



St. Alphonsus Liguori Catholic Church

The 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 14, 2022 - Volume 14, Issue 33

"Jesus endured the cross, despising its shame, and has taken his seat at the right of the throne of God." — Hebrews 12:2



On Saturday, August 13, 2022, St. Alphonsus will recognize parishioners born in 1942 or before. Thank you to all who participated and to all those that helped us honor our special octogenarians. At press time (August 9, 2022), those who plan to celebrate with us are:

98 Years Old
Joseph Ballard

96 Years Old
Pauline Laurent

95 Years Old
Ruby Bellina
Laurence LeSage
Weber Mansur

93 Years Old
Maria Boyle

91 Years Old
Joseph Berthelot
Ruby Gabriel
Alvin Hebert

90 Years Old
Marie Bergeron
Allen Crochet

89 Years Old
Carlin Hebert
Camilia Lorio

88 Years Old
Louis Gabriel
George Leteff
Norris Marchand
Antoinette Neck
Sylvia Samson
Charles Thibodeaux

87 Years Old
Peggy Boeneke
Phillip Duplessis
Mary Garrene
Omer Lassard
Emma Marchand
Mamie Zumo

86 Years Old
Barbara Crochet
Eric Kidder
Dolores Lassard
Joseph Samson

85 Years old
John Bourgeois
Theresa Hood
Charles Langlois
Rayne Lorio
Rita McKee
Robert McKee
Dickie Watson

84 Years Old
Corrine Bezdek
Reda Cockerham
Lucille Firmin
Beverly Heil
Peggy LaFleur
Shirley LaPorte
Frank Orlandi
Vivian Orlandi
Corine Sanchez

83 Years Old
Wallace Aymond
Raymond Barnett
Marie Boudreaux
Harry Fitzgerald
J. Heil
Roxie Lippert
Vercie Mansur
Barbara Matherne
Delery Matherne
Anthony Pecoraro
Cecil Raggio
Anthony Scardina
Donald Vicknair

82 Years Old
Joyclyn Barnett
Mary Blue
Peggy Broussard
Lawrence Buhler
Billie Civello
Joseph Civello
John Desselle
Bruce Gauthier
June Guedry
John Lemoine
Rose Mire
Sammy Rispone

81 Years Old
W. Bell
Don Blue
Slavin Broussard
W. Leroy Dupuy
Jeanette Eisworth
Joyce Hawkins
Ivy Hidalgo
Sybil LeSage
Judy Raggio
Frankie Rispone
Nettie Scardina
Joy Vicknair
Lenore Watson

80 Years Old
A.J. Aymond
Christine Amond
Janet DeFreitas
Artina Guarino
Albert Langlois
Daudrell LeSage
Robert Lippert
JoCarolyn Mayeaux
Michael Mouton
Camille Seabolt
Emilie Soileau

Soon to Be 80
Gayle Bell
Homer Brown
Ollie Brown
John Culmone
Richard Hebert
Jack Hood
Elizabeth Hudson
Dolores LeSage
Tonita Poche
Joseph Soileau

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PARISH WEEKLY CALENDAR: AUGUST 13 - 21, 2022

Saturday	9:30 AM 4:00 PM	Corpus Christi - S.J. Vigil Mass 80th Birthday Party - S.F. <i>King's Men Welcome Retreat Sign-up - G.S.</i>
Sunday	The 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8 AM, 10 AM & 12 PM Masses <i>King's Men Welcome Retreat Sign-up - G.S.</i> 10:00 AM Catechist Training - MPB	
Monday	8:30 AM 6:30 PM 6:30 PM	Daily Mass Boy Scouts - S.J., Blessed See. School Board - S.G.
Tuesday	8:30 AM 10:30 AM 6:00 PM 6:30 PM 6:30 PM	Daily Mass SAS Finance Comm. - S.G. Adult Formation Planning - S.F.C Men's Scripture - C.R. Grief Support - S.C.
Wednesday	6:30 PM 6:30 PM	King's Men - Blessed Seelos Auction Committee - S.F.
Thursday	8:30 AM 5:30 PM 6:30 PM	Daily Mass Faith Formation (K-8 th) Parent Meeting- Church RCIA Inquiry - S.C.
Friday	8:30 AM	Daily Mass
Saturday	4:00 PM	Vigil Mass <i>Stewardship of Ministry Forms</i>
Sunday	The 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time 8 AM, 10 AM & 12 PM Masses <i>Stewardship of Ministry Forms</i> 10:30 AM Learning Group - All Rooms 10:30 AM RCIC - S.G.	

