam Thistlewaite, Al Felps, Nicholas LaCroix, Kenny Achord, P.H. Zito, Patsy Sagona, Theresa Whiteside, Dammers Family, Debbie Mouton, Marion Robillard, Ron Dodson, John Nicosia, Sonya Clement, Joseph Cazes, Jr., Billy Stears, Luke Allen, Dr. Stephen Speeg, Betty Castor, Blanche Hoover, Hope Broadus, Hewes Family, Lesta Lumpkin, Ashley Usie, Sharon Spiller, John Roberts, Carolyn Watts, Gwen Moore, Wick Samson, Jeanette Felps, Claudia Mouton, Roy Ortego, Jackie Pina, Violet Efferson, Chris Bringol, Hank Ognibene, Karen Rabalais, Pat Matthews, Joy Lonibos, Sharon Loeb, Laurence LeSage, Jaycee Richard, Gary Saucier, Darrell Firmin, Alexander Landry, Sally Stears, Allan Eddy, Bart Crochet, Monica Kelly, Sandra A. Davis, Patsy Messina, Diana Holder, Mildred Stroderd, Lynn "Lucky" Ross, Sr., Buddy Doming, Josie Thompson, Rita Malone, Loretta Hatcher, Skylar Blunt, Christopher Worse, Curtis Barbay, Patrick Bourgeois, Evelyn Kirby, Kristen Allen, Jerry Travis, Yvette LeBlanc, Adam Chauvin, Bruce Mayeaux, Vince Dileo, Jr., Fannie Schittone, Daniel Guerin, Janice & Barton Jeansonne, Mark Davis, Curtis Mitchell, Doris Bennett, Brenda Guerin, Datz Family, Schittone Family, Ronnie Collette, Jane Mizell, Marlene LeBlanc, Catherine Willis, Lynette Shaffett, Tiffany Penton, Larry Bueche, Ashley Smith, Chris Dickerson, John Martone, Jackie Scardina, Fisk Morris, Jean Firmin, Mollea Hood, Ashlea Hood, Michael Morales, Dana Rogers, Gloria "Jinkie" Phillips, Theresa Ognibene, John Larkin, Savannah McNair, Briggs Elliser, Anita Bueche, Jamie Samson, Louis Lamar Bordelon, John LeGrange, Mildred Faul, Kathy Madere, Paden Mouton, Krystal Feltman, Melanie Way, Sandy Dares, Ashlynn Ferguson, Barbara Simoneaux, Millie Strickland, Wayne & Carolyn Rogillio, Patsy York, Kenny Miller, Cheryl Watson, Suzanne Dupuy, Helen Cass, A.W. Fuller, April Matranga

Rest in Peace

Tana Weiner LaPorte - Mother of Autumn Guarisco, Robert LaPorte, and Kyle LaPorte.

Blood Drive

Our Lady of the Lake Blood Center and the Knights of Columbus #2807 held the first Blood Drive of 2020 on Sunday, January 19th from 8 AM to 2 PM in the St. Francis Room. Thank you to everyone who stopped by to donate blood! A total of 66 people donated. If you could not donate this time, please consider donating next time!



FORMATION

Pray for Faith Formation Students

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

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 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 March 10, 2020. Candidates completing the program will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on Pentecost Sunday, May 31, 2020 at St. Joseph's Cathedral. Please contact the Faith Formation Office to register or for more information.



Ash Wednesday Retreat "Wood and Nails"

Join us for this beautiful day of prayer and reflection Wednesday, February 26, 2020. We begin with Mass at 8:30 AM and end at 3:45 PM. Guest speaker is Renee Elliott. Pre-Registration is required, and the fee is \$35.00. For more information, contact Theresa Henderson at 225-241-1319.

First Eucharist Parent Meetings

Parents of children receiving the Sacrament of Eucharist for the first time must attend one meeting and retreat. Parent Meetings are for parents only.

Tuesday, February 11, 2020

at St. Alphonsus 7:00 PM in the Church

Nursery can be provided. (Must call the Faith Formation Office if you need this service.)

Parish Lenten Mission

St. Alphonsus presents Mary Bielski for a three-night Lenten Mission on March 2-4, 2020, at 6:30 PM each night. The theme is "Made New: The Transforming Power of the Gospel."

Mary has been involved in ministry for over 15 years, speaking to 100,000+ youth, young adults, and adults at parish missions, ministry trainings, retreat, and conferences around the country. Mary exudes her great love for the beauty of the Catholic faith, as well as her deep love for Christ, the Eucharist, and our call to holiness through her gifted teachings.

