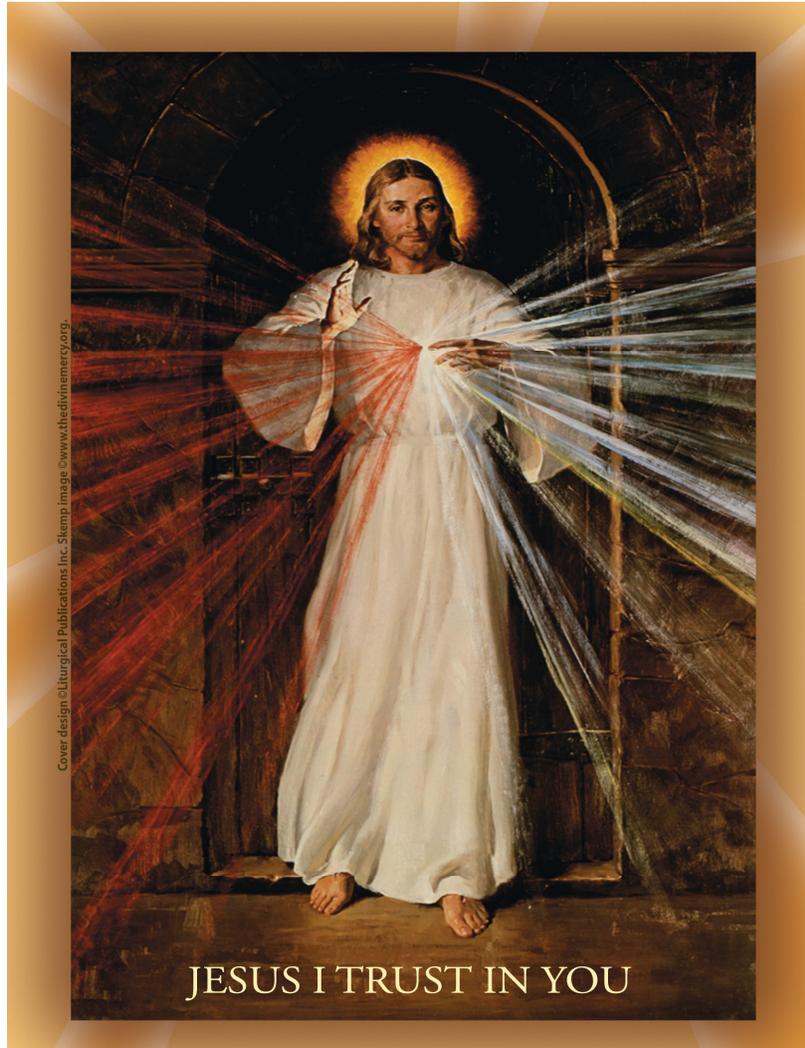


Welcome to . . .

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY *of* WEXFORD

SAINT ALPHONSUS & SAINT ALEXIS

Connecting our Mission, Growing Our Faith



Sunday Mass Times

4:00 p.m. Saint Alexis (Saturday Anticipated Mass)
7:30 a.m. Saint Alphonsus
9:30 a.m. Saint Alphonsus
10:00 a.m. Saint Alexis
11:30 a.m. Saint Alphonsus
5:00 p.m. Saint Alexis

Weekday Mass Schedule

8:00 a.m. Saint Alexis (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday)
9:00 a.m. Saint Alphonsus (Wednesday)
12:00 p.m. Saint Alphonsus (Monday, Wednesday, Friday)

APRIL 28, 2019

DIVINE MERCY
SUNDAY

FROM FATHER ZYWAN . . .

ALLELUIA!

REFLECTING THE GLORY OF EASTER

Thanks to *everyone* who helped make the Holy Triduum celebrations so meaningful and powerful! The fruits of your collective works helped to make our celebration of Easter memorable.

Thank you to those who served as ministers of hospitality: **Greeters, Parking Attendants** and **Ushers**. Your service is critical in creating an atmosphere of welcome to all who join us for worship – new guests and long standing members alike.

Thanks to the liturgical ministers: **Readers, Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** and **Altar Servers**. Your service enables us to do the most important thing we are called to do – form and serve a Eucharistic community offering our active and genuine praise to our God.

Thank you to all who lead us in music: the **Children's Choir, Traditional Choirs, Hand Bell Choirs, cantors** and **instrumentalists** under the direction of Mrs. Mary Heagy at Saint Alphonsus and Mr. Christopher Brewer at Saint Alexis. Your love of sacred music moves hearts and inspires minds to experience the presence of the Lord in our midst and raise our souls to heaven. Alleluia!

