



# ST. ALPHONSUS CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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St. Alphonsus Catholic Church  
210 E. Logan, Lemont

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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  
visit from a Minister of Care

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Jesus was transfigured  
before them,  
and his clothes became  
dazzling white.  
*Mark 9:2-3*

SECOND  
SUNDAY  
OF  
**Lent**

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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

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Doreen Dabney

**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*

Tri-Parish Lenten Mission

This weekend at all of the Masses will hear an introduction from **Fr. Tom McCarthy** about our 2015 Tri-Parish Lenten Mission. The mission will take place at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, ~~March 2~~ Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> and Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at Ss. Cyril and Methodius Church. Please note that the setting has changed from St. Patrick Church to Ss. Cyril and Methodius Church to accommodate a larger group of attendees.

Fr. McCarthy will focus his presentation on the Sacraments and how they have an effect on our daily lives. If you are able to, come join us for this wonderful opportunity to reflect on our spiritual lives as we continue our journey through the season of Lent.

Lenten Day of Reflection

The St. Alphonsus Women's Club is sponsoring a Lenten Day of Reflection on Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup> in the St. Alphonsus Church Hall at 12:00 p.m. The speakers include Andy McAlpin and Sr. Jane Schlosser. All men and women are invited to gather together for prayer, refreshments and communion.

School Winter Gala

I am happy to say that our Annual St. Alphonsus/St. Patrick School Winter Gala took place ~~on Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup>~~ at the Chicago Marriott Southwest in Burr Ridge, IL and it was a great success! The theme of the event was "Crosstown Classic" and it focused on the Chicago Cubs/Chicago White Sox rivalry.

The Gala Committee did a superb job of preparing a wonderful set for the event. Some of the major items for the Live Auction were school lockers that were painted with the Chicago Blackhawks, Legos, Apple products and the St. Alphonsus/St. Patrick Class of 2015.

There were also a number of local businesses that donated some items for the Silent and Live Auction. Through the support of parents and parishioners from St. Alphonsus Church/St. Alphonsus/St. Patrick Catholic School will be able to continue to improve the school building and its contents.

A huge "Thank You" goes to our Gala Chairperson, **Nanci Smith**, and all of the volunteers that helped make it such a special night.

St. Alphonsus Choir Lenten Vesper Service

Last Sunday afternoon, Feb. 22, **Joe Martorano** and the St. Alphonsus Parish Choir hosted a beautiful *Vespers Service* in the Church. A "Vespers Service" is a presentation of Scripture readings and musical pieces that enable us to reflect on our world. I like to thank Joe, the musicians and choir members for their hard work and dedication to help us celebrate this season of reflection.

*Fr. Brian Ardagh*

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

Two of today's readings take us up a mountain. Mount Sinai is a place in the desert where the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob on Mt. Sinai. Elijah has an experience of this same life-giving God on Mt. Horeb. Today Abraham goes up Mt. Moriah in obedience to God's command to take your son Isaac, your only one, whom you love (Genesis 22:2) and offer him there as a holocaust.

It is hard to get past this reading today and focus only on the Transfiguration. This story of God testing Abraham to see if Abraham will obey is a story of great significance. An important word here: Moriah means the place of seeing. Abraham responds to Isaac's question about what God will provide, a word rooted in the Latin word for seeing. God will see to it that there is a vision. God will see that Abraham is obedient in all things.

Seeing also takes place on Mt. Tabor. Peter, James, and John in glory, his clothes dazzlingly white; they see him speaking with Moses and Elijah, representing the prophets; and they see a cloud overshadowing them and hear a voice calling for their obedience: This is my beloved Son. Listen to him (Mark 9:7).

With them, we are invited to see Jesus as the beloved of the Father who did not spare . . . but handed over for us all, as Paul reminds us (Romans 8:32). The mystery of the Resurrection is an invitation to see God's love for all God's beloved children and trust in it.

