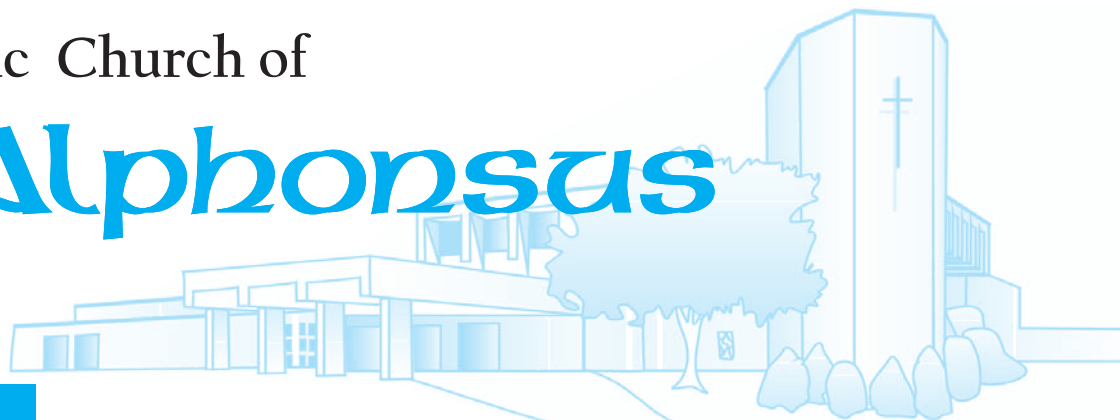


The Catholic Church of

St. Alphonsus



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Parish Mission Statement

St. Alphonsus is a Roman Catholic Community providing a spiritual home for people of diverse ages, ethnicity and economic status.

As a Christian community, we seek to welcome all individuals and families to grow in faith and express it.

We affirm Christ's presence in all people and value service, giving, worship, and education in all forms.

We strive to be the vibrant body of Christ in all its parts, energizing and evangelizing both ourselves and others.

JESUS said to his disciples:
"Thus it is WRITTEN
that the Christ would SUFFER
and RISE from the dead
on the third day.
You are WITNESSES
of these things."

LUKE 24:46, 48

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MAY 16, 2010 | ASCENSION OF THE LORD



From the Pastor's Desk

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We will have a PARISH MISSION next year April 3-7, 2011. A mission is a unique time of prayer and grace for a parish. I want to make this a special time to embrace all the people of our parish. We are a church of many different racial, ethnic and cultural backgrounds. We are a church that spans the whole age spectrum from young to seniors. We are a church that espouses different spiritualities, from the traditional to the moderate to the contemporary. We are a church that had been here for 50 years and a community that believes it will serve a people imbued with a spirit of hospitality and warmth for years to come. We are a community of 3,000 family units. We are the People of God, the Church of St. Alphonsus.

I want this Parish Mission to reflect this vitality. The image deep in my mind of who we are as a parish comes from the Good Friday veneration of the cross. I watched in awe as people of every age and ethnicity came forward and venerated the cross of Christ. I saw people kneel and kiss the cross; others bowed profoundly; some had tears in their eyes; some held little children in their arms; some could not physically kneel or reach the cross, but still revered it. It was faith that was being expressed in so many ways and it was the church universal right here at St. Al's that I witnessed. It is this faith of all our people that I hope and pray this PARISH MISSION will deepen and enliven.

In the months to come I will be asking parishioners to help with the planning of the mission. If anyone would like to be part of this planning team, please contact me here at the parish office. In the meantime, I ask all organizations and groups not to plan any activities on those nights of the mission so that all people would be free to participate.

Congratulations to our young people who are being confirmed Monday evening, May 17 at the church of the Epiphany in Coon Rapids. These young men and women have prepared themselves very well for this important step in their religious formation. May the Spirit inspire them and guide them to be joyful witnesses of Christ.

Pray for your fellow parishioners this week, especially our young people being confirmed.

