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PARISH SACRAMENTS

• **Baptism:** Baptismal preparation class by appointment.

• Please contact office for more information.

• **Weddings:** Make arrangements with pastor at least six months before the wedding date. Dates and times for wedding in both parishes must be scheduled by contacting the pastor.

• **RCIA:** Classes begin mid-Sept for adults wishing to join the Catholic church and/or wanting to enter more fully by receiving the other sacraments. Please contact the parish office to register.

• **CHILD ABUSE REPORTING:** Call Iowa Department of Human Services Child Abuse Hotline: 800-362-2178 and if it involves clergy or church personnel also notify Alicia Owens, the Victim Assistance coordinator, 563-349-5002; vac@diodav.org

MASS SCHEDULE

St. Alphonsus	8:00 AM	Saturday*
	4:00 PM	Saturday
	11:00 AM	Sunday
Holy Family	5:30 PM	First Friday
	4:30 PM	Saturday
	7:30 AM	Sunday
	9:00 AM	Sunday
	11:00 AM	Sunday Pre-Conciliar (Latin) Mass
St. Peter	8:30 AM	Sunday

*Mass will be held at Holy Family the 3rd Saturday each month

Confessions beginning at 3 pm on Saturdays before 4:00 PM Mass.
Available by appointment, please call the parish office.



6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“I say to you, whoever is angry with his brother
will be liable to judgment.” - Mt 5:22a

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FEBRUARY 12—THE 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

A LETTER FROM FR. NICHOLAS

Truth and Mercy series XXXV

“Do not forget your creator in the day of your youth”. This is a great exhortation from God to His beloved children. You may wish to ask, how about other people? Like children, adults or seniors? One would imagine the Lord requesting us to all love the Lord God with all our heart, mind and soul, and strength” **Mark 12: 30**. This call is so important because it is natural to appreciate those who love us and return such love. If not, one ultimately becomes an ingrate.

I have seen many people appreciate to the high heavens their supporters, helpers, teachers, parents, coaches at the points of their glory or victory or even when they graduate. Giving appreciation does not lower us, it rather shows how well-mannered we are. Living a life of gratitude also predisposes us for more graces or even help from different quarters. The greatest benefactor we have is God. He is the giver of life. We were created by HIM as we have been reading during the daily holy Mass readings this week. “The God said, “Let us make man in our own image and likeness.” (**Genesis 1: 26**) God made a choice to make you and me in His own image, to look like Him in splendor and dignity. God made a choice to make us unique, and distinct from the other animals and birds. We have a special dignity to even act in place of God in relation to other created things as God said, “let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and the cattle....” (**Genesis 1: 26**). God also acknowledged that His creation is very good. Of course, God is the supreme good and all that comes from Him will be naturally good, since nothing evil can have its source in God.

Because God created me and you, He expects gratitude for bringing us into life. Every stage of our lives we owe to Him. Before God created humanity, he made sure everything for life’s sustenance was created and made available for him. God made every detail to see we are adequately taken care of. For these, woman and man should be eternally grateful. Our life is giving to us in trust and also a “talent” loaned to us for which He was going to ask for accountability afterwards. How are you preparing for this evaluation? How are we utilizing our time well these days that the Lord has given to us? Sometimes, it is possible to say I do not have enough time for church activities, but God actually owns the time. Is it possible to prioritize my time better so as to have some time for the GIVER of LIFE?

My day goes better when I begin my day in prayer. It is wonderful if I have a daily Mass into it or even pray a Rosary during the day with family. It is **WOW!** When I can a few minutes to read a word of scripture. In there is loads of direction and illumination for the day. Scripture is packed with wisdom to guide me throughout the day.

Fr. Nicholas Akindele, JCL.

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

ST. ALPHONSUS – DAVENPORT

Parishioners will have the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday's at 3 p.m.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR FEB 13 -FEB 19

Mon.	8:00	Bill M. Reagan †
Tues.	8:00	Jerry Ruefer †
Wed.	10:30	Bill Hammer †
Thurs.	8:00	Mary Sieverding †
Fri.	8:00	Bill Reagan †
Sat.	8:00	No Mass, Bible Breakfast
	4:00	Walt Huntington †
Sun.	11:00	For the People of St. Alphonsus

LITURGICAL ROLES FOR FEB 19

LECTOR

Saturday 4 PM.....Jane Kroening
 Sunday 11:00 AM..... Amanda Wesson

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Saturday 4 PM.....Mary Ann Hagemann
 Sunday 11:00 AM..... Vickie Underwood

St. Alphonsus Weekly Offerings Feb 5
Weekly Budget: \$4250 Offering: \$4937.98



The first 2023 Lenten Fish Fry is Friday, February 24th! A work party is scheduled for Wednesday, February 15th to prepare for this event. There are tables & chairs to set up, hundreds of dishes to wash, pots and utensils to clean, and shelves to wipe. So roll up your sleeves, grab your rubber gloves and join us! For more info call Ron at 563-210-9971

ST. PETER – BUFFALO

MASS INTENTION - FEB 19

Sun. 8:30 Conversion of Sinners †

LITURGICAL ROLES FOR FEB 19

GREETERS..... Larry & Karen Cawiezell
LECTORS..... Jim Gadzik & Ron Stalder
ALTAR SERVERS..... Alexis Pilgrim & Briann Behncke

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Today Feb. 12 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Mon. Feb. 13 6:30 PM** Choir Practice
- Tues. Feb. 14 10:30 AM** Quilting Group/St. Alphonsus
- Wed. Feb. 15 10:30 AM** Good Samaritan's Mass
- 2:00 PM** Sewing Group/St. Alphonsus
- 6:00 PM** Adoration/St. Peter
- 6:30 PM** Religious Education/St. Alphonsus
- Thurs. Feb. 16 6:00 PM** Youth Night/ St. Alphonsus
- Sat. Feb. 18 8:00 AM** Mass at Holy Family, Bible Study
Breakfast afterward

Sun. Feb. 19 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, February 12th is World Marriage Day which is celebrated by Worldwide Marriage Encounter. We honor the Sacrament of Marriage and all those who have chosen this vocation. We pray for all married couples and we

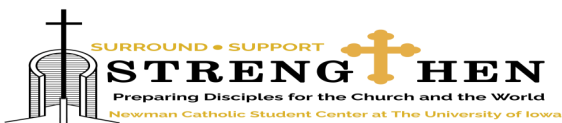


remember those couples who have gone before us. We also pray for all who have lost a spouse. Worldwide Marriage Encounter is committed to offer the opportunity for couples to strengthen their relationship with God and each other. Upcoming weekend experiences are April 22-24 in Epworth and Sept 22-24 in Dubuque Call 563-920-9419 for more information or sign up at wwme.org

St. Alphonsus Rosary Program Totals 2/5

Week Count: **86**
 Year-to-Date: **640**
 Grand Total: **1232**

Several rosaries were said for vocations, married couples, those fighting cancer and their families, and drug-related deaths. Three were said in German!



Thank you to all who have already made a personal commitment of stewardship to the Newman Catholic Student Center. Supporting this special diocesan collection for the center has an immeasurable impact today and into the future as these students take on roles in our parish families and communities around the diocese. For more information on the Newman Center's mission to prepare disciples for the Church and the world and ways that you can help give please visit their website at www.iowacatholic.org.