

David had already been anointed King of Judah by his own people at Hebron. Now we hear how the northern tribes also acknowledge him as their king (First Reading). Thus David became king of a united country. His kingship prefigured the universal kingship of Christ. The Second Reading is essentially a liturgical hymn in praise of Christ. The first part speaks of his role in creation; the second of his role in redemption. On this feast we acclaim Christ as head of the Church and ruler of the universe. In the Gospel we see how the inscription over the cross, and all those who witnessed the crucifixion (the crowd, the rulers, the soldiers, and the thieves) unwittingly proclaim the true identity of Jesus. The irony is that the titles which are pronounced in mockery are true: Jesus is both Messiah and King.

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



Thursday of this week is Thanksgiving Day and a most appropriate way to offer Thanks to God is to begin the day by attending Mass. On Thursday morning we offer two Masses – 7:30 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. Please consider making one of these Masses your Thanksgiving to God before joining your family for a traditional meal later in the day. For those of you who will be traveling over the Thanksgiving period, we wish you a safe journey and a safe return home. Have a wonderful and safe Thanksgiving holiday.

There will be two tables in front of the Altar at the Thanksgiving Day Masses. One is for the blessing of an item that you will have for your family dinner (e.g. bread, pie or wine) and the other is for food for The Lord Is My Help or monetary donations for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Please place them on the table before Mass or during the offertory.



Capital Campaign Update

The cost estimate for the next phase of work on the entrance to the Church and the breezeway between the school and Church is scheduled for review by the end of November. Decorative (paint) detail around the sanctuary arch has started and is scheduled for completion this Friday. Updated poster boards will be displayed in the Church soon. The installation of the new kneelers are scheduled to begin in December.

The Parish sends out monthly Capital Campaign statements to all who still owe on their campaign pledge. If you have not received one, please let the parish know. If you need to update/change your pledge or set up a contribution, you may do so via our website www.osstalphonsus.org or by contacting the parish office at 875-5419. Without the continued support of our gracious parishioners and families, we would not have met our capital campaign goal or be positioned to move forward with needed improvements to our Church facilities. Thank you for your support in the past, present, and future!

WEEKLY OFFERING	
Sunday Collection.....	\$13,636.46
Campaign for Human Development Collection.....	\$ 1,042.00
Weekly Online Collection.....	\$ 4,317.41
May God Bless You for your generous and faithful support	

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

MASSSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY	NOVEMBER 24
Daniel 1:1-6, 8-20; Luke 21:1-4	
6:30 a.m.	Mr. Joe Prejean
8:15 a.m.	All Souls
TUESDAY	NOVEMBER 25
Daniel 2:31-45; Luke 21:5-11	
6:30 a.m.	All Souls
8:15 a.m.	Ms. Linda Ravera
WEDNESDAY	NOVEMBER 26
Daniel 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Luke 21:12-19	
6:30 a.m.	All Souls
8:15 a.m.	Mr. Henry Endt, Sr.
THURSDAY	NOVEMBER 27
Sirach 50:22-24; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Luke 17:11-19	
7:30 a.m.	All Souls
9:00 a.m.	Ms. Blanche Mouledoux Comiskey
	Mr. James August Comiskey
FRIDAY	NOVEMBER 28
Daniel 7:2-14; Luke 21:29-33	
6:30 a.m.	All Souls
8:15 a.m.	Int. Ms. Anna Bettios
SATURDAY	NOVEMBER 29
Daniel 7:15-27; Luke 21:34-36	
8:15 a.m.	Mr. Tony Ellis
	Int. Mr. Steven Allbright
	All Souls
	Int. Mr. Jimmy Shoemaker, Jr.
4:00 p.m.	NOVEMBER 30
SUNDAY	NOVEMBER 30
Isaiah 2:1-5; Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 24:37-44	
7:30 a.m.	Mr. Dan Wronko
9:00 a.m.	Int. Mark and Ashley McLean
11:30 a.m.	All Souls
5:30 p.m.	Congregation



Pray for Our Parishioners and Friends: Beckett Bassenger, Betty Bodin, Michael Bosarge, Bryleigh Brochard, Kay Brochard, Jeff Brochard, Greg Brou, Jr., Valerie Brou, Roland Broussard, Roxie Buckles, Arlene Burns, Mildred “Tootsie” Caillavet, Benny and Carol Lee Cantin, Marshall Car, Carolyn Castleman, Jennifer Catchot, Clifford Claverie, Scott Claverie, Breanne Dalton, Gina Dasher, Jeannine Dionne, Marjorie DuBois, Rose Mary Eagan, Dawn Fountain, Nija Fountain, Ray Frazier, Gordon Gaethe, Caroline Gautier, Ansley Gillich, Julian Galloway, Margie Gammon, Sandra Grantham, Richard Harrison, Trent Hartzog, James Hebert, Margaret Hebert, Olivia Hood, Mary Jo Hoogstra, Jeff Janus, Ashley Jensen, Fr. Jey Jordan, Lora Jordan, Otis Kaufman, Joey Kelley, Jack Kelly, Myra Kittle, Bill Kortman, Mary Krystosek, Daisie Laborde, Carol Latham, Judy and Randy Lesso, Mary Lewis, Gordon Mathieu, Shellie McDaniel, Mrs. McKinney Steve Merkel, Thelma Miller, Iva Misko, Edward Necaie, Donna and Edward Necaie Jr., Terése Nicovich, Shirley and Travis Norman, Cody Parker, Kathy Pasquini, Janice Pepper, The Petitjean Family, Jean Petricca, Richard Potash, MaraLou Guice Richards, Charles Wesley Ryan, Jr., Margaret Rucinski, Julia Sarpy, Jerry Schneider, Courtney Severino, Dale Seymour, Jimmie Shoemaker, Jr., Glenn Sigurnjak, Myrt Talbott, Brittany and John Thornton, Sarah Galle Traylor, Rose M. Vail, Margaret Misko VanLoon, Ashley Vickers and Glenn Williams, Sr.