Thanks to all who **helped in decorating** Saint Alphonsus and Saint Alexis churches. You provide a "*feast for the eyes*" which is of itself a form of evangelization proclaiming the glory and wonder of God's creative nature.

Thank you to all who work behind the scenes, seldom seen for what you do and yet your labors of love are indispensable to life of every parish. Those who generously give of themselves by **laundering altar linens, replacing candles, cleaning the church** and serving as **sacristans**. Your tireless efforts do not go unnoticed by parishioners and the Lord. Thank you for your witness of what love means in so many ordinary but meaningful ways at our spiritual homes.

And finally, **THANK YOU** to the many **generous benefactors** within our community who provide the resources for the beautiful flowers and decorations during these holy days and to accomplish all that we do throughout the year in the name of Jesus.

May the service and commitment of so many serve as a model to everyone of what it means to *not just go to church*, but **BE CHURCH** for one another. May God be praised in all that we do. Happy Easter!

A PRODUCTION WELL DONE!



Thanks to everyone who participated in this year's presentation of "**Make Us Believers**," a dramatization of the Passion narrative written by Bob Summers. The two presentations included a cast of 81 members. In addition, 21 volunteers served as directors, musicians, stage hands, and assistants with sound, lighting, costumes, greeters, ticket sales, hospitality, and publicity. *Amazing!* Volunteers

represented the following parishes and faith communities: Saint Alphonsus, Saint Athanasius, Good Samaritan, Ss. John and Paul, Saint Kilian, Saint Mary of the Assumption, Saint Richard, Saint Teresa of Avila, Saint Andrew Byzantine, Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox, Orchard Hill Church, and Northway Christian Community. Special thanks to Mary Heagy, Music Director at Saint Alphonsus, who coordinated this event and served as a musician and one of the directors.

Guests were inspired by the performance and the message that was heralded. Thank you again and congratulations to all who had a role in this year's production. It was a gift to our community and a powerful example of what we can do when we work together in the name of the Lord!

THANK YOU FOR MAKING A MEANINGFUL DIFFERENCE

Each year, the annual **Pontifical Good Friday Collection** is

mandated by the Holy Father to be taken in every Catholic parish throughout the world. Supporting the Church in the Holy Land is a historic mission. Since the time of Saint Paul, who urged his missionary Churches not to forget the needs of the Church in Jerusalem, Christians worldwide have understood the responsibility to support the land where Jesus walked.

This collection continues to sustain Christianity in the Holy Land. With your support, you partner with the Franciscans and other ministers in parishes, provide formation and education to children and their families, rebuild homes and feed the hungry. The sacred shrines in the Holy Land are maintained so pilgrims can continue to walk in the places made holy by the footsteps of Jesus. And in these times of war and instability, you help provide humanitarian need.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this meaningful collection. Through your generosity, a gift totaling **\$6,785** from parishioners of Saint Alphonsus and Saint Alexis will be directed to Pope Francis to help make a difference in the lives of those Christians who continue to live, work, and pray in the Holy Land. May God bless you for your generosity a hundred-fold!



EASTER KINDNESS!



A sincere *thank you* to parishioners for the many expressions of love and kindness extended to us, your priests, at Easter. To all who offered prayers, greeting cards, Easter foods and delicious baked goods – *we thank you!* Your thoughtfulness bears witness to the love of Jesus who continues to live in and among us.

May the Risen Lord bless you and yours abundantly during the Easter season and throughout the year!

Fr. Zywan & Fr. Joe

LOVE

To *love* is learning to follow Christ with others.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

The Catholic Community of Wexford wishes to extend sympathy to those who mourn the loss of a loved one, especially the soul who recently passed through death:



Constantino Morreale, father of Vince (Mary) Morreale and grandfather of Serena, Michaela, Vincent and Liana Ray Rossman. May the choirs of angels welcome him and where Lazarus is poor no longer, may he find eternal rest.

A PRAYER FOR DIVINE MERCY

O Lord, behold here before You
 a soul who exists in this world
 in order to allow You to exercise Your admirable mercy
 and manifest it before heaven and earth.
 Others may glorify You through their faithfulness
 and perseverance, thus making evident
 the power of Your grace.
 How sweet and generous You are to those
 who are faithful to You!
 Nevertheless, I will glorify You
 by acquainting others of Your goodness to sinners
 and by reminding them that Your mercy
 is above all malice, that nothing can exhaust it,
 and that no relapse, no matter how shameful or criminal,
 should allow the sinner to despair of forgiveness.
 I have offended You grievously, O Beloved Redeemer,
 but it would be still worse if I were to offend You
 by thinking that You were lacking in goodness to forgive me.
 I would rather He deprive me of everything else
 than the trust I have in Your Mercy.
 Should I fall a hundred times
 or should my crimes be a hundred times worse
 that they actually are,
 I would continue to trust in Your mercy.
 Amen.