WORSHIP

Readings for the Week - August 15 - 21

Monday:	Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
Tuesday:	Ez 28:1-10; Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35cd-36ab; Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday:	Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 20:1-16
Thursday:	Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 22:1-14
Friday:	Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107:2-9; Mt 22:34-40
Saturday:	Ez 43:1-7ab; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 23:1-12
Sunday:	Is 66:18-21; Ps 117:1, 2; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30

Vocation View: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Following Jesus sometimes means being rejected by others. Speak an encouraging word this week to someone you know who is trying to follow Jesus. Say a prayer for those who are discerning a call to Priesthood or Religious life. If God is calling you, call or email Father Joshua Johnson at (225) 336-8778, jjohnson@diobr.org, or visit www.diobr.org/vocations.

OUTREACH

Suffering from a past abortion? Experiencing feelings of guilt, sadness or regret?
You are not alone. There is hope.

Entering Canaan Post-Abortion Ministry

Women's Day of Prayer and Healing

AUGUST 20, 2022 | 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Location and inquiries are confidential due to the personal nature of this experience.

For more information and to register, call 225-773-7845 or email EnteringCanaan@diobr.org



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Pray for the Sick

Please note: Names are removed after eight weeks.

Kelly Williber, Christine Cobb, Dianne Kimbrell, Mary Killet, Bobby McMillian, David Lonibos, Joy Lonibos, Theresa Bourgeois, Blake Bingham, D'Shea Bingham, Adam Bingham, Jan Bankston, Pat Matthews, Sharon Leod, Laurence LeSage, Jaycee Richard, Gary Saucier, Alexander Landry, Sally Stears, Monica Kelly, Devin Mounce, Chris Bringol, Daniel Guerin, Janice Jeansonne, Datz Family, Schittone Family, Poonie Fruge, Zoula Fruge, Tom & Mary Arceneaux, Delores Baptilee, Mark Davis, Curtis Mitchell, 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, Barbara Simoneaux, Millie Strickland, Carolyn Rogillio, Patsy York, Angie Welsh, Kenny Miller, Lynette Lemoine, Cheryl Spry, Sydney Spiers, Vivian Hathcock, Karen Rabalais, 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, Carolyn Watts, Marlene Ortego, Gwen Moore, Claudia Mouton, Jackie Pina, Betty BeJeaux, Ashley Nix, Kelli Campo LaCroix, Donna Hebert, Brady Cobb, Sibil Brian, Ann Soike, Bill Witt, Priscilla Perez, Joan McIntyre, Charlotte St. Romain, Gary Whittington, Brenda Lovett, Pauline Laurent, Bodi White, Gayle Voris, Annie Aguiard Stretton, Jeanette Felps, Al Felps, Michele Sistrunk, Barbara Tassin, Amanda Gaines

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

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

Beverly Heil 225-772-4278

Gloria Jones 225-337-8929

Food Pantry Needs

Due to inflation, the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry is in need of certain food items to help feed local families in need:

- Flour - up to 5 lbs.
- Sugar - up to 5 lbs.
- Spaghetti
- Cereal
- Red or white beans (Dry)
- Canned tuna fish
- Apple or grape jelly (Not cold)
- Grits
- Oatmeal

Please leave donations in the bins in the Gather Space at church.

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.

