

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.

“From this day ALL generations will call me BLESSED: the Almighty has done GREAT things for me and HOLY is his Name. He has cast down the MIGHTY from their thrones, and has lifted up the LOWLY.”

LUKE 1:48B-49, 52

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AUGUST 15, 2010 | ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



From the Pastor's Desk

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

What a great FUN FEST weekend we had! We were blessed through the intercession of our patron, St. Alphonsus, in having good weather, despite some rain showers and high humidity. It was a good thing we had the Mass Sunday morning in the church!

I personally want to thank all those who volunteered in so many ways. Once again the people of St. Al's came forward and gave of themselves. Some of the areas that YOU gave were: setting up on Friday; working in the many booths on Saturday and Sunday; preparing and cooking the delicious food; preparing the auction baskets; counting money; showcasing your talents; participating in the beautiful Sunday liturgy; cleaning up on Sunday afternoon. It took all of us coming and working together to make FUN FEST 2010 a success.

Some of the folks that I want to thank by name are:

- John & Kathy Ormberg, Mark & Terri Burns, Dan & Sharon Arbeiter, Scott & Cindy Weis: they were the overall coordinators of the Fun Fest.
- Maggie Olivas and Donald Mendoza: Latina Cantina
- Anna Hoang: Asian food booth
- Yves Adjallah: Pan African Chateau
- Randy Lehner: American Grill (brats)
- School Teachers: American food booth (Fr. Pat's pulled pork sandwiches)
- Pat Velander, Jim & Amy Techam, Mike & Janice Rose: Pop, water & beer
- Kathy Lampi: Bridgeman's Ice Cream
- Sue Corns: all the advertising and signs
- Knights of Columbus: Bingo

Many others coordinated booths and I plan to mention them in future bulletins.

THANKS to all who helped in any way and put in some long hours under humid conditions. THANKS to all who sold and bought raffle tickets. THANKS to YOU ALL! We can once again give thanks for God's blessings upon our beautiful multicultural parish! We truly are the BODY OF CHRIST!

Pray for your fellow parishioners this week.....and get some rest.

Gratefully,
Fr. Pat, CSSR

A Redemptorist Community

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Brooklyn Center, MN 55429
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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.

Redemptorist Pastoral Staff

Rev. Bill Bueche, C.Ss.R.
Rev. Brian Gilles, C.Ss.R.
Rev. Brian Johnson, C.Ss.R.
Rev. Wil Lowery, C.Ss.R.
Rev. Thomas Pham, C.Ss.R.
Rev. Joseph Stenger, C.Ss.R.
Rev. Martin Stillmock, C.Ss.R.

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Deacon John Winkelman

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Parish School Principal

Robert E. Terry
763.561.5101

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Barbara Walhoad
503.3340
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Youth Ministry Coordinator

Teresa Rousseau
503.3349

Bilingual Pastoral Assistant

Michael DePass
503.3326

Director of Music

Mary Raeker
503.3322

Mass Intentions for this Week

A † before a name indicates the person is deceased.

Monday, August 16

7:00 AM † Lois Stange
8:30 AM † Robert Imholte

Tuesday, August 17

7:00 AM † Maria Pacheco
8:30 AM † Wencel Johnston

Wednesday, August 18

7:00 AM † Jack Saunders
8:30 AM † Robert Hessian

Thursday, August 19

7:00 AM † Jack & Betty Seifert
8:30 AM † Mary Paul

Friday, August 20

7:00 AM † Poor Souls in Purgatory
8:30 AM † Ed Perry

Saturday, August 21

8:00 AM † Francis White
5:00 PM † Helen Bauer

Sunday, August 1

7:00 AM † Dorothy Raush & Walter Walker
8:30 AM Lorrie May & Family
10:30 AM For the Parishioners of St. Alphonsus
12:30 PM Intentions of the Day
5:30 PM † Vivian & Jerry Bisek

Liturgical Ministers for Next Week

August 22, 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 15 Baptism 2:30 pm

Cantor: Colleen Monroe Accompanist: Kathy Drew

Saturday 5:00 PM

Lectors Mike Kraemer & Anna Hardy-Brown
Cantor Michael Steinmetz
Accompanist Matt Norris

Sunday 7:00 AM

Lectors Kim Pappas & Loretta Jerome
Cantor Ken Shallbetter
Accompanist Carol Vickery

Sunday 8:30 AM

Lectors Jackie Skilondz & Karen Blanchard
Cantor Jean Olson
Accompanist Kathy Drew

Sunday 10:30 AM

Lectors Frank Anderl & Judy Jordahl
Cantor Ed Dziedzic
Accompanist Kathy Drew

Sunday 12:30 PM

Lectors Latino Ministry
Music Latino Choir

Sunday 5:30 PM

Lectors Peggy Gilsdorf & Felicia Jappah
Cantor Tony Meyer
Accompanist Kathy Drew

Old Computers?

