



# ST. ALPHONSUS CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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## St. Alphonsus Catholic Church

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Business Hours:  
Monday thru Friday: 8 am - 4 pm

### Mass Schedule

#### Weekend Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 pm Vigil Mass  
Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am and 11:00 am

#### Weekday Schedule

Monday-Friday 7:30 am in the chapel

Holy Days to be announced

#### Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday—8:00 am—8:00 pm, chapel

#### Sacramental Life

##### Reconciliation

Saturday—4:00 to 4:30 pm  
Or by appointment

#### Baptism

Baptisms are usually celebrated the second and third Sunday of every month.  
No Baptisms during Lent

#### Marriage

Prospective bride and groom must be registered parishioners for at least 6 months before a wedding date may be scheduled

#### Sick and Homebound

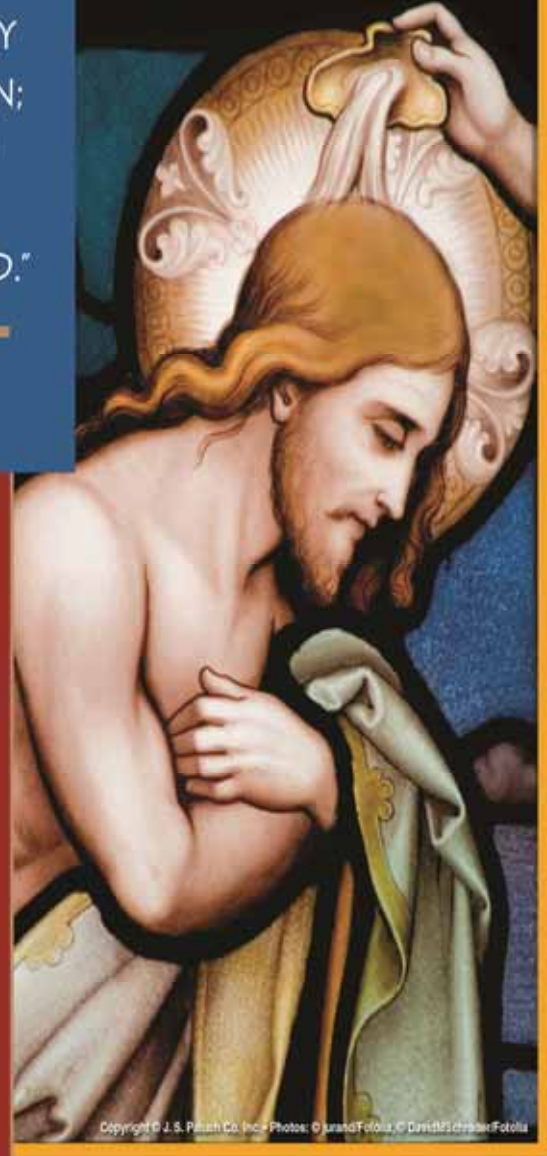
Contact the office, 257-2414 to receive a visit from a Minister of Care

A VOICE CAME  
FROM THE  
HEAVENS,  
"YOU ARE MY  
BELOVED SON;  
WITH YOU  
I AM  
WELL PLEASED."

Mark 1:11

THE  
BAPTISM  
OF  
THE  
LORD

January  
11  
2015



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**St. Alphonsus  
Catholic Church**  
*Parish Registration*

Everyone 18 years and older should register for the parish.

To register, please call the Office Center, 257-2414 or you can register online at [www.st-als.org](http://www.st-als.org).