ARMY: Major Chad A. Alford, Warrant Officer Jody K. Hunt, Capt. Brian C. Greco, Specialist E-4 Charles N. Garner, Lt. Col. Keith Madere, Capt. Joseph Sherwin (Chaplain), Brian D. Duvic, Chief Warrant Officer Ryan Martin, Specialist E-4 Ethan Russell, PFC Jacob Fontenot, PFC Kory A. Nijoka

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U.S. COAST GUARD: SME3 Dylan Lirette

Disaster Preparedness

The 2022 hurricane season has begun, and now is the time to prepare your family for what may come. FEMA has a great plan on their website. The form is: **FEMA P-1094**. Enter the above form number in your search engine. This form is available for print and will guide you through the process to create and practice your **Family Emergency Communications Plan**. Having your personal plan in place will make your family secure and make you better available to serve others in time of need. If you have special needs, please contact Susan Hankel at 261-4650. *There is great merit in praying for the best, but there is no harm in preparing for the worst!*

FORMATION

Mandatory PSR Parent Meetings

Grades K- 8th

Thursday, August 18, 2022
6:30 PM in the Church

Grades 9th - 11th

Thursday, August 25, 2022
6:30 PM in the Church

PSR & Sacrament Preparation Registration

Now accepting registration forms for 2022-2023 Faith Formation (PSR/CCD) and Sacramental Preparation for 1st Reconciliation, 1st Eucharist, and Confirmation. Forms are available online at the parish website www.alphonus.org, in the Gather Space, the Church Office, and the Faith Formation Office. Be sure to register before classes begin so materials can be ordered for your child. For further information, please call the Faith Formation Office at 261-4644.

Confirmation Registration

Registration for the Sacrament of Confirmation is open now for 10th and 11th Grade students. Forms may be found on the parish website www.alphonus.org or in the back of church, the parish office or Faith Formation Office.

Year 2 Candidates remember Sponsors are required to attend all meetings in your second year. Sponsor Forms and other Confirmation forms can be found on the parish website www.alphonus.org. If you have any questions, please contact the Faith Formation Office.

Catechist Convocation - August 14, 2022

All Faith Formation catechist and catechist aids are required to attend this convocation. Begin with Mass in the Church at 12 PM and stay until 4 PM. Catechists will receive teacher manuals and instructions, teaching resources and training, information about the events planned for the upcoming year and diocesan training. This convocation will take place in the St. Francis Room. Lunch will be provided after Mass.

Learning Group & Family Catechesis

Learning Group begins **Sunday, August 21, 2022**, at 10:30 AM. Parents drop off children at the bus port of S.A.S. Students and parents will attend 12:00 PM Mass together.

Family Catechesis begins:

Tuesday, September 13, 2022, for 7th to 11th Grade students, and **Tuesday September 27, 2022**, for K – 6th Grade students.

Inquiry – What Do Catholics Believe?

Interested or know someone interested in learning more about the Catholic faith in hopes of becoming Catholic?

Inquiry will begin in August. Meetings are held on Thursday starting in August in the St. Clare Room at 6:30 PM. The classes will transition to RCIA sessions in December. Candidates will be received into the Church at Easter. For more information, contact the Faith Formation Office 261-4644.

The King's Men

The King's Men will host "Welcome" an incredible retreat experience that helps you discover what's missing in your life and what to do about it. "Welcome" is by Dynamic Catholic.

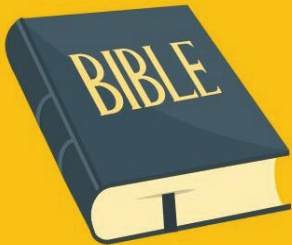
When: August 27-28, 2022

Where: St. Alphonsus Catholic Church/School

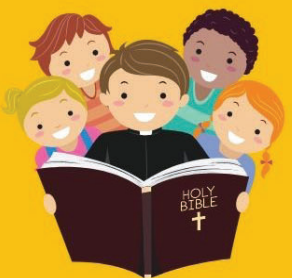
How to register: alphonus.org or contact the St. Alphonsus Faith Formation Office at 225-261-4644 for more information.

2022-23 BIBLE STUDIES

All registration forms can be found in the Gather Space, the Church Offices, or online at alphonus.org under "Forms" and "Bible Studies."



Contact the Faith Formation Office at 225-261-4644 to learn more.