James A. Wallace, C.Ss.R.  
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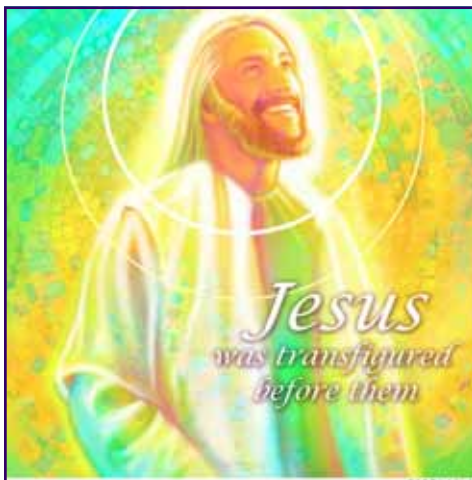
### Living God's Word

*God of Abraham and Sarah, of Isaac and Rebekah, of Jacob and Rachel, God and Father of our Lord, give us a glimpse of the glory that you have prepared for all who trust in you and remain faithful to you. Strengthen us to walk through any darkness that may threaten our ability to believe.*

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*If God is for us, who can be against us?*

— Romans 8:31b



### LISTEN AND FOLLOW

This is my beloved Son. Listen to him. And listen they did. From that moment on, Peter, James, and John were followers, forsaking everything to follow in their Master's footsteps. Like the apostle crying, "O Lord, I am your servant, the three disciples committed their lives to lives of incredible hardship and indescribable joy. After that day on the mountain, they never again wavered in their chosen vocation.

Though our tests may not be as severe as Abraham's and our peak experience not as dramatic as the Transfiguration, we all face the daily challenges of living before the Lord in the land of the living. As we follow our varied call to love and serve, let's be comforted by the reminder to the Romans: If God is for us, who can be against us?

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# Religious Education Update

## SESSIONS THIS WEEK FOR TRACK A ONLY (Make-up for 2/1 cancellation)

### FACEBOOK PAGE



We now have our own RE Facebook page. If you would like to receive timely reminders, announcements, articles, videos, photos, etc. go to [St. Al's Consensus Religious Education](https://www.facebook.com/St-Als-Religious-Education) and click on the  button to receive notifications of our posts.

### MEET A NEW CATECHIST



Jerry Radomski is an LHS Freshman who so enjoyed his RE experience, particularly in 7<sup>th</sup> Grade with Mr. Michael Bielski, that he returned to serve as an aide to Mr. Bielski who is now the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade catechist on Track C. This serves as an example of how a volunteer

catechist can impact the life of a young person, and how young people can seek to continue to grow in their faith following Confirmation by serving as catechist aides in our program.

### CONFIRMATION PENITENTIAL RITE

Confirmation sponsors and parishioners at 3 Masses each week prayed over our commandi to be protected from evil as they continue to journey toward Confirmation this Lent. They will have a 4<sup>th</sup> and final liturgical rite



March 15<sup>th</sup> followed by a practice for Confirmation and a Spirit Day afternoon retreat. Please keep them in your prayers.

### FAMILY LENTEN SESSIONS

Just as they did for the Advent sessions, parents of children in Grade 1-6 are asked to join their children for a session on the regular class times in good the schedule below. The sessions will take place in their classrooms for Tracks A & B and in the Church Hall for Tracks B & C. Families will have an enjoyable time together while having family to enter the season of Lent a little more deeply.

Grades 1 & 2    Week of March 8<sup>th</sup>    Grades 3 & 4    Week of March 22<sup>nd</sup>    Grades 5 & 6    Week of March 29<sup>th</sup>

### WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ?

This is the first in a series checking what is happening during our sessions at each grade-level. It seems natural that in First Grade the #1 response I get from parents registering their children in our program is the question, What do you want for your children; How can we help you? This is the foundation. Accordingly, they are introduced to the 10 Commandments in First Grade. Last week, they looked at the 1<sup>st</sup> Commandment and were reminded that God calls them to love & respect others, themselves, and God's creation. They learned that they are peacemakers when they make decisions that help others instead of hurting them; when they apologize to God for those they hurt; when they make the decision to love others.



To help parents lead their children into deeper relationship with God, we work with them on their prayers. They have reviewed the Sign of the Cross, the Glory Be, and the Our Father and they are currently learning the Hail Mary.

