

# ST. ALPHONSUS AND ST. PATRICK PARISH

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St. Alphonsus Catholic Church 605 State St., Lemont

St. Patrick Catholic Church 200 E. Illinois St., Lemont

Mass Schedule Saturday 4:00 p.m. St. Alphonsus Church

St. Alphonsus Church
Sunday 9:00 a.m.
St. Patrick Church

**Daily Mass** 

Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m., alternating monthly between worship sites

#### **Parish Office**

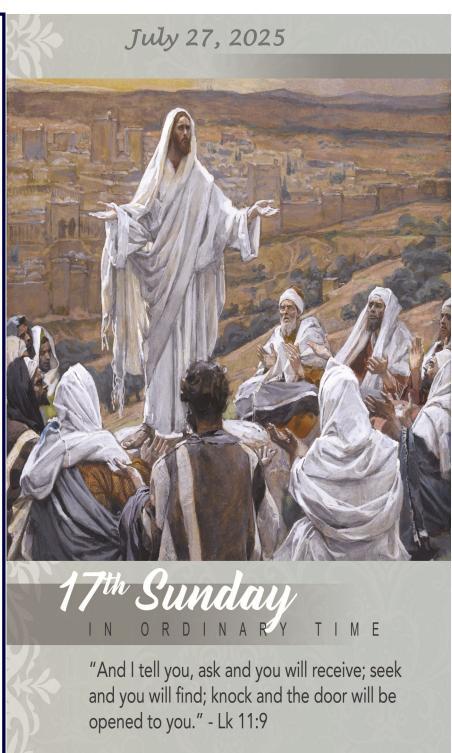
210 E. Logan St., Lemont, IL 60439 Business Hours Monday - Friday 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Parish Office 630-257-2414
Fax 630-257-2476
Website: www.stals-stpatsparish.org
E-mail: stals-lemont@comcast.net

### **Religious Education**

Located at St. Patrick Ministry Building 205 Cass St., Lemont Phone: 630-754-7277 Fax: 630-754-7278 re@st-als.org

**St. Alphonsus - St. Patrick School** 20 W 145 Davey Rd., Lemont 630-783-2220 Fax 630-783-2230



### Parish Staff

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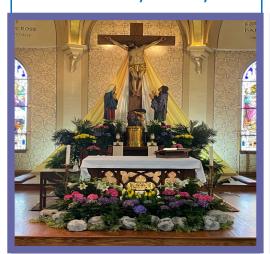
### Welcome!

We sincerely welcome you to St. Alphonsus & St. Patrick Parish! St. Alphonsus & St. Patrick is a Catholic faith community located in historic Lemont, Illinois. Our parish has been blessed with two beautiful worship sites that have been established for over 180 years.

### Our Parish Mission Statement:

As a united family of faith, St. Alphonsus & St. Patrick Parish welcomes all to communion with Jesus Christ as we answer His call to love and care for one another. We share the Good News by our words and actions.

### St. Alphonsus Church 605 State St., Lemont, IL



### Sacramental Life: Reconciliation/Confessions

Saturdays 3:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m. at St. Alphonsus Church

#### **Baptism**

Baptisms are usually celebrated on the second and third Sundays of the month. Please call the Parish Office to schedule. (Baptism Preparation Seminar is offered virtually.)

#### Marriage

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

### St. Patrick Church 200 E. Illinois St., Lemont, IL



### Sick and Homebound -Ministers of Care

Contact the Parish Office for information.

### Parish Registration

Anyone over the age of 18 should register as an adult member of our parish community. You may register online at www.stals-stpatsparish.org. or call the Parish Office for more information.

