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### The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest."

— Matthew 11:28







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### **PARISH WEEKLY CALENDAR: JULY 8 - 16, 2023**

Saturday	9:30 AM <b>4:00 PM</b> <i>Men's Welcome</i>	Corpus Christi - S.J.  Vigil Mass  Retreat Sign-up in Gather Space	
Sunday	The 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8 AM, 10 AM & 12 PM Masses Coffee & Donuts after 8 & 10 AM Masses - S.F. Men's Welcome Retreat Sign-up in Gather Space		
Monday	6:30 PM	Scouts - S.J., Blessed Seelos	
Tuesday	<b>Real V</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> 6:30 PM 6:30 PM 6:30 PM	World Youth Service Camp Communion Service / Novena Men's Scripture - C.R. Grief Support - S.C. Women of Faith - S.F.	
Wednesday	12:00 PM 6:00 PM 6:30 PM	Hospitality - C.R. K.C. #2807 Meeting - K.C. Hall King's Men - S.J.	
Thursday	6:00 PM 6:00 PM	Walking with Moms in Need Adoration Hour-Adoration Chapel RCIA Team - S.F.	
Friday	Church Offices Close at 1 PM		
Saturday	4:00 PM	Vigil Mass	
Sunday	The 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8 AM, 10 AM & 12 PM Masses 8 AM - 2 PM Blood Drive - S.F.		

### WORSHIP

Bake Sale - G.S.

### Readings for the Week - July 9 - 16

Sunday: Zec 9:9-10; Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30

Monday: Gn 28:10-22a; Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15ab; Mt 9:18-26 **Tuesday**: Gn 32:23-33; Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b & 15; Mt 9:32-38 Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a; 17-24a; Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19; Mt 10:1-7

**Thursday**: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5; Ps 105:16-17. 18-19, 20-21; Mt 10:7-15

Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40;

Mt 10:16-23

**Saturday**: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a; Ps 105: 1-2, 3-4, 6-7;

Mt 10:24-33

**Sunday**: Is 55:10-11; Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14; Rom 8:18-23;

Mt 13:1-23 or Mt 13:1-9

### WORDS OF WISDOM

"He who trusts in God can do all things." - St. Alphonsus Liguori

### **Vocation View: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Paul assures us that the Holy Spirit helps us in our weakness. Ask the Holy Spirit, then, what you are to do with your life. Is it possible you are being called to the priesthood or religious life? If you think God is calling you, contact Rev. Joshua Johnson at (225) 336-8778 or jjohnson@diobr.org.

### Flowers for the Church

Want to place flowers in the church in memory or in honor of a loved one? Contact Robin at 225-261-4650 to schedule a weekend.

### **Coffee & Donuts**

Everyone is invited to join us for Coffee & Donuts this Sunday, July 9 in the St. Francis Room after the 8 AM & 10 AM Masses.

### **Diocese Sensory-Friendly Mass**

On Sunday, July 16, at 2 PM, the Diocese of Baton Rouge will be holding their monthly Sensory-Friendly Mass at Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Catholic Church in St. Amant, LA, for individuals with special needs and their families. All are welcome. These Masses include



**SENSORY MASS** 

lower lighting, softer music, and shorter, more literal homilies. However, the biggest difference is that they offer an environment free of stigma. Families and individuals are encouraged to get up and move if needed, to bring alternative seating, fidgets, or noise cancelling headphones, and to participate in the liturgy just as they are. For questions, please contact Deacon Randall Waguespack at 225-387-0562 x 1185 or email rwaguespack@diobr.org.

# How the Holy Eucharist Shaped the Lives of Saints

### St. Tarcisius (263–275) Feast: August 15

Pope Damasus had an inscription carved on Tarcisius' tomb in the catacombs relating that he had died protecting the Eucharist. Tradition says that he was a young acolyte carrying the Eucharist to Christians in prison and was attacked by a young mob of boys who wanted to see what he was carrying. Pope Benedict XVI describes how when Tarcisius' body was recovered, "the consecrated Host which the little Martyr

had defended with his life, had become flesh of his flesh thereby forming, together with his body, a single immaculate Host offered to God." We should protect the integrity and dignity of the Eucharist with firmness and charity, especially in an age when attacks on the Holy Eucharist are becoming more frequent and intense. *Information courtesy of National Catholic Register*.



### **MASS SCHEDULE**

Weekend Masses Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM & 12:00 PM



### **Live Stream**

Sunday 10:00 AM or 12:00 PM on Facebook & YouTube

### **Daily Masses**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8:30 AM Novena on Tuesday 8:30 AM Communion Service on Wednesdays at 8:30 AM

### **Holy Day Masses**

**As Announced** 

<u>Children's Liturgy of the Word</u> For children kindergarten through second grade.

### **SACRAMENTS & RESOURCES**

### **Baptism**

Contact Robin Debetaz at the Parish Office in the early months of pregnancy for dates and preparation requirements.

### Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 PM and by appointment

### **Christian Initiation of Adults**

If interested in becoming Catholic and want more information on the process, call the Formation Office at 225-261-4644.

### **Marriage**

Contact Sara Puissegur at the Parish Office six months to one year prior to projected wedding date for information concerning preparation programs.

### **Anointing of the Sick**

You can receive this sacrament during a serious illness, before a major surgery, or for spiritual and mental healing. Contact the Parish Office for more information.

### **Funerals**

Contact Robin Debetaz at the Parish Office for arrangement information.