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK

We entrust to the care of Christ the Divine Physician, those members of our parish families of Saint Alphonsus and Saint Alexis Parishes who are in need of healing in body, mind or spirit, especially:

Brian Bart	Doreen Johnson	Larry Sampietro
Joe Borza	Sandra Johnson	Sarah Sestric
David Brunner	Kay Lang	Janice Spowal
Jeannie Bukauskas	John Long	Marian Stack
Emma Bullick	Eugene Mancino	Jackie Straw
Kathy Carlin	Lachlan McConnell	J. T. Taiclet
Marian Delisi	Jim McCourt	Mary Ann Taiclet
Ana Dzolic	Ron Mehok	Richard Tomczak
Karlo Franjko	Mary Ann Meinert	Paul Turnley
Nancy Greer	Linda Miele	Marci Williams
Dcn. Al Heiles	John Mullen	Prayer Shawl
Betty Hnat	Ray Obringer	Recipients
David Jenka	Eddie Penco	

If you know of a parishioner or have a loved one who is ill, please contact the Parish Center and let us know. We will place that person's name on the prayer list for **four weeks**. Intentions may return to the list upon monthly requests. Contact the Parish Center at 724.935.4343 to add a loved one onto the list.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

First Reading — A large number of people gathered, bringing the sick, and all were cured (Acts 5:12-16).

Psalm — Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting (Psalm 118).

Second Reading — Do not be afraid. I am the first and the last, the one who lives (Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19).

Gospel — The risen Christ comes to his disciples with peace and the Spirit. The absent Thomas doubts (John 20:19-31).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Acts 4:23-31-37; Ps 2:1-4, 7-9; Jn 3:1-8
- Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15
- Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21 or (for the memorial) Gn 1:26 — 2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Ps 90:2-4, 12-14, 16; Mt 13:54-58
- Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36
- Friday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14
- Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21
- Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; Rev 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 [1-14]

SAINT ALPHONSUS AND SAINT ALEXIS

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

KICKOFF!

BRING
FRIENDS

EAT
FOOD

PLAY
GAMES

WIN
PRIZES

**APRIL
28TH**

6:30-8:30PM

"NEW YOUTH ROOM"

LOCATED AT ST. ALEXIS CAMPUS.
THE CORNER ROOM OF SCHOOL
WITH GLASS WALL NEAR
PLAYGROUND. LOOK FOR SIGNS.

EMAIL LIFETEEN@STALEXIS.ORG FOR MORE INFO

SAINT ALPHONSUS INFORMATION

THIS WEEK AT SAINT ALPHONSUS

MASS INTENTIONS

<p>Divine Mercy Sunday, April 28 7:30 a.m. Mass 9:30 a.m. Mass with Children's Liturgy of the Word 10:30 a.m. Children's Choir practice in church 11:30 a.m. Mass Baptism of Alley McMinn</p> <p>Monday, April 29 12:00 p.m. Mass 6:00 p.m. Religious Education classes in school 6:00 p.m. Men's Fellowship in cafeteria 7:30 p.m. RCIA meets at Panera in Wexford</p> <p>Tuesday, April 30 8:00 a.m. Instrumentalists practice in church</p> <p>Wednesday, May 1 9:00 a.m. School Mass 12:00 p.m. Mass 12:30-8:00 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7-8:00 p.m. Reconciliation 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir practice in rectory basement</p> <p>Thursday, May 2</p> <p>Friday, May 3 8:00 a.m. Sanctuary Committee in church</p> <p>Saturday, May 4</p> <p>Sunday, May 5 7:30 Mass 9:30 a.m. Mass with First Communion and Children's Liturgy of the Word 11:30 a.m. Mass with First Communion</p>
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	Sunday, April 28
7:30 a.m.	† George Lyons, Jr. <i>by Joan Willison</i>
9:30 a.m.	† Richard Paolini <i>by Bob & Nancy Paolini</i>
11:30 a.m.	Living and Deceased of Saint Alexis and Saint Alphonsus
	Monday, April 29
12:00 p.m.	Spiritual & Corporal Welfare of Donald Trump <i>by Theresa Visconti</i>
	Tuesday, April 30—No Masses
	Wednesday, May 1
9:00 a.m.	† Twila Miller <i>by Don and Carolyn Gaus</i>
12:00 p.m.	† Lillian Kimmel <i>by Helen Wessel and Family</i>
	Thursday, May 2—No Masses
	Friday, May 3
12:00 p.m.	† Lisa Marie McCourt <i>by Dennis McCourt</i>
	Saturday, May 4—No Masses
	Sunday, May 5
7:30 a.m.	† George Lyons, Jr. <i>by Midge & Jim Elser</i>
9:30 a.m.	† Brenda Corcoran <i>by Shenot Family</i>
11:30 a.m.	† Alice and James Pegher Frantz <i>by Janet Senita Thomas</i>

