



# 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

# Third Sunday

## OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 13, 2015

*Whoever has two cloaks should  
share with the person who has none.  
And whoever has food should do likewise.*

Luke 3:11



## 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

#### 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

### The Journey of Advent

We are now entering the Third Sunday of Advent, "Gaudete Sunday" or "Rejoice Sunday". It reminds us that the joy of Christmas is only a short time away. However, even though Christmas is a tremendous celebration of our faith, some people have mentioned to me that they really appreciate that Advent offers a wonderful time of reflection through our waiting. Instead of rushing towards the Christmas celebration, we take a journey of contemplation and prayer.

While our American society pushes us to put up our Christmas tree and decorations immediately after Thanksgiving, the Catholic Church waits until the final weeks of Advent before decorating the church environment. While many people take down their Christmas decorations after New Year's Day (or even the day after Christmas), the actual Christmas season lasts until the middle of January with the Baptism of the Lord.

As we continue on the journey of Advent, here are some wonderful events that we can participate in:

### Songs for the Seasons

I would like to remind everyone that our St. Alphonsus Music Ministry will present the "Songs for the Season" service on **Sunday, Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 p.m.** in the church. It is a beautiful service that combines Advent readings with Christmas songs that will truly inspire us to celebrate the seasons of Advent and Christmas. Please join us for a wonderful musical event!

### Breakfast with Santa

One of the special Christmas traditions that *St. Alphonsus/St. Patrick School* has sponsored is the annual **Pancake Breakfast with Santa Claus**. This year, the Breakfast with Santa is Sunday, Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at St. Patrick Church. Children (and adults) will have the opportunity to have a photo taken with Santa Claus and there will be a Bake Sale, as well. Tickets are only \$6 for adults and \$5 for senior citizens and children 3-12 years old. Children under 2 years old are free. Come join us for a delicious breakfast and a fun-filled morning!

### Tri-Parish Reconciliation Service

Our **Lemont Tri-Parish Reconciliation Service** will take place at *Ss. Cyril & Methodius* on **Monday, Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:00 – 6:00 pm. and then 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.** The sacrament of Reconciliation gives us a great opportunity to think about the mistakes we have made this year and how we can be spiritually cleansed as we enter the joyous season of Christmas.

*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

'Tis the season for bell choirs and brass renditions of beloved carols. Church musicians are rounding up trumpeters and French horn players to rehearse for Christmas liturgies. What would a Christmas television special be without pealing bells in the closing sequence? The joyful sounds of brass instruments herald the good news that the Lord of the universe has entered into human history once and forever in the poor infant Jesus.

There is another kind of bell that seems to follow us wherever we go at this time of year—the Salvation Army bells. They remind us that not everyone has experienced the good news of salvation yet. There are many who suffer while others wallow in abundance. Today's scriptures remind us that the Lord is with us to save us from our sinfulness, so that justice, love, and peace might reign at last in the world. Then all God's people will be able to rejoice.

—Virginia Stillwell

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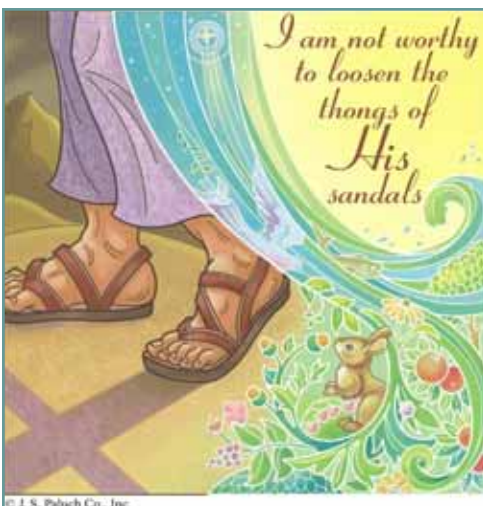
## Living God's Word

*When we pray the Our Father at Mass the priest voices a prayer  
that asks the Lord to free our minds of worry as we look forward to Jesus' coming.  
Joyful hope gives us the spirit and the confidence to do all that we can,  
expecting that Christ's saving power will be present in our midst.*

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*With joy you will draw water at the fountain of salvation.*

—Isaiah 12:3



## CELEBRATE

This Sunday, God rejoices and sings because of us. We read in Zephaniah today that God “will sing joyfully because of you, as one sings at festivals” (Zephaniah 3:18). We know plenty about singing at festivals. Already our ears are ringing with the songs and carols that anticipate the Christmas season.