St. Alphonsus School now recycles used computer parts!!! We accept the "computer box" and what is inside a computer. Help us keep these components out of landfills while earning recycling cash for our school. (We CANNOT accept monitors, keyboards, mice, printers or speakers.) Call Mary Perrin at 763-503-3362 to get details about how to clean out old computer parts and help St. Als.



The school also accepts paper to recycle. The big bins for dropping off paper (newspaper, cereal boxes, office and school papers and magazines) are on the west side of the gym building. Cub Scouts collect aluminum cans (no glass or steel) for recycling. Their collection trailer is by the white garage on the west side of the church grounds.

Branch Meal This Week

Our volunteers prepare and serve lunch at the Catholic Charities Branch, a drop-in shelter, on the third Tuesday each month. Other parishioners help by bringing in home-made cookies and bars for the finishing, caring touch to a nutritious meal. If you could bring baked goods to the parish office by 9:00 am on Tuesday it really will be greatly appreciated.

R.C.I.A.

Have you thought of becoming Catholic, or know someone who is considering doing so? Would you like to be an RCIA sponsor? Do you want to learn more about your faith? When: Tuesday nights beginning Sept 14 Time: 7—9 PM Where: The Faith Formation Building (4111 71st Ave. N. Call 763.561.5100-Fr. Johnson

Parish Events

- August 15 Faith Formation Registration
- August 15 KC Corporate Mass 8:30
- August 15 Wedding Seminar
- August 15 Baptisms (English)
- August 17 Branch Meal Preparation
- August 17 School Advisory & H & S
- August 22 Sr. High Religious Ed Orient.
- August 23 Faculty Meeting
- August 24 Sharing & Caring Lunch Prep
- August 26 School Registration & New Parent Orientation
- September 1 School Mass
- September 1 Music Ministry Kick-Off
- September 2 Baptism Prep. Class (Eng)
- September 6 Labor Day
- September 7 Latino Baptism Prep
- September 10 Dance Classes Begin
- September 11 Spanish baptisms
- September 12 Ministry Fair
- September 13 CCW General Mtg/Benediction
- September 16 St. Al's Seniors Mass & Dinner
- September 19 Muffin Day by Pan African
- September 26 Pancake Breakfast

This Week From Dave

Parish Administrator David Johnson



Dear Parish Community,

Several maintenance projects will be underway over the summer and the next few months that will improve our facilities. Our parking lots and driveways will be patched and asphalt cracks will be sealed this week. Along with this we will be restriping some parking areas, walk ways and curbs. Our lawn watering system which has developed persistent leaks will be updated and restored. Finishing touches are being done on the new classroom for Third Base, our after school program. Our Home and School Association has provided for classroom floor tile removal and carpeting replacement. School beautification volunteers have painted the school offices and replaced the carpeting. Thanks to the dedicated fund-raising efforts of parishioners, we now have the resources to replace our aging school bleachers. We hope to have this project completed before the end of the school year. Thanks to all of you who volunteer your time and treasure to maintain and improve our community.

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
- Brian Johnson 425.6418
- Joe McCue 493.5754
- 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

Happy Anniversary!

May God continue to bless the marriage of:

Marcia and Brian Johnson—30 years
August 9

Bob and Nancy Kneefe—45 years
August 14

Richard and Queen Hill—1 year
August 15, 2009

Joanne and Jerry Braun—59 years
August 18

Pam & Chris Carlson —36 years
August 24

Faith Formation, Youth Ministry & Young Adults

St. Alphonsus Faith Formation Presents
Jr. High Ministry

Teens and Parent Service Night

At Feed My Starving Children

Wednesday, August 18, 2010

Meeting at St. Alphonsus at 7:00pm

Returning at 9:30pm

**Parents are encouraged
to volunteer with their Jr. High kids.**

*If you are a Jr. High kid without a parent
to go with you, sign up anyway!*

Space is limited, sign up soon.

