



St. Alphonsus Liguori *Catholic Church*

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time- July 15, 2018 - Volume 10, Issue 28

"Truth shall spring out of the earth, and justice shall look down from heaven."

— Psalm 85:12

Now accepting nominations for the 2018 **HALL^{OF} FAME**

- Current or previously registered members, who have given of their time, talent and energy to the betterment of St. Alphonsus Liguori Church Community are eligible for nomination to the Hall of Fame. Qualifications include admirable involvement and devotion to the church and/or school and an inspirational Catholic, either living or deceased. Current employees of the church and school are not eligible for induction into the Hall of Fame.
- Nominations must be submitted *on or before the due date- Wednesday, August 15, 2018*. No nominations will be accepted after this date.
- Members of the Selection Committee are not allowed to nominate an individual to the Hall of Fame for the current year that they serve on the Selection Committee.
- Only one member per family is eligible to serve on the Selection Committee; family includes one's spouse, sibling, child or parent.
- The Selection Committee changes yearly and must be made up of an odd number of members for voting purposes. The committee includes one member of the church office staff who serves on this committee and does not vote.

**Nomination Forms are available in the back of church,
in the Parish Office, and online at www.alphonsus.org.
Induction into the St. Alphonsus Hall of Fame will be
at the 10:00 AM Mass on Sunday, October 14, 2018.**

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PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July 16- July 22, 2018

Monday	8:30 AM 6:30 PM	Mass Boy Scouts- S.J./Blessed Seelos
Tuesday	8:30 AM 6:30 PM	Mass Grief Support Group- S.C.
Wednesday	8:30 AM 6:30 PM 6:30 PM	Communion Service TMIY- S.J. Young Adult Min.- SAS 116
Thursday	8:30 AM 9:00 AM 7:00 PM	Mass Matter of Balance- S.F. (C) Corpus Christi Prayer- S.J.
Friday	8:30 AM	Mass
Saturday	4:00 PM	Mass
Sunday	8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	Mass Coffee & Donuts- S.F. Coffee & Donuts- S.F.

S.C.- St. Clare

S.J.- St. Joseph

S.F.- St. Francis

WORSHIP

Readings for the Week

Monday:	Is 1:10-17; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 10:34- 11:1
Tuesday:	Is 7:1-9; Ps 48:2-8; Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday:	Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Ps 94:5-10, 14-15; Mt 11:25-27
Thursday:	Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Ps 102:13-14ab, 15-21; Mt 11:28-30
Friday:	Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Is 38:10-12abcd, 16; Mt 12:1-8
Saturday:	Mi 2:1-5; Ps 10:1-4, 7-8, 14; Mt 12:14-21
Sunday:	Jer 23:1-6; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34

OUTREACH

Serving Our Country

If you have a family member serving in the military overseas, please call 261-4650, and let us know the name, rank and branch of military.

ARMY: Captain Chad A. Alford, Warrant Officer Jody K. Hunt, Captain Brian C. Greco, Specialist Sam Lockwood, Specialist E-4 Charles N. Garner, Specialist Ryan Smith

LA NATIONAL GUARD: Spec4 Terrell Vidrine, Scott Armand

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NAVY: Lt. Col. Glenn P. Lumpkin, Jr., Chad Domm, AD3 Tyler Comeaux, S.N. Tyler Fontenot

U.S. MARINE CORPS: Captain Blaine Ballard

MISSION STATEMENT

*We are a faith-filled community who,
through prayerful discernment,
call forth the gifts of the Spirit given to each individual,
that Christ may be known in our community
and in our world.*

Pray for the Sick

Please note: Names are removed after eight weeks. Call the office to put name back on the list.