Joyfully,
Fr. Pat, CSSR

Mass Intentions for this Week

A † before a name indicates the person is deceased.

Monday, May 17

7:00 AM † Alice & Eugene Eskierka
8:30 AM † Michael Jurgovsky

Tuesday, May 18

7:00 AM † Philomene Fisher
8:30 AM † Mary Paul

Wednesday, May 19

7:00 AM † John Topel
8:30 AM † Sidney Chaffee

Thursday, May 20

7:00 AM † Karen Kutscher
8:30 AM † Carol Kroll

Friday, May 21

7:00 AM † Cathy Ralph
8:30 AM † Bess Lahiff

Saturday, May 22

8:00 AM † Geraldine LaCrosse
5:00 PM † Andrew Shish

Sunday, May 23

7:00 AM CCW
8:30 AM For the Parishioners of St. Alphonsus
10:30 AM † Donald, Carmel & Tom Kempton
12:30 PM Intentions of the Day
5:30 PM † Cathy Ralph

Liturgical Ministers for Next Week

May 22 & 23 - Pentecost Sunday

Saturday 5:00 PM

Lectors Robert Thell & Mike Kraemer
Cantor Mike McGovern
Accompanist Anthony Vella

Sunday 7:00 AM

Lectors Loretta Jerome & Christina Wilson
Cantor Carol Carlson
Accompanist Carol Vickery

Sunday 8:30 AM

Lectors Ray Kroll & Michelle Buechner
Cantor Jean Olson
Accompanist Kathy Drew
Ensemble Bellissimo!

Sunday 10:30 AM

Lectors Gerald Hunt & Anna Hardy-Brown
Cantor Tony Meyer
Accompanist Kathy Drew
Ensemble Chorale & Heavenly Metal

Sunday 12:30 PM

All Liturgical Ministers are from the Latino Ministry

Sunday 5:30 PM

Lectors Karen Blanchard & Chuck Calhoun
Cantor Ed Dziedzic
Accompanist Kathy Drew

A Redemptorist Community

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Latino oficina (763) 503.3326
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Mass Schedule

Saturday
5:00 PM
Sunday
7:00 AM, 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM,
12:30 PM (in Spanish)
and 5:30 PM

Holy Days As Announced

Weekdays Mon-Fri

7:00 AM & 8:30 AM
6:00 PM (During Lent)

Saturday morning

8:00 AM

Confessions

Every Saturday 4:00-5:00 PM
Also in Vietnamese
the 1st & 3rd Saturday

Parish Staff

763.561.5100

Pastor

Rev. Pat Grile, C.Ss.R.

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Rev. Brian Johnson, C.Ss.R.
Rev. Wil Lowery, C.Ss.R.
Rev. Thomas Pham, C.Ss.R.
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Mary Raeker
503.3322

Annual May Marian Morning

On **Tuesday, May 18** we will again have a special morning devoted to the Virgin Mary, Mother of God. There will be a Rosary in the Church at 8:00 AM followed by the 8:30 Mass and Devotions to Our Lady of Perpetual Help. There will be your favorite Mary Hymns. You are invited to the CSSR Hall afterwards for refreshments and hospitality.

Keep the Date Open – Fun Fest 2010 is coming Aug 7 & 8!



Here's an easy way you can help ... Donate a gift basket to the Silent Auction. Pick up a FREE BASKET at the table in the CSSR Hall after all Masses the next two weekends. Fill it

with goodies of your choice and then bring it back and we'll wrap it to be part of the Silent Auction! Any Questions call Terri at 763.566.7961 or Kathy at 763.424.4676.

Attention St. Al's Seniors (50+)

The St. Al's Senior's May meeting will be held on Thursday, May 20, beginning with a social at 5:30 in the C.Ss.R. Hall. This will be followed by our famous Spring Salad Buffet at 6:00. Please bring a favorite salad to share. Invite a friend or neighbor to come with you and enjoy the evening. There will also be an election of officers and a plea for "kitchen supervisors." You will be entertained by the Brooklyn Community Band under the direction of Jan R. See you there!