Income: April 8 through April 14, 2019

	Regular	Electronic	Total
Offertory	\$ 9,611	\$ 3,704	\$ 13,315
Parish Share	\$ 3,090	\$ 411	\$ 3,501
School	\$ 0	\$ 105	\$ 105
Major Maintenance	\$ 22	\$ 120	\$ 142
Good Friday	\$ 526	\$ 51	\$ 577
Holy Days	\$ 165	\$ 8	\$ 173
Flowers	\$ 55	\$ 20	\$ 75
Future Diocesan Collection	\$ 12	\$ 19	\$ 31
Holy Thursday for Needy	\$ 49	\$ 0	\$ 49
Votives	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
TOTAL	\$ 13,530	\$ 4,438	\$ 17,968

Parish Share Assessment: \$ 99,942 Collected: \$ 22,090

Offertory for Holy Week and Easter will be reported in next weekend's bulletin.

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Saint Alexis - Vollen Anderson Long, LLC

Please patronize our sponsors or at least, be sure to thank them when you have the opportunity to do so. It is through their support that our weekly bulletin is made possible!

May God bless all our benefactors!



If anyone would like to send a card and well wishes to Deacon Al, his address is:

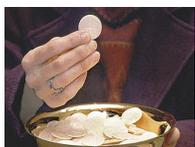
Deacon Al Heiles
P.O. Box 307
Wexford, PA 15090

SAINT ALEXIS INFORMATION

MASS INTENTIONS

6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	MONDAY, April 29 Handbell Choir Support Group		Saturday, April 27 - Saturday within the Octave of Easter
		4:00 p.m.	First Holy Communicants
			Sunday, April 28 - Divine Mercy Sunday
		10:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	First Holy Communicants † Norbert Zawadzki - The Dills Family
			Monday, April 29 - Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
		8:00 a.m.	† Frieda Boss - Alexis Manor Residents
			Tuesday, April 30 – Saint Pius V, Pope
		8:00 a.m.	† Mary Pat Kummer - Don and Carolyn Gaus
			Wednesday, May 1 - Saint Joseph the Worker
			No Mass
			Thursday, May 2 - Saint Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
		8:00 a.m.	† The Deceased Members of the Parry and Lukacs Families - Bob and Rita Parry
			Friday, May 3 - Sts. Philip and James, Apostles
		8:00 a.m.	† Charles A. Beck - Pete and Luanne Shrader
			Saturday, May 4 - Easter Weekday
		8:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m.	† Russell and Janet Brown - Bob and Virginia McLaughlin † Gilda Stock - Fred and Jan Stock
			Sunday, May 5 - Third Sunday of Easter
		10:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	† Paul Seabolt - Terrence and Sandra Seabolt † For the Living and Deceased Members of St. Alexis and St. Alphonsus Parishes

PRAYER FOR EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS



“Loving Father, you brought us in a new and intimate relationship with you through your son, Jesus, who tells us: “This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.” As Eucharistic Ministers, help us to treat others as we would treat Jesus. Let us welcome one another and serve one another with all the kindness, respect and generosity that we would offer Christ.”

OFFERTORY - APRIL 14, 2019

Envelopes	\$ 8,162.77
Faith Direct	\$ 7,548.51
Loose Money	\$ 904.25
Total	\$ 16,615.03
Weekly Operating Expenses	\$ 19,350.00
Surplus (Shortfall)	\$ (2,734.97)
2019 Parish Share	
Parish Share Donations to date	\$ 85,024.51

Offertory for Holy Week and Easter will be reported in next weekend's bulletin.