Questions, Call Jon at 763-503-3342

or e-mail at

jonheyer@hotmail.com

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

Bannister's say "Thank You"

The family of Virginia Bannister (Doug, kids and grandkids) thank the people of St. Alphonsus Parish Community for their prayers, and many kindnesses during Virginia's battle with cancer. Gratitude also goes to Fr. Grile, Tony Meyer, the Resurrection Choir, the altar servers and the Funeral luncheon committee for the wonderful Visitation, Funeral Mass, and luncheon. It helps to know so many of you appreciated this wonderful woman and will be sharing our sorrow.

Adult Confirmation Classes

St. Alphonsus Parish would like to start a new process this Fall. We will be offering a short series of classes to prepare adults to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. This process would be for adults who have been Baptized Catholic and made their First Communion. Please call Fr. Brian Johnson at the Parish Office to sign up for these classes. If we have adults who were Baptized Catholic, but have not made First Communion, they should call Fr. Brian to discuss being part of this series, or part of the RCIA program.

Assistance Programs

Ever wondered if you might qualify for Energy Assistance, Food Support, Child Care Assistance, or other similar programs? Fare For All can do a free Bridge to Benefits benefit screening for you over the phone. It's completely confidential. Call Laura at the Emergency Foodshelf Network 763.450.3895.

St. Al's Seniors Plan Trip

You are invited to join the St. Al's Seniors on Tuesday, September 21, 2010 on a trip to the Science Museum of Minnesota. View the Dead Sea Scrolls Exhibit. Also see the hand-lettered and illuminated Saint John's Bible, a magnificent art work commissioned by St. John's University. We will also see the historical movie "Arabia" in the Omni theater. Call Alice at 763.424.6064 for more info.

Upcoming Festivals

After having such a grand time at our Fun Fest, you may want to know what other church festivals are coming up:

August 15 **St. Mary's** (15850 Marystown Road, Shakopee) A great Smorgasbord, quilt auction, wall of wine, games+++.

August 15 **Ss Cyril & Methodius**, 1315 2nd St NE, Polish & Hispanic Food, Slovak Folk Dancers, games.

August 15-**St. Thomas** Corcoran 11:30—3pm. Turkey Dinner, games, raffle, crafts

August 20-22, **St. Anne—St. Joseph Hien**, 2627 Queen Ave. N, Vietnamese egg rolls, Meat Balls, Polish sausage, Root Beer Floats. Games, Bingo, Free music.

August 20 -22, **St. Gerard's**, 9600 Regent In Brooklyn Park, annual Corn Fest. Music, contests, food and fun.

Become a Trained Volunteer

Little Brothers Friends of the Elderly are looking for a diverse group of people age 55 or better to be Peer Counselors. Information 612.746.0753, cswenson@littlebrothersmn.org

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 1º 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



Used Uniform Sale – Thank You!

Thank you to everyone that stopped by the Used Uniform Sale last week. We hope you found some great items at a great price! And thanks to everyone that volunteered their time – it was a great sale!



August Final Registration Day – Next Week!

Final Registration Day is scheduled for: Thursday, August 26th, from 4:00pm - 8:00pm.

- * Families can complete required paperwork before school begins.
- * Teachers will be present for a Meet & Greet for all grades, during registration, in the classrooms.
- * A New Parent meeting will also be held during registration at 6:30 PM, in the church.



Remember, this is the only Registration Day we will be holding. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

St. Alphonsus Parish School has an opportunity to win \$500,000 from Kohl's!

St. Al's Families and Friends ~ Below is a website with detailed information on an awesome opportunity for our school to potentially receive \$500,000 from Kohl's. Please take the time to read and vote via Facebook for St. Alphonsus Parish School. Each person with a Facebook account can vote up to five times for our school – so tell your friends and family members to vote for St. Al's too!! The contest ends on September 3rd, 2010. Thank you so much for taking the time to vote for our school. The Kohl's Store website: <http://apps.facebook.com/KohlsCares/search>

Back to School Dates – Reminder!

Grades 1st – 8th begin school on Tuesday, August 31st.
 Kindergartners begin school on Wednesday, September 1st.
 St. Al's Pals – Preschoolers begin school on Tuesday, September 7th!
 We look forward to seeing everyone!