Contact Us- Parish Office 630-257-2414 www.stals-stpatsparish.org E-mail:stals-lemont@comcast.net



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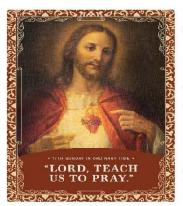
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# From Fr. Brian's Desk



# **Scripture Reflection**



Often, when priests are called to celebrate the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick or offer Last Rites, they recite several prayers. Occasionally, a person receiving the sacrament may have been uncommunicative for days or even weeks. Nevertheless, at the conclusion of the ritual, when the Lord's Prayer is recited, the sick person often tries to participate as well. Despite their weakened state, they can still offer that prayer as a sign of hope.

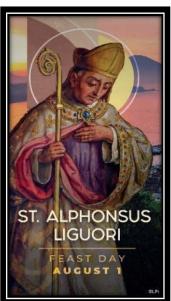
In today's Gospel, Jesus immediately follows the Our Father by proclaiming: "Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you". Let us pray that the Lord's Prayer will deepen our faith and instill unwavering hope in the face of life's challenges.

Music on the Lawn



On **Sunday, July 27**th, at **5:00 p.m.**, the St. Alphonsus and St. Patrick Music Ministry will once again host its annual *Music on the Lawn*. Our Choir Director, *Joe Martorano*, members from our St. Alphonsus & St. Patrick Choir and musicians have dedicated several weeks to prepare for this event and they are eager to share their talents. This year's theme honors the diverse musical heritage of America's 50 States. We invite you to join us to celebrate with the gift of music and song!

### Feast Day of St. Alphonsus



On **Friday, August 1**st, we commemorate the feast of one of our parish's patron saints – **St. Alphonsus Liguori**. St. Alphonsus was born in Marianella, near Naples, in Italy. During his youth, he displayed exceptional intelligence and holiness, earning a doctorate in civil and canon law at the age of 16. Feeling a calling to dedicate his life to God and the service of others, he abandoned his legal career and pursued ordination to the priesthood. He was ordained at the age of 30 in 1726.

Throughout his ministry, St. Alphonsus focused on preaching missions and retreats, trying to renew people's faith and draw them closer to the Eucharist. He often preached on the Real Presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and encouraged people to receive the Eucharist as a source of spiritual nourishment.

In 1732, Liguori founded the Redemptorists, a religious congregation dedicated to promoting devotion to the Eucharist and the Blessed Virgin Mary. In 1762, St. Alphonsus was made a bishop by Pope Clement XIII. However, a few years later, he had to resign due to his ill health. He was paralyzed from rheumatic fever in 1775 and passed away peacefully at the age of 90 in 1787.

St. Alphonsus wrote more than 100 books that have been translated through thousands of editions, and his books remain available in more than 60 languages.

His spiritual writings, particularly on the Eucharist, continue to inspire and guide the faithful worldwide. St. Alphonsus was canonized in 1839 by Pope Gregory XVI, and in 1871 he was named a Doctor of the Church. Let us give thanks for the compassion and dedication of St. Alphonsus Liquori to our faith!

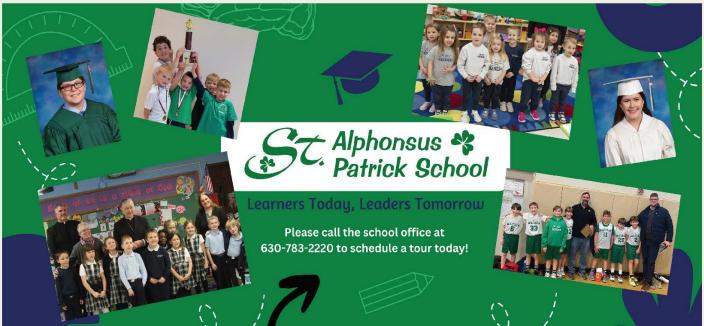
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# **SCHOOL NEWS**





FALOOZA
AT THE FORGE

LEMONT, IL
9/13/25

Alphonsus Patrick School

Check out our school's Facebook page for updates on SASPalooza and to see what's happening this school year!