The Flowers on the Altar are in Memory of Marguerite Norman



November is the Month of the Holy Souls

In the Catholic Church, the month of November is dedicated to remembering and praying for the souls of the deceased, especially those who may be in purgatory. All Saints' Day on November 1st honors all saints, known and unknown. All Souls' Day on November 2nd is a day to pray for all of the faithful departed. This month is a time for reflection on life, death, and hope for eternal life. An excellent way to pray for these holy souls is to offer your time in adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. These souls need our prayers!

Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen.

~St. Gertrude the Great

If you currently have a designated adoration hour on the We Adore Him website and have not been going for 3 months or more, your name will be removed from the schedule. If you need to try a new hour, please visit stalphonsus.weadorehim.com to view the schedule and choose a new hour.



Tabitha Tip – Inclusive Language in Prayer: Include prayers for people with all abilities, their caregivers and those who may feel excluded.

Tabitha Tips is a new resource for our parish community. This endeavor is brought to you by The Tabitha Project, a ministry of the de l'Epee Deaf Center in collaboration with the Office of the Bishop - Catholic Diocese of Biloxi. The hope is that these tips will enrich parish life and encourage a spirit of welcome for ALL parishioners. For more information, contact Rachel Ryan at 228-897-2289 or rryan@biloxidiocese.org.



A Second Collection will be taken up next weekend (November 29/30) for the St. Vincent de Paul Community Pharmacy. The Pharmacy is a nonprofit agency with an innovative approach to filling a gap in health care services. Although the Pharmacy is sponsored by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, it is independently incorporated. Envelopes are available at the exits of the church.



Continuing Education for Adults is vital to living out your Catholic faith. Join our group as we enjoy Coffee, Donuts, and the study of the Gospel of Matthew, presented by Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Michael Barber, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass in the Parish Hall. No registration is required. All are invited to attend. For more information, contact Sue Mihal at 601-573-0020. November 23, 30: No Class – Thanksgiving Break December 7: Chapter 8

Elementary Religious Education:

Classes are held on Sunday’s from 10:15 - 11:15 a.m. in school building (enter between Parish Hall and East school entrance). For more information, please contact Jane Sema at jsema@osstalphonsus.org.



The Foundations Team invites you to join them for Wednesday Night Foundations in the Cafeteria (Parish Hall) on December 3rd.

The evening will begin with supper at 6:00 p.m. followed by the Groups Meet from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Come Fall in Love with our faith. For more information, scan the QR code.

Edge: 6th - 8th Grade
LifeTeen: 9th - 12th Grade
O CIA: Adults Interested in Becoming Catholic
Adult Study: Confirmed Adults



Each year every parish in the diocese is obligated to submit a financial report to the diocese for the previous fiscal year that ends on June 30th. This report, therefore, contains figures from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. Our income at St. Alphonsus is derived primarily from our Sunday / Holy Day collections which are subdivided between envelope, online or loose checks (identifiable) and non-identifiable (loose cash) contributions.

Income:	Offertory	\$771,824.75
	Investments, CSA, Use of Parish Prop	204,206.29
	Capital Campaign	564,880.78
	Total Income	\$1,540,911.82
Expenses:	Diocesan Support	\$ 60,304.43
	School Support	182,692.53
	Salary & Benefits	260,325.53
	Overhead/Operating	234,931.32
	Parish Programs	23,094.55
	Total Expenses	\$761,348.36
Capital Expenses		12,419.61
Capital Campaign		68,770.16
		\$842,538.13



WWMIN would like to ask a special request for new or gently used coats for those they serve now that the weather is turning cold. Infant, toddler, and small children sizes are definitely needed for the upcoming winter months. Jackets and sweaters can also be used. They continue to thank you for your overwhelming support of this ministry. Items can be dropped off in the WWMIN boxes at each of the church entrances. Contact : Mary @ 228-348-6092.



The Blessed Mother promises that praying the Rosary devoutly will lead to numerous graces, including special protection and the flourishing of virtue. The Rosary serves as a powerful spiritual armor against evil and helps deepen one's relationship with God.

PLEASE JOIN US in praying the ROSARY every weekday, MONDAY through SATURDAY after the 8:15 a.m. mass in the Church. EVERYONE IS WELCOME!



The “Adopt A Pew” offerings were a total success. Many of you were not able to participate because the offerings were filled in just two weeks. We have extended the “Adopt A Pew” program to include the pews in the Adoration Chapel, as well as the opposite side of each pew in the Church. The Adoration Chapel pews will remain in the present chapel. When the new Chapel is built (time undetermined at present), those pews will be transferred to the new Chapel. Applications are available in the back of the church. Please contact Linda Martin at 228-324-3408.



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.



Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of: Pat Cronin, husband of Joy Cronin, of this parish, who passed away November 16th.

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