Annual Parish Directory

Do you have a new phone number or other new information about your household? Please let the office know this week. Call us if you would rather **not** have your name and/or address and/or phone number listed in our directory. It will be mailed out to our registered parishioners who are listed. To remove your name, or just your phone number or address, please call the office, 763.561.5100.

Hot Dogs for Memorial Day at Sharing & Caring Hands

Our "Old Timers" (the name they chose) are again planning their famous Memorial Day picnic at Sharing and Caring Hands. They prepare all the side dishes and condiments, but are counting on you to once again bring in hot dogs. Bring them to the Parish Office. We'll keep them cold until the guys cook them up!



Branch Meal This Week

St. Al's volunteers are preparing lunch for the Catholic Charities Drop in Shelter on Tuesday. The finishing touch is your home-made cookies or bars. Please have them to the parish office by 9:00 am Tuesday. THANKS!

Parish Events

- May 16 Sundae Sunday
- May 16 Latino Ministry Fair
- May 16 ISAIAH Visits Celebration
- May 17 Confirmations
- May 18 Marian Day
- May 18 Branch Meal Prep
- May 19 Adoration Mass
- May 20 St. Al's Seniors
- May 22 Fare Share
- May 22 CPR for KCs
- May 22 KC Awards Banquet
- May 23 Latino Ministry Workshop
- May 23 Special Ed party
- May 25 Sharing & Caring Meal Prep
- May 26 Choir Pot Luck
- May 27 8th Grade Graduation
- June 1 Morning & Evening Devotions
- June 10 St. Al's Seniors, Mass & meal

August 7 & 8 St. Alphonsus FUN FEST 

This Week From Dave

Parish Administrator David Johnson



Dear Parish Community,

Our joy upon the arrival of a new granddaughter left us searching for a way to express our gratitude to our Lord. We were moved to install an engraved paver of appreciation on the beautiful patio honoring our Mother Mary on the east side of the main church entrance. Many of you already know of this special place to honor a lost loved one, celebrate a special occasion or express thanks for a blessing received. We are thankful to the Knights of Columbus for administering and the Gardeners for maintaining this special place for our parish. If you are looking for a fitting tribute or searching for a special way to make a lasting expression stop by this beautiful shrine to see what your fellow parishioners have done. If you would like information about ordering pavers stop by the Parish Office or call Simon Fehn at 763.560.3971.

God Bless! Dave

Parish Phone Numbers

- Parish Office 763.561.5100
- Fax 763.561.0336
- Email parishoffice@stalsmn.org

Parish Office Hours

- Mon-Thurs 8:30-8:00 PM
- Friday 8:30-4:00 PM
- Saturday 8:30-7:00 PM
- Sunday 8:00-1:00 PM

Business Office

763.503.3389

School

763.561.5101

Parish Health Ministry

Message Line 763.503.3331

Perpetual Adoration Chapel

Open 24 hrs. every day
Becky and Rob Borchart
763.566.8276

Parish Trustees

Randy Pearce 612.886.1800
Lynne Wyffels 763.315.3432

Parish Pastoral Council

The Parish Council meets on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 7 PM at the Parish Office.

Parishioners are welcome to contact a council member if you wish to include an item on the agenda.

Council Meeting Minutes are available at the Parish Office.

Dave Muehlberg, Chair
763.315.9375

- Justin Attipou 503.0535
- Bob Byrnes 612.490.3790
- Gerie Fischer 566.3222
- Katherine Hibbs 561.6796
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- Mike Rose 493.5158
- Kami Schmitz 425.8735
- Ryan Snee 566-8583
- Luz Zagal 612.889.2658

Finance Commission

Ed Daley, Chair
763.566.5232

Faith Formation, Youth Ministry & Young Adults

Graduation Celebration Mass Today (May 16)!

All graduates including those young people (and not so young) who are graduating from grade school, high school, college and other educational programs will be honored at the 5:30 PM Mass. Please pray for our young people as they begin a new phase in their lives.