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE: MAY 4 - 5, 2019

Mass Time	Extraordinary Ministers	Reader 1	Reader 2	Altar Servers	Cantor
4:00 p.m.	R. Negle, J. Schuler, M. Schuler, M. Schuler, T. Parker, B. Busi, C. Reid, M. Dornburg, D. Mascari	J. Schon	D. Bartlett	A. Ricci, P. Ricci	D. Scotto
10:00 a.m.	L. Klingman, J. Birsic, R. Reiger, M. Stalder, G. Quatchak, P. Quatchak D. Lersch	G. Carrico	G. Lersch	L. Haught, J. Veres, J. Catanzaro	B. Maloney M. Newcomer

SAINT ALPHONSUS AND SAINT ALEXIS NEWS

WHAT DOES GOD SAY?

By: *Dave VanVickle, Director for Evangelization*

"I just wish I could hear God." "I just wish God would tell me His plan for my life." "I just feel like I cannot hear the Lord right now" If I had a dime for every time I heard some variation of these phrases I would be a very wealthy man. I think we all would like to have a special phone in our house that we could pick up and use it to communicate with God. Over the next few weeks I want to examine the idea of listening to God from a few different ways.

If I told you that God speaks definitively and concretely in two places what would you say? I bet you would be excited. Well the truth is we cannot get more clear or definitive than the way God speaks in Scripture and Tradition. Each day we could listen to the definitive Word of God by reading the Bible and the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Just a chapter day from the bible and a paragraph a day from the catechism could change our lives because we are hearing from the definitive word of God. This may not be the words of God you are looking for but this is how we learn to recognize his voice. If we meet him each day by reading scripture and revealed tradition we will start to recognize his voice in other places. What does God say? The answer lies within these two books.

Next week we will talk about how to distinguish God's voice from the countless other voices out there. Remember God is speaking and as His children we must listen!

So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to me void, but it shall accomplish what I please, and it shall prosper *in the thing* for which I sent it.



WEEKLY FISH FRY RESULTS

3/6/19 - Ash Wednesday

We served a total of 650
All were Take-out

3/08/19

We served a total of
1,709 meals
Take out = 1,151
Dine-in Adults = 454
Dine-in Kids = 84

3/15/19

We served a total of
1,968 meals
Take out = 1,289
Dine-in Adults = 603
Dine-in Kids = 76

3/22/19

We served a total of
1,878 meals
Take out = 1,116
Dine-in Adults = 670
Dine-in Kids = 92

3/29/19

We served a total of
1,834 meals
Take out = 1,077
Dine-in Adults = 678
Dine-in Kids = 70

4/5/19

We served a total of
1,782 meals
Take out = 1,026
Dine-in Adults = 681
Dine-in Kids = 75

4/12/19

We served a total of
1,678 meals
Take out = 1,068
Dine-in Adults = 544
Dine-in Kids = 66

4/19/19

We served a total of
1,904 meals
Take out = 1,142
Dine-in Adults = 694
Dine-in Kids = 68

2019 TOTALS

We served a total of
13,212 meals
Take out = 8,338
Dine-in Adults = 4,343
Dine-in Kids = 531

Look for total profit listed in
upcoming bulletin.



UPCOMING WEDDING

BANNES I:

Michelle A. Nickel,
Saint Alphonsus Parish
and
Ryan D. Kramer
Mother of Sorrows

Wedding is at Saint Alexis Church



LADIES OF CHARITY



Thank you Saint Alexis for your generosity! We were able to help 12 families with several boxes of food for each and 18 Easter baskets for the children. There were canned goods given to *Jesus in Disguise*. "My God!

What a wonderful title and what a beautiful description....

Servants of the Poor! It is the same as saying ***Servants of Jesus Christ***, for He regards, as done to Himself what is done to them. What did He do while on earth but serve the poor?

~ Saint Vincent de Paul

ADORATION OFFERED ON WEDNESDAYS AND FIRST FRIDAYS

The Catholic Community of Wexford invites you to Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesdays at Saint Alphonsus Parish and first Fridays at Saint Alexis Parish.



Adoration on **Wednesdays begins at 12:30 p.m.** (immediately after the noon Mass) and closes at 8 p.m. Confessions are offered between 7 and 8 p.m. Saint Alphonsus is located at 201 Church Road in Wexford.

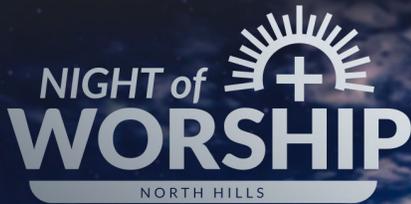
Adoration on **first Fridays** at Saint Alexis begins at **8:30 a.m.** (immediately after the 8 a.m. Mass) and ends at 6:30 p.m. Saint Alexis is located at 10090 Old Perry Highway in Wexford. All are welcome and encouraged to come spend time in the Eucharistic presence of Christ.