Earline Brown, Ronnie Collette, Jane Mizell, Marlene LeBlanc, Catherine Willis, Edna Ellis, Lynette Shaffett, Tiffany Penton, Barbara Dearie, Larry Bueche, Ashley Smith, Bruce Rabalais, Chris Dickerson, Tommy W. Rabalais, Vergie Gray, Cheryl Watson, Jay Watson, McKenzie Marciante, Lisa Andre, Patsy Sagona Mary Beth Browning, Fisk Morris, Jean Firmin, Lisa Graffeo, Mollea Hood, Ashlea Hood, Michael Morales, Ray Amond, Shawn Kean, Dana Rogers, Gloria "Jinkie" Phillips, Theresa Ognibene, Adrian Kaiser, John Larkin, Savannah McNair, Briggs Elliser, Anita Bueche, Anna Kirby, Jamie Samson, Louis Lamar Bordelon, Elizabeth Womack, Rachel Guerrier, Mildred Faul, Charlie Firmin, Kathy Madere, Paden Mouton, Krystal Feltman, Melanie Way, Sandy Dares, Ashlynn Ferguson, Barbara Simoneaux, Millie Strickland, Norma Bryant, Gayle McGrew, Holly Hart, Anthony Collette, Jeff Ferguson, Anthony Rodriguez, Liam Thistlewaite, Al Felps, Ben Crifasi, Jr., Nicholas LaCroix, Kenny Achord, Kenny Peyton, Courtney Brock, A.J. Aymond, Billy Stears, Luke Allen, GiGi Chenevert, Dr. Stephen Speeg, Betty Castor, Blanche Hoover, Bruce Mayeayx, Charlie Marie Engels, Kellie Engels, Virginia Messina, Mary Rose Messina, Tanner Messina, Marion Robillard, Shelton and Jerri Fontenot, Robert Smith, Ron Pedson, Susan Lambert, Nancy Leto, Donna Britt, Chad Ruppell, Cathleen Blanco, Kenneth Tate, Pat Matthews, J.K. Malone, Joy Lonibos, Phyllis Lasserre, Sharon Loeb, Margaret Smith, Laurence LeSage, Jaycee Richard, Gary Saucier, Darrell Firmin, Alexander Landry, Sally Stears, Allan Eddy, Cassie Sheehan, Nina Creel, Nancy Hill, Brea and Cameron Boyette, Datz Family, Schittone Family, Brenda Guerin, Annaleigh Fontenot, Charlie Crawford, Hope Broadus, Arleen Picard, P.H. Zito, Sharon Spiller, Ashley Usie, John Roberts, Mildred Smith

Rest in Peace

Anthony Collette- Father of Ronnie Collette.

FORMATION

Confirmation Candidates Collecting Items

Don't forget our Confirmation Candidates help the homeless by collecting the items below. As you travel this summer please begin to collect these items: Combs, Band aids, Shampoo Trial Size, Soap, Chap Stick, Lotion Trial Size, Wipes Trial Size, Rain ponchos, T-Shirts, Socks, Used Duffle Bags, Used back packs and Bug Spray.

We will have a basket in the Gathers Space in August. Thanks for your generosity.

Catholicism Inquiry Meetings

Interested or know someone interested in learning more about the Catholic faith?

Inquiry begins in August. Meetings are held on Thursday evenings August through November in the St. Clare Room at 6:30 pm. The classes will transition to RCIA sessions in December. Candidates will be received into the Church at Easter. For more information, contact the Faith Formation Office at 225-261-4644.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am & 12:00 pm

Daily Masses

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8:30 am

Novena on Tuesday 8:30 am

Communion Services

Wednesday 8:30 am

Holy Day Masses

As Announced

J.A.M. (Jesus and Me)

During the school year for preschool ages 3-5 at 10:00 am Mass.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

During the school year at the 10:00 am Mass.

For children kindergarten through 2nd 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 Patrick 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

Go to formed.org and enjoy access to this free online Catholic gateway with our parish access code- 9R9K3M.

Prayer Lines

Mary Frederick 225-261-5145

Adam Landry 225-261-8854

Faith Formation Registration

Registration forms for 2018-2019 Faith Formation (PSR/CCD) and Confirmation (all years) are available in the back of church, the parish office, the Faith Formation Office, and on the St. Alphonsus website. Completed forms are due by August 10, 2018 to secure a spot in classes. For further information, call the Faith Formation Office 225-261-4644.