Confirmation

Confirmation will be held this Monday evening, May 17th at 7:00. Our candidates will receive their sacrament at the Church of the Epiphany in Coon Rapids. Please join us all in praying for them.

Youth and Young Adult Commission

Due to a conflict with Confirmation, our meeting this month is rescheduled for May 24th at 7:00 pm in the youth room. Please let me know if this does not work for you.

Summer Softball

Are you interested in a fun and fellowship softball league. Then it is time to let me know. We are once again invited to sign up for a summer church league. If you are interested in softball, please call Teresa at 763.503.3349. Please leave a message telling me that you have an interest. Our team is made up of 7th-12th graders and games are played on Sunday evenings during June and July. Watch the bulletin for more information.

Young Adult Ministry Opportunities

SAYA Discussion Nights are on the 2nd Thursday of every month. Our May topic is **Mary**. We meet on May 13th from 7:30 – 9 pm! Remember our Young Adult activities are open to all those from 18 to 30, single or married, with or without children. Please stay tuned for future young adult ministry opportunities. For more information, please call Teresa at 763.503.3349.

Out of Office

Our Youth Minister, Teresa, will be out of the office for a couple of weeks, however, she can be reached by email at stalsyouth@aol.com please be patient for a return email. If you have an immediate need, please contact Barb Walhood at 763-503-3340. All programs are covered and will continue as scheduled!

•Barb Walhood 763.503.3340, •Jon Heyer 763.503.3342,
•Teresa Rousseau 763.503.3349, •Michael DePass, en Español 763.503.3326

Knights of St. John and Auxiliary

Those who are interested in becoming members are encouraged to attend a very important meeting after the 10:30 Mass on May 30 in the CSSR Hall. This is the second meeting as is open to people of all nationalities who are practicing Catholics. Come find out about this noble and fraternal organization. Questions? Please call Gabriel at 612.454.8515.

Music Ministry Celebration

St Alphonsus Music Ministries are having a Spring Pot Luck Supper on Wednesday, May 26th, 2010 at 6:00 pm in the CSsR Hall for anyone who has been involved with the music ministry. Any questions, please contact Mary Raeker at 763.503.3322

Parish Mission at St. Williams

You are invited to a 3 night parish mission, May 16—18, at St Williams—61st and University in Fridley. "The Big Question: Healing Hurts, Letting Go of Grudges" offered by Fr. Frank Desiderio, CSP. The mission is at 7:00 pm each evening. The intention of the mission is to help people with the spiritual process of releasing the need for vindication and resentment against those who have offended us in one way or another. There is no fee, free-will donations will be accepted.

Sacramental Information

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 4:00 - 5:15 PM

Confesiones

Todos los Domingos 30 minutos antes de la misa en Español.

Baptisms

A program for both parents is offered before the baptism of a child. Call the parish office for the date of the program and to register.

Bautismo

Pláticas Bautismales el 1^o Martes de cada mes a las 7:00 PM. Llamar para reservar su lugar 763.503.3326

Bodas

Contactar Padre Bill 763.503.3313

Weddings

Please contact the parish office at least six months prior to your anticipated wedding date.

Rosary

After the 8:30 AM daily Mass Please join us!

Perpetual Help Devotions

Tuesday after 8:30 AM Mass

Prayer Request Box

A box to receive special prayer requests is located by the Baptistry. These requests will be remembered during the daily rosary.

St. Alphonsus Endowment Fund

Please contact the parish office for more information on how to donate to the Endowment which provides long term support for the parish.

St. Alphonsus School Endowment Fund

Brochures are available at the parish office, or on our web site www.stalsmn.com

Happy Anniversary!

May God continue to bless the marriage of:

**Pete and Joann Prehatney—50 years
May 21**

**Barb and Bill Maas—50 years
May 28**



Crusader Corner

St. Alphonus School News

Talent Show – Monday, May 17th!