Paul reminds us of the source of our own double rejoicing: God is the mighty savior who is in our midst (in Zephaniah's words). Because this is so, says Paul, we can rejoice and be at ease. We don't have to worry, for God's peace will stand guard over our hearts and minds.

A medieval carol depicts Christmas as “my dancing day” and urges us to enter into the dance. Why all the merrymaking? Because “the Lord is near,” as Paul reminds us (Philippians 4:5). He then points to another reason for the dancing: the dawn of the promise of peace, the peace beyond all understanding, that is now within our grasp.

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# Religious Education Update

## LAST SESSIONS BEFORE THE BREAK!

After this week, our next sessions will be in 2016 during the week of Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>. Mid-term assessments will be taken this week, and progress reports will be handed out when we return from the break.

## TOP 10 MISTAKES PARENTS OF TEENS MAKE

The Christmas season is one focused on family. Advent is a time where we are introspective. That introspection can include ways that we can improve as parents. The following are suggestions from a blog called *Mere Disciple*. I gave 7 the last 2 weeks, and will give the final 3 this week...

**3. Outsourcing your teen's spiritual formation.** I see parents assuming that they can completely outsource the spiritual development of their child to parishes and schools. As a parent, YOU are THE key spiritual role model and mentor for your teen. And that isn't "if you want to be" either—that's the way it is. Ultimately, you are charged with teaching and modelling to your teen what follow Jesus means, and while church, youth groups, Christian schools can be a *support* to that end, they are only that: support mechanisms.

**2. Not expressing genuine love and like to your teen.** It's sad that I have to write this one at all, but I'm convinced very few Christian parents actually express genuine love and "like" to their teen. It can become easy for parents to only see how their teen is irresponsible, failing, immature, etc., and become a harping voice instead of an encouraging, empowering one.

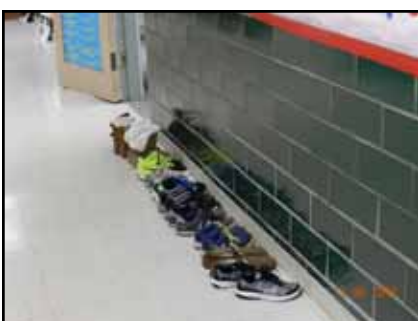
Do you intentionally set aside time to tell your teen how much you love and admire them? Do you write letters of encouragement to them? Do you have "date nights" where you spend time together and share with them the things you see in them that you are proud of?

Your teen won't ask you for it, so don't wait for an invitation. Every day say something encouraging to your teen that builds them up (they get enough criticism as it is!). Pray every day for them and ask God to help you become one of the core people in your teen's life that He uses to affirm them.

**1. Expecting your teen to have a devotion to God that you are not cultivating within yourself.**

When I talk to parents, it's obvious that they want their teen to have a thriving, dynamic, genuine, life-giving faith. What isn't so clear, however, is whether that parent has one *themselves*. When it comes to the Christian faith, most of the time what we learn is *caught* and not *taught*. This means that even if you have the "right answers" as a parent, if you're own spiritual walk with God is pathetic and stilted, your teen will unconsciously follow suit. While having a healthy and maturing discipleship walk as a parent does not guarantee your teen will follow in your footsteps, expecting your teen to have a maturing faith while you follow Jesus "from a distance" is an enormous mistake.

## ST. NICHOLAS' VISIT



In anticipation of St. Nicholas's nightly visits, children in several European countries put their shoes in front of the fire place. They sing traditional songs and provide a carrot or hay for the horse. At night Black Pete puts gifts and candy in the shoes.

The legend grew from the many good deeds performed by St. Nicholas and being a friend to the poor and helpless. Upon his death in 342 A.D., myths soon sprang up about him all around the Mediterranean Sea. He was reputed to be able to calm the raging seas, rescue desperate sailors, help the poor and downtrodden, and save children.