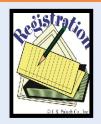
# **REGISTER TODAY!**

We have a few spots left in out Kindergarten, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> grade classrooms. Please reach out to Mrs. Bessler or Mrs. O'Neill to schedule a tour or to find our more about SASP! (630)783-2220

principal@stals-stpats.org schooloffice@stals-stpats.org

# Religious Education Update

# **Fall Registration is OPEN**



Please visit our parish website,

www.stals-stpatsparish.org, under Religious Education—Our Programs

for REGISTRATION INFORMATION and SCHEDULE.

Sessions begin October 1st and end March 18th.

Forms and payment can be mailed to, or dropped off at, the parish office located at 210 E. Logan.



If you have any questions, call the Religious Education office at 630-754-7277 or email re@st-als.org.

Please note the office has limited hours during the summer; however, all messages will be returned within a few days.

We hope you all are enjoying your summer!

# Morning Daily Mass

Monday – Friday 7:30 a.m.

Daily mass will be celebrated at
St. Patrick Church until
August 1st.

Mass will be celebrated at
St. Alphonsus church
beginning August 4th.
Please join us for prayer,

### Mass of Joy & Peace

reflection and the Eucharist.

Gloria	207
Gospel Acclamation	208
Holy, Holy, Holy	211

Memorial	
Acclamation	213 "C"
Amen	215
Lamb of God	216







SAN FRANCISCO

St. Alphonsus and St. Patrick Choir

Presents its annual
Music on the Lawn
July 27, 2025
5:00 p.m.

St. Alphonsus Church

This year we celebrate cities across

the nation in song

"This is U.S."

Scan the QR code below for the lyrics to all the songs for you to SING ALONG! Or download the document from the Parish website (under the Music Ministry tab.)







# Weekly Offering

July19th and July 20th

Sunday Collection\$ 8,992.00Give Central\$ 1,068.00Total Collections\$10,060.00

# Weekly Attendance Count

July 19th and July 20th

4:00 p.m. 214 7:30 a.m. 167 9:00 a.m. 162 11:00 a.m. 265

If you are unable to attend Mass, you can donate online at www.stals-stpatsparish.org, scan the QR code, drop off or mail your donation to the Parish Office.



You may also sign up for EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer). Please call the Parish Office for more information.

# Pope Francis: Abortion is a Betrayal of our Vocation!

"To extinguish life voluntarily in its budding is, in any case, a betrayal of our vocation, in addition to the pact that binds the generations among themselves, a pact that enables us to look ahead with hope. Where there is life, there is hope! However, if life itself is violated in its beginning, what remains is no longer the grateful and amazed reception of the gift, but rather a cold calculation of that we can dispose of. Then life is also reduced to a good of consumption, to be used for ourselves and for others, or discarded. How tragic this vision is, unfortunately, widespread and rooted, and how much suffering it causes the weakest of our brothers!" - Holv Father Praises Work of Italian Pro-Life Movement, 41st National Pro-Life Day in Italy, to be held Sunday, February 3, 2019





+LEMONT PRO LIFE MINISTRY

PREGNANT NEED HELP?
CALL WATERLEAF@630-701-6270
PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTER, JOLIET (815)744-7755



