

The First Reading tells how on being cured of leprosy Naaman acknowledges our Lord as the supreme and only God. However, when he tries to express his gratitude to Elisha, the prophet refuses to accept it, because it would suggest that the cure was due to him rather than to God. As commander of the Syrian army, Naaman was a Gentile.

This story prepares us for the Gospel account of the cure of ten lepers by Jesus, and of how only one of them, a foreigner (a Samaritan), came back to thank him. The stranger puts the Jews to shame. His reaction anticipates the glad reception of the Good News by the Samaritans in Acts 8:1-25.



St. Alphonsus Men's Group will hold its first meeting this Tuesday (October 11th) from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. All men of our parish are invited to come build confidence, to encourage and inspire each other spiritually, and develop lifelong fellowship through prayer and sharing, discussion of The Gospels, inspirational readings and videos, and guest speakers.

As men, we strive to be providers and protectors, with a goal of getting ourselves, our families and our fellow Brothers and Sisters to heaven. Our calling to become this kind of man is easier when we have the accountability, support, and example of other men with the same goal. Please come join us October 11th for coffee, snacks and fellowship. For more information, contact Buddy Odom at 228-218-7498.



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



St. Alphonsus Parish will host a one-day RETREAT on Saturday, October 15th, featuring Fr. Mark Beard. The topic will be *In Defense of Mother Church*, covering the scriptural basis of Catholic teachings and traditions. The cost is \$75.00 (includes lunch and a retreat booklet). The schedule is as follows: 8:30 a.m. Check-in for all retreatants, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Retreat, (lunch provided) 4:00 p.m. Mass. Confession will be available before and after Mass. To register, please go to: www.Ourladvofhopems.com/events.



An anointing of the Sick will take place on Saturday, October 15th 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 after the 9:00 a.m. Mass next Sunday (October 16th) for coffee and donuts in the Parish Hall. This would be a great time for fellowship.



The St. Alphonsus Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary will host a baby shower for Walking With Mom's In Need the entire month of October. Suggested items in need are: formula, diapers, baby wipes, manual breast pump, any and all items for baby and mom, \$25 gift cards, monetary donations, and prayers. A donation bin will be in Vestibule of the Church for anyone wishing to gift baby items. Gift cards and monetary donations may be placed in the collection basket at Mass.



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 October 31st – November 4th.

If you are able to volunteer your time on any of these days at either/both of the times, please call Jamie Lloyd at 713-818-6071. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Pray For Vocations

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY	OCTOBER 10
Galatians 4:22-24, 26-27, 31—5:1; Luke 11:29-32	
6:30 a.m.	Mr. Joe Prejean
8:15 a.m.	Ms. Carol Gordon
TUESDAY	OCTOBER 11
Galatians 5:1-6; Luke 11:37-41	
6:30 a.m.	Int. St. Alphonsus Bulletin Advertisers
8:15 a.m.	Mr. MJ Hegwood
WEDNESDAY	OCTOBER 12
Galatians 5:18-25; Luke 11:42-46	
6:30 a.m.	Ms. Kathy Dietrick
8:15 a.m.	Ms. Susan Gandy
THURSDAY	OCTOBER 13
Ephesians 1:1-10; Luke 11:47-54	
6:30 a.m.	All Souls in Purgatory Protection of the Unborn
8:15 a.m.	Mr. Clive Branson
FRIDAY	OCTOBER 14
Ephesians 1:11-14; Luke 12:1-7	
6:30 a.m.	Mr. Louis Janus
8:15 a.m.	Int. St. Alphonsus School
SATURDAY	OCTOBER 15
Ephesians 1:15-23; Luke 12:8-12	
8:15 a.m.	Special Intention
4:00 p.m.	Ms. Ligaya Camagong
SUNDAY	OCTOBER 16
Exodus 17:8-13; 2 Timothy 3:14—4:2; Luke 18:1-8	
7:30 a.m.	Ms. Joicelyn Mayfield
9:00 a.m.	Int. Mr. Louis Stiglet
11:30 a.m.	Congregation
5:30 p.m.	Int. Priest Convocation

WEEKLY OFFERING

Sunday Collection.....	\$12,323.80
Weekly Online Collection.....	\$ 5,343.00
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Children's Collection.....	\$ 45.00
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Pray for Our Parishioners and Friends: Kevin Barry, Beckett Bassenger, Christopher Bellman, Anthony David Belson, Elaine Belson, Betty Bodin, Bob Boney, Mercedes Bosarge, Carole Bourgeois, Bryleigh Brochard, Kay Brochard, Roland and Margaret Broussard, Sybil Burchinal, Arlene Burns, Vicki Carter, Carolyn Castleman, Jennifer Catchot, Christine Chandler, Pat Cronin, Billy Cruthirds, Breanne Dalton, Gina Dasher, Jeannine Dionne, Dale Dorcik, Marjorie DuBois, Gordon Gaethe, Ansley Gilich, Julian Galloway, Charlie Goff, Sandra Grantham, Mary Jo Hoogstra, Ashley Jensen, Otis Kaufman, Jack Kelly, Daisie Laborde, Judy and Randy Lesso, Albert Gregory Mansfield, Gordon Mathieu, Melissa Menard, Iva Misko, Johnny Mitchell, Edward Necaïse, Terése Nicovich, Shirley and Travis Norman, The Petitjean Family, Richard Potash, Charles Wesley Ryan, Jr., Margaret Rucinski, Harold (Jimmy) Saylor Jr., Jerry Schneider, Dale Seymour, Bridgett Shepard, Dianne Tootle, Ted Ursu, Rose M. Vail, Margaret Misko VanLoon, and Ashley Vickers.