*Parish Staff*

*Pastor:* Fr. Brian Ardagh

*Weekend Celebrants:*

Fr. Robert Rohrich

Fr. Lou Zake

*Diaconal Ministry:*

Deacon Terry McGuire

Deacon Dan Rittenhouse

*Director of Religious Education*

Kevin Cody

*Admin. Assistant for Religious Ed.*

Tricia Latz

*School Principal:*

Renee Payne

*Pastoral Associate:*

Doreen Dabney

*Youth Minister:*

Michael Lundberg

*Office Coordinator:*

Roseann Lucas

*Accountant:* Carol Levas

*Music Director:*

Joseph Martorano

*Music Staff*

Diane Marelli

Maureen McCoy

*SPRED:* Carol Levas

*Parish Pastoral  
Council Members*

Mike Bruno

Bill Doherty

Diane Kaye

Deborah Kornacker

Jim Pickering

Terese Turner

James Zuccarelli

## *From Father Brian's Desk*

On this weekend we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord. It is an event that signifies Jesus being baptized by John and the beginning of his ministry. It is a ministry that centers on being compassionate towards other people and their needs. I believe that the community of St. Alphonsus Church has compassion as one of their gifts in life.

For example, we offer the opportunity to receive the Eucharist in a Gluten-free form. If you have a medical condition and would prefer to receive the Gluten-free host, we would ask that you try to approach the Eucharistic Minister as one of the last people in line on the right side (the Baptismal font side) of the Church.

As we have already heard on the news or probably have experienced it personally, the cold and flu season is here and in full force. Some of our local hospitals have been directing people to other hospitals because this flu strain has been very contagious and many of the patients and workers have been affected.

I would just like to encourage those who attend weekday and weekend Mass who might be ill to be mindful of those around you. If you are not feeling well, please refrain from shaking hands during the Sign of Peace and receiving from the cup at the Communion Rite.

If you are really not feeling well or think you might be contagious, it might be more considerate to remain at home and watch the weekend liturgy on TV, such as "*Sunday Mass at Mercy Home*" on WGN-TV, Channel 9, on Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m..

Finally, last week I mentioned about the issue of our lack of parking space on the weekends. We are all fully aware that many of the Lemont churches are limited in regards to space for parking automobiles. Even though we have been blessed with a wonderful and vibrant community here at St. Alphonsus, the lack of parking space is an issue that we have been dealing with for the past number of years. We ask that you be patient with us as we have been trying to find some solutions to this problem.

However, all of us have to be more aware of the "No Parking Zones" and emergency lanes designated to our church grounds. For example, a few weeks ago, a parishioner became ill at one of our Sunday liturgies and we had to call for medical assistance. Even though the paramedics arrived very quickly, they could not get into the church parking lot because all of our entrances were blocked by parked cars.

Because of this instance and many other occurrences in the past, the Lemont Police Department has informed me that if someone is parked in a "No Parking Zone" or is blocking an entrance or emergency lane, they will be ticketed.

Let us try to understand that we are baptized in a faith that encourages us to be considerate of others and act in that way. Rather than believing that our baptism is an end in itself, let us pray that we can practice what our baptismal promises encourage us to do -- by loving God and helping our neighbor.

*FR. BRIAN ARDAGH*

**Welcome Guests and Visitors . . .** We're so glad that you're here and invite you to join us in thanksgiving for God's action in our lives. Our goal is to provide a spiritual home where all are welcome, where the healing, reconciling, liberating love of God flows through us to all people. In this way, we believe that the Church is the sacrament of God's saving presence in the world.

*"Please come to Mass early enough not to disrupt. Leave late enough not to insult (the Mass does not end until the final blessing). Worship reverently enough not to distract. And dress proudly enough not to offend."*

## Reflecting on God's Word

This is one of the key moments in the life of Jesus. Up north in his hometown of Nazareth he must have heard about John. At some point an inner voice must have said, "Go south, go to the desert. Go listen to this preacher John."

When he came to the desert, he may have stood in a long line before that moment came when he entered the water and John baptized him. Mark gives us only the briefest account of their meeting, but does present John as expecting someone mightier than he who would baptize with the Holy Spirit.

It is this same Holy Spirit who came down on Jesus as he was coming out of the water. At that moment, the heavens were torn open, heaven reached down to touch the Galilean, and the Spirit descended like a dove. Have you ever seen a gull descend to snatch a fish or a hawk swoop down to seize its prey? By contrast, the image of a descending dove is one of beauty and grace, of gentle alighting.