# Parish Life



Monday 07/28/2025	Tuesday 07/29/2025	Wednesday 07/30/2025	Thursday 07/31/2025	Friday 08/01/2025	Saturday 08/02/2025	Sunday 08/03/2025
<b>6:55 am</b> Rosary	<b>6:55 am</b> Rosary	<b>6:55 am</b> Rosary		<b>6:55 am</b> Rosary	3:00 pm	7:30 am Mass at
before Daily Mass	before Daily Mass	before Daily Mass	before Daily Mass	before Daily Mass	Confession	St. Alphonsus
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7:30 am Daily Mass	7:30 am Daily	<b>7:30 am</b> Daily	<b>7:30am</b> Daily	<b>7:30am</b> Daily	<b>4:00 pm</b> Mass at	9:00am Mass at
at St. Patrick	Mass at	Mass at	Mass	Mass	St. Alphonsus	St. Patrick
	St. Patrick	St. Patrick	At St. Patrick	At St. Patrick		
	8:00 am Adoration	<b>3:00pm</b> Rosarv	<b>6:30 pm</b> Hearts			<b>11:00 am</b> Mass at
	at St. Alphonsus	St. Alphonsus	Afire at St.			St. Alphonsus
	Chapel until 2pm	Chapel	Alphonsus Ministry			
			Building			
		l	6:30 pm Bell Choir			
			at St. Alphonsus			
			Church			
			7.00 mm Oh air			
			7:30 pm Choir			
			practice at the St.			
			Alphonsus Ministry			
			Building			



## EPIPHANY/GOOD SHEPHERD SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

We are collecting school supplies for the benefit of the children of our sharing parish, Epiphany/Good Shepherd. Below is a list of the supplies that are most needed.

**Expo Markers Post-it notes Reams of copy paper** 

**Wide-rule loose leaf paper** Elmer's glue sticks

2 pocket plastic folders (solid colors only, no design)

Crayola colored pencils and Crayola crayons

Ballpoint medium pens- black, blue or red

70 count solid color spiral notebooks (wide rule 1 subject)

Your contribution of supplies or a donation toward the purchase of supplies will be greatly appreciated by the children and their families. If you wish to make a financial donation, please place a separate envelope marked "School Supplies" in the collection basket. Checks should be made payable to St. Alphonsus & St. Patrick Parish.

Thank you for your continued kindness and generosity in helping support Epiphany/Good Shepherd.

If you have any questions, please call Anne at the Parish Office, 630-257-2414.



# **Buckets of Hope 2025 Campaign**

Each year, the Hope's On The Way Ministry delivers Buckets of Hope filled with emergency cleaning supplies to victims of natural disasters throughout the United States. Since 2013, we have shipped over 9,500 buckets to people stricken by hurricanes, tornadoes and floods in North Carolina, Florida, Texas, Illinois, Louisianna, and many other locations.



# **How You Can Help!**

**DONATE:** Cash or Check (made out to Hope's On The Way). Place donations into one of the special buckets at the entrances of the Churches during the month of August.

<u>PURCHASE PRODUCTS:</u> Parishioners can pick up a list of cleaning supplies after all Masses the weekends of August 2-3 and August 9-10. Purchase the cleaning supplies (typically around \$35 per list) and return the products to Church by August 17.







Thanks in advance for your generosity, Hope's On The Way Ministry

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# **ADULT CONFIRMATION**Fall 2025

The Adult Confirmation Process of the Archdiocese of Chicago is a pre-sacramental program for adults (18 and older) who have already received the Catholic sacrament of Baptism and First Holy Communion and are seeking to receive the sacrament of Confirmation

Adults who have not received the Catholic sacraments of Baptism and First Holy Communion should contact their local parish to join the OCIA process.

The Adult Confirmation sessions are offered on Zoom in English and Spanish (Flyer).

#### **Preparation Class Dates**

Wednesdays: September 17, 24, October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, November 5, 19. | 7 - 9 p.m.

#### **English Adult Confirmation Mass**

To Be Announced.

#### **Registration Process**

- 1. Registration opens on June 20, 2025
- Register here or by scanning the QR code
- 3. Pay \$100 fee (due at the time of registration)
- Registration closes September 5, 2025 at 6 p.m.
   You will receive the Zoom meeting link the week classes start.

For more information, please **visit our website**. For questions, please email

adultconfirmation@archchicago.org, or call 312.534.8351.