On the Feast of St. Nicholas, Mrs. Kaye surprised her 5<sup>th</sup> Graders by asking them to take off a shoe and put them in the hallway. They learned about the St. Nicholas tradition and enjoyed discovering

# St. Alphonse-St. Patrick School News

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

## ROCK AROUND THE BLOCK



Recently our drama club students performed the musical, Rock Around the Block, at Mt. Assisi Academy. The musical was performed under the direction of Mrs. Margie Novotny from Lucky Star Productions. A huge thank you to Mrs. RaeLyn Wall, Mrs. Jenna Treanor, Mr. Mike Bruno and Mr. Tim Wall and the many parents who gave countless hours assisting their children with their lines, songs and dances.



They also helped in so many ways in preparing for the musical. I would like to thank the Sisters at Mt. Assisi Academy and Carrie Peters for being so accommodating and helpful to us in our first production. Thank you to the many parishioners, friends and families who came out to watch and cheer our students on as they undertook this endeavor. It was wonderful to see the many hidden talents of our students.



Ms. Renee Payne, Principal

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December 2015



OFFICE OF THE ARCHBISHOP

Dear Father, Parish Staff and Parishioners,

Pope Francis declared that the Year of Consecrated Life be celebrated throughout the world from November 29, 2014, through February 2, 2016. During this special year for religious, please join me in supporting the upcoming appeal for the **Retirement Fund for Religious**. We have all witnessed the selfless dedication of religious serving in our parishes, schools, hospitals, and numerous areas of ministry during our lifetime. In our often troubled world, they remain a visible sign of Christ's love.

As I ask your support of this appeal, I invite you to think of it not only in terms of a matter of justice to care for their needs, but as an act of solidarity with them, letting them know that our appreciation for their witness is so strong that it prompts a desire to join them in their unique contribution to the life of the Church and society. The collection is scheduled to be taken at all Masses on **December 12 and 13, 2015**.

This letter gives me the opportunity to thank you for the many ways you as pastor and the parish staff witness to the Gospel by your service to the people under your pastoral care. Please express to your parish family my heartfelt best wishes.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Archbishop Blase J. Cupich  
Archbishop of Chicago



Your gift provides vital support for senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious priests.  
Thank you!  
A second collection will be taken up this weekend, December 12th & 13th, at all the Masses.

## STRENGTH AND COURAGE

*Prayer infuses the weak with strength and the fainthearted with courage.*

—Anonymous



### Jubilee Year of Mercy


December 13, 2015  
Third Sunday of Advent

Pope Francis chose to inaugurate the *Jubilee Year of Mercy* last Tuesday because December 8 marks the fiftieth anniversary of the closing of Vatican II. That council, Pope Francis reminds us, inaugurated a new phase in the Church's history. The Spirit called the Church to tear down the walls that for far too long had made it a fortress, and to proclaim the gospel in a new, more accessible way. Pope Francis quotes Saint John XXIII in declaring the Church's preference for "the medicine of mercy," and Blessed Paul VI in proposing the Good Samaritan as our model for discipleship (*Misericordiae Vultus*, 4). Pope Francis adds that God's mercy is "the beating heart of the Gospel," and that mercy "must penetrate the heart and mind" of every disciple (*MV*, 12). Three times today's Gospel asks, "What should I do?" Pope Francis would say: Imitate Jesus, who came not wielding the fiery judgment that John the Baptist had threatened, but instead imparting healing, compassion, forgiveness—mercy!

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**A YEAR OF MERCY**

**Feed THE HUNGRY**



In his compassionate mercy, God has fed us and sustained us. Every day, we pray: *Give us this day our daily bread.* We are grateful, and we want to share food with those who do not have enough. Jesus said, *"I have compassion for the crowd, because they have been with me now for three days and have nothing to eat; and I do not want to send them away hungry, for they may faint on the way."* (Matthew 15:32)

**ONE WORD AT A TIME**

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### Lighting The Advent Wreath



The Advent Season has arrived and the Worship Commission would like to extend an invitation to all parish families to light the candles of the Advent Wreath at all masses. If you and your family would like to join us in this tradition, please contact the Parish office at (630) 257-2414. Thank you.



### CHILDREN'S CHOIR REMINDER

The Children's Choir will be singing at the 5:00 pm Mass next Saturday, December 19th. 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 .

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**CHILDREN'S CHOIR FOR CHRISTMAS**

All children in third grade and older are invited to participate in the special children's choir at the 3:30 pm Christmas Eve Mass. Rehearsals have begun, and will be held again Thursday, December 17th from 5:00 –6:00 p.m. in the Religious Education Building with a final rehearsal on Tuesday, December 22nd from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. in church. For more details please contact Joe Martorano at 708-828-5095.

