



# ST. ALPHONSUS

## PARISH

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Parish Office Hours: Monday–Thursday: 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

*As disciples of Jesus Christ, the Catholic community of St. Alphonsus is committed to knowing, loving, and serving God, and His creation.*

OCTOBER 4, 2020 • TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil ..... 5:00 p.m.  
 Sunday ..... 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.  
 Mass in Spanish ..... 1st & 3rd Sunday, 4:00 p.m.  
 Tuesday, Thursday, Friday ..... 8:30 a.m.  
 Wednesday Adoration ..... 5:00 p.m.  
 1st Friday Mass & Adoration ..... 8:30 a.m.

### STAFF

Pastor: Fr. Jim Harvey ..... ext. 102  
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 Director of Operations: Frank Casale ..... ext. 106  
 Director of Bus & Fin.: Karen Otuonye ..... ext. 101  
 Dir. of Faith Formation/Youth Ministry: Pauline O’Keeffe .ext. 108  
 Assistant Dir. of Faith Formation: Sara Carey ..... ext. 105  
 Dir. of Music: Marian Sullivan ..... ext. 104  
 Office Assistant: ..... ext. 100

### ORGANIZATIONS

Knights of Columbus ..... John Peaslee  
 Council of Catholic Women (CCW) ..... Patti Macken  
 Hispanic Ministry ..... Maribel Estrada  
 SACS Community Services of Cumberland County....931-484-8074

### BAPTISMS

are celebrated once per month at a regular weekend Mass. Preparation classes are offered at 6:00pm on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. RSVP with Sara no later than the Thursday prior.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION** are celebrated every year in the spring. In order to participate, a child must be enrolled and active in our religious education program. Contact Sara Carey.

### MARRIAGE

Our Diocese mandates a period of at least six months for marriage preparation. Please call the office to set an appointment to discuss preparation for this sacrament with Fr. Jim. Attendance at an Engaged Encounter weekend is required. Visit [www.dioknox.org](http://www.dioknox.org) and click on marriage preparation for more information.

### RECONCILIATION (PENANCE)

The regularly scheduled time for Reconciliation is from 4:15 p.m. until 4:45 p.m. every Saturday. Special Reconciliation services are held during Lent and Advent every year.

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK/COMMUNION

Call the office to inform us of anyone who is hospitalized, in a nursing home, or otherwise unable to attend regularly-scheduled Masses. Privacy laws prevent us from calling to get information about your condition when you are hospitalized.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Parents or guardians are primarily responsible for the catechesis of their children, which leads to participation at Mass. All children are required to follow the normal course of religious education classes. A special class for sacraments will be offered for those who have missed a number of years of religious education. Contact Pauline O’Keeffe.

### COLUMBARIUM

Please email your questions regarding the columbarium to: [columbarium@stalonline.org](mailto:columbarium@stalonline.org).

### PRAYER BLANKETS

If you would like to pick up a blessed prayer blanket, call or stop by the office during office hours.

### TRAVELING

When traveling, visit [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org) or call 410-676-6000 to find mass schedules/times.

ST ALPHONSUS HAPPENINGS

Please see inside for safety precautions set forth by the Bishop to attend Mass or enter the church & offices.

**Saturday, October 3**  
 Annual Pet Blessing at 10am  
 Mass at 5pm

**Sunday, October 4**  
 Mass at 8:30am & 11am  
 Spanish Mass at 4pm

**Tuesday, October 6**  
 Mass at 8:30am

**Thursday, October 8**  
 Mass at 8:30am

**Friday, October 9**  
 Mass at 8:30am

**Saturday, October 10**  
 Mass at 5pm

**Sunday, October 11**  
 Mass at 8:30am & 11am

*Spanish Mass is now celebrated on the first and third Sundays of each month at 4pm.*