Help The CEAP Quilters

Watch for a box at the main door of the church or at the parish office where you can place items to help the CEAP Quilters. Old sheets, thread, yarn, quilt batts etc.

CEAP Back-to-School Program

Help get your kids off to a great start this school year! Call CEAP at 763-566-9600 and ask for the Back to School Program. Register by phone for a back pack for your children going into grades K-8. Have the child's name, date of birth and grade ready when you call. Pick up at the Brooklyn Park Armory Wednesday, August 25, between 9 am-8pm. Bring a photo ID or current piece of mail. **Registrations taken until August 20.**

CEAP Needs School Supplies Now

Drop off school supplies in the CEAP boxes at St Al's church entries this week, so they will be ready for distribution next week. See page 7 for ideas to help.

Adoration Chapel

Committed Adorers keep our chapel open. Please prayerfully consider committing to an open hour. Adorers are needed: Monday at 11 PM; Tuesday 9 AM; Thursday 2 AM, 3 AM; Saturday 1 PM, 3 PM, 2 AM; and Sunday at 2 AM. Some adorers like to have a partner, another person in the chapel while they are there, or to know someone will be there if they can't make it. Partners wanted Monday 4 PM, 7 PM; Thursday 10 AM; Saturday 9 AM, Noon, 8 PM; Sunday 2 PM, 4 PM. Call Becky or Rob at 763.566.8276.

Financial Stewardship

August 7 & 8, 2010

Actual	\$24,600	\$164,92
Budgeted	\$24,762	\$166,480
Variance	(\$162)	(\$1,560)

For Debt Reduction \$250.02

Thank you for your generosity!

Readings for the Week of August 15, 2010

Sunday

Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a/ 1 Cor 15:20-27/ Lk 11:27-28

Monday

Ez 24:15-23/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday

Ez 28:1-10/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday

Ez 34:1-11 / Mt 20:1-16

Thursday

Ez 36:23-28/Mt 22:1-14

Friday

Ez 37:1-14/ Mt 22:34-40

Saturday

Ez 43:1-7b/ Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday

Is 66:19-21/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13
 Lk 13:22-30

Please Pray for the Sick

Pat Gregor

Howard Woodward

Eternal Rest, O Lord

Rubye Bergland

Roman Miller,
 Uncle of Jackie Holst

Robert M. Theisen,
 Former parishioner

Courage is Fear
 that has said its
 prayers.

Wedding Banns

August 28

Michael Bui & Hillary Chan

Orlando Jones &
 Beatrice Doe

NOTICIAS DE NUESTRA COMUNIDAD

Fun Fair 2010

Nuestra Feria Parroquial

Muchísimas gracias a todos que participaron y trabajaron de voluntario. Fue una celebración maravillosa para nuestra comunidad. Que Dios los bendiga.

Nuestra Escuela de San Alfonso

Algunas fechas importantes para los que ya están inscritos son las siguientes:

Inscripciones finales

Jueves, 26 de agosto entre las 4:00 pm y las 8:00 pm.

Reunión Informativa para familias nuevas será a las 6:30 pm esa tarde.

Martes, 31 de agosto es el primer día de escuela para los de grados 1 a 8 y miércoles, 1 de septiembre para los de Kindergarten. No hay transporte para los primeros tres días. No hay escuela el viernes, 3 ni el lunes, 6 de septiembre. Clases empiezan de nuevo el martes 7 de septiembre.

Clases de Catecismo

Inscripciones para todos los niños regresando para su segundo año de preparación y los niños nuevos serán después de las Misas los domingos del 15, 22, y 29 de agosto o se pueda inscribir en persona a la oficina de la iglesia durante el mes de agosto. Debería de entregar la cuota o el primer pago y una copia de la Fe de Bautismo. Gracias. Llámenos con preguntas al 763.503.3326.

Sacramentos Para Adultos

Tenemos un curso para la preparación de Bautismo, la Primera Comunión, y la Confirmación. Incripciones serán después de las Misas los domingos del 15, 22, y 29 de agosto o se pueda inscribir en persona a la oficina de la iglesia durante el mes de agosto.

Planificación Natural de la Familia

Seguro, saludable, y eficaz. Descubra una forma natural de posponer o lograr un embarazo.... Es un método moderno. Busque una Pareja Instructora en su localidad: planificacionfamiliar.net o llame al: 513-471-2000 o 763-503-3326.

