

# ST. ALPHONSUS

# ST. PETER

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**PARISH SACRAMENTS**

- **Baptism:** Baptismal preparation class by appointment.
- Please contact office for more information.

- **Weddings:** Make arrangements 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](mailto:vac@diodav.org)

	<b>MASS SCHEDULE</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	4:00 PM	<b>St. Alphonsus</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	8:00 AM	<b>St. Alphonsus</b>
	10:00 AM	<b>St. Peter</b>

**Confessions** beginning at 3:15 p.m. on Saturdays before 4:00 p.m. Mass. Available by appointment, please call the parish office.



## 6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Again you have heard that it was said to your ancestors, Do not take a false oath, but make good to the Lord all that you vow.” - Mt 5:33

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**FEBRUARY 16, 2020--THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

# GENERAL NEWS

**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: Lev 19:1-2,17-18(79A)/Ps 1-2,3-4,8,10,12-13/1Co 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48**

From Father's Desk

Readiness

You have likely seen recent news reports about the Corona virus coming out of China. As of this writing, it has still not made it to Iowa. Two individuals that were suspected of having the disease tested negative, so we are clear for the time being. However, it is only a matter of time before we have to face some sort of disaster, whether it be a flood, virus, shooting, or other disaster. Now is the time to prepare, not after trouble comes our way!

First, I have directed all of our maintenance committees to take a look at building security, particularly our lighting, alarm systems, and cameras. Better lighting around our buildings makes it harder to sneak around at night. Audible alarms are effective at scaring off would be burglars, and cameras offer a possibility of catching perpetrators when the intrusion is discovered.

Second, we are looking at our entries and how we allow access to our buildings. St. Alphonsus has applied for a grant to replace the current glass entry doors with solid doors. Our offices are looking into remote entry systems linked to a camera so office staff can better limit access only to people here on legitimate parish business.

Third, we are investing in medical equipment for our churches, including first aid kits, defibrillators, and trauma kits. These will be placed in a highly visible area and training will be available for those who would like to become familiar with their use.

Finally, I encourage all first responders in our parishes to feel free to bring any gear they like with them to church. While I know that you are here to worship and leave work behind for a bit, everyone else will be turning to you for leadership and protection in the event of an attack. Concealed carry permit holders ought to receive appropriate training and maintain a state of vigilance.

I am also looking into disaster preparedness straining for the whole parish. If you have any ideas for future training or would like to help out with any of the things I have mentioned today, please let me know. Most importantly, pray that we will never have need of any of this!

-Fr. Paul

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<b>Today Feb 16</b>	<b>The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> 09:00 AM Elementary Religious Ed/St. Peter
<b>Mon. Feb 17</b>	08:30 AM Adoration/St. Alphonsus 06:30 PM Choir Practice/St. Alphonsus
<b>Tues. Feb 18</b>	09:00 AM Sewing Group/St. Alphonsus 07:00 PM Knights of Columbus Meeting/St. Alphonsus
<b>Wed. Feb 19</b>	02:00 PM Linen Sewing Group/St. Clements 06:00 PM Bible Study Group/St. Alphonsus 06:30 PM Religious Ed/St. Alphonsus
<b>Fri. Feb 21</b>	06:30 PM Youth Night/St. Alphonsus
<b>Sun. Feb 23</b>	<b>The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> 06:30 PM Youth Night/St. Peter

### Called by Name

All the parishes of the Diocese of Davenport are participating in Called by Name, a program of vocations awareness that begins this weekend. This program offers an opportunity for us to pray for vocations; to recognize gifts and potential for leadership and service in members of our parish; and finally, to call forth and encourage these members to share their gifts in priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life. Perhaps you know a man or woman (sophomore in high school and older) who would, in your opinion, have the qualities to become a priest, sister, or brother. Please recommend this person by filling out the response card found in church. Next weekend, place the completed card in the collection basket.

St. Peter's Family Life Mardi Gras (Fat Tuesday) celebration is from **6-7:30 pm Tuesday Feb. 25th** at the Buffalo Community Center. It's a catered event so plan on bringing the entire family as we prepare for Lent.

### Letters For Troops

The brave men and women in our Armed Forces always appreciate receiving thanks for their service. We are asking everyone to show their support by writing letters (or drawing pictures), which will be sent to Deployed Service Members or Wounded Warriors. This is an activity where your whole family can participate.

