

# 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.*

## NOVEMBER 1 • ALL SAINTS DAY



### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil.....	5:00 p.m.
Sunday.....	8:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. & 4:00 p.m. ( <i>Spanish Mass</i> )
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday .....	8:30 a.m.
Wednesday Adoration .....	5:00 p.m.
1st Friday Mass & Adoration.....	8:30 a.m.
1st Saturday Rosary.....	8:30 a.m.

### STAFF

Pastor: Fr. Jim Harvey.....	ext. 102
Deacon: Peter Minneci.....	call office
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.

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

**Saturday, October 31**  
All Souls Luminaria at 4:30pm  
Mass at 5pm

**Sunday, November 1**  
Mass at 8:30am & 11am  
Spanish Mass 4pm

**Tuesday, November 3**  
Morning Mass at 8:30

**Wednesday, November 4**  
YM Connect at 6pm, 7th/8th boys onsite

**Thursday, November 5**  
Morning Mass at 8:30

**Friday, November 6**  
Morning Mass at 8:30

**Saturday, November 7**  
Mass at 5pm

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

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

## Mass Intentions

BE SMART. STAY SAFE. BE RESPECTFUL.

Sat., Oct. 31	5:00pm	☩Mr. & ☩Mrs. Yao Ka Pun
Sun., Nov. 1	8:30am	People of the Parish
	11:00am	People of the Parish
	4:00pm	People of the Parish
Tues., Nov. 3	8:30am	☩Boomer Spadaro and ☩Tommy Jones
Thurs., Nov. 5	8:30am	☩Charlie Spadaro
Fri., Nov. 6	8:30am	☩Ruth Giannini
Sat., Nov. 7	5:00pm	☩Jean Carey
Sun., Nov. 8	8:30am	☩Mary & ☩Adam Lorenc
	11:00am	For Active and Retired Military Personnel
	4:00pm	No Mass

### We are streaming Holy Mass on the web!

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.



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

### Saints for the week

#### Sunday:

All Saints Day

#### Monday:

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls Day)

#### Tuesday:

St. Martin de Porres, Religious

#### Wednesday:

St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop

#### Thursday:

Sts. Zechariah & Elizabeth,\* parents of John the Baptist

#### Friday:

St. Leonard, Hermit

#### Saturday:

St. Willibrord, (Apostle to the Frisians)

#### Next Sunday:

Feast of the Holy Relics

\*indicates saint or blessed highlighted in this bulletin

### Readings for the week of November 1

#### Sunday:

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

#### Monday:

Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40

#### Tuesday:

Phil 2:5-11/Ps 22:26b-27, 28-30ab, 30c, 31-32 [26a]/Lk 14:15-24

#### Wednesday:

Phil 2:12-18/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Lk 14:25-33

#### Thursday:

Phil 3:3-8a/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [3b]/Lk 15:1-10

#### Friday:

Phil 3:17—4:1/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 [1]/Lk 16:1-8

#### Saturday:

Phil 4:10-19/Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a and 9/Lk 16:9-15

#### Next Sunday:

Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [2b]/1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13

### Discipleship and Discernment



Marketing does not produce vocations. Rather, the only solution to the vocation crisis is discipleship. When young Catholics say, "Jesus, I

give my life to you!" it leads naturally to the question, "Lord, what should I do with my life?" An authentic encounter with God, followed by sincere, open discernment is the surest path to increasing vocations. Pray for vocations!

We have been fortunate to be able to celebrate Mass in a clean, sanitized, and healthy facility due to the graciousness of a VERY SMALL NUMBER of parishioners who volunteer their time to keep this building clean.

Their numbers are few and they need your help. Seriously, please step up and volunteer!

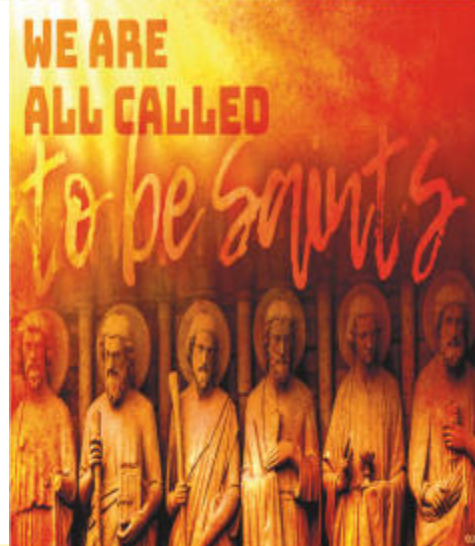
They meet Thursday mornings, around 9am.