### **Formed**

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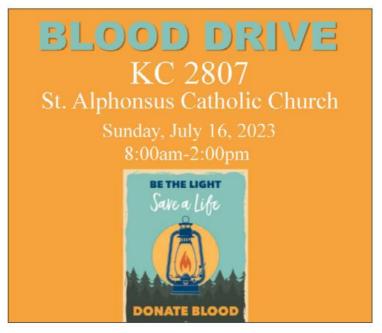
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### **OUTREACH**

### **Blood Assurance Program**

Due to the generosity of our parishioners during our quarterly Blood Drives, any parishioner needing blood can have their blood needs covered by the church. If you or someone in your family needs blood, call the Church Office at 261-4650. Let us know the person's name, date of birth, hospital (any hospital), and the amount of blood or blood products received.



# ARE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW EXPERIENCING AN UNPLANNED PREGNANCY?



If you need any help, please contact our Respect Life Officer at 225-261-4650.

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If you know someone serving in the military, please call the Church Office at 261-4650, and let us know their information.

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### **Pray for the Sick**

Please note: Names are removed after eight weeks.

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Just enter the above form number in your search engine. This form is available for print and will guide you through the process to create and practice your *Family Emergency Communications Plan*. Having your personal plan in place will make your family secure and make you better available to serve others in time of need.

If you have special needs, please contact Donna Lambert at 225-261-4650.

There is great merit in praying for the best, but there is no harm in preparing for the worst!

### **FORMATION**

### **PSR & Confirmation Registration**

Now accepting registration forms for 2023-2024 Faith Formation (PSR/CCD) and Sacramental Preparation for 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation, 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist, and Confirmation. Forms are available online on the parish website www.alphonsus.org, in the Gather Space, the Church Office, and the Faith Formation Office. Be sure to register before classes begin so materials can be ordered for your child. For further information, call the Faith Formation Office at 225-261-4644.

### Catechist, Aides, and Mentors Needed

The Faith Formation Office is looking for volunteers willing to share their faith and time with the youth of our parish. Please contact the Faith Formation Office at 261-4644. Classes and dates of classes are listed on the registration form (in Gather Space, Faith Formation Office or on our church website.)

### **Year 2 Confirmation Candidates**

This year you will need your sponsors at every meeting. Sponsors must be Confirmed and in good standing with the Church. Forms can be found on the parish website alphonsus.org. If you are missing a class and need a make-up, contact the Faith Formation Office at 225-261-4644.

### **Men's Scripture**

Men's Scripture study will continue to meet through the summer. If you would like to reflect on upcoming Sunday readings with other men from the parish, join us on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 PM in the Choir Room.

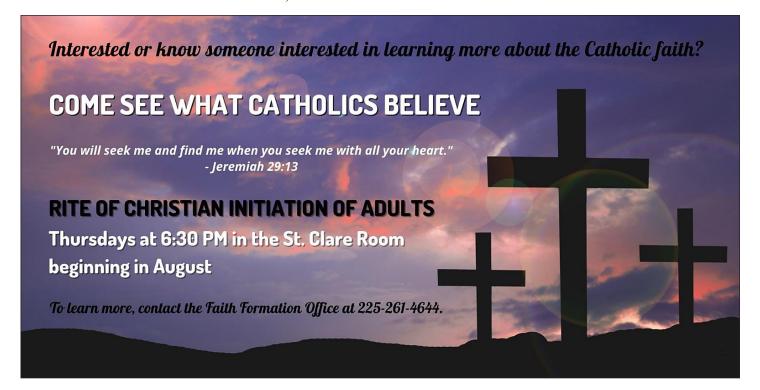
### **Confirmation Helping Homeless**

Don't forget our Year 2 Confirmation Candidates help the homeless by collecting the items from the list below as well as gently used backpacks. As you travel this summer, please begin to collect these items. Items may be brought to the Faith Formation Office. Thanks for your generosity.

Item List: combs, bandaids, shampoo trial size, soap, chapstick, lotion trial size, wipes trial size, rain ponchos, T-shirts, socks, used duffle bags, used back packs, and bug spray.

### The King's Men

The King's Men is a scripture study group. They will continue to meet through the summer. If you would like to join us, please call the Faith Formation Office. The meeting begins at 6:30 PM in the St. Joseph Room of the Multi-Purpose Building. The King's Men also host "Welcome," an incredible retreat experience by Dynamic Catholic that helps you discover what's missing in your life and what to do about it. The retreat will be held on **August 19-20**, **2023**, **at St. Alphonsus Liguori Catholic Church. You can register at www.alphonsus.org or after Masses on July 8-9**. Contact the Faith Formation Office at 225-261-4644 for more information.



### **COMMUNITY LIFE**

### **Expectant Parents**

The following couples have been blessed with new life:

Drew & Bailey Dileo Josh & Katy Hindrichs Reeve & Elena Legendre

If you or someone you know is expecting, call 225-261-4650 and let us know their names and their baby's due date.

### St. Matthew's Guild Schedule

Any money counters who need a printed copy of the latest St. Matthew's Guild schedule (August 2023 through February 2024) can pick up a copy in the Church Office at their convenience. Please call the Church Office at 225-261-4650 if you need a copy mailed to your home.

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Parish Soft	\$ 5,334.50
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New Parish Activity Center Fund	
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Parish Soft	\$ 484.63
<u>Children</u>	\$ 47.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 25.00
<u>Mission Redemptorist Priest - Rev. Pete</u>	\$ 1,195.00
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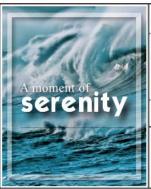




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