We know that kids love stories, so they have regular stories to hear about the story of God and God's people, and how they are part of that story. Other stories provide lessons on living the moral life. We thank our First Grade volunteer catechists, Mrs. Kandi Sasak, Mrs. Judy Techman, and Mrs. Donna Bourdage, as well as their aides Mrs. Carolyn Cesarz, Mrs. Carlene Seago, Ms. Raychel Techman, and Mrs. Kathleen Shaw.

# St. Alphonsus-St. Patrick School News

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



## SCIENCE FAIR WINNERS IN "EXCELLENCE IN COMMUNICATING"

The Illinois State Standards include goals and objectives for "Communicating". The standards explain how students are to "exp and interpret information and ideas." Based upon elements of the and standards, the Science Fair display boards are considered a v and vital piece of communication. They were assessed as to their fectiveness in communicating scientific findings in an appealing a conventional manner. One pair of students was chosen to receive certificate for their excellence in this year: Natalia M. and Kate R. for their display "Harmony . Congratulations!



## CELTIC PROUD!

The 5th grade girls Green and White Basketball teams competed in a tou ment at St. Dennis in Lockport in early Febru ary. Our teams matched up in the third rou our White team advanced and brought home place trophy! Ryan E. and Paige P. were sel for the All-Tournament team from the White and Julia P. and Scarlet O. were selected fro Green Team. Great job, girls! We are proud of you!



## WE LIVE OUR CELTIC MISSION

Instilling a commitment to serving others according to Gospel values,  
Carrying out the mission of Christ



Dear Ms. Payne, families and staff,  
Thank you for the donation of food to the Open Pantry at Bethany Lutheran Church collected during the holiday season. Your generosity helps us to keep the pantry well stocked so that our clients may select a variety of items from the shelves. You have helped to ensure that our neighbors in need can prepare meals for their families. We are grateful for your continued support of the Open Pantry.

Bethany Open Pantry



REMEMBER TO MOVE YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD NEXT WEEKEND.

LEMONT TRI-PARISH  
LENTEN MISSION  
FR. TOM McCARTHY  
"The Sacraments,  
the Treasures of  
Our Faith"



Fr. Tom is Chaplain and the Chairman of the Board of Directors of St. Rita High School where he has served since 1994, first as teacher and later as Principal and President.



MONDAY, TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY

MARCH 2, 3 AND 4 AT 7:30PM

SS. CYRIL AND METHODIUS PARISH

608 Sobieski St., Lemont, 60439

Call 630-257-4640 for more information.

Monday Night:

The Sacraments of Initiation-Baptism, Eucharist & Confirmation

Where do you feel comfortable and welcome? Why did Jesus like to party so much? Do you know who the lost member of the Trinity is? What do bowling shoes have to do with Confirmation?

These questions and many more will be pondered and hopefully answered on Monday night. Will you be there to find the answers or will you miss out and wonder forever?

Tuesday Night:

The Sacraments of Healing-Anointing of the Sick & Reconciliation

Why is Hollywood boycotting Vatican II? What is the difference between the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Commandments? Find out why the Lemont Police Department will be flooded with calls on Tuesday night.

You do not want to miss this night - come and find out why! (Reception to follow mission presentation in SS. Cyril and Methodius' gymnasium).

Wednesday Night:

The Sacraments of Vocation-Matrimony and Holy Orders

Find out why you should never get married. Come and get your dish towel.

If you are alive. If you are male or female. If you are young or old or somewhere in between. If you are a bishop, priest, deacon, sister, brother, or lay minister. If you are married, divorced, widowed or single. If you have said yes to your vocation or if you are still wondering what it is...

You need to be in Church on Wednesday night!

SAINT ALPHONSUS



BAPTISM SEMINAR

If you are expecting a baby, family and friends have showered you with gifts and you have no doubt furnished and decorated almost the same way your Catholic community, through the sacrament of Baptism, welcomes and offers support and encouragement as your child begins a long journey of faith.

Our baptismal preparation program *Journey of Faith: Birth, Baptism, Belonging* is a seminar that will help you better understand the sacrament of Baptism. The seminar can be taken while awaiting the birth of your child or shortly after the baby is born. The seminar will meet Saturday of alternate months from 9:00 am to Noon in the Religious Education Building. The Seminar dates for 2015 are: March 7, May 9, July 11, September 12, November 7.

