

July 14, 2024

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The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

— Psalm 85:12







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There is More to Life

MEN'S RETURNATION TO OPENIU

AUGUST 24-25, 2024

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EUCHARISTIC BOAT PROCESSION August 14-15, 2024

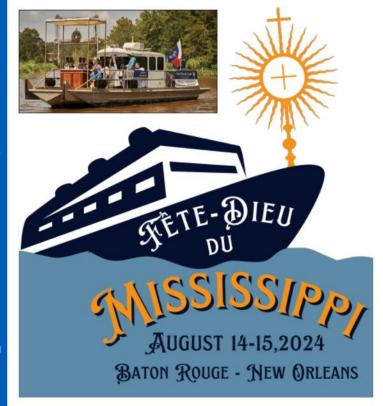
Fete-Dieu du Mississippi

The 10th Annual Eucharistic Boat Procession, born on the bayou, this year will jump ship to the river! The solemn flotilla will embark on the Mighty Mississippi for a one-time only Blessing of the River and the great state of Louisiana!

The extraordinary procession will begin on Wednesday, August 14 at 8 AM at a Votive Mass of the Holy Eucharist by Bishop Duca at St. Joseph Cathedral in Baton Rouge. Following the Mass, there will be a procession with the Blessed Sacrament to the Mississippi River, where the 130-mile procession and blessing will commence. The flotilla should arrive in Convent, LA, at about 5:40 PM, where there will be a procession to the historic St. Michael Church for all-night Adoration.

On August 15, they will process back to the river dock and depart for New Orleans. The flotilla will arrive at about 4:25 PM in the French Quarter, and there will be a great Benediction on the levee at 5:15 PM in front of Jackson Square, followed by a procession into St. Louis Cathedral for a final blessing and a Solemn Mass of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary by Archbishop Gregory Aymond, D.D.

All are encouraged to "come down to the river" for this historic event! Learn more about this event at www.fetedieuduteche.org or email fetedieuduteche@gmail.com.



WORDS OF WISDOM

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

PARISH WEEKLY CALENDAR: JULY 13 - 21, 2024

Saturday 9:30 AM Corpus Christi - S.J. 4:00 PM Vigil Mass

K.C. Quarterly Communion

Sunday The 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8 AM, 10 AM & 12 PM Masses

8 AM-2 PM Blood Drive - S.F.

1-4 PM Bantisms (by appo

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4:00 PM Middle School Youth-Lighthouse
6:30 PM High School Youth-Lighthouse

Monday 8:30 AM Daily Mass

6:30 PM Scouts & Parents - PAC

Tuesday 8:30 AM Daily Mass & Novena
6:30 PM Grief Support - S.C.

6:30 PM Men's Scripture - C.R.

6:30 PM Women of Faith - St. Matthew

Wednesday 8:30 AM Communion Service

6:30 PM King's Men - S.F. 6:30 PM Cub Leaders - St. Mark

Thursday 8:30 AM Daily Mass & Rosary

Friday 8:30 AM Daily Mass

Church Offices Closes at 1 PM

Saturday 4:00 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday The 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8 AM, 10 AM & 12 PM Masses

1-4 PM Baptisms (by appointment)
 4:00 PM Middle School Youth-Lighthouse
 6:30 PM High School Youth-Lighthouse

WORSHIP

Readings for the Week - July 14 - 21

Sunday: Am 7:12-15; Ps 85:9 -10, 11-12, 13-14; Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10; Mk 6:7-13

Monday: Is 1:10-17; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23; Mt 10:34-11:1

Tuesday: Is 7:1-9; Ps 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8; Mt 11:20-24 **Wednesday**: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Ps 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15;

Mt 11:25-27

Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Ps 102:13-14ab and 15, 16-18, 19-21;

Mt 11:28-30

Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Is 38:10, 11, 12abcd, 16; Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: Mi 2:1-5; Ps 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14; Mt 12:14-21

Sunday: Jer 23:1-6; Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Alphonsus Liguori Parish celebrates the living waters of Christ by nourishing our Catholic community spiritually and academically so that Christ may be known in our world.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM & 12:00 PM



Sunday 10:00 AM 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

Children's Liturgy of the Word

For children kindergarten through second grade.

SACRAMENTS & RESOURCES

Baptism

Contact Margaret Garza 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 Margaret Garza at the Parish Office for arrangement information.

Formed

Go to formed.org, find St. Alphonsus Liguori Parish, and enjoy access to this free online Catholic gateway.