Reminder – Everyone is welcome to attend the annual St. Alphonus School Talent Show, tomorrow, Monday, May 17th at 12:30pm in the school gym. There will be dancing, singing, music and many other exciting acts to watch!



4th Grade News

In April, the 4th Grade took part in the Alcohol/Tobacco Decisions Program provided by Totino Grace High School and the University of Minnesota Extension Service. The students designed posters to show what you can do instead of drugs. The winners were: Maria Goman - 1st Place; Jenna Fulgham - 2nd Place; Natalie Juntilla - 3rd Place. The posters have been and will be on display at Northtown Mall in May.

The 4th Grades also entered a letter writing contest sponsored by the Postal Service. Each student wrote a letter describing a person who is a real hero in their lives. Awards were presented to Mary Hoang, Natalie Juntilla and Camryn Junkers. All of the 4th graders received special stamps for entering the contest.

Linder's Gift Cards – Thank You!

Thank you to everyone that purchased a Linder's Gift Card, during our fundraiser, over the last few weeks. We hope your garden grows many wonderful flowers & vegetables this summer!



Book Fair – Thank You!

Thank you to everyone that took time out to visit and purchase books from the St. Al's Book Fair. We hope you found something wonderful! Thanks to all our volunteers – we couldn't be successful without you!



Cub Scouts Grades 1—5

Boys entering 1st-5th Grade in the fall are invited to join Cub Scout Pack 454. There are dens for each grade level which meet weekly or bi-weekly. For more information call Doug Pearson, 763.566.9382.

Perpetual Adoration Chapel

Tired or anxious? Find your peace by spending an hour with Jesus—it's the best therapy you could ever imagine!

Adorers Needed: Sunday. 2 AM, Saturday. 1 PM, 3 PM, 6 PM

Wanting a Partner: Monday. 2 AM, 5 AM, 4 PM, 7 PM, Wednesday. 1 PM, Thursday 9 AM, Saturday 9 AM, 7 PM, 8 PM

Catholic Youth Camp

On big Sandy Lake in McGregor has resident camp programming for 1st—12th grades. Registrations at www.cycamp.org or call 651.636.1645 for information. CU @ CYC! :)

Summer Reading Tutors Needed

Mary's Place, the residential shelter at Sharing and Caring Hands, needs summer volunteers to help the children improve skills. M-W for two hours. Call Kathy at 612-328-0988.

Parish Visit Celebration Today

The parish visiting will be completed today. To celebrate our success and to share our stories, all participants, visitors and "visitees", are invited to a gathering in the CSSR Hall Sunday evening May 16th from 6:30-8:30 PM.

Food Processor from Garage Sale

If you bought a nice food processor at the Garage Sale, you left behind the blades! We have them at the Parish Office.

Pre-K Coming to St. Alphonus

Next fall we will be offering a Pre-K program for 4 and 5 year olds. For more information, please call the school office at 763.561.5101

**Financial Stewardship
May 9 & 10, 2010**

	Weekly	Year to Date
Actual	\$26,575	\$1,391,988
Budgeted	\$27,089	\$1,324,351
Variance	(\$515)	\$67,637

For Debt Reduction \$1,238

Thank you for your generosity!

**Readings for the Week of
May 16, 2010**

Sunday
Acts 1:1-11 / Eph 1:17-23 or
Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23
Lk 24:46-53

Monday
Acts 19:1-8 / Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday
Acts 20:17-27 / Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday
Acts 20:28-38 / Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday
Acts 22:30; 23:6-11
Jn 17:20-26

Friday
Acts 25:13b-21 / Jn 21:15-19

Saturday
Acts 28:16-20, 30-31
Jn 21:20-25

Next Sunday
Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a,
16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5
Rom 8:22-27 / Jn 7:37-39
Day: Acts 2:1-11 / 1 Cor 12:3b-
7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17 / Jn
20:19-23 or 14:15-16, 23b-26

