

ST. ALPHONSUS DAVENPORT

ST. PETER BUFFALO

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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

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	4:00 PM	St. Alphonsus
Sunday	8:00 AM	St. Alphonsus
	10:00 AM	St. Peter

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



15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight.” - Lk 10:33

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JULY 14, 2019--FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

GENERAL NEWS

**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-5/Col 1:24-28/
Lk 10:38-42**

From Father's Desk

Budget Time

The new fiscal year has already begun at our parishes. This means that our finance councils have been hard at work putting together a new budget which has to be in to the diocese by the end of this month. As you can imagine, some of our costs have gone up. We expect to see a rise in insurance costs, utility costs, priest's retirement fund, and wages. A booming economy means that while people are finding better jobs and making more money, lots of things also get more expensive.

One thing that rarely changes is parish giving. As creatures of habit, we tend to keep doing the same thing week after week unless someone asks us to make a change. So I am asking each parish family to take a look at their sacrificial giving in order to support the mission of our parishes. Your gift helps support Catholic education for youth, ministry to those in need, sacramental preparation for people of all ages, and a safe secure place to worship God. Don't forget that there are still many places in the world where this is illegal or impossible.

So how might a person decide how much to apportion for their sacrificial gift? The Bible tells us 10%, but this may be out of reach for many people. I present this as an ideal that we can strive for. A breakdown of this gift might look like this: 5% to my parish, 3% to my Catholic school, and 2% to the Annual Diocesan Appeal or the missions. It might be worth it to sit down with a calculator and see what these numbers would look like for your family. Once you have that number in mind, could you then try to do half of that? A quarter? Would a certain level of giving also provide a tax benefit? My hope is that your gift is not just a random number pulled out of the air, but a prayerful decision in which all family members have a part. Is junior taught to put in a dollar from his allowance? Don't worry- I usually try to keep monetary appeals to a minimum. I just want to be up front with all parishioners about our financial standing. I personally thank all parishioners who support their parish through the gifts of time, talent, and treasure. May God return your gift a hundredfold!

-Fr. Paul

Save the Date!

August 10, 2019

The Knights of Columbus St. Clement Hofbauer Council #15853 will be offering a day of recollection for active (and not so active) Knights. This will be a day for spiritual renewal and reflection on our mission as Knights in our community. The first talk begins at 10 AM at St. Alphonsus. The retreat will last till 3 o'clock with an opportunity for confession and conclude with Mass at 4 PM.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Today July 14 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mon. July 15 08:00 AM Adoration/St Alphonsus

**Tues. July 16 07:35 AM Pro Life Rosary/St Alphonsus
09:00 AM Sewing Group/St Alphonsus
07:00 PM Knights of Columbus/St. Alphonsus**

**Wed. July 17 10:30 AM Mass/Good Samaritan
02:00 PM Liturgical Sewing/St Clements
06:00 PM Bible Study/St Alphonsus**

Sun. July 21 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

July 14, 2019- 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

So many times in my life, I have failed to start something because I had not yet adequately prepared. I would have started working out or going for a jog, but I needed to get the right shoes. I would have started eating right if only I could find the time and money to buy the right foods. I would have started that journaling project, but I couldn't without a really nice leather-bound journal. I would have, I would have, and I would have!

I know many people can relate. We offer up excuses for so many things. Sometimes we even get to the point where we do start something, but by then, we have already lost so much time.

Some of us are thinking about taking a stewardship way of life seriously, but we are just not ready yet. We would be more generous if we can first get out of debt. We would give of our time, but we have to wait until the kids get older or until we fully research our options. The truth is, we don't have to be in any particular state of life or have any specific financial portfolio to start giving our very selves to God. God takes us as we are now. No resume needed. Why waste so much time thinking about getting started and becoming serious? Time is a gift given to all of us. As we think and prepare endlessly, we are practicing poor stewardship. The time to start is today. Who wants to answer God one day at the gates of Heaven saying, "I would have."?