Childcare available upon request. Please contact the Faith Formation Office at 261-4644 to RSVP or for more information.

COMMUNITY LIFE

Ladies Altar Society Feb. Luncheon

Members of the Ladies Altar Society are invited to join us for our next luncheon on Tuesday, February 4th at 11 AM in the St. Francis Room. Cost: \$5 at the door.



Coffee Break

Friday, February 14 in the St. Francis Room
Social and coffee begin at 9:15 AM.

Come learn with us about Ruth, who was both a good daughter-in-law and a faithful friend.



Parish Cruise Informational Meetings

Our parish cruise will sail from Los Angeles through the Panama Canal to Miami from October 9-24, 2020. If you are interested in joining us on this cruise, please attend an informational meeting on **Thursday, February 13th at 9:30 AM or 6:30 PM** in the St. Francis Room.

New Members

Christopher and Natalie, Tyler, Braeden,
Emma, Harrison and Quentin Newsom
Rick, Elizabeth and Brandon Bauer and Madeline Sherrod
Eric, Jennifer and Brynleigh Lieux
Wes and Kaylee, Karley, Parker and Camille Mondrick
Graham and Alaine Fruge

Prime Timers

The Prime Timers Committee held a presentation on elder fraud and how to prevent being scammed on January 21 at 9:30 AM. Amanda Larkins, Outreach Manager for the Office of Louisiana Attorney General Jeff Landry, was the presenter. Committee members (pictured from left) are: John Culmone, Barbara Culmone, JoAnn Stein, Shirley LaPorte, John Desselle, Vance Thomas, Presenter Amanda Larkins, Olivia Thomas, Vercie Mansur, Weber Mansur. Not pictured is Marie Lee. *Photos submitted by John Culmone.*



SCHOOL NEWS

SAS Distinguished Graduate

Chase Ryan Browning helps the students at St. Alphonsus to see that "the sky's the limit" in pursuing their dreams. St. Alphonsus Catholic School has selected Browning as its Distinguished Graduate for 2020. The distinguished graduate keeps close ties with the St. Alphonsus community and is active at the church when he is not traveling for his job. Browning graduated from SAS in 2005 and currently serves as a pilot. He believes a Catholic education provides a strong foundation that instills faith and values. St. Alphonsus Principal, Dr. Cindy Ryals, says Browning is a wonderful role model for the youth at our school. All distinguished graduates in the Diocese of Baton Rouge were honored at a dinner on January 27th as part of Catholic Schools Week.



ST. ALPHONSUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

ASH WEDNESDAY RETREAT



WOOD AND NAILS

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**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2020. BEGINS WITH
8:30 MASS ENDS AT 3:45**

**PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED. Non-refundable \$35.00 Per person
payable to: St. Alphonsus Catholic Church,
14040 Greenwell Springs Road, Greenwell Springs, LA 70739.
Deadline to register 2/14/2020. Limited to 110 attendees.
Please include name, email and phone number with registration.
For any questions please call Theresa at 225 241-1319**

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Tickets for Auction Now For Sale

Tickets for our annual Auction and Taste Fair on **Saturday, March 7, 2020**, are now available for advance purchase.

(1) \$100 Raffle Ticket

- Entry for 2 guests into Auction & Taste Fair
- 1 entry in the \$10,000 Raffle drawing

Tickets will be available for purchase in the St. Alphonsus Church and School Offices, or online on WeShare through www.alphonsus.org.

The \$100 Raffle Tickets will also be sold after Masses on: Feb. 15-16 and Feb. 29-March 1.

Mark Calendars for Online Auction

Our Online Auction will be live from Sunday, February 16th through Friday, March 6th. No ticket is required to participate! Just click on the link on the St. Alphonsus website, register on the online auction page, and bid away! See next week's bulletin for a preview of the Online Auction items!



ADMINISTRATION

Gifts of Stewardship

Blessed are they who are what they are and do what they do for the sake of the kingdom! The Gospel assures good stewards that their suffering and their service on behalf of the kingdom will be rewarded!

For **January 18-19, 2020**, your *Stewardship* resulted in:

Weekly Collection

Envelopes	\$ 18,261.00
Unidentified	\$ 1,483.00
WeShare	\$ 3,066.00
Bank Draft	\$ 3,939.00

Building/Maintenance Fund

Envelopes	\$ 462.00
WeShare	\$ 755.00

Children's Collection

	\$ 259.00
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Solemnity of Mary

	\$ 5.00
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Christmas Offering

	\$ 60.00
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Immaculate Conception

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Total Received

	\$ 28,390.00
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