Please Pray for the Sick

Gerry Anderson

Mike Murphy

Marlene Welinski

Eternal Rest, O Lord

Mike Adkisson,
Son of Chuck & Peggy Adkisson

Robert Brilowski,
Father of Judy Jones

Warren Raustadt,
Brother of Daniel Raustadt

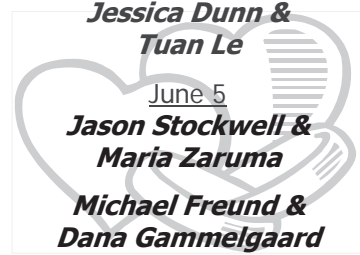
**Wedding Banns
God's Blessings for:**

May 22
*Carolina Mijangos &
Raul Reyna Rojas*

May 29
*Jessica Dunn &
Tuan Le*

June 5
*Jason Stockwell &
Maria Zaruma*

*Michael Freund &
Dana Gammelgaard*



NOTICIAS DE NUESTRA COMUNIDAD

Domingo de la Ascensión

del Señor Celebramos en este Séptimo Domingo de Pascua la Ascensión de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo a los cielos. El tiempo de Pascua va terminando y, ya, sólo nos queda el próximo domingo en el asistiremos al milagro de Pentecostés, a la venida del Espíritu Santo y al inicio de la vida activa y dinámica de la Santa Iglesia de Dios. Tanto la Carta del Editor, como uno de los editoriales están dedicados a la Ascensión.

Calendario de Bautizos

Pláticas de Preparación

(En el salón de la iglesia)

A las 7:00 de la tarde

El primer martes

1 de junio
6 de julio
3 de agosto
7 de septiembre

Bautizos

A las 11:00 de la mañana

El segundo sábado

12 de junio
10 de julio
14 de agosto
11 de septiembre

Feria de ministros

¡Venga y aprenda más acerca de cada ministerio de su comunidad. Hoy, domingo, 16 de mayo inmediatamente después de la misa de 12:30 PM en el salón de la iglesia, CSSR Hall. ¿Cuál ministerio le gustaría servir a su iglesia?

Taller para nuestros ministros

Es para todos nuestros ministros. Los que ya están sirviendo a su comunidad y los que quisieran comprometerse servir a su iglesia. Será el domingo, 23 de mayo de 9 AM a 12 PM en el salón de la iglesia, CSSR Hall. Todos los ministros recibirán su comisión durante la Misa de 12:30 PM.

Feria de San Alfonso del 2010 7 y 8 de agosto

Será un fin de semana llena de diversiones para toda la familia. Ya es tiempo apuntar la fecha en su calendario. Nos veremos allí.

Nuestro Encuentro Pre-Matrimonial

Es Tiempo de inscripciones.

La Fecha: **Junio 5 y 6 del 2010**

Comienza el sábado a las 8:00am hasta las 8:30 pm. y el domingo de 8:00 am y termina con la misa de la 12:30pm en la Iglesia de San Alfonso. Se presentan varios temas y actividades para enriquecer la relación de la pareja.

Para registrarse y reservar su lugar Lllamar TEL. 763-218-4835 con Sislán o Maritza, 612-396-3916 con Jose o Maritza, o 763-315-0534 con Heredia o Alberto.

Comunidades Latinas Unidas En Servicio (CLUES)

Busca seguro medico?

Clues y Portico Healthnet están ofreciendo servicios de búsqueda de seguro medico. Clues tiene un representante de Portico en las oficinas de Minneapolis, 720 East Lake St. todos los miércoles de 1:30pm a 3:00pm, no necesita cita. El representante le ayudara a identificar un seguro medico a través de los programas de salud. Llame a Clues al teléfono 612-746-3500 o directamente a Portico al teléfono 651-603-5100.

Clases de Catecismo

Inscripciones serán todo **el mes de agosto**. Clases comienzan la segunda semana de septiembre de 2010. Puede registrar en la oficina de la iglesia lunes a sábado o después de las Misas los domingos. Para poder registrar, tendrá que entregar una copia del certificado de Bautismo y la cuota anual. Tenemos un programa de preparación de dos años. Llámenos al 763.503.3326.