A Minute with the Deacon

How can a loving and caring God send someone to hell for all eternity?

God does not want anyone to go to hell. He “wills everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.” (1 Tim 2:4)

God has given us all free will. We can either love and serve Him or turn our back on Him. It is our choice. He will not force us to love Him. In reality, by choosing to close ourselves to His love and forgiveness by remaining in the state of mortal sin, we condemn ourselves to hell. God respects our choice. What kind of just God would He be, if He rejected our choice and granted the kingdom of heaven to all, even to those who rejected Him? Eternal damnation “is not attributed to God’s initiative because in His merciful love He can only desire the salvation of the beings He created” (John Paul II, General Audience, July 28, 1999).

At the end of our life, our choice becomes definitive. We cannot change our mind after death. But, as long as we are alive, we can change our mind and seek God’s forgiveness, and He will grant it to us. The Catechism of the Catholic Church states, “Christ who died for all men desires that in His Church the gates of forgiveness should always be open to anyone who turns away from sin” (CCC 982).

Welcome to Bishop-designate Michael G. Duca

The Vatican announced on June 26, 2018 that Pope Francis has appointed Bishop Michael Gerard Duca, currently Bishop of the Diocese of Shreveport, LA, as the new bishop of the Diocese of Baton Rouge, LA. Bishop Duca succeeds Bishop Robert W. Muench, who is retiring.

Bishop Duca has been Bishop of Shreveport since May 19, 2008. Bishop Muench has been Bishop of Baton Rouge since March 14, 2002.

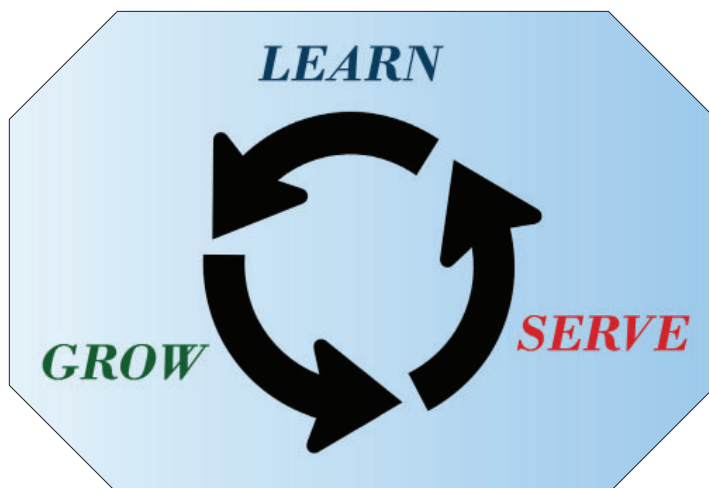
Bishop Muench celebrated his 75th birthday on December 28, 2017, and pursuant to Canon Law (the law of the Catholic Church), submitted his resignation to the Holy Father on that date. He has continued to serve as Bishop of Baton Rouge pending the Pope’s acceptance of his resignation and the naming of his successor.

Bishop-designate Duca is scheduled to be installed as the sixth Bishop of Baton Rouge on Friday, August 24, 2018, at 2:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Cathedral.

Below is an open invitation to the diocese to attend Evening Prayer and a reception at St. George Catholic Church on Thursday, August 23.

Press release and graphic courtesy of the Diocese of Baton Rouge.

2018 Faith Formation Fair



Join us after Masses on **August 11-12** for the Faith Formation Fair. It will be held to create an awareness, build enthusiasm and increase involvement in the Faith Formation ministries among parishioners. This annual event recognizes the importance of these faith building ministries. This is a wonderful way for parishioners to gather information about various ministries, organizations and educational opportunities available to all parishioners and the Central Community. Parishioners involved in the different ministries will be available for questions and to help with registration if needed. Don’t miss the opportunity to seek a deeper relationship with God and neighbor as we commit to fulfill our Baptismal call.



The Diocese of Baton Rouge
invites you to Evening Prayer
THURSDAY, AUGUST 23, 2018 AT 7:00PM
St. George Church
7808 St. George Drive
Baton Rouge, LA 70809

As we pray with
THE MOST REV. MICHAEL G. DUCA
on the eve of his installation
as the sixth bishop of Baton Rouge.