The words do not announce Jesus to others, as in Matthew's account, but they are spoken only to him: "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased" (1:11), echoing the words the Lord speaks in the first song of the Servant in the book of Isaiah.

The descent of the dove did not mean an easy life for Jesus, but God had penetrated his being in a way that would then drive him into the desert to begin his mission of confronting the powers of sin and death. This gentle dove came—and continues to come—with a mighty power.

—James A. Wallace, C.Ss.R.

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## Living God's Word

*At baptism, the Spirit came upon you in the presence of the Christian community, claiming you in Jesus' name, and God said, "You are my beloved son/daughter."*

*Spend some time praying over these words.*

*What do you say to God in return? How does it affect what you do in life?*

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*All you who are thirsty, come to the water!*

— Isaiah 55:1



## THE WATERS OF BAPTISM

When new sod is put in, it needs constant saturation with water. Landscapers say that this "knits" the sod to the soil. The same when a branch is grafted onto a tree: the poultice that joins them at the splice must be kept wet at all times. Water is the stuff that binds the very cells of our bodies together. No wonder religions throughout all times and cultures have used it so prominently. When Jesus stepped into the Jordan for baptism, he "knit" himself to what had come before him. By going to the Jordan, he made himself one with the people of Israel who had crossed it into their Promised Land. With John the Baptist, Christ wove himself into the prophetic tradition that heralded the coming reign of God. He had become fully human in the waters of Mary's womb, and by partaking in the rite of the baptism of repentance, Jesus identified himself with our sinful, frail humanity. It is through the waters of baptism that Christ continues to graft new members onto his Body, the Church; through these waters we are cleansed from sin and filled with the promise of grace, given our destiny for eternal life. For us, as for Jesus, it is also the waters of baptism that inaugurate our mission to proclaim the Good News.

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# Religious Education Update

## CONFIRMATION PRESENTATION OF THE CREED



Sunday, January 11<sup>th</sup>

9:00am School & Track A

11:00am Tracks B & C

Standing with their sponsors in front of the church, our confirmandi will listen to the assembly recite the Apostles Creed as if hearing the faith handed down to them for the first time. They will be presented with a scroll of the creed.

## CHRISTMAS BREAK

We resume this week::

Track A: January 11<sup>th</sup>

Track B: January 12<sup>th</sup>

Track C: January 14<sup>th</sup>

## FIRST RECONCILIATION

Saturday, January 17<sup>th</sup> in the church

10:00am – School & Track A

12:30pm – Tracks A & B

Plan on the services lasting about an hour.

Please keep our young penitents in your prayers as they encounter God's love and mercy in this special celebration.



## NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS: POPE FRANCIS' LIST

Just in case you haven't gotten around to making yours, or you want to trade it in for a new one... Here are 10 resolutions based on Pope Francis' most memorable quotes:

1. **Don't gossip.**~ He says when we gossip, we "are doing what Judas did," and "begin to tear the other person to pieces."
2. **Finish your meals.**~ The Pope says: "We should all remember... that throwing food away is like stealing from the tables of the poor, the hungry! Plan your food more responsibly."
3. **Make time for others.**~ We've heard the stories of Pope Francis taking the time to call and write people that he has never met. If he can take a moment to make someone feel appreciated, then so can I.
4. **Choose the 'more humble' purchase.**~ "Cars are necessary," he says, "but take a more humble one. Think of how many children die of hunger and dedicate the savings to them."
5. **Meet the poor 'in the flesh.'**~ It's not enough to give a sandwich if it isn't accompanied by the possibility of learning to stand on one's own feet. Charity that does not change the situation of the poor isn't enough."
6. **Stop judging others.**~ Francis urges us "to keep watch over ourselves." "Let us not forget that hatred, envy, and pride defile our lives!"
7. **Befriend those who disagree.**~ "Others always have something to give me, if we know how to approach them in a spirit of openness and without prejudice."
8. **Make commitments, such as marriage.**~ "I am asking you to rebel against this culture that sees everything as temporary and that ultimately believes that you are incapable of responsibility, that you are incapable of true love. I have confidence in you and I pray for you. Have the courage 'to swim against the tide.' Have the courage to be happy," he says.
9. **Make it a habit to 'ask the Lord.'**~ "Dear young people," he says, "some of you may not yet know what you will do with your lives. Ask the Lord, and he will show you the way."
10. **Be happy.**~ The true Christian, says the Pope, exudes great joy. He says keeping this joy to ourselves "will make us sick in the end."