You are cordially invited to the

# GOLDEN JUBILEE ANNIVERSARY MASS

honoring the 50th anniversary of the priestly ordination of

### Cardinal Blase J. Cupich

Archbishop of Chicago

### Saturday, August 16, 2025 | 5:15 p.m.

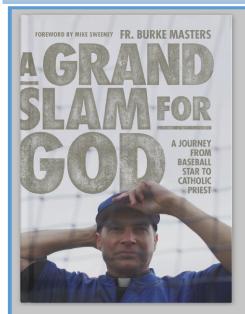
Holy Name Cathedral 735 North State Street, Chicago

Limited free parking available at One Chicago, 14 West Superior Street.

To reserve your space please scan QR code.



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## JOIN US FOR OUR NEXT PARISH BOOK CLUB MEETING!

The book selected is

#### A GRAND SLAM FOR GOD

by Fr. Burke Masters

### A journey from Baseball star to Catholic priest!

Discussion and fellowship will be held on Thursday, August 7, 2025, from 7:00-8:30pm

in the St. Alphonsus Ministry Building\*
\*NEW LOCATION\*

- ♦ If you need a copy of the book, there will be a limited supply available at Parish Office for \$20.00.
- You are welcome to bring along your favorite beverages or treats.
- To help us prepare for the evening, please RSVP to the Parish Office at 630-257-2414 or email Barb Betley at barbcarolina40@gmail.com.

Optional Service Project—Be a "clean up hitter"! Donate paper towels, sanitizing wipes or facial tissue to the Lemont Food Pantry. Drop your donations in the bins located at both church sites.

#### The Great Adventure Bible Timeline

Course by Jeff Cavins and Ascension Press is coming to Lemont!

Thursday evenings 6:30 – 8:15 PM St. Patrick Hall

205 Cass Street, Lemont, IL

24 Lessons: Sept 4-Nov 20 & Jan 8-March 26

Ages: High School and Adults

Register by August 20<sup>th</sup> and we will order your workbooks for you. \$40 per person.

Contact Coleen Mast, Evangelization Coordinator:

cmast@archchicago.org

Deacon Larry: LOskielunas1@gmail.com

Deacon Larry: 630-800-0615

Sign up here: https://signup.com/go/QJSbtsQ





# Looking for Sponsors!

We're gearing up for SASPalooza 2025—a joyful community event benefiting St. Alphonsus/St. Patrick School—and we're looking for generous sponsors to help make it happen!

If you or your business would like to support Catholic education and join in the fun, please reach out to:SASPadvancement@gmail.com

Your support helps our students, faculty, and school thrive.





# Men's Club Update



The St. Alphonsus/St. Patrick Men's Club is hosting a night at the Windy City Thunderbolts



Enjoy a private wooden pavillion with a panoramic view overlooking the field.

Your ticket includes an all you can eat buffet, soda and water. A MEGA FIREWORKS SHOW FOLLOWS THE GAME **\$26.00** per person.

### TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

Tickets will be on sale after all masses today. You can email saspmensclub@gmail.com to reserve your tickets.



**OUTDOOR PARISH PICNIC** ST. ALPHONSUS **GROUNDS** 



**SUNDAY SEPTEMBER** 14TH **AFTER** 11:00AM MASS



### "TO EVERYTHING THERE IS A SEASON AND A TIME FOR EVERY PURPOSE UNDER HEAVEN."

"A Time to be Born through Baptism" Gwendolyn Elizabeth Fischer, child of Blake Fries and Addison Fischer Harper Rose Blackburn, child of Sean and Catherine Blackburn Annabelle Davoren Blackburn, child of Sean and Catherine Blackburn Amara Eve Zavala, child of Sergio Zavala and Emma Kersey Violet Kathryn Burke, child of William and Chelsea Burke

Scan the QR code for

more information.

"A Time to Love in Holy Matrimony"

"A Time to Die" -

To all the military and innocent civilians who have died in war. Please keep all these listed, and their families, in your prayers.

