The reading from Acts shows that Paul's policy was to preach to the Jews first, because they were the chosen people. But when they reject his message, he turns to the Gentiles. In this way the prophecy that the light of salvation would reach the ends of the earth was fulfilled. (Is 49:6) Jesus is the True Shepherd, and will not allow anyone to snatch from his

care the sheep that belong to him. (Gospel) He will give them eternal life. What does belonging to him entail? It entails listening to his voice and following him.



You are invited to come to a Marian Movement of Priest Cenacle Mass on Friday, May 13th at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. Mass, Rosary, and Consecration



The Lord Is My Help needs volunteers to pack take-out lunches from 9:15 - 10:30 a.m. and/or to serve lunch from 11:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. (no cooking involved) the week of May 16 - 20, 2022.

If you are able to volunteer your time on any of these days at either/both of the times, please call Norma Williams at 875-2636. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

An Altar Society Meeting will be held on Wednesday,



May 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall Meeting Room.

INTERCESSORY Evening of Intercession - Intercessory prayer is going between the Lord and the person you are praying for, asking the Lord to show them his mercy and blessings.

I invite you to come and be a part of this night of intercession even if you have never heard about intercessory prayer before. We will meet in the church on Wednesday, May 18th from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 pm. Please bring your Rosary with you. I look forward to seeing you there. Deacon Jim



**OUR LADY OF SORROWS:** You are invited to come and join us for the 8:15 Mass followed by the recitation of the Rosary of the Seven Sorrows (a rosary of repentance) on the third Saturday of each month. (i.e. May 21st). The purpose of our coming together is threefold: 1) To pray for all victims of sexual abuse 2) To pray, in reparation for all the

vile sins committed against the Body of Christ, and 3) To pray for the graces of repentance, healing, conversion and salvation of ALL SOULS!



An anointing of the Sick will take place on Saturday, May 21st at 3:30 p.m. (before the 4:00 p.m. Mass) in the Church. This is for all elderly parishioners, anyone with

an illness, or parishioners with elderly or homebound family members that may wish to receive this Sacrament.



/ You are invited to join us for a week of fun and discovery as we learn more about the incredible Vocations of our Catholic Faith at Catholic Kid's Camp scheduled for June 13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>.

Registration has begun and forms are available at each of the church exits or online at the St. Alphonsus Parish website. Space is limited so please register early.

We are also looking for adult and youth volunteers to help with CKC. Youth volunteers must be completing the 6<sup>th</sup> grade this year or older. For more information, contact our CKC director, Jane Sema, at jsema@osstalphonsus.org.



The Flowers on the Altar are in Memory of Monica Goretski

# MASSES FOR THE WEEK

**MONDAY** MAY 9

Acts 11:1-18: John 10:1-10

Ms. Mollie Davidson 6:30 a.m. 8:15 a.m. Mr. Tom Tatlow

**TUESDAY MAY 10** 

Acts 11:19-26: John 10:22-30 6:30 a.m. Ms. Elena Broussard

8:15 a.m. Ms. Alice Cole

WEDNESDAY MAY 11 Acts 12:24—13:5a; John 12:44-50

6:30 a.m. Mr. Edward G. Dietrick, Jr.

8:15 a.m. Ms. Mary Holt **THURSDAY MAY 12** Acts 13:13-25; John 13:16-20

6:30 a.m. Mr. David Mohler 8:15 a.m. Ms. Jackie Endt

**MAY 13 FRIDAY** 

Acts 13:26-33; John 14:1-6

6:30 a.m. Ann and Cecil Wolf 8:15 a.m. Joe and Georgia Mansfield

**SATURDAY** MAY 14 Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; John 15:9-17

Mr. Broussard F. Walker, Sr. 8:15 a.m.

4:00 p.m. Ms. Susie Jurich

**SUNDAY** May 15

Acts 14:21-27; Rev 21:1-5a; John 13:31-33a, 34-35

7:30 a.m. Congregation

9:00 a.m. Mr. Edwin Catchot, Sr. 11:30 a.m. All Souls in Purgatory 5:30 p.m. Ms. Anita Grace White

## **WEEKLY OFFERING**

Sunday Collection	\$11,383.85
Weekly Online Collection	
Poor Collection	\$ 3,304.50

May God Bless You for your generous and faithful support



Pray for Our Parishioners and Friends: Kevin Barry, Beckett Bassenger, Christopher Bellman, Anthony David Belson, Elaine Belson, Bob Boney, Mercedes Bosarge, Carole Bourgeois, Bryleigh Brochard, Jeffrey Brochard,

Kay Brochard, Roland and Margaret Broussard, Sybil Burchinal, Arlene Burns, Vicki Carter, Carolyn Castleman, Jennifer Catchot, Christine Chandler, Pat Cronin, Breanne Dalton, Gina Dasher, Jeannine Dionne, Marjorie DuBois, Gordon Gaethe, Ansley Gilich, Julian Galloway, Sändra Grantham, Mary Jo Hoogstra, Ashley Jensen, Otis Kaufman, Daisie Laborde, Judy and Randy Lesso, Albert Gregory Mansfield, Gordon Mathieu, Melissa Menard, Iva Misko, Johnny Mitchell, Edward Necaise, Terése Nicovich, Shirley and Travis Norman, The Petitjean Family, Richard Potash, Jan Roberts, Charles Wesley Ryan, Jr., Margaret Rucinski, Harold (Jimmy) Saylor Jr., Jerry Schneider, Dale Seymour, Ann Tootle, Dianne Tootle, Ted Ursu, Rose M. Vail, Margaret Misko VanLoon, and Ashley Vickers.