Reporte de la Coleta

Del Ofertorio Semanal

1 de mayo y 2 de mayo del 2010

Sobres, dinero recibido \$ 32,590

Ofertorio Semanal Presupuestado \$ 33,269

Variación +\$678

Recibido para la Reducción de la Deuda
\$694

Recibido hasta hoy **(Anual)** \$1,365,518

Presupuestado para **el año** \$1,297,262

Variación +\$68,256

¡Gracias por su generosidad!

Horario de las Misas

Misa en español

Domingo 12:30 PM

Misas en inglés

Sábado 5:00 PM

Domingo

7:00 AM, 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM,
5:30 PM

Misa Diario

Lunes a Viernes

7:00 AM y 8:30 AM

Sábado 8:00 AM

Confesiones

Domingo 12:00 PM

O llámenos para hacer una cita

Bautismo

Plática Bautismal el primer

Martes

de cada mes a las 7:00 PM

en el salón de la iglesia,

CSSR Hall

Bautismos son regularmente

el segundo Sábado

de cada mes

Matrimonio

Llámenos para hacer una cita

Con Padre Bill

La Primera Comunión

Clases empiezan en septiembre

Inscripciones empiezan en

agosto

Adoración al Santísimo

Es perpetua – 24 horas al día,

7 días

De la semana

Oficina Parroquial

Lunes a Jueves 8:30 AM – 8:00 PM

Viernes 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM

Sábado 8:30 AM – 7:00 PM

Domingo 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM

763.561.5100

Oficina Ministerio Latino

Lunes a Jueves 8:00 AM –

4:00 PM

Michael DePass,

Asistente Pastoral

763.503.3326

¡Que Dios los bendiga!

Padre Bill Bueche, C.Ss.R.

Bingo Ministry

Once a month, for at *least* 30 years, volunteers from St. Alphonsus have gone to the Robbinsdale Rehab Facility (formerly know as Trevilla of Robbinsdale). We now need someone to take over this ministry. A group of volunteers brings the bingo prizes (provided by our parish), and helps the residents to mark their Bingo cards. The residents are long-term, all ages, with varying physical and mental challenges. Bingo is a much anticipated event and very rewarding way to brighten up someone's day. For more information call Yvonne at 763.391.5793.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat for Healing After Abortion

If you are struggling from an abortion, experience the healing love of Jesus Christ on a Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat on May 21-23, 2010 in the Twin Cities area. The weekend retreat will combine discussions, spiritual exercises, reconciliation, a Memorial Service and a Mass of Resurrection. Participation is strictly confidential and offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness and compassion. For more information or registration contact Nancy at rvr-nancy@usfamily.net or 952.882.2072. The cost is \$160.00 for meals, room and all retreat materials. If you have a financial burden, assistance is available. Additional information can also be found on the Rachel's Vineyard website at www.rachelsvineyard.org.

Latino Ministry Fair

Please come and learn about all of our Ministries this Sunday, May 16 from 2 PM to 4 PM in the C.Ss.R. Hall. We will be serving a traditional Mexican meal as everyone passes from table to table learning about the various ministries and deciding where they could best serve our Parish. Hope to see you there!

Latino Ministers Workshop

We are offering a ministry workshop in Spanish for our present ministers and those who commit themselves to ministry after having attended our Latino Ministry Fair. It will take place Sunday, May 23 in the C.Ss.R. Hall from 9 AM to 12 PM. Commissioning of our new ministers will take place during the 12:30 PM Spanish Mass. Please keep them in your prayers.

Finished Your Books, DVDs and Puzzles?

The collecting and sorting has begun for the *huge* Used Book Sale at the Holiday Bazaar in November. If you've finished your winter reading by the fire, and have finally completed the jigsaw puzzle on the dining room table, and watched the DVDs you got for Christmas— donate those books, tapes and complete puzzles. Call Anne at 763.561.5104 for drop-off information. Make room for your summer reading!