### Get Quizzical!

Choices for answers 1-6:

a. St. Francis of Assisi   b. Pope Paul VI   c. Pope John Paul I  
d. Winged Man   e. Sword   f. Lion

1. Born Albino Luciani, he was the first to pope to use "first" in his regnal name.
  2. According to tradition, what is the symbolic object or sign associated with Saint Matthew?
  3. Michael the Archangel is traditionally shown holding what object?
  4. Which Italian saint started the Christmas tradition of restaging the nativity scene to commemorate the birth of Jesus (first shown at Midnight Mass in 1223)?
  5. After John Paul II, which pope canonized the most saints in history?
  6. What is the sign or symbol for St. Jerome?
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7. In which century did popes begin changing their names (with a few exceptions), after becoming pope?



**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!”

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

**Saints Zechariah and Elizabeth** were the parents of Saint John the Baptist, the last and greatest prophet and precursor of the Messiah. Saint Zechariah’s story is beautifully told in the first chapter of Luke’s Gospel. Zechariah proclaimed the *Benedictus*, one of three canticles in the New Testament, which is recited daily as part of the Liturgy of the Hours. His name, in Hebrew, means “God has remembered.”

Zechariah was a priest of the Old Covenant, and his wife was of the family of Aaron; both were "well approved in God's sight, following all the commandments and observances of the law without reproach." They had no children and were perhaps beyond the normal age for having a family. While officiating in the Temple, Zechariah was visited by the Angel Gabriel, who told him that in response to their prayers they would have a son, "to whom thou shalt give the name John," who would be filled with the Holy Spirit even in his mother's womb, and who would cause many of the sons of Israel to return to the Lord their God. But because he doubted the angel, Gabriel announced that Zechariah would be struck dumb and would regain his power of speech only when the prophecy was fulfilled. When the angel disappeared and Zechariah came forth from the temple, the people saw that he was unable to speak and they knew that he had received a vision from the Lord.

Elizabeth was a relative of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It was to her that Mary went in haste after she had conceived her Child, and after she learned that Elizabeth had also conceived. The second phrase in the Hail Mary, “Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb,” was spoken by Elizabeth to Mary upon her arrival. And so, her memory is beautifully kept in the Rosary, where this phrase is mentioned fifty-three times. Saint Elizabeth’s first greeting to Our Lady, when she saw her standing in her doorway was, “And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?” This was an unequivocal way of proclaiming Mary, her own relation, to be the Mother of God.

Eight days after John was born, when the child was about to be circumcised, Elizabeth told the people he was to be named John. Zechariah (still unable to speak) asked for a tablet, and on it he wrote the words, “John is his name.” At this moment Zechariah’s tongue was loosened and he began to praise the Lord with his *Benedictus*.

It was a common opinion among the early Church fathers, e.g. Epiphanius, Basil, Cyril of Alexandria, that Zechariah died a martyr, killed in the Temple "between the porch and the altar." This was supposedly done by command of Herod because Zechariah refused to disclose the whereabouts of his son. However, the Roman Martyrology makes no mention of martyrdom when it lists Zechariah and Elizabeth on November 5, the day on which their feast is kept in Palestine.

A traditional "tomb of Elizabeth" can be found at the Franciscan Monastery of Saint John in the Wilderness near Jerusalem. Feast: Nov. 5 (Elizabeth), Nov. 15 (Zechariah) Patronage: infertility, pregnancy, grandparents

1. c—Pope John Paul I; 2. d—Winged Man; 3. e—Sword; 4. a—St. Francis of Assisi; 5. b—Pope Paul VI (1963-1978); 6. f—Lion; 7. about the 11th century.

Please remember:  
The dispensation to attend Mass is still in effect.

**Just a reminder:**

*There will be no confessions heard on Saturday, 10/31.*  
*All Souls luminaria will be on display that evening at 4:30pm.*

**Fair warning**—We will be cleaning/purging the parish phone tree beginning November 4. If you are NOT currently on the phone tree, or if you wish to be removed, please contact the office right away. If you have not yet registered, please contact the office at **931-484-2358** or **stalonline.org** Registration forms can also be found on the bulletin board near the Gift Shop. Also, please consider giving us your email, as this will speed up our communications to you.



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