# ass Intentions

Saturday, July 26 Wednesday, July 30 4:00pm Gertrude Smith-Kucharski Family 7:30am Regina Madeja-Paul Malak Sylvestra Stepien-The Stepien Family Dolores Hollman-Friend Rose Domanski-Diane Mary Kucharski-Gertrude Smith's Daughters Thursday, July 31 Helen Perini-Barb & Doug 7::30am Sunday, July 27 Bev Malak-Paul Malak 7:30am Parishioners of St. Alphonsus & St. Patrick Parish Phyllis Josephitis-Family Friday, August 1 Sue Hren-Paul Malak 9:00am Joseph Tinoco-Tinoco Family Bev Malak-The Madeja Family Joe Ricken-Gisela & Dan Rittenhouse Saturday, August 2 Christopher Mather-Father Parishioners of St. Alphonsus & St. Patrick Parish 9:00am 4:00pm Wayne Rice-Donna Rice Louis Skowronski-Judie & Joe Ann Tietz-Barb & Brian Osborne Helen Persak-Donna & James Berent Kal Lawrence-The Hopkins Family Dennis Berent-Donna & James Berent Sunday, August 3 7:30am Ursula Ritter-Family 11:00am Raymond Seago-Loving Wife Sue Santarelli-Malak Family Audrey Keenan & Zina Vucko-Family Art Danko-Rose Fidanzo Fran Berst-Paul Malak Regina C. Boland-Ministers of Care Joseph Ricken-Barb & John Koklys 9:00am Maria Fabris & Rick Nadal-Family Monday, July 28 Sara Zervos-Mary Ann & Jim Connelly 7:30am Danny Williamson-Fr. Brian Ardagh Harriet Culinovic-Paul Malak Anna & Frank Salek-The Salek Family Lukas Gudinskas-The Annarino Family Tuesday, July 29 7:30am Dolores Hollman-Friend 11:00am John Techman-Loving Family

### "Let us Pray for Healing" — Names will remain on the prayer list for two months. Please contact the office if you need to change, add, or extend a prayer request.

	Brayden Edward	Fr. Blasco Fonseca	Dcn. Joe Winblad	Kay Quinn	Walter Lis
	Jack Counter	Bob Kaufman	Fr. Lou Zake	Katie Darcy	Art Danko
	Carol Zagorski	Rita Kaufman	The Singer Family	Zach Ochromowicz	Joe Catino
	Paula Byrnes	Dan Malak	Randy Merzdorf	The Annarino Family	Nathan Kujawa
	Ed Schafer	Brynn Plachy	Marie McClafferty	Rosilind Gorski	Marek Biernacka
	Spencer Costa	Dee Sullivan	Jenny, Michael, Richard	Robert Fricka	Nancy Mica
	Joelee McMaster	Pat Bracken	and Stanley Kopera	Stanislaw Kopera	Ron Esposito, Jr.
	Greg Hoger	Carol Nenn	Pete Malewski	Mark Malewski	Diann Rinke
	Lee Villagomez	Susan Domino	Zepplyn Kilmer	Kathleen Lambrakis	Adriana Caldwell
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### "Let us Pray for all who Serve our Country"

Catarina Guimaraes-Family

Scott Bosco, USA, Kuwait Joshua Plucinski, US Air Force, Germany Eric Tucker, USA, Afghanistan ATAR Bradley Komes Capt. Daniel J Falvey SSgt. John Kenney Capt. Brittany Neubeck Nicolas McCormick, US Navy, Rota, Spain Christopher Durkovic, USA, Korea Jacob Christine, US Navy, UAE Mark Williams, II

Zacharv F. Eriksen PFC Nick Kelliher Warren Miller Chad Peters Ryan Rudman Col. Tim Jaeger, Ft. Hood, Texas Benjamin Pawlak, United States Air Force Andrew J. Bosko, Jr., Great Lakes Naval Base, IL

Maj. Leslie Rafferty Patrick Schubert

Anthony Fidanzo-Fidanzo Family

Joel Fricka-Family Norman Kwak-John Kwak