**Won't you please consider St. Alphonsus in your will or estate planning? Thank you!**

*Mass Intentions*

Sat., Oct. 3	5:00pm	✠Lorraine Matthews
Sun., Oct. 4	8:30am	Legal Professionals
	11:00am	✠Charlie Spadaro
	4:00pm	Intentions of our new Colombian priests
Tues., Oct. 6	8:30am	For restoration of health to all who are ill
Thurs., Oct. 8	8:30am	✠Mr. & Mrs. Yao Ka Pun
Fri., Oct. 9	8:30am	For those unable to attend Mass in person
Sat., Oct. 10	5:00pm	✠Coba Smith & ✠Ron Jacobson
Sun., Oct. 11	8:30am	For the sick and the dying
	11:00am	Health Care Workers

SACS is looking for a few folks to help (for telephone contact only) with previous clients. Please call John at 931-456-2597 or email: kopmeier@frontier.com



**“DIRT DEVILS” meet every Thursday at 9am** (right after morning Mass) *Join us for some good, clean fun!*

The Green Thumb Club has spots available for immediate adoption:

- Flower beds at SACS
- Flower beds at the rectory
- In front of the chapel
- Weeding everywhere—just go for it!



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You can find our streaming link for Holy Mass on our Facebook page, or go to our church website and click the blue Facebook icon.



(You do not have to have a Facebook account in order to access this page.)

**Did you miss Stewardship Weekend?**

You should have received a letter or an email regarding this year’s campaign for **our parish**.

Please return your pledge form as soon as possible. (Extra copies available on the wall outside the chapel.)

**Saints for the week**

Sunday:

St. Francis of Assisi

Monday:

Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest

Tuesday:

St. Bruno, Priest; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin

Wednesday:

Our Lady of the Rosary

Thursday:

Pelagia of Antioch

Friday:

St. John Henry Newman\*

Saturday:

Paulinus, Bishop of York

Next Sunday:

St. Damien of Molokai

*\*indicates saint or blessed highlighted in this bulletin*

**Readings for the week of October 4th**

*Sunday:*

Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20 [Is 5:7a]/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43

*Monday:*

Gal 1:6-12/Ps 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9 and 10c [5]/Lk 10:25-37

*Tuesday:*

Gal 1:13-24/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15 [24b]/Lk 10:38-42

*Wednesday:*

Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Lk 11:1-4

*Thursday:*

Gal 3:1-5/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 [68]/Lk 11:5-13

*Friday:*

Gal 3:7-14/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 [5]/Lk 11:15-26

*Saturday:*

Gal 3:22-29/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [8a]/Lk 11:27-28

*Next Sunday:*

Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

St. Alphonsus Youth Ministry will again be sponsoring luminaria for the Feast of All Souls. The illuminated bags will be displayed prior to the 5pm Mass on Saturday, October 31st.

**Each luminary is \$5 per name/couple.**

Envelopes are now available. Please WRITE LEGIBLY the names of those deceased friends & family members you wish to remember, and return them

**NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 11.**

New this year! Submit names & payment online at [www.facebook.com/StAlphonsusCrossville](http://www.facebook.com/StAlphonsusCrossville)

Many thanks to the adults and youth who helped with the K of C golf tournament on 9/19. Thank you, also, to the golfers who supported us. It was a big success!



In case you missed the Pet Blessing, it went a little like this (see cartoon): *Note to self: next year schedule your vacation to coincide with the Blessing of the Animals.* “Will you bless my pet Fluffy?” “Has anyone seen my canary?”

**Bishop Stika issues directives for resumption of public Masses—extends dispensation.**

“Let me emphasize, if you are vulnerable, elderly, or just not comfortable going to a public Mass, please stay home!”