# St. Alphonsus-St. Patrick School News

Check out our website: [www.stals-stpats.org](http://www.stals-stpats.org)

## SAVE THE DATE

Please join our faculty, parents and students on Sunday, January 25, as we kick off Catholic Schools Week with an Open House.

Look for detailed information in next week's bulletin. (Please note there is not an Open House on January 14. We apologize for our mistake in the previous bulletin.)

## Why a Catholic Education?

*It has never been a tougher time to be a parent, which is why there's never been a more critical time to choose a Catholic school.*

*“Community is at the heart of all Catholic education, not simply as a concept to be taught, but as a reality to be lived . . . Your students will learn to understand and appreciate the value of community as they experience love, trust, and loyalty in your school and educational programs, and as they learn to trust all persons as brothers and sisters created by God and redeemed by Christ.”*

*Pope John Paul II*

## ALUMNI CORNER:



### Meet Michelle Ricken St. Alphonsus/ St. Patrick's School– Class of 2007

After graduating from St. Al's/St. Pat's School, I attended Lockport Township High School where I played on the volleyball and softball teams, and took a teambuilding/leadership course to be able to assist the teachers during Physical Education classes. After graduating in 2011, I accepted the admission at Illinois State University where I am currently a senior finalizing my Recreation Management major with a psychology minor, with emphasis in child development and youth programming.

My education at St. Alphonsus/ St. Patrick's prepared me with a greater desire to aim high and strive to meet my future goals. One of my favorite memories and takeaways from my time was the buddy system that the 7th and 8th graders had with the kindergarten and 1st grade students.

We were able, as young students, to have the mentoring guidance and then, be able to share those experiences as we stepped into those leadership roles ourselves, in the upper levels. Additionally, one of my last memories with Mr. O'Donnell's class was the opportunity to enhance our leadership skills by attending a class trip as 8th graders to an outdoor recreation leadership facility. This overnight trip enhanced the closeness of the 21 students in my graduating class. Still to this day, we are all in communication and support of each other's goals.

My classmates, teachers, and the parish community created an environment that continues to be an extension of my home. Being at St. Al's/ St. Pat's exposed me to the dedication of parent volunteers; they were role models. The parents were always working to improve the building, the education, and the efforts of the school for the betterment of us students. Because of their example, working towards my own leadership roles and helping others for the betterment of their lives does not seem like a chore. I am currently taking on a volunteer opportunity in hope to help improve a nursing home community, and have been chosen to gain further experience in leadership skill building through my teacher's assistant position.

Renee Payne, Principal

### ALTAR SERVER TRAINING




For all those 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> graders interested in becoming an altar server, there will be a new altar server training on Tuesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> in the church from 6-7:30 pm.

Please attend both sessions. Any questions, please contact Sharon Kostas at 630-243-8434

YEAR OF SACRAMENTS • ONE WORD AT A TIME

# Unite



The great and sad effect of Original Sin is that it separated us from God and from each other. The great and wonderful grace of baptism is that it **unites** us with Christ and each other. Recall what Saint Paul says, " All of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death...For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his." (Romans 6:3,5)

Baptism unites us to Christ, and that means that his destiny and ours are intertwined. If we want to see how our life will unfold or ought to unfold, we look to him. If we want to see the path that we must traverse, we watch the road that he traveled. Really, the key to our life is given to us in our Baptism. That key is our union with him who is our hope.