### St. Alphonsus Music Ministry

Presents

### "SONGS FOR THE SEASON"

SUNDAY - DECEMBER 13th

3:30 pm

ST. ALPHONSUS CHURCH



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A service of Christmas songs and reflections presented by the St. Alphonsus Parish Choir.

This 45 minute service is sure to set you into the spirit of the season!

**THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:**  
**Lemont Tri-Parish Communal Reconciliation Service**  
**MONDAY, DECEMBER 21ST**  
**5:00 PM to 6:00 PM and 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM**  
**SS. CYRIL AND METHODIUS CHURCH**

SAINT ALPHONSUS



*Journey of Faith:  
 Birth, Baptism, Belonging*

**BAPTISM SEMINAR**

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 Seminar dates for 2016 are: January 9th**, March 12th, May 7th, July 9th, September 10th and November 12th. 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.



**Mr. Tim Callahan,**  
 our acting Tri-Parish  
 Youth Minister,  
 extends a cordial  
 invitation to all  
**6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders**  
 for a

**Star Wars Movie Night**

**Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup> 2015**  
**2 P.M. to 5 P.M.**

**St. Cyril and Methodius Parish School**

Parents, use this opportunity to get in some extra Christmas shopping while your kids enjoy a fun afternoon of pizza, popcorn, and pop with other Tri-Parish Youth. We will also hold a free raffle after the movie; first prize is a Kindle Fire! Please RSVP to the SS. Cyril and Methodius Parish Office at 630-257-2776.

Volunteers (with appropriate Virtus training) are still needed. Call the SS. Cyril and Methodius rectory 630-257-2776 and ask for Tim Callahan, our acting Tri-Parish youth minister, for details about the event and volunteering.

**EPIPHANY CHRISTMAS  
 SHARING TREE**

WOW !! What a GREAT response!  
 Look at the Sharing Tree — NO TAGS!

Now just a reminder . . . Gifts are due under the tree this weekend, December 12th & 13th.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU TAPE THE TAG SECURELY TO THE GIFT. IF USING A GIFT BAG, TAPE THE TAG TO THE BAG. IF THERE IS MORE THAN ONE PRESENT FOR THE CHILD, PLEASE SECURELY TIE THE GIFTS TOGETHER.

If you have forgotten your gift, it may be dropped off at the Parish Office Center no later than Monday, December 14th.



Anne Lichtenwalter



**“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 |
| Phil Smith     | Mary Tomy           | Linda Heeg      | Randy Nowak         | Marilyn Ransford   |
| Ray DeNardis   | Kandice Marie Sasak | Annamarie       | Dan Herzing         | David Nenn         |
|                | John Cacciato       | Challenger      | Mary Woods          | Jim Kulikauskas    |
|                |                     | Steve Counter   |                     |                    |

**“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. Simrayh III, USN, Japan  | David Borkowski, USN, Mississippi   | Kevin Parker, USA, stationed in US |
| 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.**

**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 **December we will collect “paper products such as toilet paper, paper towels and Kleenex, 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.

**SAVE THE DATE!!!**

**St. Alphonsus Women’s Club - Annual Christmas Dance 2016  
Dance! Dance! Dance!**

**Saturday, January 9, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. In the Church Hall**

**Tickets are \$25.00 per person**  
(21 years and older are invited to attend)

Ticket price includes dinner, dessert, beverages, DJ and dance instructions. We will be revisiting some dances we’ve learned in previous years with an emphasis on Salsa and Swing dancing.

Feel free to dress up for the night or dress comfortably.  
It’s going to be a SWINGING great time!

Look for more details in next week’s bulletin!  
Questions? Please contact Beth Burke @ 630-673-5457



## Weekly Offering

December 5 & 6, 2015

Week's Need	\$12,869.00
Sunday's Collection	\$10,691.95
Electronic Fund (EFT)	\$
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$ 2,177.05)
Fiscal Year to Date	
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$40,367.83)
Last Year's weekly Collection	\$10,233.00

*Thank you for your support of our parish.*



Too busy to prepare dinner during this busy holiday season? Gelsosomo's will donate 50% of ALL dine-in food orders **Monday evening, December 14th, 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!

