



# ST. ALPHONSUS

## PARISH

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

**NOVEMBER 22 • LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

### 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, November 21

Mass at 5pm

#### Sunday, November 22

Mass at 8:30am & 11am

CCD #3 Family Gathering at noon

No Spanish Mass

#### Tuesday, November 24

Morning Mass at 8:30am

#### Wednesday, November 25

No YM Connect—Thanksgiving Break

#### Thursday, November 26

Thanksgiving Day Mass at 8:30am

Parish office closed

#### Friday, November 28

**NO MORNING MASS**

#### Saturday, November 29

Mass at 5pm

#### Sunday, November 30

Mass at 8:30am & 11am

No Spanish Mass

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

*Mass Intentions*

BE SMART. STAY SAFE. BE RESPECTFUL.

Sat., Nov. 21	5:00pm	For the People of our Parish
Sun., Nov. 22	8:30am	✠Bob & ✠Sadie Laramie
	11:00am	✠Warren Nicoll
	4:00pm	No Mass
Tues., Nov. 24	8:30am	✠Clay Carey
Thurs., Nov. 26	8:30am	For the People of the Parish-
Fri., Nov. 27	8:30am	<b>No Mass</b>
Sat., Nov. 29	5:00pm	✠Lorraine Matthews
Sun., Nov. 30	8:30am	For the People of the Parish
	11:00am	✠Kevin Edwards, ✠Anthony Lineberry
	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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**Saints for the week**

**Sunday:**

St. Cecilia,  
Virgin & Martyr

**Monday:**

St. Columban, Abbot

**Tuesday:**

St. John of the Cross,  
Priest & Carmelite Friar

**Wednesday:**

St. Catherine of  
Alexandria,  
Virgin & Martyr

**Thursday:**

St. Peter of Alexandria\*,  
“Seal of the Martyrs”

**Friday:**

St. Maximus,  
Confessor & Monk

**Saturday:**

St. James of La Marca of  
Ancona, Friar & Writer

**Next Sunday:**

St. Saturninus, Bishop

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

**Readings for the week of November 22**

**Sunday:**

Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6 [1]/1  
Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46

**Monday:**

Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Lk 21:1-4

**Tuesday:**

Rv 14:14-19/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 21:5-11

**Wednesday:**

Rv 15:1-4/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 7-8, 9 [Rev 15:3b]/Lk 21:12-19

**Thursday:**

Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [Rev 19:9a]/Lk 21:20-28

**Friday:**

Rv 20:1-4, 11—21:2/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a [Rev 21:3b]/Lk 21:29-33

**Saturday:**

Rv 22:1-7/Ps 95:1-2, 3-5, 6-7ab [1 Cor 16:22b]/Lk 21:34-36

**Next Sunday:**

Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37



SACS is looking for a few folks to help work in the back room getting food ready for clients.

Please call John at 931-456-2597 or email: [kopmeier@frontier.com](mailto:kopmeier@frontier.com)

**National and Diocesan Collections for the remainder of 2020:**

**Campaign for Human Development**  
11/22

**Diocesan Deacon Formation**  
12/6

**Catholic Charities for Immigrant Services**  
12/12

**Religious Retirement Fund**  
12/13

Envelopes for each of these collections will be on the table in the entryway. To make a gift online, visit [dioknox.org](http://dioknox.org)

Thanksgiving Day (11/26) Mass will be at 8:30am. The parish office will be closed from November 26th until November 30th.

**Please remember: dispensation for Mass is still in effect.**

**Holiday Mass Schedule**

- ◆ Thanksgiving Day, 11/26: 8:30am
- ◆ Immaculate Conception (Holy Day), 12/8: 8:30am & 6pm
- ◆ Our Lady of Guadalupe, Sun. 12/13: Mass at 4pm, no procession or fiesta
- ◆ Christmas Eve, 12/24: 4pm, 7pm, 10 pm
- ◆ Christmas Day, 12/25: 10am
- ◆ New Year's Day (Holy Day), 1/1: 10am

It is with great sadness that we announce the **cancellation of our January 2021 CCW Scholarship Card Party** due to Covid-19. We would like to thank all of you for your past attendance and generosity at our annual event. We pray everyone stays healthy, and we look forward to when we can all meet again.

