



# *St. Alphonsus Liguori Catholic Church*

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*"Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up a righteous shoot to David."  
— Jeremiah 23:5a*

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## PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

*July 23- July 29, 2018*

<b>Monday</b>	8:30 AM 6:30 PM	Mass Boy Scouts- S.J./Blessed Seelos
<b>Tuesday</b>	8:30 AM 9:00 AM 6:30 PM	Mass B.P. Screenings- S.C. Grief Support Group- S.C.
<b>Wednesday</b>	8:30 AM 6:30 PM 6:30 PM	Communion Service TMIY- S.J. Young Adult Min.- SAS 116
<b>Thursday</b>	8:30 AM 9:00 AM	Mass Matter of Balance- S.F. (C)
<b>Friday</b>	8:30 AM	Mass
<b>Saturday</b>	9:00 AM  4:00 PM	Formation Catechist Training- Multi-Purpose Building Mass
<b>Sunday</b>	8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM Mass	

S.C.- St. Clare

S.J.- St. Joseph

S.F.- St. Francis

## WORSHIP

### Readings for the Week

**Monday:** Mi 6:1-4, 6-8; Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 12:38-42

**Tuesday:** Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 85:2-8; Mt 12:46-50

**Wednesday:** 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28

**Thursday:** Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Ps 26:6-7ab, 8-11; Mt 13:10-17

**Friday:** Jer 3:14-17; Jer 31:10-13; Mt 13:18-23

**Saturday:** Jer 7:1-11; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a, 11; Mt 13:24-30

**Sunday:** 2 Kgs 4:42-44; Ps 145:10-11, 15-18; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15

## 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

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## 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.

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 Rodriquez, 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, Earline Brown, Ronnie Collette, Jane Mizell, Marlene LeBlanc, Catherine Willis, Edna Ellis, Lynette Shaffett, Tiffany Penton, Larry Bueche, Ashley Smith, Chris Dickerson, Mark Scardina, Babette Vlahos, John Niscosia

## Rest in Peace

**Marcus Smith-** *Son of Leslie Smith.*

**Laura Thompson-** *Mother of Becky Krause.*

**Clarence Trabeau-** *Father of Dana Free.*

## Blood Supply is Dangerously Low

Summer is great—days more relaxed, hot, more time outside, hot, travel increases. But summer in the blood bank is a time of less donations and more usage. The blood banks in our area were down to a two day supply a couple weeks ago. Therefore we need more donors than ever to help bridge this shortage. Imagine if it was you or your loved one that needed blood and the wait was hours until they could get blood here. It could very easily happen.

**Our next blood drive is Sunday, August 5th from 8 AM- 2 PM in the St. Francis Room.** Please take time to donate blood and help up to 3 people. The need is great and we have an opportunity to make a HUGE difference in this area and surrounding parishes. Please pray about donating a little time and a little blood to this endeavor. A free lunch of spaghetti and meatballs will be given to all donors. Additional meals are \$8.00.

*"It is more blessed to give than to receive."*  
Acts 20:35

## 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](http://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

## ADMINISTRATION

### Gifts of Stewardship

Today's readings speak of hospitality. Abraham, who cheerfully did for his guests all that desert hospitality required, was rewarded with his heart's desire- a son. Martha also busied herself with all the details of hospitality, but grudgingly and with complaint. Am I cheerful or a grudging giver?

For July 7- July 8, 2018  
your *Stewardship* resulted in:

#### Weekly Collection

Envelopes	\$	21,844.00
Unidentified	\$	1,542.00
WeShare	\$	2,980.00

#### Building/Maintenance Fund

Envelopes	\$	1,585.00
WeShare	\$	530.00
Unidentified	\$	840.00

#### Children's Collection

Holy Land/Peter's Pence	\$	15.00
Catholic Charities	\$	1,903.00
Catholic Commentator	\$	3.00
Catholic Communications	\$	3.00

**Total Received** \$ **31,278.00**

## FORMATION

### Catechist/Mentor Training-Saturday, July 28

All catechists/mentors are required to attend this training. Catechists/mentors will receive teacher manuals and instructions, teaching resources and training, information about the events planned for the upcoming year and diocesan training. This training will take place in the Multi-Purpose Building from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. A light breakfast and lunch will be provided.

### Catholicism Inquiry Meetings

Know someone interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? Inquiry begins in August. Meetings are held on Thursday evenings in August through November in the St. Clare Room at 6:30 p.m. 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.

### Corpus Christi Prayer Group- Praise Rally

"Praise Rally" at Our Lady of Mercy Parish Center on Saturday, August 4th from 9 a.m.- 3 p.m. All are invited. Lunch is provided. No registration required. For more information, call 636-2464.

### How To Watch FORMED Movies At Home

To watch Formed movies on your home TV, there are two options:  
1) With an Apple TV, you can select your movie through your phone or tablet and Cast it onto your TV. Chrome Cast also works.

2) If you don't have a smart TV, you can use an HDMI cable to connect your laptop to your TV. Then use your laptop to log-in and select your movie, and put your TV on the correct HDMI channel.

### 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 261-4644.

## COMMUNITY LIFE

### 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: Tony Nauta Jr. and Melanie Nauta, 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 so that your parish family can pray for you and your baby.

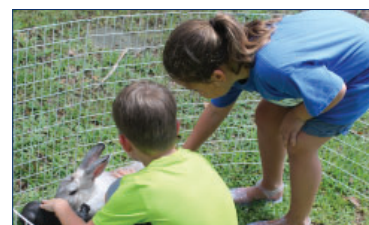
### KayCees Ladies Auxiliary

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 [Immartone@yahoo.com](mailto:Immartone@yahoo.com) if you would like more information on joining or you may sign up at the meeting.

### SAS Day Campers Get Up Close with Animals



## Rebecca Casselberry Earns Gold Metals at National Special Olympics

Rebecca Casselberry, the 26-year-old daughter of Amber and Chris Casselberry, Jr., and granddaughter of Shelia and Chris Casselberry, Sr., recently traveled with her family to Seattle, Washington, to compete in Nationals for the Special Olympics in power lifting from July 1-6, 2018. She was one of only two participants in weight lifting from Louisiana. Rebecca earned a gold medal in the dead lift, lifting nearly double her body weight. She also earned silver medals in the bench press and squats. Rebecca also earned a gold medal for overall power lifting at Nationals.

"We're proud of her," said her mother Amber.

Rebecca only began power lifting about a year ago after seeing her sister weight lifting. She first competed in local Special Olympics contests before being invited to the National competition. She trained for 2-3 days a week to prepare for the competition.

*Photos courtesy of the Casselberry family.*



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