A reception will immediately follow.
THIS EVENT WILL ALSO BE SIMULCAST ONLINE:
[FACEBOOK.COM/CATHOLICLIFETV](https://www.facebook.com/CATHOLICLIFETV)

ADMINISTRATION

Gifts of Stewardship

The good Samaritan was also a good steward, giving his time and his treasure to meet his neighbor's need. At the end of this familiar story, Jesus urges His hearers- and us- to go and do the same!

For **June 30- July 1, 2018**
your *Stewardship* resulted in:

Weekly Collection

Envelopes	\$	21,209.93
Unidentified	\$	1,218.00
WeShare	\$	2,240.00
Bank Draft	\$	3,176.00

Building/Maintenance Fund

Envelopes	\$	4,879.00
Unidentified	\$	299.00
WeShare	\$	235.00
Bank Draft	\$	2,130.00

<u>Children's Collection</u>	\$	48.00
Holy Land/Peter's Pence	\$	79.00
Mission Appeal	\$	60.00

Total Received \$ **35,573.93**

COMMUNITY LIFE

Prime Timers Dance

The Prime Timers and their guests enjoyed the dance on Saturday, June 16th at Kristenwood Reception Hall. Everyone had a fun time! Tickets are now on sale for the PrimeTimers Dinner and Comedy Show, which will take place August 11th. Photo submitted.

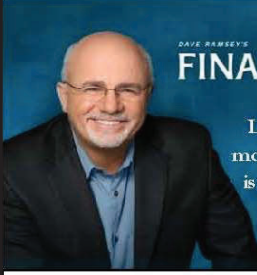


Prime Timers Dinner & Comedy Show

The Prime Timers invite everyone to dinner and a comedy show at Kristenwood Reception Hall on **Saturday, August 11**. The special guest will be Cajun comedian AJ Smith, who was inducted into the Cajun Comedians Hall of Fame in 2017. Tickets for the PrimeTimers Dinner and Comedy Show are available for purchase in the Church Office for \$20 each. Tickets will be \$30 at the door. Photo submitted.

Lost and Found Pick-up

On the weekend on July 14-15, pick up items that belong to you and were lost in the church. There will be a table in the gather space with all recovered items.



FINANCIAL Peace UNIVERSITY

Learn God's ways of handling money. The average turnaround is \$8,000 in the first 3 months!

Classes are STARTING SOON!

Nine weekly classes begin @ 7:00 pm August 7, 2018 at St. Alphonsus School in the Middle School Building

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New Parishioners

Welcome to the following new parishioners at St. Alphonsus:

Michael Williams
Autumn Thomas
Anne Russo
Torger, Camile & Noah Brown
Mary Delaney
Albert & Sandra Duncan
Brooke & Vivian Odendahl

Pray for our Expectant Families

Pray for expectant families who are members of the parish and have been entrusted with a new life to nurture and love: Brice and Morgan Neames, Christopher and Jennifer Capone, and Ben and Kristen Richard.

If you know someone expecting or if you are an expectant family, please call the Parish Office at 225-261-4650 to let us know to put your names in the church bulletin so that your parish family can pray for you and your baby.

K.C. Members Attend Retreat

Members of the Knights of Columbus #2807 recently attended a Retreat at Manresa in Convent, Louisiana. Photo submitted.



SVDP needs volunteers

Our parish will be helping with drivers and helpers at the St. Vincent de Paul warehouse on 8/4, 9/8, 10/6, 11/3, and 12/8.

For more info and to sign up, go to www.svdppindy.org. Click on "I want to help," then click on "donate time," scroll down to Distribution Center Volunteer and click on "Sign up online for a SPECIFIC SATURDAY to volunteer as a Distribution Center driver or helper."





The National WWII Museum tells the story of the American experience in *the war that changed the world*—why it was fought, how it was won, and what it means today—so that all generations will understand the price of freedom and be inspired by what they learn.