Registration for all 2022-2023 Bible Studies is now open. *Registration required for each.* The Bible Studies available are:

- Exodus and Galatians on Wednesday, September 7 from 6:00– 8:00 PM in St. Gerard Room with Lindsey Campbell.
- Fulfilled One & Two and No Greater Love on Monday, September 26 from 6:30-8:30 PM in St. Gerard Room with Genet Scarbrough.
- The Gospel of John/Ephesians begins Monday, September 12 from 9:00-11:00 AM in the St. Francis Room with John Fabre.
- Mary, The Mass and the Prophets begins Wednesday, September 7 from 11:00–1:00 PM in the St. Gerard Room with Joslyn Yeager.
- The Gospel of Mark/Bible and Sacraments begins on Tuesday, September 6 from 9:00–11:00 AM with Ann LeSage in the St. Gerard Room.
- Acts begins on Thursday, September 8 from 11:00 AM-1:00 PM in the St. Clare Room with Loretta Martone.
- Romans and Jesus the Way the Truth and the Life begins Wednesday, September 7 from 11:00–1:00 PM in St. Clare Room with Peggy Broussard.
- The Bible Timeline begins on Wednesday, September 21 from 11:00–1:00 PM in the Blessed Seelos Room with Mary Morain.
- The Bible Timeline begins on Tuesday, September 20 from 9:00–11:00 AM in the St. Joseph Room with John Fabre.
- Wisdom and Genesis to Jesus begins Wednesday, September 7 from 6:00–8:00 PM in the St. Clare Room with Margie Huguet.
- Genesis to Jesus and Wisdom begins Tuesday, September 6 from 4:00–6:00 PM in SAS Classroom 115 with Annette Nicosia.
- Matthew begins Wednesday, September 7 from 9:00–11:00 AM in the St. Gerard Room with Joette Taylor.
- Peter and Hebrews begins Wednesday, September 14 from 9:00–11:00 AM in the St. Francis Room with Deanna Burns.



Looking to get teens to make the Catholic Faith their own?
That will only happen when they understand how
remarkable salvation history is.

**Venture: The Bible Timeline for High School
introduces teenagers to the “big picture” of salvation
history in a way that is simple to understand and
easy to teach.**

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the story of their faith with a focus on God’s covenants and
biblical characters. Once teens understand the Bible, faith
will become a relevant part of their lives.

**Join us for Venture: The Bible Timeline for High School
beginning September 1 at 6:30 PM and continuing
every Thursday for 8 weeks. For more information
or to register for the study, call Elizabeth at 261-4644
or email elizabeth@alphonsus.org**

BR Magnificat - Women's Breakfast

Michelle Seghers, founder of Totus Tus Ministries, will speak at a prayer breakfast of Magnificat, a ministry for Catholic Women in the Diocese of Baton Rouge, on Saturday, Aug. 20 from 9 AM–Noon, at the Oak Lodge Reception Center, 2834 S. Sherwood Forest Blvd., Baton Rouge. For more information and to register, visit bit.ly/MagBRAug2022 or call Gwen Gillis at 225-505-7050. Must register in advance. No seats will be sold at the door.

Looking for a Scout Troop Leader

St. Alphonsus is looking for someone to start a BSA Scout Troop for girls ages 11-17. In order to open up scouting to youth girls, we first have to have a leader. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Cindy Neal at cindy_neal@cox.net.

COMMUNITY LIFE

Prime Timers Bingo

The St. Alphonsus Prime Timers will be hosting Bingo on **Sunday, September 18 from 2-4 PM** in the St. Francis Room. The Knights of Columbus will be calling bingo. Please bring a wrapped gift worth \$5-10 and a dessert to share.



ADMINISTRATION

Gifts of Stewardship

In today's second reading, St. Paul encourages us not to grow weary or lose heart, but to persevere in following Jesus. Our willingness to give of ourselves, even in the face of conflict and division, is one way to measure our discipleship.

For **July 30-31, 2022**, your *Stewardship* resulted in:

Weekly Collection

Envelopes	\$	12,803.00
Unidentified	\$	1,429.00
Parish Soft	\$	4,488.50

Building/Maintenance Fund

Envelopes	\$	462.00
PAC Special Collection	\$	80.00
Parish Soft	\$	151.00

Children

	\$	60.00
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Peter's Pence

	\$	1.00
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Total Received

	\$	19,474.50
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