Your correspondence will be forwarded to Operation Gratitude for distribution on Armed Forces Day in May. Please place your submissions in the box in St. Clement's Hall before February 23rd.

Please call Rita Wacker with any questions 563-299-9002

# PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

## ST. PETER – BUFFALO

### MASS INTENTION

**Sunday February 23** 10:00 AM Dick Carpenter†

### LITURGICAL ROLES FOR FEBRUARY 23

Greeters.....Chris & Marilyn Wolford  
 Eucharistic Minister ..... Bev Heintz  
 Lectors ..... Ron Stalder & Terry Grabosch  
 Altar Servers.....Ian Keeney & John Frietsch

FEBRUARY CHURCH CLEANING: Margaret Conger & Carol Mosier

## Annual Lenten Fish Fry

February 28th is the start of the Annual Lenten Fish Fry's here at St. Al's. Each Friday we serve between 800 and 900 meals. This enormous task requires the unselfish donation of time and energy of over 100 volunteers. Soon there will be sign-up sheets in the back of the church to volunteer as a Fish Fry Worker, or you can volunteer at the church website. Please consider sharing your time and helping with this year's Fish Fry's.

The **Special Needs Fish Fry** will be Friday, Feb. 28 in the St Alphonsus school gym from 4-6pm. It is open to anyone who cannot navigate the stairs leading to the cafeteria in the school where the regular Fish Fry is held. A reservation is required for you and your companions and must be made by calling the church office at 322-0987 by Feb 25.

**Cinderella's Cellar Resale Shop Prepares for Big Spring/Summer Changeover Sale:** 50% off clothing is Feb. 15, 17, 18 and 20. In addition to clothing, merchandise (excluding furniture) will be 50% off on Feb. 22, 24, 25 and 27. The Big \$6.00 Bag Sale is Feb. 29, March 2 and 3. The store will be closed March 4-6 to get ready for the Big Spring/Summer Changeover Sale on Saturday, March 7, 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Be the first to start your summer shopping at 230 W. 35th St., Davenport. See us on Facebook.

### INCLUSIVE RENEWAL DAY FOR ADULTS WITH DISABILITIES

On Saturday, **February 29th from 9 AM–3:30 PM** at Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church's Parish Center, 4105 North Division Street in Davenport there will be a day of spiritual renewal, songs, and crafts for Adults with Disabilities and their family, friends and caregivers. Please call (563) 210-3470 to register, volunteer or if you have any questions.

## ST. ALPHONSUS – DAVENPORT

Parishioners will have the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday's at 3:15-3:45 p.m.

### MASS INTENTIONS

**Week of Feb 17 - Feb 23**

<b>Mon.</b>	8:00	Joe Benisch†
<b>Tues.</b>	8:00	Sister Mary Ann Ruhde†
<b>Wed.</b>	10:30	Jane Hingst†
<b>Thurs.</b>	8:00	L/D Williams & Taylor Families†
<b>Fri.</b>	8:00	Tim Heskett†
<b>Sat.</b>	4:00	Cyril & Mercedes Parker†
<b>Sun.</b>	8:00	For the People

### Ministries for Feb 22-23

#### LECTORS

<b>Sat.</b>	4:00	Marsha Menke & Joe Quinn
<b>Sun.</b>	8:00	Diana Underwood & Beth Ripslinger

#### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

<b>Sat.</b>	4:00	Walt & Sandy Huntington and Bill Kieffert
<b>Sun.</b>	8:00	Tori & Brileigh McCumsey and Diana Underwood

#### ALTAR SERVERS

<b>Sat.</b>	4:00	Owen Logsdon, Jana Anderson & Michael Quinn
<b>Sun.</b>	8:00	Joey & Mikey Stieger

*St Alphonsus Weekly Offerings February 8 & 9*  
*Weekly Budget: \$4,250 Offering: \$6,347.05*



**Save the Date** for the Assumption Knight Players' production of Freaky Friday, a heartfelt, comedic, and unexpectedly emotional update on an American classic! When an over-worked mother and her teenage daughter magically swap bodies, they come to appreciate one another's struggles, learn self-acceptance, and realize the immeasurable love and mutual respect that bond a mother and daughter.

Performances on **March 6th and 7th at 7:00 p.m.** and **March 8th at 2:00 p.m.**

Tickets available at [www.showtix4u.com](http://www.showtix4u.com) or at the door!