## 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.

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or [carriepeters2@sbcglobal.net](mailto:carriepeters2@sbcglobal.net)

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc-9; Mt 21:23-27
Tuesday:	Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-19, 23; Mt 21:28-32
Wednesday:	Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21b-25; Ps 85:9-14; Lk 7:18b-23
Thursday:	Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17
Friday:	Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25
Saturday:	Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lk 1:5-25
Sunday:	Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45

## 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: \_\_\_\_\_

# Mass Intentions

## Saturday, December 12

5:00 pm — Ted & Marie Gancarz — *Butch Gancarz*  
 Jack McCarthy — *St. Alphonsus Parish*  
 Harriet Bromberek — *Ron & Nita Bromberek*  
 Charlie Donovan — *Ted & Carol Bernaski*

## Sunday, December 13

7:30 am — Ernie Laguidi — *Judy & Tom Culcasi*  
 Jozef Dziaba — *Family*  
 Ernest Dalpos — *Sherry Moller*  
 9:00 am — Helen McElligott — *Jim & Pat McElligott & Anne Nolan*  
 Raymond Hoinacki — *Pat & Jim Browne*  
 Parishioners of St. Alphonsus  
 11:00 am — Tom Begeske — *Family*  
 George Freehauf — *Ralph & Bonnie Shroyer*  
 Eleonora Burian — *Jarmila Batovki*  
 5:00 pm — Parishioners of St. Alphonsus Parish  
 (Mass at St. Patrick Church)

## Monday, December 14

7:30 am — Edward Dudek — *Marie Cannon Dudek*  
 Robert Coleman — *Pam & Roger Nogal*

## Tuesday, December 15

7:30 am — Michael Carbone — *Bill & MaryAnne Doherty*  
 Jack Olson — *Wife*

## Wednesday, December 16

7:30 am — Pat Urban — *Fran Urban*

## Thursday, December 17

7:30 am — Jeanette Scott — *St. Alphonsus Parish*  
 Helen Szymonik — *Family*

## Friday, December 18

7:30 am — Al Graf — *Joan Pejsa*  
 Theresa Wieder — *Dan & Gisela Rittenhouse*  
 Joan Dusatko — *Bev & Paul Malak*  
 Robert O'Connor — *Family*

## Saturday, December 19

5:00 pm — Dawn Candela — *Anne Lichtenwalter*  
 Catherine Munizzi — *Anne Lichtenwalter*  
 Rose Belline — *Piekosz Family*  
 George & Jean Kucharski — *Mary Kucharski*  
 Ronald Krell — *McGuire Family*

## Sunday, December 20

7:30 am — James Mraz — *Family*  
 Pat Slaboszewski — *Bev & Paul Malak*  
 9:00 am — Joseph Bienik — *Mark & L6ynn Odenthal*  
 Helen McElligott — *Jim & Pat McElligott & Anne Nolan*  
 Mildred & Orville Tessem — *Linn Eldred*  
 Rosaline Reed — *Linn Eldred*  
 11:00 am — Helen & Casey Galasinski — *Family*  
 James & Gordon Zezulka — *Family*  
 Jack & Loretta Schultz — *Darlene & Bob Herb*  
 5:00 pm — Parishioners of St. Alphonsus (Mass at St. Patrick Church)

**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.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The 2016 Mass book is now open.

# Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Date	Time	Lector	Ministers	Servers	Music
Dec. 19	5:00 pm	T. Griffin-Groebe	B. Rogers D. Josephitis A. Pascente	S. O'Hara C. King	Children'sl Choir
Dec. 2-	*7:30 am	B. Betley	D. Betley S. Kostas C. Kuhlman P. Malak (C) G. Umentum (C)	Kostas Family	
	9:00 am	K. Mars	L. Kerfin C. Cacciato K. Lambrakis	S. Kerfin C. Mars	Parish Choir
	11:00 am	B. McGuire	M. McGuire D. Rittenhouse G. Rittenhouse	A. Kaye I. McGuire	Keyboard & Cantor
	5:00 pm Lemont Tri-Parish Mass at St. Pat's				

\* Communion under both species

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## Gather Hymnal The Glendalough Mass Setting Seven

- Kyrie #260
- Gospel
- Acclamation #262
- Holy, Holy #263
- Memorial
- Acclamation #265 (B)
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- Lamb of God #269