**POPE FRANCIS'S VISION OF HEALING AND COMMUNION**  
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### CHILDREN'S CHOIR REMINDER

The Children's Choir will be singing at the 5:00 pm Mass next Saturday, January 17th. Rehearsal will take place at 3:15 pm in the RE building prior to the Mass. If you have any questions, please call Mr. Martorano at 708-828-5095 .



### Auld Lang Syne

Dear St. Alphonsus Families,  
 In some translations of the song, "Auld Lang Syne", Auld Lang Syne means "a time fondly remembered." I will always remember my time as Youth Minister in Lemont *very fondly*. However, because of personal reasons, I will not be returning as youth

minister in the coming new year. I will never forget the wonderful teens and their families that I have met over these past 5 years. I have enjoyed working with all of you and am so pleased to say that the future of our church is in the good hands of these great young people. Parents, you are doing a wonderful job raising your children to be wonderful people of faith. Teens, you have taught me much and I hope you have learned from me about the everlasting love of our Lord Jesus Christ. Thank you for your love and support all these years. I will miss you and pray for you often.

Fondly,  
 Mike Lundberg

## The Joy of the Gospel - Evangelii Gaudium - Pope Francis Issued in November of 2013



**The Joy of the Gospel is the first Apostolic Exhortation issued by Pope Francis and is devoted to the theme of the New Evangelization. New Evangelization-what does that mean and what does it mean to St. Alphonsus?**

There was a great deal of publicity around the Pope’s “economic redistribution.” There was an article in NCR that was very critical with the headline, Pope Francis should stick to doctrine, stay away from economic ‘redistribution’. And there were questions about who would supervise this ‘redistribution’. Angels? EU bureaucrats? The UN? etc.

It seems the Pope is asking if people were living the gospel of Jesus what would business look like, what would politics look like, what would individual lives look like? If Jesus was sitting at a board meeting at one of the Dow Jones Index companies what would he stress, what would he call into question, what would he say about profit levels and awareness of the common good? What would the discussion with an average family regarding their finances be if Jesus were sitting with them at the kitchen table? This is not so radical. It has been asked for 2,000 years.

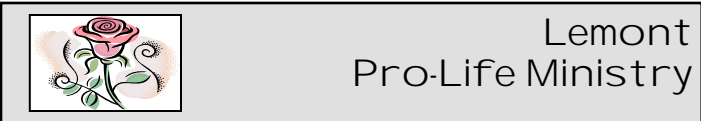
Is there a new and better answer that should be considered?

The Pope voices specific concerns. “Money must serve, not rule! The Pope loves everyone, rich and poor alike, but he is obliged in the name of Christ to remind all that the rich must help, respect and promote the poor. I exhort you to generous solidarity and to the return of economics and finance to an ethical approach with favours human beings.” (58) And “Until exclusion and inequality in society and between peoples are reversed, it will be impossible to eliminate violence.” (59) “Business is a vocation, a noble vocation, provided that those engaged in it see themselves challenged by a greater meaning in life; this will enable them truly to serve the common good by striving to increase the goods of this world to make them more accessible to all. (203) And “Just as the commandment ‘Thou shalt not kill’ sets a clear limit in order to safeguard the value of human life, today we also have to say ‘thou shalt not’ to an economy of exclusion and inequality. Such an economy kills. How can it be that it is not a news item when an elderly homeless person dies of exposure, but it is news when the stock market loses two points? This is a case of exclusion.” (53)



Next month: Archbishop Cupich’s reflection on Joy of the Gospel





**Multi-Parish Respect Life Knowledge and Prayer Series**



**CONCELEBRATED MASS  
IN SOLIDARITY WITH  
MARCH FOR LIFE –  
WASHINGTON D. C.**

**ST. BERNARD'S  
ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI  
ST. MICHAEL**

**OUR LADY OF THE WOODS  
ANNUNCIATION BYZANTINE  
CATHOLIC**

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 2015  
@ 7:00 P.M.**

**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH  
15050 WOLF RD., ORLAND PARK, IL**

**FOLLOWED BY RECEPTION  
AND REFRESHMENTS**

**Let's Fill the Shelves. . . .**

**Food Pantry Update**



Thank you for your continued support of our local food pantry. As part of a service project, the St. Al's Women's Club will be featuring a "product of the month". This item will be a special request from the pantry for an item that is needed most.