**Save the Date– Parish Festival is
Saturday, August 24th 5pm –9pm.**

Watch for sign up sheets for volunteering and basket making, raffle tickets and support envelopes coming soon. New ideas are always welcome and help is needed. Contact any committee member or the office to join in making our festival a success.

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

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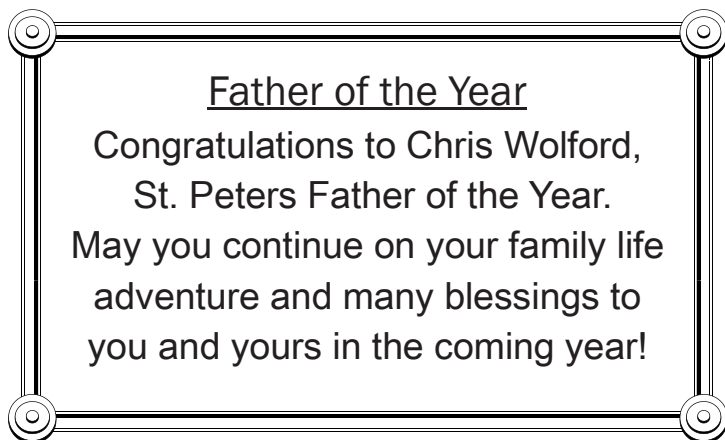
MASS INTENTION

Sunday July 21 10:00 AM Mike Mannhardt†

LITURGICAL ROLES FOR JULY 21

Greeters.....Jim & Jane Gadzik
 Eucharistic Minister Ed Michur
 Lectors Jane Gadzik & Alexis Cummins
 Altar Servers..... Brayden Behncke & Dominic Pacquet

JULY CHURCH CLEANING: Tricia Jasper & Toni Robertson



Summer Youth Group

-Totus Tuus is a summer youth program filled with faith and fun! Including songs, skits, games, lessons on the sacraments, and Mass, it is an exciting week of expressing Catholic faith! The day program is for 1st - 6th graders from 9am - 3pm, July 15-19 at St. Mary. The evening program is from 7-9 PM July 14-19 for 7-12 graders also at St. Mary! Cost is \$10 per person and you can contact Jasmin Tone for registration forms!

- Our Eagles' Wings service project had to be postponed due to weather until July 23rd. Join us in weeding and gardening from 2-6 PM! Bring gloves and any gardening tools you have. Afterward, we will be roasting hot dogs and marshmallows!

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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 July 15-21

Mon.	8:00	Leo Roussell†
Tues.	8:00	Mary Cawiezell†
Wed.	10:30	Bill Reagan†
Thurs.	8:00	John Pohlman†
Fri.	8:00	Ted Querin†
Sat.	4:00	L/D Members of the Cyril Parker Family
Sun.	8:00	For the People

Ministries for July 20-21

LECTORS

Sat.	4:00	Sara Lannan/Gloria Chavarria
Sun.	8:00	Tammy Midey

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat.	4:00	Liz Moritz/Pat Taylor/Sharon Williams
Sun.	8:00	Dawn Shaw/Dottie Gallagher/Dick Poster

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat.	4:00	Joseph & Ben Moneymaker
Sun.	8:00	Owen & Lucy Stieger

St Alphonsus Weekly Offerings

Weekly Budget: \$4,000 Offering \$ 2,729

Our sponsored ministry, Humility Homes and Services, is in need of help!

“Summer and other volunteer opportunities await those who are interested! Humility Homes and Services is looking for those interested in lending a hand. We need help with yard work, processing donations and creating displays. HHSI provides housing and supportive services to those recovering from homelessness. Help us help them! Projects tailored to your physical needs and time! Bring a friend and have fun while helping others. These opportunities for adults and teens. See website for further info; humilityhomes.org Call Patti for details, 563-326-1330.”