

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Jesus knows that the challenges a disciple of the Gospel will face in the world are real. He tells all of us point blank, "Do not be afraid." There are many things we can fear as we attempt to live the Gospel: unpopularity, being rebuked, rejection, anger, being challenged, having to defend ourselves, standing alone, insecurity, failure, and even death. Many folks know that their faith calls them to live life more deliberately and radically but are cowards when it comes to putting it into practice. We easily justify sticking with the "acceptable" norms with which we are accustomed. These only serve to keep us stuck and mired in mediocrity. The Gospel — given flesh by the very presence of Christ — seeks to stretch, challenge, and change us. We do not have to fear anything, even death. Sometimes, living with our fears brings us a sadly disordered sense of comfort. Maybe what we really fear above all else is change.



Bishop Louis F. Kihneman, III administered the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday, June 12th.

We congratulate these individuals who received the Sacrament and pray that they will continue to grow in their Catholic faith in the years ahead.

They are: Anastasia Ashley, Kate Bertolino, Garret Brochard, Sebastian Bustamante, Donald Caillouet III, Georgia Davis, Sophia Diaz, Makayla Ladd, Sean McClellan, Brooklyn Merrill, Lillian Michel, Jody Noble, Laura Patino, Gavriella Persing, Leila Ransonet, Virginia Rollins, Shea Sigworth, Jacie Skelton, Anastasia Wade and Ayden Weaver.



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Hancock Whitney (forms may be printed off on our website under "Forms and Applications" or by calling the Rectory Office) or by making one-time or recurring gifts directly on our parish website by clicking the "Online Donation" box. Stop worrying about weekly envelopes — you can turn your tithe into an automatic gift that gives when and how often you would like. Have questions? Call the Rectory Office during regular business hours and we will be happy to help you in any way.



St. Vincent DePaul Bob May Scholarship Award for St. Alphonsus Catholic Elementary School: \$1,000.00 will be awarded to a Qualified Student. If interested in applying, please contact either the Church Office or School Office for an application. Application Deadline is June 30th.



Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of: Paula Wood, sister of Timothy (Rebecca) Fink of this parish, who passed away May 18th.

Georgia Mansfield, family member of Gena Gatschet (William) Odom of this parish who passed away May 25th.

We extend our sympathy to each family and promise them a remembrance in our prayers. May God grant them eternal peace.



The Flowers on the Altar are in Memory of Oleus & Della Sonnier

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY	JUNE 22
2 Kings 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18; Matthew 7:1-5	
6:30 a.m.	Ella and Simon Gilbert
8:15 a.m.	Int. Ms. Anisha Matthews and Family
TUESDAY	JUNE 23
2 Kings 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36; Matthew 7:6, 12-14	
6:30 a.m.	Thomas and Mary Kelley
8:15 a.m.	Special Intention - RG
WEDNESDAY	JUNE 24
Isaiah 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26; Luke 1:57-66, 80	
6:30 a.m.	Mr. Edward G. Dietrick, Jr.
8:15 a.m.	Int. Mr. Peter Murrough
THURSDAY	JUNE 25
2 Kings 24:8-17; Matthew 7:21-29	
6:30 a.m.	Ms. Jean Pierre
8:15 a.m.	Ms. Kay Woods
FRIDAY	JUNE 26
2 Kings 25:1-12; Matthew 8:1-4	
6:30 a.m.	Int. Mr. Robert Holt Foushee
8:15 a.m.	Mary Lou and Jack Brennan
SATURDAY	JUNE 27
Lamentations 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Matthew 8:5-17	
8:15 a.m.	Int. Mr. Julian Galloway
	4:00 p.m.
	Mr. Michael Joseph Sekul
SUNDAY	JUNE 28
2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a; Romans 6:3-4, 8-11; Matt 10:37-42	
7:30 a.m.	Mr. Hunter Grantham
9:00 a.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Erling (Rita) Rabe
11:30 a.m.	Congregation
5:30 p.m.	Int. Greg Mohler Family

WEEKLY OFFERING

Sunday Collection.....\$10,723.96
Online Collection.....\$ 1,675.00
May God Bless You for your generous and faithful support



Pray for Our Parishioners and Friends: Rita Allen, Regina Papania Bell, Chris Bellman, Anthony David Belson, Elaine Belson, Walter Bolton, Bob & Ruth Boney, Glen Bosarge, Mercedes Bosarge, Carole Bourgeois, Sarah Broussard, Sybil Burchinal, Eileen Burkhardt, Arlene

Burns, Carol Lee Cantin, Vicki Carter, Nettie Cirlot, Pat Cronin, Fred Dale, Breanne Dalton, Gina Dasher, Marjorie DuBois, Betty Dugan, Jackie Endt, Fr. Bernie Farrell, Loretta Foster, Carmen Gaethe, Julian Galloway, Sandra Grantham, Doris Haynes, Donnie Hebert, Margaret Hebert, Mary Jo Hoogstra, Melissa James, Otis Kaufman, John Kiernan, Daisie Laborde, Barbara Langan, Catherine Lawrence, Erik Marcussen, Gordon Mathieu, Cheryl Megie, Bernie McGinley, Marie Meyers, Edna Miguez, Iva Misko, Donna Necaize, Leonard Necaize, Peggy and Edward Necaize, Shirley and Travis Norman, Della Faye Odom, Michael Punziano, Anne Purdy, Nancy Riedinger, Sarah Robinson, Carter James Sanders, Harold (Jimmy) Saylor, Jr., Sandy Senseney, Dale Seymour, Joyleen Seymour, Nell Stanton, Mary Terry, Virginia Thompson, Ann Tootle, Dolores Trenouth, Edna Trochesset, Ted Ursu, Ashley Vickers, Isabella Welch and Thane Williams.