FAITH FORMATION

Kindergarten - 5th Grade: Sunday, 10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
Contact Jane Sema at jsema@osstalphonusus.org

Edge (6th – 8th Grade): Sunday, 4:00 p.m. (before 5:30 p.m. Mass)
Life Teen (9th – 12th Gr): Sunday, 6:30 p.m. (after 5:30 p.m. Mass)
Confirmation (11th Gr): Wednesday, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Contact Will Haislmaier at whaislmaier@osstalphonusus.org

RCIA: Thursday, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m., Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mtg Rm
Contact [Rob or Christina Malloch at 872-6938](mailto:RoborChristinaMalloch@872-6938)

Oct 12: Confirmation Class: 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Oct 13: RCIA, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m., Lady of Mount Carmel Mtg Room

Oct 16: Adult Study Class, after 9am Mass, Mount Carmel Mtg Room

Faith Formation Classes, Kindergarten - 5th Grade - 10:15 a.m.

Edge and Life Teen Classes – Times Above

Youth Ministry Volunteers needed - If interested in becoming a volunteer or for more information, please visit:
<https://forms.gle/9V3Ez6UVJrhJTPNU6>.

We are updating the Youth Office to give our youth a space that they can feel at home and seek out our Lord with friends and family. We are currently accepting donations to help furnish and decorate the youth space. We thank you for all your prayers and support and any donation is deeply appreciated.



The Annual Mass of Wedding Anniversaries will take place on Sunday, November 6th at 2:00 p.m. at the Nativity B.V.M. Cathedral. Registration Forms are available in the Rectory Office during regular business hours. A link for couples to register is also set up on the Diocese website.
Deadline for registration is October 14, 2022.



The Catholic Doctrine of Creation: The Only Firm Foundation for a Culture of Life, originally scheduled to be held on October 18th, has been postponed. The Director, Hugh Owen, had a medical emergency and he hopes to be able to reschedule the seminar in the near future. In the meantime, let us pray for his full recovery that he may continue the mission of the Kolbe Center which is primarily to increase our faith in the traditional teaching of the special creation of Adam and Eve, body and soul.



OURLADY 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 October 22. 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!



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.

You are invited to come and be a part of this night as we will begin the introduction on **GENERATIONAL SPIRITS AND HEALING** (forms will be available). We will meet in the church on **Wednesday, October 19th from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 pm.** Please bring your Rosary with you.

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

ST. ALPHONSUS SCHOOL

Oct 14: Children's Mass, 8:15 a.m.

ST. PATRICK HIGH SCHOOL

Oct 10/11: Fall Holiday, No School

Oct 13: Mass 9:40 a.m.; Powerlifting Parent Meeting, 6:30 p.m.



Bishop Gregory Mansour of the Maronite Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn has given his parishes seven tips to increase their devotion to the Holy Eucharist – methods anyone who wants to pursue a deeper understanding of the sacrament can use. Each week, for

the next five weeks, we will list one of his steps:

3. Think about Jesus, truly present in the Eucharist.

“Discern the real presence of our Lord in the Eucharist, as all Catholic and Orthodox Christians have done over the ages,” Mansour wrote, “and live this reverence appropriately with respect for our Lord’s abiding presence with us.”

The USCCB released a document called “the Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church” in November 2021 during its general meeting. The document contains deep reflections and commentary on the Real Presence from various popes, saints, the Catechism of the Catholic Church, and the Code of Canon Law.

Bishop Andrew Cozzens of Crookston – who is leading the eucharistic revival in his capacity as the U.S. bishops’ conference chair on evangelization and catechesis – also teaches a free, prerecorded, online course on the document.

That course can be accessed at: <https://reviveparishes.com/eucharist>.



To sign up for a holy hour or to become a substitute, scan the QR code or visit stalphonusus.weadorehim.com/signup.

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

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 Richard LaCorte, September 11, 2022
Reverend Peter Quinn, October 8, 2004
Reverend James B. Taylor, October 17, 2004
Monsignor Andrew L. Murray, October 20, 2009
Monsignor Francis Quinn, October 22, 1990
Most Rev. Roger P. Morin – October 31, 2019



Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of: Robbie Vickery Beeler, sister of Micha Gryder of this parish who passed away September 21st in Northport, Alabama.

Darren Christopher Salik, father of Ashley Bennett (Sean) of this parish, who passed away September 22nd.

June Straight, mother of Anthony Straight (Annette) of this parish, who passed away October 3rd.

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



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