Prayer Line

Beverly Heil 225-772-4278 Gloria Jones 225-337-8929

Featured Saint of the Week

Pope St. John XXIII (1881–1963) Feast Day: October 11

This forward thinking Pope was planning to make a life changing impact on every practicing Roman Catholic in the world.



Pope John XXIII felt that the Church needed to be brought up-to-date. His solution was to convene the Second Ecumenical Council, better known as Vatican II. He wanted to modernize the Church, fostering unity while making it more relevant to a secularized world.

Much of the impact of Vatican II was the result of these four constitutions:

Lumen Gentium (Light of the World): Updating the liturgy and bringing the light of Christ to the world.

Dei Verbum (Word of God): Highlighting Divine Revelation-How God willed us into being and chose to reveal God's self to us.

Sancrosanctum Concilium (Sacred Council): Changing so that we can celebrate the liturgy with the priest and in the local vernacular; increased roles for lay people, while we focus on the importance of community prayer.

Gaudium et Spes' (Joy and Hope): Calls for the Church to engage in dialogue with contemporary society and its problems; it further calls for the Church to bring its teachings and moral values to the world.

By late 1962 Pope John XXIII had executed most of the work for which he would be known. But he was diagnosed with stomach cancer, which at that time was a terminal diagnosis. On June 3, 1963, he died at age 81.

When he died, Vatican II took a break in honor of Pope John XXIII. It resumed, and completed its work under Pope Paul VI on December 8, 1965.

Pope John Paul XXIII was canonized at the same time as Pope John Paul II in 2014.

OUTREACH

Rest in Peace

Allen Crochet - *Husband of Barbara Crochet.* **Janice Beatty**

Entering Canaan Post-Abortion Ministry

Saturday, August 3, 2024 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

This day of prayer and healing ministers to women on their journey to healing from the pain, isolation, and silent suffering of abortion to the freedom of forgiveness, healing, and peace through Christ. If you are suffering the loss of a child through abortion, you are not alone. For more information, contact 225-773-7845 or email EnteringCanaan@diobr.org.

Serving Our Country

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

ARMY: Major Chad A. Alford, Warrant Officer Jody K. Hunt, Capt. Brian C. Greco, Sergeant Charles N. Garner, Lt. Col. Keith Madere, Brian D. Duvic, Chief Warrant Officer Ryan Martin, PFC Jacob Fontenot, SPC Kory A. Nijoka, SPC Quillan McMillan, SPC Nathan Casselberry

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U.S. COAST GUARD: EM2 Dylan Lirette, EM4 Kobe Naquin

Blood Drive

Save the date for our next Blood Drive on **Sunday**, **July 14**, **2024**, **from 8 AM until 2 PM**. Knights of Columbus Council #2807 will be grilling their signature sausage poboys. Free to all donors. Extra poboys will be available for purchase.

DONATE BLOOD

Our Blood drives in 2023 were successful!



HELP US
MEET OUR
2024 GOAL!

Date	Pints Donated		
January 2023	81 pints		
April 2023	67 pints		
July 2023	39 pints		
Oct. 2023	74 pints		
2023 TOTAL	261 pints		

Date	Pints Donated		
January 2024	67 pints		
April 2024	55 pints		
July 2024	pints		
Oct. 2024	pints		
2024 GOAL	275 pints		



Please consider donating on July 14 & Oct. 27

Pray for the Sick

Please note: Names are removed after eight weeks.

Jeanette Felps, Al Felps, Amanda Puissegur, Kevin Nicosia, David Lonibos, Joy Lonibos, Glenda Bringol, Jill Bueche, Jan Bankston, Harrison Simpson, Cathey Chustz, John Nicosia, Stella Lacoste, Homer Brown, Vance & Olivia Thomas, Matthew Chambers, Ryan Babin, Andy Juneau, Joey Breen, Jessica Smith, Cindy Morvant, Judy McManus, Pat Matthews, Sharon Leod, Jaycee Richard, Gary Saucier, Alexander Landry, Sally Stears, Monica Kelly, Devin Mounce, Chris Bringol, Daniel Guerin, Datz Family, Schittone Family, Catherine Willis, Lynette Shaffett, Larry Bueche, Ashley Smith, Chris Dickerson, Jackie Scardina, Fisk Morris, Mollea Hood, Michael Morales, Theresa Ognibene, John Larkin, Briggs Elliser, Anita Bueche, Jamie Samson, Kathy Madere, Krystal Feltman, Melanie Way, Sandy Dares, Ashlynn Ferguson, Carolyn Rogillio, Patsy York, Angie Welsh, Kenny Miller, Lynette Lemoine, Chris Hobkirk, Patrick Bourgeois, Holly Hart, Jeff Ferguson, Nicholas LaCroix, Patsy Sagona, Dammers Family, Debbie Mouton, Marion Robillard, Ron Dodson, Stevie Calverley, Luke Allen, Blanche Hoover, Marlene Ortego, Gwen Moore, Claudia Mouton, Jackie Pina, Ashley Nix, Kelli Campo LaCroix, Donna Hebert, Bill Witt, Priscilla Perez, Charlotte St. Romain, Brenda Lovett, Nettie Scardina, Jim & Tracey Anderson, Ruth Riddle, James Argrave, Lyndsey Quirk Neyland, Lucky Ross, Melise Efferson, Angelo Silvio, Christopher Silvio, Marilyn Oufnac, Jennifer McMillan, Jason Lasseigne, Glenn Tate, Leslie Smith, Thomas Laborie, Feltus Templet, J.E. Smith