NORTH HILLS NIGHT OF WORSHIP

Night of Worship, a collaboration of parishes in the North Hills, will rotate hosting a Night of Worship. It will include Adoration, a Catholic speaker, and Praise and Worship music. It is an all ages event.

We invite you to a Night of Worship at Saint Alexis on **Thursday, May 9, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.** This is for all ages. Dave VanVickle will be speaking on the theme of "Be Not Afraid" with Fr. Joe Freedy presiding for Adoration. Join us as we step further into the love of God, singing his praises, and growing closer to one another as brothers and sisters in Christ.

ADORATION / SPEAKER / WORSHIP



NIGHT of WORSHIP
NORTH HILLS

MAY 9, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Catholic Community of Wexford
@ Saint Alexis Church

Speaker:
Dave Van Vickle

SAINT ALPHONSUS MEN'S FELLOWSHIP MEETING OF APRIL 1, 2019 ~by Dick Heilman

The Saint Alphonsus Men's Fellowship met this past April Fools Day, but the topic was anything but a joke. Our Signpost Workbook topic was **Giving Oneself: The Sexuality of a Man**. The workbook reading communicated that "As a man and woman are made in God's image, so a child is made in the image of the father and mother." We reveled in the thought that God shares his ability to create life with us. We are called to be God-like and God give us this gift, through which we are most like Him and therefore must be respectful of the life-giving act and keep it pure. The readings from 1 Corinthians's 7:3-5, "Advice to the Married" and Ephesian's 5:25-31, "Wives and Husbands," were of course familiar, but took on additional meaning when viewed in light of our sharing and discussion as Catholic men. The Catechism readings on the subject, 372, 2361-2363, and 2366-2370 and 2369, gave further clarity on the Church's teachings about sex and procreation.

One of the questions asked in the Signposts workbook asked what points you would make if you were asked to give a talk on chastity to a group of teenagers. Since several of our Fellowship have children or grandchildren in this age group, the question hit close to home. Much of that discussion focused on reading Saint John Paul II's "Theology of the Body" and using it to reach teens with the **Why** behind the Catholic Church's doctrines about sex and holding this sacred act for marriage. A great way to be introduced to the Theology of the Body is through Father Joe Freedy's and Father Adam Potter's talk **Becoming the One and the Path to the Good Life**, based in part on JP II's teachings. They teamed up last Monday, April 8 to present it at Saints John and Paul and will most likely offer it again in the near future, so be on the lookout for where and when in the bulletin.

Fellowship continues over food and drink at Cenci's. All men from both parishes are invited to attend. If the morning is your preferred time for getting together in a Spirit-filled way with your fellow Catholic men, please consider the Wednesday Men's Fellowship, which meets every Wednesday morning at 6:45 a.m. at Saint Alexis and the Road to Emmaus group which gathers every other weekend on Saturday at 8:30 a.m.

REGISTER NOW FOR SMALL GROUPS!



Socialize with other Catholics, learn more about your faith, and strengthen your prayer life.

What's a Small Group?

Small Groups are where our large church gets small. Groups consist of six to eight couples or 12 to 16 individuals who meet to discuss faith, go deeper in the weekly message, and support one another in their relationship with Christ.

Small Groups are a great place to explore, ask questions and grow. They get together weekly for about 90 minutes of social time, study and prayer. Discussion materials and support will be offered by Saint Alexis but your group will function independently according to what works best for you. All are welcome to join! Register at stalexis.org.

ON MISSION

Peace Be With You

When Jesus appears to his Apostles after his resurrection from the dead he bestowed upon them the gift they needed most: his peace. The Apostles were afraid. Their master and teacher, Jesus, had been betrayed by one of them, arrested and brutally killed by crucifixion and they were terrified that they would meet the same fate, and soon. Yet, this peace was not an invitation to sit back and relax. Instead, this peace is followed by the request of Jesus, "as the Father has sent me, so I send you," and the sharing of the gift of the Holy Spirit so that the Apostles can begin to go out and continue the mission of Christ in the world. As we continue to celebrate Easter and the gift of new life in the resurrection, we are at peace knowing that we need no longer fear sin or death. At the same time, we are called, like the Apostles, to fulfill the mission of Jesus through the Church. This is the call of On Mission for The Church Alive! that continues in earnest. May the Lord bestow his grace and peace upon us so that we may be willing to work hard to enliven our parishes and grow the Church. Visit onmissionchurchalive.org to learn more and to stay informed.