For **January we will collect "personal items such as soap, shampoo, toothpaste, and deodorant."** Any item you are able to give is gratefully accepted. The staples you provide are also necessary.

Your kindness and generosity are very much appreciated.



Bethany Lutheran Church  
500 Lemont Street, Lemont

December 2014

Dear St. Alphonsus Parishioners,

Thank you for the donations of food and the \$153.00 monetary gift to the Open Pantry at Bethany Lutheran Church.

The generosity of your parishioners enabled us to keep the pantry well stocked during November and December. Our clients were delighted to have such a wide variety of items to choose from the shelves. You helped to ensure that the families were well provided for during the holidays.

We are grateful for your continued support of the Open Pantry.

Bethany Open Pantry Committee



**SENIOR KINDRED SPIRITS**

Come join us for some good food and company at the next Senior Kindred Spirits meeting. Lunch is catered by Ali Tucker for a very reasonable fee of \$6.00. We welcome those who want to "check us out."

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, January 27 at 11:30 am in the St. Alphonsus Parish Center. Please call Dee Hollman at 630-243-1805 by Thursday, January 22, if you are planning on attending this meeting. Payment is due January 27 for Drury Lanes' West Side Story on March 11. Call Jody Sternat at 630-243-8413 for more information on the Drury Lane outing.



**“TO EVERYTHING THERE IS A SEASON  
AND A TIME FOR EVERY PURPOSE UNDER HEAVEN.”**

**“A Time to be Born through Baptism” —**

**“A Time to Love in Holy Matrimony” — Congratulations to:**

**“A Time to Heal” —**

Joetta Karlos	Francis Rittenhouse	Dorothy Goushas	Edward Perkey	Patricia Dedek
Kevin McGuire	Deb Fase	Harriet Bromberek	Melanie Williams	Sue Dyer
Nora McDonnell	Baby Kenneth	Robert Trock	Karl Knasiak	Jim Musial
Mary Tadda	Bill Sullivan	Keith Donofrio	Tina Ruiz	Richard Brazzale
Baby Jordan	Joe Fekete	Antonia Helmuth	Colleen Burns	Jeff Freeman
Skrobot	Deacon Terry	Bonnie Posey	Ashley Smith Kitzer	
Nathan Parry	McGuire			

**“A Time of War” —**

Scott Bosco, USA, Kuwait	Joshua Plucinski, US Air Force,	Jason Fricka, USAF, Germany
Christopher Durkovic, USA, S. Korea	Germany	Andrew J. Bosko, Jr., USN,
Stanley M. Simrayh III, USN, Japan	David Borkowski, USN, Guam	Virginia Beach, VA
Alex Sullivan, USA, Italy	Joseph R. Pociask, USMC, San Diego	And all who serve our country.
Kevin Parker, USA, Fort Campbell		

**“A Time to Die” —**

Jack Olson and Robert Wolf  
The military and innocent civilians who have died in the war.