FORMATION

Catechist, Catechist Aide and Mentors

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 back of church, Faith Formation Office or church website.)

PSR Registration Open

Public and private school student's $K-11^{th}$ grade are required to register for Faith Formation Parish School of Religion (P.S.R.) classes each year. If your child is in 10^{th} or 11^{th} grade, they will need to also register for Confirmation sessions. Registration for these programs for the 2024-2025 year began on June 1, 2024. Online registration will be available on our website, or forms available in the back of the church and in the Faith Formation Office.

Bible Study Registration Starting Soon

We are never too old to learn or begin something new. St. Alphonsus offers many opportunities to help you grow in faith. Joining a Bible Study will develop a deeper faith and understanding of God's word, and will have a lasting impact on your life.

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 6:00 PM. The classes will transition to OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) sessions in December. Candidates will be received into the Church at Easter. For more information, contact the Faith Formation Office 261-4644.

Confirmation

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: 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. Items may be brought to the Faith Formation Office.

Thanks for your generosity.

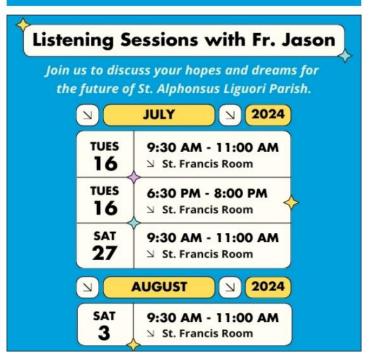
Year 2 Confirmation Candidates

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 www.alphonsus.org . If you are missing a class and need a make-up contact the Faith Formation Office at 261-4644.

The King's Men

The King's Men host "Welcome," an incredible retreat experience that helps you discover what's missing in your life and what to do about it on August 24-25, 2024. "Welcome" is by Dynamic Catholic. How to register: www.alphonsus.org. Call the St. Alphonsus Faith Formation Office at 225-261-4644 for more information.

COMMUNITY LIFE



Fr. Mike's Retirement Celebration

On June 29, 2024, Fr. Mike Moroney celebrated his last Mass as the pastor of St. Alphonsus Liguori Catholic Church. Following the Mass, everyone gathered at the Parish Activity Center for a reception honoring Fr. Mike's 53 years as a priest for the Diocese of Baton Rouge. We wish him the best in his retirement. *Special thanks to Eric Frank Photography for these photos. See more on our church Facebook page.*

























Join Fr. Jason for a Pilgrimage in France

Join us on a pilgrimage to experience France! Lourdes, Paris, and Lisieux are all included, plus much more. Fr. Jason Palermo will be the spiritual director. Travel dates are October 14-25, 2024. Find out more at https://www.holytravels.org/frpalermofrance or call Magnificat Travel at 337-291-1933.



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- Notre Dame (Façade)
- Sacré-Coeur
- · Chapel of the Miraculous Medal

PILGRIMAGE HIGHLIGHTS:

- · Mass at the Grotto
- · Walf in the Footsteps of
- · Way of the Cross with life-
- sized Stations of the Cross · The Basilica of Saint Pius X
- Gesture of the Water/ Blessing of the Sick

ADMINISTRATION

Gifts of Stewardship

For June 29-30, 2024, your Stewardship resulted in:

Weekly Collection

Catholic Commentator

Total Received

Envelopes	\$ 12,168.00
Unidentified	\$ 1,782.00
Parish Soft	\$ 4,463.50
Bank Draft	\$ 2,384.00
Building/Maintenance Fund	
Envelopes	\$ 150.00
Parish Soft	\$ 1.00
Bank Draft	\$ 1,605.00
New Parish Activity Center Fund	
Envelopes	\$ 95.00
Parish Soft	\$ 274.14
Children	\$ 30.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 571.00

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