If you have not attended a baptismal preparation class at St. Alphonsus in the last three years you must participate in a Baptism seminar. Call the Parish Office at 630-257-2414 to schedule the baptism seminar along with your baptismal date.

*Journey of Faith:  
Birth, Baptism, Belonging*

### Rite of Sending & Rite of Election



February 15 was the Rite of Sending and Rite of Election for the RCIA.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) group from the three parishes in the Vicariate V will be received as the Elect as they prepare for their sacraments at the Easter Vigil. This year we have, from St. Alphonsus, Sam Guerrero, Chad Darley; From Sts. Cyril and Methodius, Larry Lantz, Ryan Love, Ed Sofinowski and from St. Patrick, Jeff Pelletier. Please pray for all these men as they complete their preparation for the Easter sacraments.

### Lemont Knights Present Checks



On February 17th, the Lemont Knights of Columbus held a Party at the Lemont VFW hall for members of the TRI-Co (Special Recreation Association) and the SPRED (Special Recreation Development) Ministries of St. Alphonsus, Ss. Cyril & Methodius and St. Patrick's churches. Prior to enjoying pizza the Knights presented checks to each organization, resulting from the money collected during the Tootsie Roll Drive held in September.



At this time the Knights would like to thank all the businesses and individuals who made donations to the annual Tootsie Roll Drive and helped make this annual event a huge success.



### The Vicariate V Ministry Commission Presents Give Yourself a Time-Out

It has been a long and exhausting winter, and you could use a much deserved break? This is your opportunity to come and spend a morning filled with relaxation, meditation with fellow vicarists, parishioners, and friends.

Sunday, March 14th ~ 9:00 am to 12:30 pm  
St. Barnabas Parish (former convalescent home) enter through back door  
10160 S. Longwood Drive, Chicago

Presenter: Carol Conway, Pastoral Associate, St. Germaine Parish  
8:45 am to 9:30 am Sign in and Continental Breakfast  
9:30 am to 12:30 pm Program

This morning is for all who need and deserve a break from whatever saps our energy. There will be guided meditation, prayer, basic and simple yoga and the opportunity for a chair massage\*.

\*Optional Chair Massage at \$10 for 10 minutes. Payable day of presentation cash only.

There is no cost for parishioners of parishes in Vicariate V.

Pre-registration requested before March 10 so food can be purchased.

To register or for more information, call Jenny Meehan at 773-434-9600, ext. 24 or jenabeeb102@aol.com

**“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” —**

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|----------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Joetta Karlos  | Francis Rittenhouse | Dorothy Goushas  | Edward Perkey       | Patricia Dedek     |
| Nora McDonnell | Baby Kenneth        | Harriet Bromberk | Melanie Williams    | Sue Dyer           |
| Mary Tadda     | Bill Sullivan       | Robert Trock     | Karl Knasiak        | Jim Musial         |
| Baby Jordan    | Greg Hoger          | Keith Donofrio   | Tina Ruiz           | Jeff Freeman       |
| Skrobot        | Mary Tomy           | Bonnie Posey     | Colleen Burns       | Carson Lee Umentum |
| Nathan Parry   | Roger B.            | Ken Convalle     | Ashley Smith Kitzer |                    |
| Dan Herzing    |                     | William Bellair  | Arlene O.           |                    |


**“A Time of War” —**

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|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Scott Bosco, USA, Kuwait            | Joshua Plucinski, US Air Force,    | Jason Fricka, USAF, Germany    |
| Christopher Durkovic, USA, S. Korea |                                    | Andrew 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” —**

Donna Hoster Upton  
The military and innocent civilians who have died in the war.