**Altar Society Members for next week
Kay Brochard, Sue Garlotte and Norma Williams**



A Prayer for Father's Day: God our Father, In your wisdom and love you made all things. Bless those fathers who have taken upon themselves the responsibility of parenting. Bless those who have lost a spouse to death, separation, or divorce, and who are parenting their children alone. Strengthen all Dads by your love that they may become the loving, caring persons they are meant to be. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*School Subsidy Policy**

Registration for the 2020/2021 School Year Going on Now

St. Alphonsus Finance Committee, in conjunction with the Parish Staff, wishes to reiterate the established policy concerning subsidy of our young people at St. Alphonsus Elementary School or St. Patrick High School.

In order for students to receive subsidized tuition at St. Alphonsus Elementary School or St. Patrick High School, the following must be followed:

1. The Family must be registered in St. Alphonsus Parish
2. Contribute to the support of the parish through the regular use of the envelope system or some other agreed upon service.
3. The family MUST attend weekend Mass with the Parish Family at St. Alphonsus.



Parishioner Registration: When planning a baptism, marriage, or to obtain subsidized tuition rates for our Catholic Schools, you must be able to demonstrate that you are a practicing Catholic and that you do attend Mass. It is the Church, not just this parish, which insists that signs of good faith commitment be present on these occasions. Using envelopes helps maintain a record of contributions and Mass attendance. Parish registration forms may be obtained on the Parish Website, in the Vestibule of the Church or at the Parish Office during regular office hours.



Married Couple Retreat: Would you like to break away with your spouse and spend quality time enriching your marriage? The next Married Couple Retreat will be held July 17 – 19 at St. Joseph Abbey's Retreat Center in Covington, La. The theme will be: Growing Together in Faith and Love. Visit FaithandMarriage.org for more information.



Attention Graduating Seniors: There are two \$500 Scholarships available from The Chris Nielsen Scholarship Fund to be given away by the Knights of Columbus. If interested in applying for this scholarship, please email Brian Sanderson at bsanderson@cardinalgroupllc.com to receive the requirements and registration form. **Deadline: August 15, 2020**



Bethesda Free Clinic is currently serving patients' needs via a telemedicine system. Anyone needing prescription refills or other basic needs can call the Clinic at 228-818-9191. If no one is available, you may leave your name and number and someone will return your call as soon as possible.



The Bookstore and Gift Shop is open on Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. and after all weekend Masses. They are now set up to take credit cards. Come and see the new collection of books, prayer resources and sacramental gifts.



Our Parish App is one great way to help make the liturgical season more present in your daily life. These helpful reflections will aid you in reflecting on the Mass readings each day. Also — under FORMED, you will be able to stream hundreds of hours of inspiring movies and video series, read bestselling Catholic eBooks, and listen to audio presentations from the Church's most compelling speakers and is available from virtually any device...anytime, anywhere. **Don't have the App or FORMED yet?** If you have either an iPhone or Android smart phone you can download the App by texting App to phone number 88202, or by visiting myparishapp.com. To gain access to FORMED — go to the website at www.formed.org and enter our Parish Code flf5a9 (case sensitive) on the homepage, create an account with your user name/email and password.



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A lovely flower arrangement on the altar area of the church on weekends is a beautiful way to honor a deceased loved one or to celebrate a special occasion.

If you would like to donate for a specific weekend, please call the Rectory at 875-5419. Donation amount is \$35.00.

REFLECTION

A Celtic Prayer

I rise today with God's strength to direct me, God's wisdom to guide me, God's eyes to look before me, God's ear to hear me, God's word to speak for me, God's hand to uphold me, God's pathway before me, God's shield to protect me, God's host to save me — from temptations, from one man or many that seek to destroy me. Amen.



Radio Maria - a Catholic Radio right here in Ocean Springs! You can listen to it on your radio at FM 88.1; livestream it on your computer at radiomaria.us; download the free app onto your smartphone; or by calling 1-712-832-8065. There are many good programs from inspirational Catholic speakers, programs about history, prayer, care giving, finding a job, Marian apparitions, conversion stories, and many others! Plus there is great music. Let us be grateful to God for this sublime gift to us, for His mercies endure forever! Rejoice in hope, endure in affliction, persevere in prayer. (Romans 12:12)

Websites that may be good for people with problems, addictions, etc:
www.americanaddictioncenters.org; www.narcononcolorado.org;
www.al-anon.org; www.catholicsdivorce.com;
www.cancersupportcommunity.org; www.rachelsvineyard.org;
www.catholicmenconquerporn.com; www.yourbrainonporn.com