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--New Sunday & Holy Day Liturgies, by Flor McCarthy, SDB


 **We congratulate the following from our Elementary School and Religious Education program who received their First Holy Communion at the 11:30 a.m. Mass last Sunday (May 4).** They are: Piper Allen, Kennedy Bertrand, Luke Blystone, Molly Boyd, Makai Bozeman, Emmerson Capalbo, Hadley Coker, Sawyer DeoCampo, Emilia Drummond, Alexander Dykes, Alice Elkins, Sammie Ferrill, Emalyn Ferrill, Andrew Gilich, Clara Guerrero, Chandler Haney, Aubrey Hollowell, Noah Johnson, Taylor King, Jackson Lang, Corbin Langlinais, Connor Laura, Joseph Laura, Anthony Lauro, Luke Leddy, Lucas LoCoco, Miles Lunsford, Lucas Maisano, Carley Mallett, Carson Mallett, Leni Kate Meaut, Rose Miller, Ella Olier, Nella Phan, Nora Ramsey, Katherine Roberts, Luke Roberts, Luke Ross, Axel Rundberg, George Sanderson, Callie Tran and Vivian Wetzel.

 **Capital Campaign Update** – The Parish Council met on Friday, May 9th, to view and discuss progress on designs and the plan for initial construction and renovations to the Church. A Communication Session with Parishioners will be held on Thursday, May 15th at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. This meeting will include discussion on the scopes of work, collecting feedback on designs, and the plan to minimize disruption to Mass once early works commence.

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

 **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 17th).** 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 17th 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.


 **Your Church Needs You** - God is calling. Can you answer the call? We are in need of Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, and Altar Servers at all the masses. Prayerfully consider God’s calling to serve your St. Alphonsus Family.

WEEKLY OFFERING
Sunday Collection.....\$13,487.40
Weekly/Monthly Online Collection.....\$ 6,361.00
Poor Collection.....\$ 4,563.00
May God Bless You for your generous and faithful support

MASSSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY	MAY 12
Acts 11:1-18; John 10:1-10	
6:30 a.m.	Mr. Malcolm Latour, Jr.
8:15 a.m.	Int. Mr. James C. Martin
TUESDAY	MAY 13
Acts 11:19-26; John 10:22-30	
6:30 a.m.	Ms. Elizabeth Hughbanks
8:15 a.m.	Ms. Dianne Tootle
WEDNESDAY	MAY 14
Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; John 15:9-17	
6:30 a.m.	Ms. Mary Holt
8:15 a.m.	Ms. Jackie Endt
THURSDAY	MAY 15
Acts 13:13-25; John 13:16-20	
6:30 a.m.	Int. Fr. Kennedy
8:15 a.m.	Ms. Susie Jurich
FRIDAY	MAY 16
Acts 13:26-33; John 14:1-6	
6:30 a.m.	Mr. Edward Bozurich
8:15 a.m.	Mr. Bryan Moe
SATURDAY	MAY 17
Acts 13:44-52; John 14:7-14	
8:15 a.m.	Anne and Mark Touns
4:00 p.m.	James and Avis Adolphson
SUNDAY	MAY 18
Acts 14:21-27; Revelation 21:1-5a; John 13:31-33a, 34-35	
7:30 a.m.	Mr. Skip Murphy
9:00 a.m.	Mr. Bill Gryder
	Mr. Neil Gryder
	Congregation
11:30 a.m.	Mr. Joe Stewart
5:30 p.m.	

 **Pray for Our Parishioners and Friends:** Beckett Bassenger, Anthony David Belson, Elaine Belson, Betty Bodin, Mercedes Bosarge, Michael Bosarge, Bryleigh Brochard, Kay Brochard, Jeff Brochard, Roland Broussard, Roxie Buckles, Arlene Burns, Mildred “Tootsie” Caillavet, Benny and Carol Lee Cantin, Marshall Car, Carolyn Castleman, Jennifer Catchot, Clifford Claverie, Scott Claverie, Pat Cronin, Breanne Dalton, Gina Dasher, Dale Diaz, Jeannine Dionne, Marjorie DuBois, Rose Mary Eagan, Nija Fountain, Ray Frazier, Gordon Gaethe, Ansley Gilich, Julian Galloway, Margie Gammon, Sandra Grantham, Richard Harrison, Trent Hartzog, James Hebert, Margaret Hebert, Olivia Hood, Mary Jo Hoogstra, Ashley Jensen, Lora Jordan, Terri Jurich, Otis Kaufman, Jack Kelly, Bill Kortman, Mary Krystosek, Daisie Laborde, Judy and Randy Lesso, Mary Lewis, Gordon Mathieu, Mrs. McKinney, Steve Merkel, Thelma Miller, Iva Misko, Edward Necaise, Donna and Edward Necaise Jr., Terése Nicovich, Shirley and Travis Norman, Kathy Pasquini, The Petitjean Family, Jean Petricca, Richard Potash, MaraLou Guice Richards, Reginald Richards, Charles Wesley Ryan, Jr., Margaret Rucinski, Julia Sarpy, Jerry Schneider, Courtney Severino, Dale Seymour, Glenn Sigurnjak, Myrt Talbott, Brittany and John Thornton, Ted Ursu, Rose M. Vail, Margaret Misko VanLoon, Ashley Vickers and Glenn Williams, Sr.