> Altar Society Members for next week Deni Helms, Jenny Hillyard, Pat Zuber

## **FAITH FORMATION**

May 11: First Holy Communion Practice, Church, 5:30 p.m.

May 12: RCIA, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m., Parish Hall Meeting Room

May 15: Faith Formation Classes Meet

Sacrament of First Holy Communion, Church, 11:30 a.m. Sacrament of Confirmation, Church, 5:30 p.m.

The Adult Study Class that met on Sunday mornings has concluded and will start up again in the Fall. Thanks to all who made this a success!



Please remember to sign **IN** AND **OUT** when you visit the chapel, whether you are there for your regularly scheduled hour or you are just visiting. If you are not followed by an adorer, CLOSE THE TABERNACLE DOORS. The Lord is never to be left alone while exposed.

Food for Thought: If every regular adorer talked with one friend, daughter, son, mother, father or husband and encouraged them to sign up for an hour we would become a PERPETUAL CHAPEL!!! Do you know how very special that would be for our parish and diocese? It is our job to bring as many people as possible to the feet of Jesus in recognition of His true Presence, in Thanksgiving, in Reparation and with our Petitions.

#### Come to Me in the Blessed Sacrament

Heavenly Father, increase our faith in the Real Presence of Your Son Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. We are obliged to adore Him, to give Him thanks and to make reparation for sins. We need your peace in our hearts and among nations. We need conversion from our sins and the mercy of Your forgiveness. May we obtain this through prayer and our union with the Eucharistic Lord. Please send down the Holy Spirit upon all peoples to give them the love, courage, strength, and willingness to respond to the invitation to Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration. We beseech You to spread perpetual exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament in parishes around the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord.

To view the adoration schedule or to sign up for a weekly adoration hour visit stalphonsus.weadorehim.com. If you know you cannot make your hour, please request a substitute on the website.

- 1. Log in to your adoration account at stalphonsus.weadorehim.com
- 2. Click on 'My Dashboard'
- 3. Scroll down until you see 'My Commitments'
- 4. Click the yellow highlighted box that says, 'Request Substitute'
- 5. A text box will pop up asking you to confirm your sub request. Click on the green 'Request Substitute' box to confirm.
- 6. Click 'Okav' to complete.

The computer will now find you a substitute and let you know when one has been secured.

Call 228-282-0984 for any questions on logging in or using the website.



**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: June 3, 2022

#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Your prayers are requested for the deceased priests who have ministered in the diocese, especially those who have died around this time of year:

Reverend Msgr. Patrick J. Carey, May 1, 1979 Reverend Msgr. Patrick K. Bambrick, May 1, 2002 Reverend John T. O'Brien, May 18, 2009 Reverend Dominic Phan, May 28, 2019

# \*\*School Subsidy Policy\*\*

#### Registration for the 2022/2023 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.

## ST. ALPHONSUS SCHOOL

May 11: First Holy Communion Practice, Church, 5:30 p.m.

- May 12: Field Day
- May 13: Children's Mass, 8:15 a.m.
- May 15: Sacrament of First Holy Communion, Church, 11:30 a.m.

## ST. PATRICK HIGH SCHOOL

- May 8: Spring Drama Production, 2:00 p.m.
- May 9: Drama Guild Banquet, 6:00 p.m.
- May 10: Senior Awards Banquet, 6:00 p.m.
- May 11: Graduation Practice, 8:15 a.m.; Walk/Parade, 10:00 a.m.

New Band Student Parent Meeting, 6:00 pm / Track Banquet, 6:30 pm May 13: Graduation, 5:00 p.m.



If you have not yet made a pledge or given a onetime gift to the CSA, pledge envelopes are available at each of the exits of the Church.

Every gift, regardless of size, is vital to the success of the Appeal. We thank those who have already responded to help the less fortunate in our community. Please make all checks payable to the Catholic Sharing Appeal and mail directly to the Diocese. You may also give online at www.biloxidiocese.org/catholic-sharing-appeal.



Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of George Davis, father of Scott (Robin) Davis of this parish, who passed away April 30th.

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

## **Commentary on the Doctrine** Of the Most Holy Eucharist

(Articles taken from the Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church)

### II. The Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist

3. Believe that you may understand

The Fathers of the Church believed that God had the power to create from nothing, and therefore His omnipotence overflowed so as to change the substance of the things which He Himself had created. Man, like other creatures, has the ability to fashion many things, changing the physical form or shape. For example, we can make bread from grains of wheat, but that does not mean that any creature can create something out of nothing, nor in the strict sense, turn something into nothingness. However, in the Eucharist God touches the very being of things in his power to change the substance the He has given them by creation. What takes place in the Eucharist allows us in some way to perceive and to be mindful of God the Creator, not because the Body of Christ is created again, but because by the divine omnipotence the bread is changed into the body in such a way that none of the substance of the bread remains. (Continued next week)

**Pray For Vocations**