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



**SPORTS AND SPIRITUALITY**  
MARCH 14, 2015  
9AM - NOON


**DATE/TIME:** Saturday, 3/14/15; 9am-Noon  
**LOCATION:** St. Patrick Church  
200 E Illinois St, Lemont, IL 60439  
**FACILITATOR:** Fr. Kurt Boras  
**COST:** \$40.00

**A Men's Lenten Day of Reflection**

**REGISTER:**


- online at [www.mayslakeministries.org](http://www.mayslakeministries.org)
- Phone: 630-852-9000  
Master Card/Visa
- Mail: Send your check payable to:  
Mayslake Ministries

**Looking for a spiritual boost this Lenten season?**  
Join us for an inspiring and exciting Men's Morning of Reflection. Fr. Kurt Boras, pastor of St. Patrick's in Lemont, will be joined by several former football players and local coaches as they discuss the many ways that sports and faith can work together to strengthen the bonds between fathers and sons, coaches and players.



YEAR OF SACRAMENTS • ONE WORD AT A TIME

**Pledge**



To **pledge** is to promise. And at the heart of the sacrament of Marriage are promises made and promises kept. Notice, however, that there is something very special about the pledging or promising that belongs to marriage. Usually, promises are about doing something or keeping something. In marriage, it is different. A man and a woman pledge and promise *themselves*. It couldn't be more personal. They give not something but themselves to each other.

Now we know how fragile our human pledges and promises can be. In the sacrament of Marriage, when a couple pledges themselves to each other, they wrap that promise in faith in God who will sustain the union and keep them faithful. Human pledges and promises are full of risks and unknowns. What makes them real and possible is a love that is more than human. It is God's sustaining love.

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**GIRL SCOUT RECOGNITION SUNDAY**









**LOOPS OF LOVE MEETING**

Tri-Parish Girl Scout Recognition Sunday will be celebrated at St. Patrick Church, Sunday, March 8, 2015 at the 12:00 Parish Mass. All Tri-Parish Girl Scouts are invited to celebrate in this Liturgy. Catholic Medal recipients will be recognized for their religious achievements. For additional information, please contact Betty Slad, 630-258-4364

The Knit and Crochet Group will not meet this month. Everyone is encouraged to attend the Tri-Parish Mission.



**Saint Alphonsus Parish  
March, 2015**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
<p><b>1 Blue Envelope</b> 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM Women's Club Lenten Reflection (CH)  8:45-10:15 AM RE Make up session Track A Only</p>	<p><b>2</b> 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM RCIA (RE Bldg) 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM Tri-Parish Lenten Mission  Ss. Cyril &amp; Methodius</p>	<p><b>3</b> 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM Tri-Parish Lenten Mission  Ss. Cyril &amp; Methodius</p>	<p><b>4</b> 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM Tri-Parish Lenten Mission  Ss. Cyril &amp; Methodius</p>	<p><b>5 ** See Below</b> 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Bell Choir (RE-2) 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM SPRED Prep (PC/BC) 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Bible Study (CH) 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM Parish Choir (RE-2)</p>	<p><b>6</b> 7:00 PM - 7:30 PM Stations of the Cross (C)  </p>	<p><b>7</b> 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Baptism Seminar (RE Bldg) 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Young People's Mass Gr 4 (C)</p>		
<p><b>8</b> 8:45 AM - 10:15 AM * R.E. (All Rooms) 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM 1st Scrutiny (C) 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Children's Liturgy/Word (C/CH)  * Family Session</p>	<p><b>9</b> 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM R.E. "Family Session" (All Rooms) 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM RCIA (RE Bldg)</p>	<p><b>10</b> 6:30 PM - 7:00 PM Women's Club - Adoration (Chp)  7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Worship Mtg (OC) 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Women's Club Mtg (CH)</p>	<p><b>11</b> 6:15 AM - 7:15 PM Little Tykes for Christ (CH) 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM Cluster Mtg (CH) 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM R.E. "Family Session" (All Rooms) 7:45 PM - 9:00 PM Lemont ProLife (PC-A)</p>	<p><b>12</b> 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Children's Choir (RE-2) 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Bell Choir (RE-2) 6:00 PM - 9:30 PM SPRED (PC/ABC) 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Bible Study (CH) 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM Parish Choir (RE-2)</p>	<p><b>13</b> 7:00 PM - 7:30 PM Stations of the Cross (C)  </p>	<p><b>14</b> 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM Bell Choir (RE-2)</p>		
<p><b>15 Aid for Church/Central &amp; East Europe</b> 8:45 AM - 10:15 AM R.E. (All Rooms) 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM 2nd Scrutiny (C) 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM Spirit Day (C/CH)</p>	<p><b>16</b> 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM R.E. (All Rooms) 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM RCIA (RE Bldg)</p>	<p><b>17</b>  </p>	<p><b>18</b> 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM R.E. in All Rooms (All Rooms)</p>	<p><b>19</b> 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Children's Choir (RE-2) 5:30 PM - 6:00 PM Young People's Mass Practice (C) 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Bell Choir (RE-2) 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM SPRED Prep (PC/BC) 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Bible Study (CH) 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM Parish Choir (RE-2)</p>	<p><b>20</b> 5:30 PM - 6:45 PM Lenten Fish Fry (CH) 7:00 PM - 7:30 PM Stations of the Cross (C)   </p>	<p><b>21</b> 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Confirmation (C) 3:15 PM - 4:45 PM Children's Choir (RE-2)  </p>		
<p><b>22</b> 8:45 AM - 10:15 AM * R.E. (All Rooms) 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM 3rd Scrutiny (C) 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Children's Liturgy/Word (C/CH)  * Family Session</p>	<p><b>23</b> 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM R.E. "Family Session" (All Rooms) 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM RCIA (RE Bldg)</p>	<p><b>24</b> 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM SKS (PC/ABC)  7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Men's Club (CH)</p>	<p><b>25</b> 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM R.E. "Family Session" (All Rooms) 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM SPRED Reconciliation (Chp)</p>	<p><b>26</b> 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Children's Choir (RE-2) 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Bell Choir (RE-2) 6:00 PM - 9:30 PM SPRED (PC/ABC) 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Bible Study (CH) 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM Parish Choir (RE-2)</p>	<p><b>27</b> 7:00 PM - 7:30 PM Stations of the Cross (C)  </p>	<p><b>28</b> 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM Bell Choir (RE-2)</p>		
<p><b>29 Palm Sunday</b> 8:45 AM - 10:15 AM * R.E. (All Rooms)  * Family Session  </p>	<p><b>30</b> 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM R.E. "Family Session" (All Rooms) 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM RCIA (RE Bldg)</p>	<p><b>31</b> 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Children's Choir (C) 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Bell Choir (C)  7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Parish Choir (C)</p>	<p>C Church Chpl - Chapel PC Parish Center PC/ABC Parish Ctr, Rm A,B,C</p>			<p>CH Church Hall OC Office Center RE Religious Ed Bldg.</p>		<p>** 5:30 6:00 pm Young People's Mass Practice</p>

### Weekly Offering

February 21 & February 22, 2015

Week s Need	\$12,869.00
Sunday s Collection	\$ 9,519.99
Ash Wednesday	\$ 2,526.80
Electronic Fund (EFT)	\$ 1,067.13
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 244.92
Fiscal Year to Date	
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 6,096.11
Last Year s weekly	
Collection	\$ 9,966.00

**Thank you for your support of our parish.**

### 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, bring it to the office, or you may also call the office.

**St. Alphonsus Donation**

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

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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

### 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. From we will collect beverages such as coffee, tea, hot cocoa and juice. 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

Dear St. Alphonsus Parishioners,

Thank you for the donation of food to the Open Pantry at Bethany Lutheran Church.

Your generosity will help us to keep the pantry well stocked so our clients can prepare meals for families. We are grateful for your continued support of the Open Pantry which allows us to assist our neighbors in need.

Thank you for remembering the families of the Open Pantry.

Bethany Open Pantry Committee

#### A NEW IDEA

*Everybody thinks of changing humanity;  
Nobody thinks of changing themselves.*

**THANK YOU**

Lemont United Methodist Church  
25 West Custer Street,  
Lemont, IL

February 2015

Dear friends in Christ,

As we conclude the Old Year and enter into the New Year, we realize that another year is over. And as the hymn says it so well, Another year is dawning, dear Father let it be in working or in waiting, another year for Thee.

January 2015

As we look back over God s faithfulness this year, it is truly remarkable to see how God s goodness has enabled us to join together to meet the needs here at the Food Pantry at Lemont United Methodist Church. Standing alone, none of us could have provided the amount of money necessary to support this ministry during the past year. But that was not God s plan, even if it had been possible. God s plan was (and is) for us to work together as stewards and managers of what has entrusted to us, giving us as God has prospered us, and then allowing t Combined effort to meet the need.

Thank you for being part of that combined effort. Thank you for giving a portion of what God has entrusted to the Lord s work here at the Food Pantry at Lemont United Methodist Church. Thank you for your faithfulness in giving and for all you have done this past year cause this ministry to grow and abound.

May God s blessings be yours as never before.

Your Pastor in Christ,  
Rev. Kelly T. Van

Leo Tolstoy

# Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 28  
 5:00 pm Margaret Joseph *Family*  
 Matthew & Frances Webb *Family*  
 Thomas & Agnes Hoinack *Family*  
 Bernie Kucharski *Mr. & Mrs. F. Batistich*  
 Marie Ostrowski *Diane & Larry Wilson*  
 Sunday, March 1  
 7:30 am Julene Endecavage *Family*  
 Parishioners of St. Alphonsus  
 9:00 am Blessings for the Fairclough *Family*  
 Helen McElligott *Jim & Pat McElligott*  
 11:00 am Dennis Ganski *Ganski Family*  
 Thomas Collins *Gory Family*  
 Lauren Leone *Pickering Family*  
 Monday, March 2  
 7:30 am John Nawrocki *St. Alphonsus Parish*  
 Tuesday, March 3  
 7:30 am Patricia A. Good *Tony Goode*  
 Wednesday, March 4  
 7:30 am Jean Lindauer *Rita Lindauer*  
 Thursday, March 5  
 7:30 am Rose Berst *Fran & John Berst*  
 Friday, March 6  
 7:30 am Lorraine Roberts *Family*

Saturday, March 7  
 5:00 pm Joanne Santangelo *St. Alphonsus Catechists*  
 Walter & Charlotte Suda *Family*  
 Robert Pellegrini *Louise Pellegrini*  
 Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Hennebry *Ralph & Bonnie Shroyer*  
 Sunday, March 8  
 7:30 am Bob Kasak *Judy Langowski*  
 Adele Quillman *Gasperec Family*  
 Michael Marusa *Family*  
 9:00 am William Maloney, Jr *Pat Browne*  
 Mildred & Orville Tessum *Linn Eldred*  
 Parishioners of St. Alphonsus  
 11:00 am Ed Weeks *Ralph & Bonnie Shroyer*  
 Ann Wesolowski *Bob Litoborski*  
 Dennis Luchon *Barb & Bob Salbego*  
 Rob Salbego *Mom & Dad*  
 5:00 pm Parishioners of St. Alphonsus  
 (Mass at St. Patrick Church)

**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: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38  
 Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 23:1-12  
 Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28  
 Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31  
 Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46  
 Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32  
 Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]; Ps 19:8-11; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25  
 Alternate readings (Year A): Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

# Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Date	Time	Lector	Ministers	Servers	Music	<b>Gather Hymnal</b>  <b>Musical Order of Mass</b>  Kyrie #169  Gospel Acclamation #173  Holy, Holy #179  Memorial Acclamation #182(C)  Great Amen #183  Lamb of God #185
March 7	*5:00 pm	Young People's Mass	D. Josephitis R. Haubner M. McGuire G. August (C) G. Smith (C)	A. Popper J. Popper-trng A. Fidanzo	Keyboard & Cantor	
March 8	*7:30 am	KC Wollenberg	D. Betley G. Kaiser J. Sternat G. Umentum (C) S. Kostas (C)	Wollenberg Family		
	9:00 am	B. Waligorski	E. Bruno D. Czaja M. Roenitz	K. Roenitz C. Calhoun G. Calhoun-trng	Keyboard & Cantor	
	11:00 am	J. Chiaramonte	D. Chiaramonte D. Dabney C. Levas	A. Mierzycki F. Kula C. King	Parish Choir	
	5:00 pm	Lemont Tri-Parish Mass at St. Pat s	St. Alphonsus Bulletin is a weekly publication of St. Alphonsus Catholic Community of Lemont, Illinois. All rights reserved. Printing by J. S. Paluch Co., Inc., Schiller Park, Illinois.			

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