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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

BUFFALO

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.



3rd SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." - Jn 4:10

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MARCH 12—THE 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

A LETTER FROM FR. NICHOLAS

Truth and Mercy series XXXX

Before the Lord Jesus Christ departed the world to His father and ours he said clearly, “Go and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the son and of the Holy Spirit. And know that I will be with you always until the end of time.” (**Matthew 28: 18-20**). This injunction or mandate is for all times and a sacred commission to the whole Church. It is also simply addressed to the apostles and disciples of Jesus Christ for all ages, including ours. This assignment belongs to all members of the church, young and old alike. It belongs to laity, religious and clergy. All the segments of the people of God have a unique role to strategize, mobilize and work with the power of the Holy Spirit to carry out this sacred task.

As your pastor, it is also my responsibility to make sure that we carry out this in our parish under the direction of our Bishop. We have to reach every member of our community, beginning with the children and youth. They are very much a priority today going by the kind of world they are growing in. The secular world is throwing a lot at them and we must walk with them with the light of Christ, to dispel the cloud of unbelief. It is with this at heart that our vision is being concretized by the new hiring we have done. We now have a Director for children ministry in the person of Sr. Anne-Marie Aremu SSMA. She will direct the task of helping our kids grow in holiness. She will help them bring out their creativity in God’s manifold ways. She will help train volunteers to make our children enjoy liturgy of the word in their appropriate language suited to their age. All kids from toddler to 5th grade will be under her care. After these comes our 6th to 11th graders. Hieu Nguyen, who you have met already, will be their animator.

We need to embrace youth events like Bible studies, indoor and outdoor games, Family Bible breakfast, Youth night, movie evenings and more. We have lined up a **St. Philomena Academy (Youth Camp) in August 11-13** for them. We encourage our parents to please get ready, this will be so cool! **If you need more information with regards to this academy please contact Hieu or Vickie.** If you would like to volunteer or have ideas please reach out to them as well. We have also hired a second nun named Sr. Damiana Adeyingbo SSMA. She is our new Director of faith formation in the parish. Her responsibilities will include adult faith formation, training catechists for our religious education program, train and retraining our extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist, readers and ushers. She will help with marriage and family related matters in the parish as well. This is what I call “**missio ad intra**”! This is the way to go about evangelization and setting our hearts on fire. Without that, we cannot go out to the “**missio ad extra**”. Our mission as a parish is to get each one to heaven. We desire a community that knows her faith and is able to carry it out, because “we cannot give what we do not have”. In the coming weeks we shall have what I call “**Parish Pastoral Congress**” during the **weekend of April 21/22**. Please watch out for more details. It suffices to say at this moment that the theme is: “My people perish for lack of knowledge.” **Hosea 4:6.**

Fr. Nicholas Akindede, JCL pastor.



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 MAR 13-MAR 19

Mon.	8:00	Souls in Purgatory
Tues.	8:00	Roger Eisenbacher †
Wed.	10:30	Rosemarie Fritz †
Thurs.	8:00	Mike Gallagher †
Fri.	8:00	Mary Gordon †
Sat.	8:00	Sharon Linz †
	4:00	Mike Kroening †
Sun.	11:00	For the People of St. Alphonsus

LITURGICAL ROLES FOR MAR 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 March 5:
Weekly Budget: \$4250 Offering: \$5127.30*

!!! Attention Married Couples!!!

Why not give yourselves a weekend away from it all? Time away from the pressures of work and everyday responsibilities! A chance to talk and listen to that special someone who loves you! If that sounds good to you, sign up now for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. The upcoming dates are April 22-23 in Epworth, Iowa and September 22-24 in Dubuque, Iowa. For more information call 563-920-9419.

Mark Your Calendars!

Family Bible Breakfast —Family Bible Breakfast will be held at Holy Family on March 25th 8 AM following Mass. Help us celebrate the Feast of the Annunciation!

Youth Night —St. Alphonsus Youth Night will be held March 27th 5:30 PM in St. Clement's Center.

Return to the Ministry

Now that COVID is over, Holy Family and St. Alphonsus are in need of Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist! The Bishop must certify each person who performs this service. If you have taken part in this ministry before and would like to do so again, please reach out to the Holy Family or St. Alphonsus parish office.

ST. PETER – BUFFALO

MASS INTENTION - MAR 19

Sun. 8:30 David Steen †

LITURGICAL ROLES FOR MAR 19

GREETERS..... Jim & Jane Gadzik
LECTORS..... Janel Clark & Ken Tisinger
ALTAR SERVERS..... Koltin Clark & Austin Clark

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Today Sun. Mar. 12		3rd Sunday of Lent
Mon. Mar. 13	6:30 PM 7:00 PM	Choir Practice/St. Alphonsus Altar & Rosary Meeting/St. Peter
Tues. Mar. 14	10:30 AM	Quilting Group/St. Alphonsus
Wed. Mar. 15	10:30 AM 2:00 PM 6:00 PM 6:30 PM	Good Samaritan's Mass Sewing Group/St. Alphonsus Adoration & Stations/St. Peter Religious Education/St. Alphonsus
Fri. Mar. 16	3:15 PM 4-7 PM	Stations of the Cross/St. Alphonsus 41st Annual Fish Fry/St. Alphonsus
Sun. Mar. 19		4th Sunday of Lent

Fish Fry Update

We're off to a great year of Fish Fry's! Week One was 669 dinners and Week Two was 1054. A new feature that has been introduced this year is Call Ahead Ordering. Simply by scanning the QR code, you can place your order to be picked up curbside. You will pay using PayPal when ordering on-line and PayPal is now available at the door. Lastly, extra help is needed for clean-up around 7:00 pm. Thanks to all for your support!

St. Alphonsus Rosary Program Totals 2/26

Week Count: **105** Join us every Sunday at
 Year-to-Date: **903** 10:30 AM to pray the rosary
 Grand Total: **1495** before Mass! Our next goal
 is 2000 rosaries prayed in
 the parish!

Rosary intentions included:

The Mentally Ill; Cancer Patients; All Religious Orders; and Thanksgiving for numerous answered prayers!