El Grupo Juvenil

Reuniones: Nos reunimos 2 veces al mes después de la Misa de 12:30 PM. Jóvenes de los grados 7 hasta 12 están invitados.

Adoración al Santísimo

Invitamos a todos adorar al Santísimo y comprometerse una hora cada semana. Se puede escoger cualquier hora, pero necesitamos adoradores por las horas siguientes: **los domingos** a las 2am, 2pm, y 4pm; **Los lunes** a las 2am, 4pm, 7pm y 11pm; **los martes** a las 9am; **los jueves** a la 2am, 3am, y 10am; **los sábados** a las 2am, 9am, 1pm, 3pm y 8pm. Llámenos para más información o para comprometerse al 763.416.0977.

Ministerio de Oración

Si necesita alimentación espiritual o el apoyo del Grupo de Oración. Por favor llamar al teléfono 612-296-9318.

Para Nuestros Ministros

El domingo, 19 de septiembre después de la Misa a las 2:00 PM en el salón de la iglesia, tendremos **una sesión en español de Virtus, clase de como proteger nuestros niños**. Es obligatorio para toda la gente que van a trabajar de voluntario o participar en actividades de nuestros niños y jóvenes. Es para todos nuestros ministros y los padres de nuestra escuela también. Será de las 2:00 a las 5:00 de la tarde. Niños no puedan estar presentes en el salón durante la sesión. Cuidado de niños depende en la necesidad. Llámenos para apuntar su nombre al 763-503-3326.

Clínicas de Salud de St. Mary's

Si necesita ayuda médica, las clínicas de St. Mary's pueden dar tratamiento sin seguros médicos. Para determinar si usted es elegible para recibir servicios, llame al 651-690-7029.

Felicidades a Todas las Familias

Felicidades a todas las familias que bautizaron sus niños este verano. Hubo más que cien niños bautizados. Que alegría nos da tener tantos miembros nuevos de nuestra Iglesia Católica. Es el mejor regalo que podemos dar a nuestros niños. ¡Que Dios les bendiga!

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

Incripciones 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.

6th Annual Celebration of Adoption

Come and Celebrate the Great Gift of Adoption

Have you adopted a child? Are you an adopted child? Did you give your child for adoption? Whatever your connection to adoption, we warmly invite you to the 6th Annual Archdiocesan Mass in Celebration of Adoption. The Mass will be held **on Saturday, August 21st at 4:00 PM** at St. Peter Claver in St. Paul (375 Oxford St N St Paul, MN 55104). Parents, birth parents, grandparents, children, other family members and friends are welcome. A reception will follow. The Mass is sponsored by the Archdiocesan Office for Marriage, Family & Life. For more information or to volunteer, please call 651-291-4488.

Unique Garage Sale

A unique Garage Sale is being held by the Holy Family Catholic Adoption Agency on Friday, September 10th from 9:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. and Saturday, September 11th from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. at the Anoka County Fairgrounds. Donated items can be dropped off on Wednesday, September 8th from 8:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. Furniture only with prior approval. No TV's, computers or appliances. For additional information, call Gerrie Soine at 763-421-8917. Please pray for our efforts.

WorldWide Marriage Encounter

A vacation from the world and learn what God's plan is for your marriage. Make a WorldWide Marriage Encounter weekend. Weekends are scheduled for October 8—10 in Buffalo, Minnesota and November 19-21 in Prior Lake. Call 612.840.7630 for more information or check our website at <http://www.wwmesection8.org>.

Help CEAP's Back-To-School

Adopt a Child! If you would like to shop for a child of a specific grade or gender, we've got just the thing for you. Call our Family Service Manager at 763.450.3671 and be matched with a girl or boy. Buy the supplies and deliver them to CEAP by August 20.

or

Make a monetary donation to CEAP Back-to-School program and we'll do the shopping for you.

Volunteer! Spend a few hours sorting supplies, filling backpacks, or even distributing them to families! Call our volunteer coordinator at 763.450.3679.

All donations are needed by August 20 at CEAP, or in the CEAP boxes at St. Al's. Together we can make a difference in the lives of children in our neighborhood and our parish. CEAP is at 6840 78th Ave. in Brooklyn Park. 763.450.3671