*You can read detailed information at [dioknox.org](http://dioknox.org)*

**Instructions for attending Mass:**

- The obligation to attend is dispensed; if you are over 65, sick or have been with someone who is sick, have a fever, or have been out of the country, please stay home.
- Face masks must be worn before entering the building.** You must keep your mask on until you exit (except for communion).
- You must enter in single file and be counted; **once we have reached capacity, you will be turned away.** You will be escorted in, seated, and escorted out by ushers.
- More than half of the chairs have been removed, and those remaining are arranged to maintain safe distance. They may not be moved for any reason, nor may additional seats be added.
- There will be no missalettes, holy water, hand-holding during the Our Father, Sign of Peace, Precious Blood, Eucharist on the tongue, or communal singing. We will provide a cantor and music.
- There will be no passing of the basket or Presentation of Gifts. Collection baskets will be in the center aisle and you can drop your donation as you come for communion.
- To receive communion, you will be escorted by ushers, remain in single file, and keep 6 feet of distance between each person. Upon approaching the priest or deacon, you will remove your mask, use the provided hand sanitizer, stand on the “X,” extend your arms to receive the host in your hand, consume the host, replace your mask, and return to your seat.
- When Mass is over, remain seated. You will be escorted out by the ushers row by row and single file. You must leave the building and go straight to your car to depart. **There will be no congregating in the lobby, entryway, or parking lot.**



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St. John Henry Newman (21 February 1801 – 11 August 1890) was an English theologian and poet, first a priest and later a cardinal, who was an important but controversial figure in the religious history of nineteenth-century England. He was nationally-known by the mid-1830s, and was canonized a saint in the Catholic Church in 2019.

Originally an Oxford University academic and evangelical priest for the Church of England, Newman was drawn to the high-church tradition of Anglicanism. He became a leader of, and an able polemicist for, the Oxford Movement—an influential and controversial group of Anglicans who wished to return the Church of England to many of the original Catholic beliefs and liturgical rites it held before the English Reformation. After Newman published his controversial Tract 90 in 1841, he later wrote, "I was on my death-bed, as regards my membership with the Anglican Church."

In 1845 Newman, joined by some of his followers, officially left the Church of England and his teaching post at Oxford University, and was received into the Catholic Church. He was quickly ordained, and continued to be an influential religious leader. Newman was based in Birmingham, and in 1879, he was elevated to cardinal by Pope Leo XIII in recognition of his service to the cause of the Catholic Church in England. He was instrumental in the founding of the Catholic University of Ireland (CUI) in 1854, which, in time, evolved into University College Dublin.

**Feast Day:** October 9

**Attributes:** Cardinal's attire

**Patron:** Personal Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham

Recently, Pope Francis prayed for the elderly, who are suffering from isolation, loneliness, and fear during this pandemic: *“I would like us to pray today for the elderly who are suffering in this moment in a special way, with a very great interior solitude and sometimes with so much fear...Let us pray to the Lord [that he will] be close to our grandfathers, our grandmothers, all the elderly, and give them strength.”* He added, *“They gave us wisdom, life, and history...”* In a later interview, the Pope discussed aspects of the coronavirus, including living in some isolation himself, and praised the *“saints who live next door,”* referring to people throughout the world who continue to work and help others during this global pandemic.

***Quizzically Yours!***

1. Who are the creatures with intelligence and free will who act as messengers for God?  
A. Children B. Archangels  
C. Angels D. Guardian Angels
2. What do the following Popes have in common? Marcellinus, Liberius, Benedict XVI, Gregory VI, Celestine V, Gregory XII, and Benedict IX
3. Assigned by God, what celestial spirit prays for us, protects and guides us, and offers our prayers, good works, and desires to God?  
A. Children B. Archangels  
C. Angels D. Guardian Angels
4. Which two popes were beatified in September 2000?  
A. Pius X & John Paul II B. John Paul II & John XXIII  
C. Pius X & John XXIII D. John XXIII & John Paul I
5. Are papal elections done by secret or open ballot?

**If you have not given us your email address, please consider sharing it with us. It would not only save us money, but it would speed up communications to you.**

**Thank you in advance!**

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