Enjoy a Lunch Matinee

“The Best of Sinatra”

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(Optional Show & Lunch)

Come Join The Prime Timers to visit the National WWII Museum in New Orleans.

Explore the struggles faced by Allied commanders as they plotted the largest and most complex amphibious assault in history .

When: Wednesday, September 12th.

Where: Leave St. Alphonsus 7am.

Return: Leave New Orleans @ 4pm.

Cost:

Non - Veteran \$45.00 ea.

Veteran \$40.50 ea.

WWII Veteran \$22.00 ea.

(Round trip Bus & Museum)

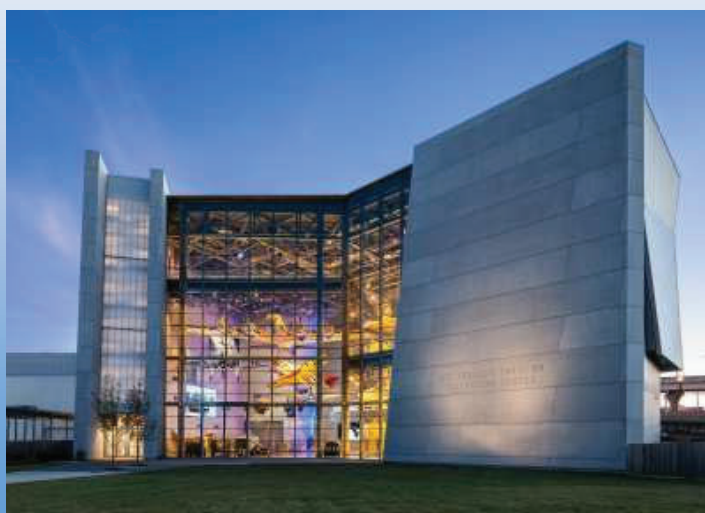
Sinatra Matinee \$42.00 ea. (optional)

Non-refundable!

Beyond All Borders and Final Mission

Movies are an additional \$6.00 each

Sign Up in Church Office



Donate a Bike in August

Have an old bike sitting in your garage that you never ride anymore?

Your used bicycles can make a big difference in the lives of Indy's homeless community. Started in 2011, our Bicycles for the Homeless Ministry has given out over 1,700 bicycles. Our homeless neighbors need transportation to get to jobs, medical appointments, social service agencies, etc. We can accept just about any used bicycle as long as it is in ride-able condition - we have volunteers that can make minor repairs.

Along with the bikes, we give accessories if they are available through donations: a backpack, helmet and lock, and all bikes are equipped with lights and reflectors.

When possible, we like to include useful items in the backpacks. We observe the recipient riding the bike to ensure ability to safely ride it.

You can drop off your bikes, helmets, locks and backpacks at the SVdP Distribution Center, 1201 E. Maryland Street. Should you have five or more bikes to donate, call Jeff Blackwell, 317-924-5769 ext. 320 to make arrangements for a pick up during the week.

Help us give your bike a second life with an individual who deserves a second chance.



KayCees Ladies Auxiliary

Reminder: We will not have a meeting in July. Our next meeting is scheduled for August 8, 2018. You are invited to enjoy a delicious meal at 6:00 p.m. followed by the Rosary at 6:45 p.m. at the KC Hall, 6923 Oak Cluster Drive. After the meal, the Knights meet in the Main Hall and the Ladies Auxiliary meet in the office. Please join your Knights by supporting their service to our church, community and families.

Our Auxiliary has been inactive for several years, but we are reorganizing and need your participation if we are to be successful. Our goal is to provide opportunities to bring families together in fellowship, prayer and service. We need you to make this successful. All members are invited to participate in the Installation of Officers for the State Auxiliary on August 4, 2018, at St. Thomas More Catholic Church. You may contact Olivia at 978-6130 for more details.

Please email lmartone@yahoo.com if you would like more information on joining or you may sign up at the meeting.

Receive the Bulletin By Email

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If you are already currently receiving the bulletin by mail and would like to switch to email only, please call the Church Office at 225-261-4650.

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