



St. Alphonsus Liguori Catholic Church

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Who indeed is the victor over the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

— 1 John 5:5



The following RCIA and RCIC candidates and catechumens were accepted into the Catholic Church on Saturday during the Solemn Easter Vigil on April 3, 2021:

Candidates:

Charles Wes Mondrick, Blayne Oliver, Ashton Stokes, Dylan Varnere, Lon Vicknair

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THANKS FOR A WONDERFUL EASTER

By Fr. Mike Moroney

Easter is always a wonderful time in the life of the church. It speaks to us in a special way of God's great love for us and the great gift of life that He shares with us. It is also a great joy to celebrate the Holy week and Easter liturgies with such great numbers. Celebrating the liturgy is always a special event but more so during the Easter season when nature is sharing with us the beauty of the God's wonderful creation all the flowers and vegetation that is growing up all around us. So too it is wonderful to watch young children as they get so excited with the events taking place in our churches and surrounding community.

I wish to thank all who made our Holy week and Easter services so special, all of you who came and worshiped with us here at Saint Alphonsus. Thanks to our liturgy committee under the direction of Mary Bridges for all their work with the many details; to Missy Savoy for all the preparation of the liturgy scripts for the various liturgies; to Gary Gubancsik our sacristan for his work with preparation and set-ups; to our decor team under the direction of Karen Graves; to our Altar society, our Ushers, Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, our Altar Servers, Deacons, Robert & Ronnie for their great help; to Kyle Cutrer and Kolby Novo for streaming all our services. Thanks to our RCIA team under the direction of Linda Amond and Olga Johnson for their work and wonderful dedication to those entering our church. Their work throughout the year is a real blessing to our parish family.

Without music our liturgies would not be as inspiring and fulfilling, so I wish to thank Sarah Love and David Aguiard for all their wonderful music. Thanks to our bell choir for their wonderful gift to us and all our musicians, cantors, and all who play a part in our music program.

The Sunday before Easter was just a wonderful time for the children of the parish and community to come share in the Easter egg hunt and activities. It was great to see so many children participate and have such a great time. Thanks to our Kids in Ministry program and all volunteers who made this possible and for the thousands of eggs that so many donated. Those of you who have young children this a great ministry that offers many things during the course of the year. With Easter being God's blessing, it is a time to be thankful for all who have been there for us during this past year. May blessings of the Easter season be with each one of you.

Fr. Mike

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.*

WORSHIP

Readings for the Week - April 19-25

Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab;
Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69

Sunday: Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29;
1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

Worship Guide for Mass

To help you follow along during Mass, we are offering a Worship Guide on our website. On a computer or smart phone, go to www.alphonsus.org and click on the teaser that says **Live Stream & Worship Guide**. We encourage everyone to follow along.

Serving Our Country

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Mass Intentions Book Open

Our Mass Intentions book is now open through December 2021. Parishioners may come by the Church Office Monday-Friday from 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM for scheduling.

Rest in Peace

Morris Rabalais - Husband of Elmade Rabalais

Flowers for the Church

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

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

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Prayer Lines

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Pray for the Sick

Please note: Names are removed after eight weeks.

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FORMATION



SAVE THE DATE

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IN-PERSON
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Registration details
available in coming months

Kids in Ministry

This year's **Eggstravaganza** was a great success! Children played games and took pictures with the Easter Bunny! Thank you to everyone that helped make this such a fun event.



Confirmation Year 2

The date for Confirmation is Thursday, April 22, 2021 at 7:00 PM Mass in the Church. All candidates are to be in the St. Francis Room no later than 6:15 to meet with the Bishop before the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Due to Covid restrictions we are not able to have a reception following Confirmation.

PSR/Confirmation Registration

Students in public, private or a Catholic high school in 10th and 11th grade will need to register for Confirmation classes. Public school student's K - 11 are required to register for PSR each year.

Registration for the 2021-2022 year will begin June 1, 2021 look for registration forms on our website, in the back of the church and in the Faith Formation Office.

Youth Invited to IMPACT Nights

JOIN St. Alphonsus Youth Ministry for High School IMPACT Night- Tuesday, April 20th at 7 - 8:15 PM in the Multi-Purpose Building

Learning Group

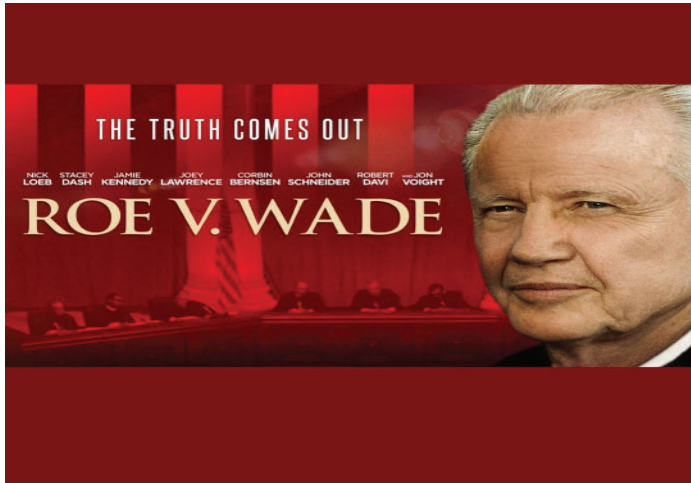
Last Learning Group session will be on Sunday, April 18, 2021. All make-up work should be completed by May 14, 2021.

Have a safe and fun summer from the Faith Formation Office.

COMMUNITY LIFE

Expectant Parents

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



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ADMINISTRATION

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Parish Soft	\$	5,376.00
Bank Draft	\$	2,724.00

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Envelopes	\$	3,678.00
Unidentified	\$	823.00
Parish Soft	\$	1,140.00
Bank Draft	\$	1,350.00

Children's Collection

	\$	59.00
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Priest Retirement

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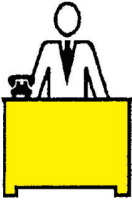
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