May is the Month of Mary

Mary is not only the mother of Jesus, but is our mother as well. She wants what is best for each of us. She knows that Jesus is best for us and encourages us to adore Him as she does, unceasingly. Let us follow our Blessed Mother's example and gaze upon Jesus and adore Him in the Blessed Sacrament during the month of May. You can adore Jesus any time of day, 7 days a week in our chapel. To view the schedule, go to stalphonsus.weadorehim.com.


O Mary, teach us the life of adoration! Teach us to find, as thou didst, all mysteries and all graces in the Eucharist, to live the Gospel over again, and to read it in the Eucharistic Life of Jesus! Remember, Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament, that thou art the Mother of all adorers of the Holy Eucharist.
Thou art blessed among women, Mary, and blessed is our Eucharistic Jesus, the fruit of thy womb!
~St. Peter Julian Eymard


If you already have an hour on the schedule but are not going, please remove yourself from the schedule or choose to re-commit to your hour this Lent. Thank you! Please remember to close the tabernacle doors if no one else is adoring Him when you leave.





**2025 Catholic Sharing Appeal**
“Building a Future of Hope”


If you have not yet made a pledge or given a one-time gift to the CSA, pledge envelopes are available at each of the doors. Our Parish Goal for this year’s CSA is \$76,166. Every gift, of any amount, combined with others, really does make an impact for the mission of the Church. Thank you in advance for your gift of faith! Please make checks payable to the Catholic Sharing Appeal and mail directly to the Catholic Diocese of Biloxi at 1790 Popps Ferry Road, Biloxi 39532. You may also donate online at www.biloxidiocese.org/giving.


**Today, we celebrate “Good Shepherd Sunday” where we reflect on the care and love of Jesus for us.** Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will show that you are indeed the disciple of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, as it will bring your love to those who live in fear and doubt, loneliness and dread.

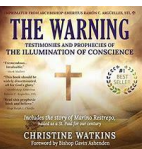
 **The Rosary truly is a very special prayer,** one that has many benefits for those who pray it devoutly and faithfully everyday. The Rosary is the second most powerful prayer next to the Mass! So important is it, that at the first apparition of Fatima in 1917, Our Lady chose to identify herself as, "The Lady of the Rosary." The Rosary is a prayer loved by many of the saints since its introduction in the 12th century. The Rosary is a prayer that fits perfectly into the spiritual life of all who seek to allow Mary to be their light to Christ, to show them the path to Jesus. In his Apostolic Letter, Rosarium Virginis Mariae, Blessed Pope John Paul II states in his introduction, "The Rosary, though clearly Marian in character, is at heart a Christocentric prayer. In the sobriety of its elements, it has all the depth of the Gospel message in its entirety, of which it can be said to be a compendium..." (RVM, 1) This year the Paschal Candle is in honor of the Rosary and was purchased by a parish family. It will be lit during all masses through Pentecost. It is also lit during baptisms and funerals. PLEASE JOIN US in praying the ROSARY every weekday, Monday through Saturday, after the 8:15 a.m. mass at St. Alphonsus. EVERYONE IS WELCOME!


 **The Flowers on the Altar are in Memory of The Collins Family**

**EVENING OF INTERCESSORY PRAYER**
MAY is the month of MARY!!! The story of the Rosary begins in the year 1214 when the Holy Mother Church received the Rosary in its present form, was given to the Church by St. Dominic, who had received it from the Blessed Mother during an apparition. The Rosary has been credited with many healings, conversions, and other miracles of faith down the succeeding years. Time after time in apparitions to the faithful, the Blessed Mother has implored us to “PRAY THE ROSARY.” Through the Rosary, we unite ourselves with Our Blessed Mother and Her Son through prayer each and every time we recite it. “The Rosary is a powerful weapon to put the demons to flight and to keep oneself from sin... if you desire peace in your hearts, in your homes, and in your country, assemble each evening to recite the Rosary. Let not even one day pass without saying it, no matter how burdened you may be with cares and labor.” - Pope Pius XI Please come and join us in praying the 20 MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY during this month of MAY for and with OUR BLESSED MOTHER on MONDAY, MAY 19th, at 6:30 p.m. and EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT in the ST. ALPHONSUS CHURCH.

**Attention St. Alphonsus Graduating High School Seniors:** There is a \$1,000 Scholarship 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 2, 2025.**

**The Diocese of Biloxi has an opening for the position of Administrative Assistant in the Office of the Bishop.** Please go to the diocesan webpage at <https://biloxidiocese.org/employment> for the job description and application. All applications must be completed and processed online via the diocesan website portal.

**THE WARNING: Testimonies and Prophecies of THE ILLUMINATION OF CONSCIENCE, by Christine Watkins.** This amazing book is a "must read", for all Christians and non-Christians. At some point, in salvation history, EVERY living man, woman and child, on Earth, will experience a phenomenal event, prophesied by many saints, prophets, Popes and mystics from the past and the present, whereby each will see the condition of his soul, before God. It will be a wonderful Act of Mercy that our Loving Lord wishes to present to us. Many folks, whose stories are related in this fascinating book, have actually experienced this Illumination of Conscience already. Dr. Gavin Ashenden, former Anglican Bishop and Chaplain to the Queen of England from 2008-2017 (Turned Lay Catholic for the Sake of Truth) among numerous others, encourages folks to open their minds and hearts to learn about the Illumination of Conscience and how it pertains to each of us, so that we can prepare ourselves for the coming reality of this astonishing world-wide event. Copies of THE WARNING are available at the front entrance to our Church for a donation. Please share with family and friends!

 **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 in the Vestibule of the Church or at the Parish Office during regular office hours.

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS