



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 a visit from a Minister of Care

Those We Remember

October 1, 2014 ~ September 30, 2015

Mary Jo Lally

Michael Marusz

Harry Olson

Mary Wheatley

Gregory Koski

Harry Grabo

Edwin Weeks

Walter Hecht

Jeanette Scott

Roger Doherty

Robert Wolf

Baby Charlotte Marcheschi

Laura Hostert

John "Jack" McCarthy

Teresa Butler

William Bellair

Virtine "Virginia" Grimaldi

Baby Anthony Sasak, Jr

Edward Perkey, Sr.

Harriet Bromberek

Edward Starshak

Ernest Dalpos

Susan Vitor



*"Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free.
I'm following the path God laid for me."*

All Souls' Day

November 2, 2015

St. Alphonus 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.

Parish Staff

Pastor

Fr. Brian Ardagh

Tri-Parish Associate Pastor

Fr. Tom Hoffman

Resident

Fr. Robert Rohrich

Weekend Celebrant

Fr. Lou Zake

Diaconal Ministry:

Deacon Terry McGuire

Deacon Dan Rittenhouse

Director of Religious Education

Kevin Cody

Admin. Assistant for Religious Ed.

Melanie Terrazas

School Principal:

Renee Payne

Pastoral Associate:

Linda O'Connor

Office Coordinator:

Roseann Lucas

Accountant:

Carol Levas

Music Director

Joseph Martorano

Music Staff

Diane Marelli

SPRED: Carol Levas

Parish Pastoral Council Members

Mike Bruno

Bill Doherty

Diane Kaye

Deborah Kornacker

Sharon Kostas

Roy Tam

Terese Turner

James Zuccarelli

From Father Brian's Desk

All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day

As we enter the month of November, I think we can all agree that it is a time of reflection and thanks. On Wednesday, November 11th, we thank God for those who have served in our United States of America Armed Forces, especially those who have faced combat and war. On Thursday, Nov. 26th, we, as Americans, celebrate Thanksgiving Day. Hopefully, we pause and give thanks for our country, our families and our friends.

However, before we celebrate those specific holidays, we, as Catholics, focus on two other special days to recognize those who guide in our journey of faith. On Nov. 1st, we celebrate *All Saints' Day*. We thank God for those people throughout history who have been wonderful teachers of the faith and the impact they have made on our Church, especially people like St Peter, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Patrick, Ss. Cyril and Methodius and of course, St. Alphonus.

On Nov. 2nd, we celebrate *All Souls' Day*. On this day we thank God for those people who have inspired us on our own particular journey, including our family, friends and neighbors. We, as the community of St. Alphonus Church, remember our family, friends and brothers and sisters of faith who have passed away this year and in the past.

We will celebrate the All Souls' Day liturgies at 7:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. in the church. Even though they have passed on from this life, we believe that they are now enjoying a new life in the Kingdom of God. As the prayer eloquently states: "*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and may perpetual light shine upon them.*"

Tri-Parish Anointing of the Sick Mass

On **Saturday, Nov. 14th** the Lemont Catholic parishes will host a liturgy for those who would like to receive the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. The mass will take place at **Ss. Cyril & Methodius Church at 11:00 a.m.** and we will have a small reception following the liturgy. Anyone who would like to receive the sacrament of healing is invited to attend. We ask that you please R.S.V.P. to Trish Nickleski of Ss. Cyril & Methodius at (630) 257-9314 or emailing her at religed@stecyrl.org no later than Friday, November 6th. .

Fr. Brian Ardagh



See what love the Father has bestowed
on us that we may be called
the children of God.

— 1 John 3:1

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

Some people want the Beatitudes to be Jesus' new commandments; others, an eight-step program for dealing with our addiction to this world; and still others, just one more grocery list of what we should be stocking up on for a long winter's journey to the Kingdom. The Beatitudes are also, however, the face of Jesus in its boldest and most daring profile. Every time we catch a glimpse of them in ourselves, it's like looking in the mirror and seeing what we someday will be. The fact is, as St. John attests, it's already begun. I keep bumping into them, and so do you.

I think of someone I know who can't stand division in his home. He is absolutely driven to find healing solutions. He's a peacemaker from the word go. We all know those who are passionate about the weakest among us. They refuse to keep their mouths shut, even at the cost of losing other folks' acceptance. They can't seem to help it. Some seem able to forgive without a second thought. Others honestly and deeply hunger to be holy, not pious or religious but just good. And others seem to enter into people's pain with great compassion and sensitivity in ways that I don't. They actually mourn for the world.

And then there are those of us who don't feel we live many of those Beatitudes very well. Yet every once in a while something pops up from God knows where, and it's a bit of divinity in us that we'd never believed could be there. Then we realize that it must be God's doing because it could never be our own. And if it is God's doing, then we must be God's daughters and sons. What else could it mean? It's like looking in a mirror, and we didn't even know what we were.

—Rev. Joseph J. Juknialis

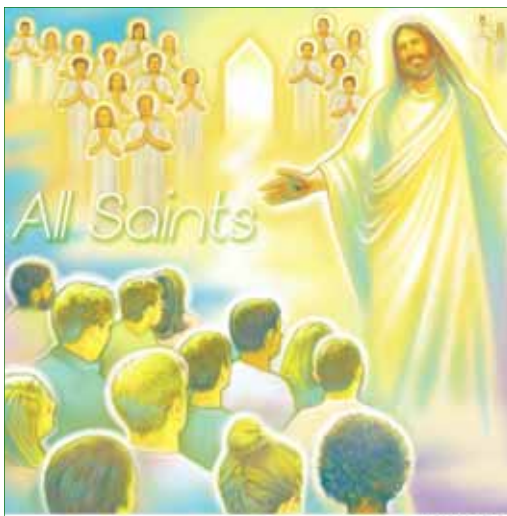
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Living God's Word

*Other than Jesus, I've never known of anyone who harvested
all eight of the Beatitudes with abundance.
Most of us find hints of one or two at best.*

It does seem enough, however, to start transforming us into All Saints.

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WE LONG TO SEE GOD'S FACE

"Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face." This antiphon for today's responsorial psalm offers the focus for today's readings. As we on earth celebrate the triumph of all the saints—the ones officially canonized by the Church, and the countless others who have also reached heaven—we add nothing to their glory. But we give ourselves reason to hope. We too long to see the face of God and believe that we can one day be counted among those whose robes, as John tells us in the book of Revelation, are washed "white in the blood of the Lamb."

The passage from John's First Letter offers further assurance: we are God's children who will one day see God. But today's Gospel pulls us past longing and reassurance into action. Jesus clearly tells us what we must do to be counted among the saints. We must be poor in spirit, hungry for holiness, merciful, single-hearted, and peacemakers! Then we too will see the face of God.

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Religious Education Update



FALL FAMILY SESSIONS NEXT WEEK FOR GRADES 1 & 2

The sessions will take place the week of Nov. 8th in the classrooms on Track A, and in the Church Hall on Tracks B & C. Parents join their children for the lesson, discussion, and activities. In this session, we will take a look at a man who has been in the news a lot lately.. Pope Francis. We will discuss how he and the Church help families live out our mission to love.

LITTLE TYKES FOR CHRIST THIS WEEK



Children & parents in our preschool/kindergarten program will have their November session this Wednesday at 6:15pm in the Church Hall. In their October session, Mrs. Hamilton lead parents teaching their children about the Works of Mercy.



IT'S A MATTER OF PERSPECTIVE

It's funny how RE sessions and going to Mass can seem like an inconvenience, yet we put up with so much more when it comes to sports and other activities. Is going to RE and Mass just another activity amongst many?



12 Reasons Why I As a Pastor Have Decided To Quit Attending Sporting Events

1. The coach never came to visit me.
2. Every time I went, they asked for money.
3. The people sitting in my row didn't seem very friendly.
4. The seats were very hard.
5. The referees made a decision I didn't agree with.
6. I was sitting with hypocrites—they only came to see what others were wearing!
7. Some games went into overtime and I was late getting home.
8. The band played some songs I had never heard before.
9. The games are scheduled on my only day to sleep in and run errands.
10. My parents took me to too many games when I was growing up.
11. Since I read a book on sports, I feel that I know more than the coaches, anyway.
12. I don't want to take my children because I want them to choose for themselves what sport they like best.



HAPPY ALL SAINTS' DAY!

All Saints' Day (or officially The Solemnity of All Saints) is instituted to honor all the saints, known and unknown, and, according to Urban IV, to supply any deficiencies in the faithful's celebration of saints' feasts during the year. In the early days the Christians were accustomed to solemnizing the anniversary of a martyr's death for Christ at the place of martyrdom.

St. Alphonsus-St. Patrick School News

Check out our website: www.stals-stpats.org



**Did you get your raffle tickets?
Are you a Bears fan, or a Bronco fan?
Have you always wanted to go to an NFL football game, but
it's too expensive? WELL, HERE'S YOUR CHANCE.**



St. Alphonsus/St. Patrick School is sponsoring a raffle. Purchase a \$10 raffle ticket — “raffle ticket” envelopes are at the back of church... say a prayer, and maybe you’ll be the lucky winner to enjoy an **afternoon at Soldier Field** on November 22, with **access to the United Club**, plus **free parking**. Place your **“completed raffle ticket envelope”** in the **“Bears Collection Box”** at the back of church or bring it to the Parish Office. The drawing will be November 9. And don’t forget to cheer on our Chicago Bears – they could use all the help they can get!!! Additional “raffle tickets” are available in the school office.



WE LOVE OUR BUDDIES

One of the best features of our preK through grade 8 school is the fact that our older students buddy up with our youngest students. The sixth graders mentor the Preschool students, seventh graders buddy up with the first graders, and our eighth grade leaders take the Kindergarten students under their wing.



The students get together frequently during the year and especially when the younger kids might benefit from some help from their older buddies. You will see older students reading to younger students and seventh graders helping their first grade buddies with a narrative writing activity and with addition fact flash cards.



**BUDDY
TIME**

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 8TH GRADE VOLLEYBALL TEAM



Hats off to our eighth grade girls volleyball team as they conclude their last season of play as a St. Alphonsus/St. Patrick Celtic

Team. Thank you to their parents and coaches who have supported these girls throughout their years playing volleyball for our school.



Too busy to prepare dinner? Gelsosomo’s will donate 50% of **ALL** dine-in food orders **Monday evening, November 9th, from 5:00-10:00 p.m.** to St. Alphonsus/St. Patrick School! Come out to visit with friends, neighbors and family...hope to see you there!



The Book of the Dead

November is the month we traditionally remember all our departed friends and family. We have the Book of the Dead in the back of church. Please write the name of those you would like remembered and they will be prayed for. The book will be out for the month of November.

Tri-Parish Anointing of the Sick Bilingual Mass

On **Saturday, November 14th**, SS. Cyril & Methodius Parish will celebrate the Anointing of the Sick at the **11 AM Mass. This will be a bilingual (English-Polish) Mass.**

We extend an invitation to those in our Tri-Parish Family who feel that the Celebration of Anointing will provide help for them in sickness and aging of their bodies.

In the past, the Anointing was done near the time of death. Theology today understands Anointing as the Sacrament of the sick rather than at the time of approaching death. The Anointing of the Sick is the prayer of Christ and His Church for the physical and spiritual health of the sick person.

Who may be Anointed?

- ❖ A sick person may be Anointed before he/she undergoes surgery, whether or not the surgery is serious.
- ❖ Persons with chronic illness.
- ❖ Older persons, even if they are not suffering from dangerous illness.
- ❖ Mentally disabled persons and chemically dependent persons.
- ❖ A sick child may be Anointed in order to be comforted and uplifted by the Sacrament.

After the Mass there will be a luncheon for all those who attend in our school gym. In order for us to prepare for this luncheon we ask that you RSVP by calling Trish at 630-257-9314 or emailing her at religed@stcyril.org no later than Friday, November 6th.

ALTAR SERVER APPRECIATION MASS

Bishop Andrew Wypych
invites
Altar Servers of the Parishes in
Vicariate V
and their families
to join him in this celebration

**Saturday, November 7, 2015
10:00 am**

**Our Lady of Loretto Parish
8925 S. Kostner
Hometown**

Altar Servers will join
in the opening procession.
There will be an opportunity for photographs.
Light refreshments will be served.

Please contact the Parish Office
(630-257-2414)
by Monday, November 2 if you
are planning on attending.

SAINT ALPHONSUS

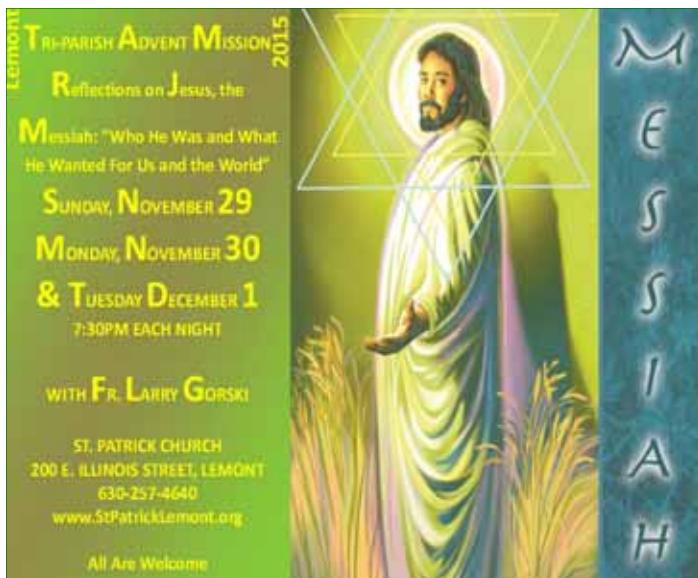


BAPTISM SEMINAR

Journey of Faith: Birth, Baptism, Belonging

If you are expecting a baby, family and friends have showered you with gifts and you have no doubt furnished and decorated a nursery. In the same way your Catholic community, through the sacrament of Baptism, welcomes and offers spiritual strength and encouragement as your child begins a life-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 on a **Saturday of alternate months from 9:00 am to Noon in the Religious Education Building. The last Seminar date for 2015 is: 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.



Religious Freedom and Sanctity of Life

Join us every Wednesday at 3:00pm at St. Alphonsus Chapel to pray the Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy for both of the above. We are living in trying times so we must all try to do the most we can to protect our freedoms and support life from conception to natural death. What better way to do it than to pray and then let God.



Vocations to the Priesthood

The Archdiocese of Chicago Vocations Office helps men discern a call to the priesthood through retreats, visits to the seminary and discernment opportunities. As well, the Vocation Office works with men to determine their eligibility to apply to the seminary for the diocesan

priesthood in Chicago. Finally, the Vocations Office actively works to create a culture supportive of vocations through promotion, education, and parish based efforts to raise awareness.

More information on becoming a priest in the Archdiocese of Chicago is available by contacting:

Fr. Francis Bitterman
 Archdiocesan Vocations Office
 312-534-8298
 Email: fbitterman@archchicago.org



What is it? ...It refers to the practice of children leaving the Sunday assembly just before the *Liturgy of the Word* and to gather elsewhere to celebrate a

separate Liturgy of the Word that is more appropriate to their level of understanding.

When & Where? ...It will take place during the 11 a.m. Mass on Sunday, November 8th and Sunday, November 22nd. Children will be called forward following the Opening Prayer to process out of the worship space to the Church Hall in the lower level of the church. They will return just prior to the Presentation of the Gifts.

Why? ... To help make the Mass more meaningful for children; to gradually lead them to full, conscious and active participation in the Sunday liturgical assembly.

Who? ... Children in grades K-4. Children younger than this are generally unable to participate consciously and actively in liturgical celebrations. It is not a child-minding event.

If you are interested in assisting with this new ministry, contact Patrice Loisi (630-410-8475) or Candy Hamilton (630-243-7704).

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 **November we will collect "baking products such as flour, sugar, cake mixes, frosting, etc."** 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.

LOOPS OF LOVE MEETING








Remember that the Knit and Crochet Group meets the first Wednesday of each month at Nancy / Zuccarelli's house at 1350 Overton Drive in Lemont. If you have not joined us before-no problem-come just the same. If you have joined us before or are a regular, we look forward to seeing you on November 4th at 7:00 PM.

ILLINOIS CATHOLIC ADVOCACY NETWORK

The Catholic Conference of Illinois represents the Catholic Church at the Illinois Capitol, advocates for legislation that respects life and human dignity, the integrity of the family and marriage, and Catholic education and social services.

The CCI has developed and maintains a grassroots email advocacy network called the Illinois Catholic Advocacy Network, or I-CAN for short. The Catholic Conference sends out occasional emails to I-CAN subscribers in an effort to keep lay Catholics informed about state and federal issues that impact the Church and her mission.

Archbishop Cupich recorded a short video promoting I-CAN to encourage Catholics to sign up for the network which is found at <https://youtu.be/ruNHMrMHIXE>. To join I-CAN or to learn more about the efforts of CCI, please access this link, www.ilcatholic.org/take-action/join-i-can/.

Saint Alphonsus Parish November, 2015						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Blue Envelope 8:45 AM - 10:15 AM R.E. "Family Session" (All Rooms) 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM SPRED MASS (C)	2 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Church Tour (C) 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM R.E. in All Rooms (All Rooms) 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM All Souls Remembrance Mass (C) 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM RE Advisory Brd (RE Bldg)	3 6:45 PM - 9:00 PM Alpha (CH) 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM RCIA (PC- Rm B) 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Finance Com. (OC)	4 6:15 AM - 7:15 PM Little Tykes for Christ (CH) 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM Holy Hr for Life (Chp) 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM R.E. in All Rooms (All Rooms) 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Loops of Love (Off Site)	5 6:00 PM - 7:15 PM Bell Choir (RE-2) 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM SPRED (PC/ABC) 7:30 PM - 9:15 PM Parish Choir (RE-2)	6 	7 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Baptism Seminar (RE Bldg)
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29 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM Tri-Parish Advent Mission (St. Pat) 	30 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM Tri-Parish Advent Mission (St. Pat)			C—Church Chpl - Chapel PC— Parish Center PC/ABC— Parish Ctr, Rm A,B,C CH— Church Hall OC—Office Center RE— Religious Ed Bldg.		

**“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 | Patty Baldrige | Dorothy Goushas | Melanie Williams | Patricia Dedek |
| Nora McDonnell | Baby Kenneth | Robert Trock | Karl Knasiak | Sue Dyer |
| Mary Tadda | Bill Sullivan | Bonnie Posey | Tina Ruiz | Jim Musial |
| Nathan Parry | Greg Hoger | Ken Convalle | Ashley Smith Kitzer | Carson Lee Umentum |
| Debra Walden | Mary Tomy | Virginia Henry | Randy Nowak | Marilyn Ransford |
| Ray DeNardis | Kandice Marie Sasak | Clemns Goushas | Dan Herzing | David Nenn |
| | John Cacciato | Linda Heeg | Duane Billedeau | Jim Kulikauskas |
| | | Annamarie | | |
| | | Challenger | | |

“A Time of War” --

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| Scott Bosco, USA, Kuwait | Joshua Plucinski, US Air Force, | Andrew J. Bosko, Jr., USN, |
| Christopher Durkovic, USA, S. Korea | Germany | Virginia Beach, VA |
| Stanley M. Simray III, USN, Japan | David Borkowski, USN, Mississippi | Kevin Parker, USA, Iraq |
| Alex Sullivan, USA, Italy | Joseph R. Pociask, USMC, San Diego | And all who serve our country. |
| | Jacob Christine, US Navy, Guatemala | |

“A Time to Die” —

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

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

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY
AT THE WOMEN’S CENTER**

The Women’s Center (a Catholic-based organization helping women in crisis pregnancies offering life-affirming alternatives to abortion) needs YOU! Are you a college student, retired adult, or servant-hearted person with M-F 9am-5pm availability, looking to build your resume or lend a hand? Starting immediately, your help is needed to prepare bottles (clean, tag, and box them) for our next Baby Bottle Campaign so they can be sent to churches and schools. The spare change we collect in this campaign is our biggest fundraiser! It is a perfect project for a group of folks that wants to talk while working on a project or for single volunteers. We are located at 5116 N. Cicero Ave. Hours are flexible but regular weekly hours are ideal. Or make a day of it: clean bottles 9am-12noon, attend Mass in our chapel at noon, eat lunch, then help till 5pm. Please let me know if you are interested. Reach out to Paige at pscarlett@womens-center.org or 773.794.8807 for more details or to learn of other volunteer opportunities at The Women’s Center.

**Lemont Chamber of Commerce &
Amita Health Adventist Medical Center,
Bolingbrook**

**4th Annual Ladies’ Night Out
Celebrating Women**

**Thursday, November 12th, 5:30 pm —
8:30 pm**

**Crystal Grand Banquets
12416 Archer Avenue, Lemont**

Food, Fashion, Fun & Friends
Appetizer Buffet/Cash Bar
Boutique Shopping open all evening
Fashion show at 6:30 pm
Ticket price \$30

Register on line at www.lemontchamber.com
or call the Chamber office at 630-257-5997.

**A portion of the proceeds to benefit
Hope & Friendship’s Thanksgiving Meal Program
for those in need in Lemont.



Weekly Offering

October 24 & 25, 2015

Week's Need	\$12,869.00
Sunday's Collection	\$ 8,640.30
Electronic Fund (EFT)	\$ 1,590.43
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$ 2,638.27)
Fiscal Year to Date	
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$35,079.01)
Last Year's weekly Collection	\$ 9,353.00

Thank you for your support of our parish.

Electronic Fund Transfer

Electronic Fund Transfer, (EFT), is the process of automatically having your contribution offering transferred from your checking or saving account to St. Al's account.

What will EFT do for you?

- No more check writing
- No more remembering your envelope
- No more looking for the correct currency
- Automated record keeping

What will EFT do for St. Al's?

- Your offering arrives even when you are not able to attend mass
- You help us simplify our record keeping
- We are better able to plan and budget

If your financial situation changes, you may change or stop your payment at any time by calling the parish office. To sign up for Electronic Fund Transfer, complete the request for an EFT form. Return the completed form by mail or place in the collection basket marked Attn. Office Center. You will be sent an EFT form with more information about the EFT process. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the parish office, 630-257-2414.

Electronic Funds Transfer Request Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

Phone : _____

Envelope Number: _____



THANK YOU

Thank you for your generous response to Catholic Relief Services who are providing relief to families fleeing conflict in the Middle East. Nearly 59.9 million of our brothers and sisters are suffering displacement and death from the internal conflicts of their countries. Please pray for peace as they seek safety and help, in the midst of the civil and economic strife in the Middle East and other parts of the world. For more formation go to www.chicagopeaceandjustice.org/emergencyappeal

Are You Registered?

Registering in a parish is a declaration of your desire to be part of a Catholic community and to make a commitment in all its dimensions. It also brings many advantages, recognition and responsibility. Being a registered parishioner makes the process much easier when it is time for infant baptism, school registration, weddings, or when asked to be a baptismal or confirmation sponsor.

Registering here is very simple. You can go to our web page, www.st-als.org, look under "Parish Registration," and fill out the needed information. You can come into the office and fill out a registration form. If your time is limited, you can take the form home and return it via the collection basket on Sundays or mail it to the office.

A registered parishioner receives all parish mailings. Church law advises that territories or boundaries no longer limit parish registration. We accept anyone who wants to share in the life of our parish regardless of where they live.

Remember that you need to be a registered parishioner to partake in all the services that St. Alphonsus offers. Why not sign up? You are surely welcome!

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

Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 31

5:00 pm — Gregory Koski — *Family*
 Joseph Florczak — *Family*
 Parishioners of St. Alphonsus

Sunday, November 1

7:30 am — Parishioners of St. Alphonsus
 9:00 am — Parishioners of St. Alphonsus
 11:00 am — Parishioners of St. Alphonsus
 5:00 pm — Parishioners of St. Alphonsus Parish
 (Mass at St. Patrick Church)

Monday, November 2

7:30 am — Michael Flanagan Hayes — *Family*
 7:00 pm — All Souls Remembrance

Tuesday, November 3

7:30 am — Patricia A. Goode — *Tony Goode*

Wednesday, November 4

7:30 am — Edwin Weeks — *St. Alphonsus Parish*
 Josephine Kelly — *Family*
 Blessings for Chester Kurzeja (90th Birthday)—
Dan & Gisela Rittenhouse
 Fran Bozych — *Family*

Thursday, November 5

7:30 am — Jozef Dziaba — *Family*
 Alfred Wieder — *Dan & Gisela Rittenhouse*

Friday, November 6

7:30 am — Arthur Lorenz — *Osborne Family*

Saturday, November 7

5:00 pm — Jerry Lichtenwalter — *Family*
 James Clementi — *Family*
 Bernie Kucharski — *Mr. & Mrs. J. Alexander*
 Ernest Dalpos — *Tony Dalpos*

Sunday, November 8

7:30 am — Jozef Dziaba — *Family*
 Parishioners of St. Alphonsus
 9:00 am — Harriet Bromberek — *Ron & Nita Bromberek*
 Helen & Joseph McElligott — *Jim & Pat McElligott & Anne Nolan*
 Mildred & Orville Tessum — *Linn Eldred*
 Rosaline Reed — *Linn Eldred*
 11:00 am — Louise Metido — *McGuire Family*
 Helen, Casey & Eric Galasinski — *Family*
 Elaine Bronk — *Ralph & Bonnie Shroyer*
 Mary Wheatley — *Kathleen Mannix & Family*
 5:00 pm — Parishioners of St. Alphonsus (Mass at St. Patrick Church)

PLEASE NOTE: The 2016 Mass book is now open.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40, or any readings from no. 668 or from the Masses for the Dead, nos. 1011-1016
 Tuesday: Rom 12:5-16b; Ps 131:1bcde-3; Lk 14:15-24
 Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10; Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9; Lk 14:25-33
 Thursday: Rom 14:7-12; Ps 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14; Lk 15:1-10
 Friday: Rom 15:14-21; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 16:1-8
 Saturday: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Lk 16:9-15
 Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16; Ps 146:7-10; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44 [41-44]

PLEASE NOTE: If you are celebrating a special event, 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.

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Date	Time	Lector	Ministers	Servers	Music
Nov. 7	*5:00 pm	L. Jankowski	J. August R. Haubner G. Smith B. Israel (C) L. O'Connor (C)	C. King A. Fidanzo	Keyboard & Cantor
Nov. 8	7:30 am	R. Kaiser	G. Kaiser D. Rittenhouse R. Meyer	Pontrelli Family	
	9:00 am	A. Lichtenwalter	C. Cacciato A. Padalik D. Czaja	Calhoun Family	Parish Choir
	11:00 am	B. McGuire	M. McGuire S. Turner Deacon T. McGuire	A. Ascolani I. McGuire K. Hamilton	Treble Ensemble
	5:00 pm Lemont Tri-Parish Mass at St. Pat's				

* Communion under both species

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Gather Hymnal

Mass of Joy & Peace Setting Two

- Gloria #207
- Gospel Acclamation #208
- Holy, Holy #211
- Memorial Acclamation #213 (B)
- Great Amen #215
- Lamb of God #216