**Please keep all these listed, and their families, in your prayers.**

**S.A.L.T. Meeting**  
**Seniors And Law Enforcement Together**

**Where: Lemont Police Department—**  
14600 127th St., Lemont  
**When: Tuesday, February 3, 2015**  
**Time: 10:00 a.m.**  
**Program: CUB—Citizen’s Utility Board**  
Fighting for Illinois Consumers since 1984

*Can you afford higher utility bills? If the answer is “no”, then don’t miss the SALT meeting on February 3rd, when our special guest will be the Citizens Utility Board (CUB). CUB, Illinois’ leading consumer watchdog group, has saved rate-payers billions of dollars in its 30 year history. Come hear CUB talk about the biggest issues facing gas, electric and phone customers in 2015 – scams to avoid, opportunities to save, and concerns to raise with your elected officials!*

**We encourage seniors from surrounding areas to attend. Become informed and involved!**  
**Please call Lemont S.A.L.T. for further information at 630-257-2522 x 24 Email: [lemont.salt@gmail.com](mailto:lemont.salt@gmail.com)**



**VFW POST 5819  
ANNUAL  
BLOOD DRIVE  
IN PARTNERSHIP  
WITH THE  
LEMONT COUNCIL  
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**Where:** VFW Post 5819  
15780 New Ave.  
Lemont, IL. 60439  
**When:** February 7, 2015  
**Time:** 9am – 1pm

Call the VFW 630-257-9859 for an appointment. Walk-in’s welcome but there may be a wait without an appointment.

For a map to the VFW see the link below:

[www.vfwlemont.com/#!untitled/c1hcx](http://www.vfwlemont.com/#!untitled/c1hcx)

## Weekly Offering

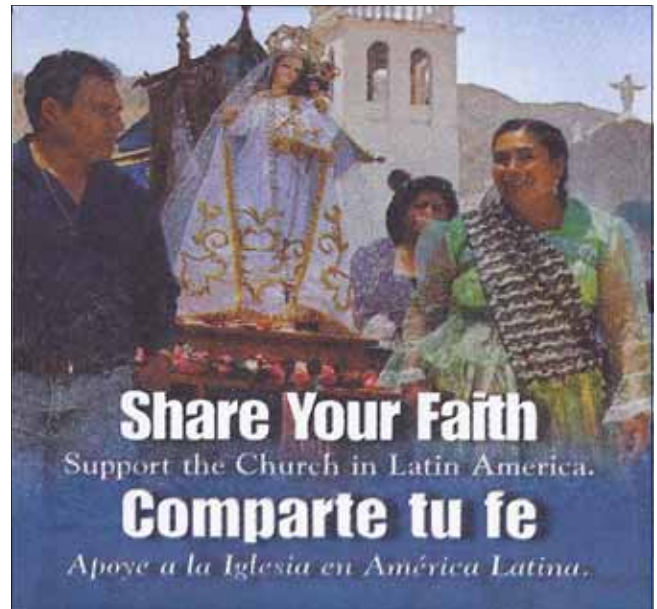
### December 27 & 28, 2014

Christmas	\$43,766.80
Week's Need	\$12,869.00
Sunday's Collection	\$11,917.08
Electronic Fund (EFT)	\$
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$ 951.92)
Fiscal Year to Date	
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 8,374.86
Last Year's weekly Collection	\$ 9,988.00

### January 3 & 4, 2015

Solemnity of Mary	\$ 1,529.41
Initial Offering	732.25
Week's Need	\$12,869.00
Sunday's Collection	\$ 9,265.46
More Christmas	\$ 4,670.00
Electronic Fund (EFT)	\$
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 3,328.12
Fiscal Year to Date	
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 11,702.98
Last Year's weekly Collection	\$ 6,412.00

*Thank you for your support of our parish.*



Today, we will take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America. Your gifts to the collection will fund catechesis, marriage and family life programs, and seminarian education in Latin America and the Caribbean. The support you give today will provide opportunities for years to come. Please support the Church in Latin America and be generous in today's collection.

**SECOND COLLECTION**  
**Saturday & Sunday, January 10 & 11**  
**Support the Church in Latin America**

## Fundraiser for Craig Mikalayunas

In the past, we have presented bulletin announcements of local fundraisers, including those of parishioners. The family of one of our parishioners, **Craig Mikalayunas**, is undergoing an extremely difficult time with various expenses as he faces his final weeks of his life's journey in hospice care.