*CCW Scholarship Committee*



1. B-Swiss Guard; 2. C-Our Lady of Guadalupe; 3. E-Antipope; 4. F-No salary or bank account; 5. H-White and Gold; 6. True-owned by French Government, but managed by church clergy.

**Bishop Stika issues directives for attending Mass—extends dispensation.**

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

**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.

**St. Peter of Alexandria** was the 17th Patriarch of Alexandria and is revered as a saint in the Coptic Orthodox, Eastern Orthodox, and Catholic Churches.

Peter was born and raised in Alexandria and was given by his parents to Theonas to be brought up as a priest, much like the story of Samuel in the Old Testament. He rose through the ranks of holy orders, first becoming a reader, then a deacon, and finally a priest. Highly educated, Peter became head of the school of Alexandria.

In 300 he was appointed Bishop of Alexandria and served during the severe persecution of Christians under the Roman Emperor Diocletian, which began in 303 and continued intermittently over the next ten years. Forced into exile during these persecutions, Peter traveled extensively, encouraging his flock by letter, before returning to personally guide the Alexandrian Church through this period. He secretly visited the imprisoned, assisted widows and orphans, and conducted clandestine services.

Peter was eventually seized and thrown into prison. When Diocletian was informed of this, he ordered Peter to be beheaded. A large number of Christians gathered at the prison, willing to die for their Patriarch. The soldiers delayed his execution because they neither wanted to massacre the crowd nor create a riot. The Patriarch, fearing for the life of his people, asked the soldiers to smuggle him out of jail by breaking a hole in the wall and carrying out his sentence elsewhere.

He was beheaded on November 25, 311 in Alexandria. St. Peter, Patriarch of Alexandria, carries the title, “Seal of the Martyrs.”

Attributes: Vested as bishop, holds Book of Gospels.

**Multiple Choice Answers for the Quiz:**

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|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| A. Beef Eaters           | F. No salary or bank account |
| B. Swiss Guard           | G. One Lira                  |
| C. Our Lady of Guadalupe | H. White and Gold            |
| D. False Pope            | I. Red and Gold              |
| E. Antipope              | J. San Juan Bautista         |

**A Thought for Today:**

How we treat other people is at the heart of Christ’s kingdom. “Whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me.” At different times in our lives we are all counted among the “least” ones. We may not be physically poor, but we can easily become emotionally and spiritually poor. We may not be marginalized as many physically are, cast aside because they have too many needs or don’t quite fit in. But who hasn’t experienced isolation, loneliness, inner turmoil, angst, heartache, or loss? Almost every human being has experienced brokenness at one point or another, or will most definitely at some future point, facing discouragement, fear, insecurity. People are thirsty for more than water. We are imprisoned by our prejudices, misconceived notions and ideas, self-focused obsessions and ideologies. There is a lot of pain and many least ones around us. Stop, look and listen. This is what Christ the King is asking us to do. Look deeply into the eyes and soul of your sisters and brothers, all of them, and see Christ himself.

Being a spectator and observing all of the pageantry isn’t enough. Jesus wants us to inherit the kingdom and live the kingdom. It is built on the blocks of love, mercy, compassion, hope, faith, and blessing. It engages those who want it, changes and informs minds, inspires and transforms hearts, converts and renews souls, and sets things right. There is such a great need around us. *Are you ready and willing to do whatever you can to serve in God’s kingdom?*

**Get Quizzical!**

1. Established by Pope Julius in 1506, which group of men is charged with protecting the Pope?
2. Located in Mexico, which basilica is the second most-visited Catholic shrine in the world?
3. What is the title of the person who sat on the papal throne but whose election was declared uncanonical some time later?
4. What minimal salary do popes receive from the Vatican for their service?
5. What two colors comprise the background for the papal flag?
6. True or False – The Cathedral of Notre Dame in Paris is owned by the French Government and not the Catholic Church.

**Choose answers here!**



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