BLESSED FRANCIS SEELOS ACADEMY



Blessed Francis Seelos Academy Kennywood Day

THURSDAY JUNE 13, 2019

PTG has made the arrangements with Kennywood Park for the advance purchase of Fun Day Passes for BFSAs families and friends at the following rate:

**REGULAR FUNDAY PASS
(46" and taller) = \$28.00**

Ticket Info: Senior and Super Senior Funday Passes can be purchased at the Gate or in advance online at www.kennywood.com. 3 years and under are FREE. Tickets will be valid any operating day in May, June or September and weekdays in July or August. The tickets will have a \$10 surcharge if used on a Saturday or Sunday in July or August.

Park Info: Gates open at 10:30 a.m. and rides begin at 11:00 a.m. The Park will close at 10:00 p.m. Picnic coolers may be brought into the Park- use the second entrance to drop off coolers.

**Our Pavilion is #4 located
in the Jack Rabbit Picnic Groves.**

Order Deadline: Friday April 26

Please make checks payable to BFSAs PTG. Send the check and completed form to the school office in an envelope marked "Kennywood Day." Contact Gina Liberati with any questions. gpliberati@mac.com or 724.759.4758.

Seelos Academy Spirit Night

Thursday, May 9, 2019 • 5:00pm - 8:00pm



Join us for food and fun. Come support Seelos Academy and 15% of sales will be donated accordingly.



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12101 Perry Highway
cfarestaurant.com/Wexford
[facebook.com/Cfawexford](https://www.facebook.com/Cfawexford)

FORENSICS WINNERS

The Seelos Academy forensics season was very successful. The team finished in 5th place overall for the diocese and Caroline Marschke, an 8th grader, won 1st place for drama. Five novice students participated at the April 6 tournament at Christ the Divine Teacher Academy. Christopher Ramaley placed a first and a second for drama, Julia Chrobak placed a third and a third for drama, Zach Moats placed a second and a third for prose, Anastasia Davis place a third and a third for prose and Abby Dudkowski placed third and a third for Declamation.

LET'S SUPPORT BLESSED SEELOS ACADEMY

Did you know you can help support Blessed Francis Seelos Academy every time you shop at Giant Eagle, Walmart, Target, even when you eat at Eat 'n Park, Chick-fil-A, and Starbucks? We have a simple way to do so that costs you nothing more than a quick stop in either the preschool office at the Saint Alexis campus or the elementary school office at the Saint Alphonsus campus. By making a quick stop in either location you can purchase gift cards to all of your favorite stores and restaurants.

These purchases directly benefit either the school or if you are a school family gift card purchases can be directly applied to your tuition. If you have any questions please email Sue Dudkowski at giftcards@seelosacademy.org.

Gift Cards make great gifts!



NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

OVER 50 UPCOMING EVENT

May 14 at 1:00 p.m. - **Handwriting analysis.** Contact Rose Scheller for more information at 724.728.2563.

OVER 50 BUS TRIP



The Saint Alexis Over 50 Club will be taking a bus tour to Bedford Springs Resort on **June 5**.

Step back into history by seeing beautiful covered bridges, learning about historic buildings and having lunch at the world famous "Omni Bedford Springs Hotel." You will have the opportunity to shop in some quaint shops and visit Gravity Hill, where water actually runs uphill! Cost is \$87 per person. For more information, contact Dave at 412.366.3789.

NORTH HILLS CHORALE CONCERT

The North Hills Chorale will present a concert entitled "Sing Me to Heaven" on **Saturday, May 4 at 7:00 p.m.**, and **Sunday, May 5 at 3:00 p.m.**, in the Visitation Chapel at Kearns Spirituality Center, 9000 Babcock Boulevard, Allison

Park, 15101. Free-will offerings accepted. More information is available at www.nhchorale.com.

NHCO COLLECTING SPRING CLEANING SUPPLIES

North Hills Community Outreach is collecting Spring Cleaning supplies for distribution to the families who use its three food pantries. Items are appreciated by June 7, but are accepted year round. Items needed include new, unopened: laundry detergent, antibacterial wipes, all-purpose cleaner, toilet bowl cleaner, dish detergent, pack of sponges, paper towels and canvas shopping bags. Low-income families cannot use SNAP benefits to purchase cleaning supplies in retail stores so these items are greatly appreciated.

Please donate Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at any NHCO office, including NHCO Allison Park, 1975 Ferguson Road, Hampton, or in the Allison Park food pantry behind the main building **9:00 a.m. to noon** the first Saturday of each month (**May 4 and June 1**), or call 412.487.6316 option #1 to make alternative arrangements.