If you can possibly donate any amount, it would be greatly appreciated. Donations are being accepted at the Lemont Township Office at 1115 Warner Ave., Lemont IL 60439. Please make checks out to the **Lemont Township Family Assistance Fund** and note that it is for Craig Mikalayunas. You can also donate online at:

[gofundme.com/i46cok](http://gofundme.com/i46cok).

## **Counseling By Fr. Rohrich**

Counseling services are available by Fr. Bob Rohrich at the DePaul Center, 212 Custer. Appointment times on weekdays are: 10 and 11 am and 5, 7, 8 and 9 pm. Father Bob counsels the engaged and married, as well as individuals for depression, anxiety, grieving, separation,

## **Income Tax Statements**

Once again we will only send tax statements to those parishioner who request them, so if you need your statement for Income Tax purposes, please either fill out the form below and place it in the collection basket, mail it or bring it to the office, or you may also call the office. Thank you.

### **St. Alphonsus Donation**

Please send me a copy of my donations to St. Alphonsus for 2014

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Envelope Number \_\_\_\_\_

divorce and other personal problems. The cost is a \$10.00 donation for each session. Please call, 630-257-9235.

# Mass Intentions

**Saturday, January 10**

5:00 pm — Charlotte Suda — *Family*  
 Dennis Ganski — *Ganski Family*

**Sunday, January 11**

7:30 am — Ann Lindauer — *Rita Lindauer*  
 Carol Pakeltis — *Family*  
 9:00 am — Jack Olson — *Pickering Family*  
 Parishioners of St. Alphonsus  
 11:00 am — Blessings for the Fairclough Family — *Friend*  
 Healing for Phillip DuPont — *Pickering Family*

**Monday, January 12**

7:30 am — James Oglietti — *Fran & John Berst*

**Tuesday, January 13**

7:30 am — John R. Ruppert — *Family*

**Wednesday, January 14**

7:30 am — Barbara Maloney — *Pat Browne*

**Thursday, January 15**

7:30 am — Norbert Kluga — *St. Alphonsus Parish*

**Friday, January 16**

7:30 am — Pat Urban — *Fran Urban*

**Saturday, January 17**

5:00 pm — Jim Belline — *Piekosz Family*

**Sunday, January 18**

7:30 am — Catherine Moore — *Judy & Tom Culcasi*  
 9:00 am — John Libby — *Czaja Family*  
 Gertrude Heumann — *Daughter, Marie*  
 Edward Harney — *Marie & David*  
 11:00 am — Michelle Naughton — *Genevieve Vrbancic*  
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**PLEASE NOTE:** The 2015 Mass book is open.

**PLEASE NOTE:** If you are celebrating a special occasion, wedding anniversary, etc. and request a blessing or renewal of vows, arrangements must be made in advance by calling the Parish Office, 630-257 2414. The blessings and/or renewal of vows, will take place after the Mass.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Heb 1:1-6; Ps 97:1, 2b, 6, 7c, 9; Mk 1:14-20  
 Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:21-28  
 Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mk 1:29-39  
 Thursday: Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11; Mk 1:40-45  
 Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8; Mk 2:1-12  
 Saturday: Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 2:13-17  
 Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10;  
 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

# Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Date	Time	Lector	Ministers	Servers	Music
Jan. 17	5:00 pm	L. Jankowski	G. August B. Rogers R. Haubner	Gorski Family C. King – training	Children’s Choir
Jan. 18	7:30 am	P. Browne	M. Doherty M. Main P. Malak	Bozue Family	
	*9:00 am	M. Doherty	K. Lambrakis D. Czaja R. Meyer A. Padalik(C) M. Roenitz (C)	K. Roenitz L. Laga	Parish Choir
	11:00 am	K. Cody	D. Chiamonte P. Loisi M. Malewski	Loisi Family K. Hamilton- training	Treble Ensemble
	5:00 pm Lemont Tri- Parish Mass at St. Pat’s	* Communion under both species			

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**Gather Hymnal**

**Glendalough Mass**

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Great Amen #267

Lamb of God #269