

St. Catherine Laboure Parish E-Newsletter

July 30th, 2020

The Religious Formation of the Children and Youth of the St. Catherine Laboure Parish family

We live in historic times. Past ways of doing things are no longer the standard of our lives. It is precisely in such unprecedented times that new ways of doing things can spring forth with new opportunities. I believe that the current restrictions imposed upon our parish due to Covid 19 have opened a way to move forward that we have already been moving toward over the past two years: family based faith formation. Soon you will be hearing more about family based faith formation from Mrs. Leslie Reagle. I place my full trust in the direction that Leslie has been taking our faith formation programs. On the day of your child's baptism, the heavenly Father placed his full trust in you to raise your child to know his Son Jesus and to be a full and active participant in the sacramental life of the Church. Now is the time for you to renew your sacred promise to the heavenly Father. I too, place my full trust in you as a parent in this most sacred and important task. So let us move forward not in fear but in full confidence that you can do this. I give you my promise that Mrs. Reagle and myself will be with you to assist you every step of this 'new way' of faith formation.

Fr. Tim

Mass Attendance Numbers July 25th: 49 July 26th: 80 Once again our Saturday Vigil Mass attendance was much less than our Sunday Mass numbers and this has been consistent since the reopening of our doors for Masses. If you are anxious about crowds you may want to consider attending our Saturday Vigil Mass.

Daily Mass There are usually no more than 10-12 people in attendance. Please consider coming to a daily Mass if you are not yet ready to attend a Sunday Mass. We all need the graces that flow to us from the Holy Eucharist.

Chapel Our Chapel is open 24 hours a day and available for you to come pray in front of the tabernacle where Jesus is truly present. At the start of Covid 19 it was used more frequently - not many visitors lately but it remains open! Jesus patiently waits for us.

Mass Intentions

Mass intentions for July, August, September and October have been filled. There are a few openings left for November.

Sacrament of Penance

Fr. Tim is hearing confessions at the regular scheduled time on Saturdays (3:00-4:30 p.m). If you are

unable to make the Saturday time you may call Fr. Tim and set up a more convenient time.

Parish Office

Leave messages on the office phone for non emergency items or email stcatherine92@yahoo.com The rectory phone is 517-524-6261 if you are in need of speaking with Fr. Tim.

Offertory Collection

July 26th - \$4,923 (\$4,326 weekly goal) 27 envelopes and 16 online (\$188 was loose cash)

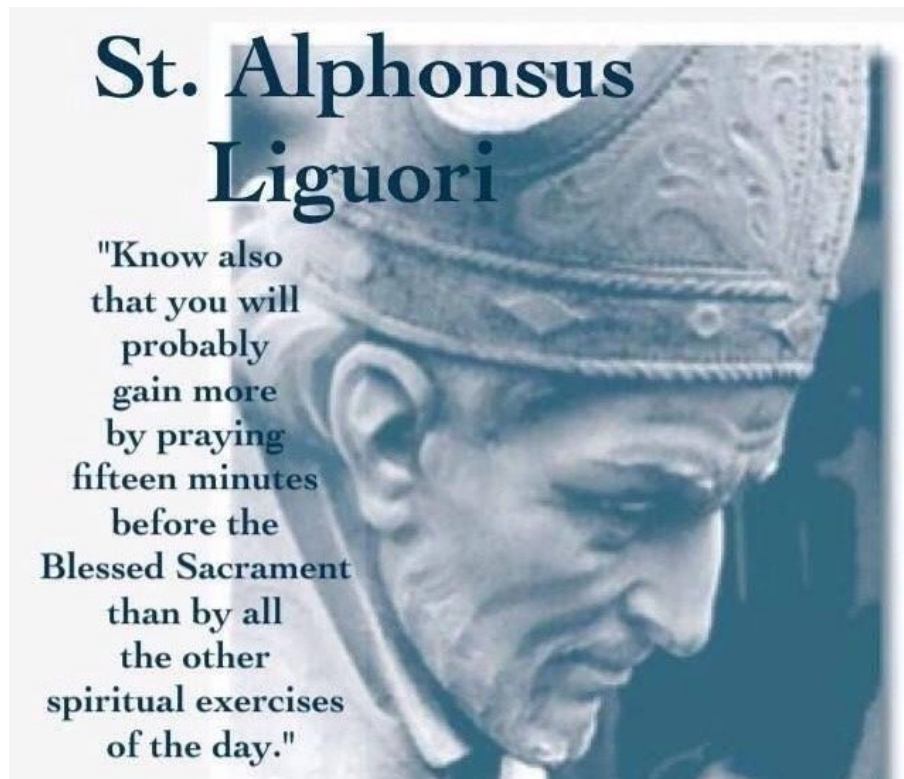
YTD Below Budget - \$2,452.00

DSA

We are **\$1,379.00** short in meeting our 2020 Goal.

Knitting for Difference - The knitting for difference yarn box is still in the hallway across from the bathrooms. It is the white box. It contains the yarn and has enough room to also leave complete yarn projects for donation.

Faith Formation Registration - registration forms were mailed out to families on Monday (July 27th). They were mailed to all families who were enrolled in our program last school year. If you would like to enroll your child PreK-7th grade and were not part of our program last year please contact Leslie Reagle @ 517-990-4792 email: reagle_lb@yahoo.com



**Memorial of Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
August 1st, 2020**