DIOCESAN NEWS

WEEKEND RETREAT FOR POST ABORTION HEALING



Rachel's Vineyard, a weekend designed to heal the emotional and spiritual wounds of abortion, will be held **May 17 through 19**, at The Ark and The Dove. In a confidential and supportive atmosphere Rachel's Vineyard demonstrates God's love, compassion, and forgiveness to women and men struggling in abortion's aftermath. To

register or for more information, contact Toni Jester at 412.352.5348 or toniafj1@comcast.net.

DIVORCED AND SEPARATED SUPPORT GROUP

The Divorced and Separated support group sponsored by Sts. John & Paul parish will begin its next 13-week cycle of meetings on **Monday, May 6**. This peer-led group provides caring support to anyone who is experiencing the pain of separation or divorce. Topics covered include: anger, loneliness, annulment, forgiveness, financial survival and more. Meetings are on Monday evenings from **7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.** and will be held at Sts. John & Paul Church in Rooms 8 & 9 in the lower Cardinal DiNardo Center. For more information, contact Ralph Joy at 412.741.5456 or ralph.r.joy@gmail.com.

IRELAND PILGRIMAGE

Travel with Fr. Terry O'Connor: In partnership with the Pittsburgh Catholic, Fr. Terry O'Connor, Administrator of St. Angela Merici, Corpus Christi, St. Patrick, and St. Robert Bellarmine Parishes, is leading a pilgrimage to Ireland in 2019. Ireland is steeped in our Catholic faith. Visits include: Dublin, Armagh, Belfast, Knock Shrine, Galway, Cliffs of Moher, Dingle, Killarney, Ring of Kerry, Blarney, Rock of Cashel, and more. We will walk in the footsteps of St. Patrick, St. Brigit, St.



Brendan, St. Kevin, St. Malachy, and others. We will have daily Mass in amazing churches. The dates are **June 11 to 20**. The price is \$4,299 per person based on double occupancy in specially selected hotels. Includes round trip airfare from Pittsburgh. Breakfasts and dinners are also included. You can request a roommate and Unitours will try to accommodate you. For itinerary and to book online, visit www.bit.ly/CatholicIreland2019 or contact Marianna at Unitours at 800.777.7432 or mpisano@unitours.com.

The Chimbote Foundation's
15th Annual Golf Outing
Monsignor Roos Memorial

Monday, June 3, 2019
South Hills Country Club

MEMORIAL MASS — 10:00 A.M.
REGISTRATION — 10:30 A.M.
LUNCH — 11:00 A.M.
SHOTGUN START — 12:30 P.M.
COCKTAILS — 5:30 P.M.
DINNER — 6:30 P.M.

SAVE THE DATE
Prizes, 50/50 Raffle, and Mulligans
Awards immediately following dinner

Online Registration Opens April 1st

All Proceeds Benefit
The Chimbote Foundation
www.chimbotefoundation.org
412-456-3085

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Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

JOIN US!

To become a registered member of the parish family, please visit our website at www.stalexis.org or at www.SaintAlphonsusWexford.org. Introduce yourself to us at Mass!

RECONCILIATION

Saint Alexis: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, Saturday - 7:30 a.m.-7:55 a.m. Saturday - 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Saint Alphonsus: Wednesday 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

PRAYER

Eucharistic Adoration

Saint Alphonsus: Wednesday 12:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Saint Alexis: First Friday of every month from 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Prayer Ministry- To initiate a request on the email prayer chain for urgent prayers contact the following people:

Saint Alexis - Barb Busi at 412.366.4829

Saint Alphonsus - Norma Heyl at 724.935.1094 or Jo Labrise at 724.935.3826.

If you would like to be a part of this important ministry to pray for others, please contact them.

MARRIAGE

Arrangements must be made with a priest at least six months in advance of the desired wedding date.

HOLY ORDERS

For information about the priesthood or the vowed religious life, please contact Fr. Zywan or the Vocation Office of the diocese at 412.456.3131 or visit pghpriest.org.

BAPTISM

Celebrated on Sundays at 11:15 a.m. at Saint Alexis or at 12:45 p.m. at Saint Alphonsus by appointment. Arrangements should be made through the Parish Center several months in advance. Parents need to be registered parishioners and complete a pre-baptism class before scheduling a baptism.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Communal anointing is celebrated periodically. Anyone who is anticipating surgery is encouraged to request this sacrament prior to being admitted to the hospital. Individuals who are unable to attend Sunday Mass and want to receive the sacraments are asked to please call the Parish Center.



