

ST. ALPHONSUS CHURCH BULLETIN

FOR

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2009

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – SEPTEMBER 27, 2009

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Roman Catholic Church

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Parish Established September 9, 1901 Church Dedicated September 5, 1926

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY MASS: Sat. 5:00 P.M. and Sun. Morn. at 8:00 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

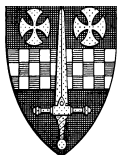
WEEKDAY: Mass held in Chapel next to Church. See bulletin each week or call Rectory for schedule of the 8:00 A.M. Mass which is not held every day (never on Sat morn).

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION: these days vary in time and obligation from year to year. See bulletin or call Rectory each time for details.

CONFESSIONS: Sat. from 3:30 to 4:30, and anytime by appointment.

MARRIAGE, BAPTISM: call parish office (six months before marriage).

COMMUNION CALLS AND OTHER SERVICES: call office for information.



New Parishioners: We welcome new parishioners whether newly moved into the area or those who have fallen off through inactivity. Welcome! Register by calling or coming to the parish office. Become an active, attending and supporting member of the parish. And please let us know if you move away or have your telephone or address changed. Thank you.

Church Hall Telephone: (724) 274-2547
Diocese Victim Assistance Hotline 1-888-808-1235

PARISH OFFICES & STAFF

ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER (RECTORY: former Convent building)

(724) 274-5084

Marsha Etzrodt, Secretary

Office Hours: Mon. - Thur.: 8 to 4, Fri.: 8 to Noon

LIGUORI CENTER OFFICES (school building side entrance)

(724) 274-2547

CCD & Youth Min. - Karen Mueller

Social Services - Cathy Moxie

Music Director/Organist – Vickie Roof

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NATIONAL RIGHT TO LIFE FEDERAL LEGISLATION ACTION ALERT

House and Senate to Vote on Health Bills that will greatly expand and fund abortion!

The U.S. House and U.S. Senate are expected to vote later this year on "health care reform" bills that, in their current forms, could produce the greatest expansion of abortion since Roe v. Wade – including a new nationwide insurance plan, run entirely by the federal government that would cover elective abortions.

The bills are being pushed hard by President Obama and by top Democratic congressional leaders, including pro-abortion House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-CA). However, growing public concerns about the bills caused sufficient resistance among some factions of Democrats that the leadership was forced to abandon the original plan of having floor votes on the bills in July.

No congressional Republican has yet endorsed the bills being pushed by the White House in either the House or the Senate. The Democrats, who hold about 60% of the seats in both houses of Congress, are divided, with some Democrats opposed, either because of the pro-abortion provisions or for other reasons, and many others undecided or uncertain.

In the Senate, the White House is backing a bill sponsored by the late Ted Kennedy (D-MA), which was approved on July 15 by the senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP) Committee on a 13-10 party line vote. The committee voted down all pro-life amendments, including an amendment offered by pro-life Senator Tom Coburn (R-OK) to prevent health care providers from being penalized for refusing to participate in providing abortions.

"The Kennedy bill would result in the greatest expansion of abortion since Roe v. Wade," said NRLC Legislative Director Douglas Johnson. "It would result in federally mandated coverage of abortion by nearly all health plans, federally mandated recruitment of abortionists by local health networks, and nullification of many state abortion laws. It would also result in federal funding of abortion on a massive scale."

National Right to Life has created an easy email form that will allow individuals to send messages to both their U.S. Senators and U.S. House Members in a matter of a few minutes.

It's easy to contact those who represent you in Congress using National Right to Life's website.

- Go to www.nrlactioncenter.com

- Scroll down to the end of the page
- Fill out the form at the end of the page with your name and contact information
- No need to know the names of your representatives, the program will automatically email the correct representatives with your entered address
- You even have the opportunity to personalize your message by editing the suggested text
- You will also have the opportunity to inform other pro-lifers of this online service

SCHEDULE OF MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 – Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr

8:00 AM Lil and Bill Stanley

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 -- Holy Archangels, Michael, Gabriel and Raphael

8:00 AM Andrew Oravec

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 – Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor

8:00 AM John and Anna Golian

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1 -- **No Mass scheduled for today**

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2 – Holy Guardian Angels

8:00 AM Carmen Ciamacco

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3 – **No Mass on Saturday morning**

5:00 PM [For Sunday] Scott Landis (Anniv.)

NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4 – Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM For all Parishioners, Liv. & Dec.

11:00 AM Romano Vergerio



REST IN PEACE – The parish family of Saint Alphonsus wishes to extend their deepest sympathy to the family of Agnes Anker. Please remember the deceased and her family in your prayers.

MASS FOR THE SICK – Our annual **MASS FOR THE SICK** and the **ANointing OF THE SICK** will be held next Sunday, October 4, in our Church at 1:00 PM. This will be an extra Mass on that day, in addition to our regular weekend schedule. Those who have homebound persons in their care are urged to bring them to that Mass on October 4, since it is primarily for them that we have this service. If anyone needs a ride or special care please let us know so we can try to provide transportation for them on October 4. We hope we can have a good turnout on that day since the major part of our mission as church is to provide for the spiritual care of our people.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT NEWS

ATTENTION ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS! Do you want to get text updates on Youth Ministry events? Call Mrs. Mueller at 412-841-2017 and register your cell phone number for text updates and reminders for social events, planning meetings, service projects, and spiritual opportunities.

St. Alphonsus Youth Ministry is sponsoring a kayaking trip down the mighty Kiskimetas River. Join us in a 4-hour scenic paddling tour on Monday, October 12. Cost of the trip is \$20.00 per person, your choice of kayak (1 person) or canoe (2 persons). Reservation forms and permission slips can be found in the Activity Room. Any questions, call Mrs. Mueller at 412-841-2017. Reservations are due by deadline, next Sunday, October 4th. Our next Youth Group meeting is October 4, after the 8 AM Mass in the Liguori Center.

THE REVOLUTION BEGINS – a night of solemn Vespers and Praise in a candlelight lit church followed by a coffee shop featuring Catholic music artists. Join other Catholic young adults (especially ages 21-35) for praise, music and fellowship – Saturday, October 24, 8 PM at Sacred Heart Church (Shadyside). Catholic Underground (CU) is a cultural apostolate of the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. It is a direct response to a call that began with Pope John Paul II, and is continued by Pope Benedict XVI. Pope John Paul II said that because the Gospel lives in conversation with culture, we must be fearless in crossing the cultural threshold of the communication and information revolution now taking place.

CLOTHING DRIVE – Saturday, October 17, 12 Noon to 4 PM. Benefits: Bethlehem Haven, A-K Hope Center, Pittsburgh Homeless. Items needed:

New or used – sizes 0-6 months – t-shirts, sleepers, receiving blankets, strollers, high chairs. New bottles, wipes and diapers.

New or used – pillows, blankets, sheets, towels. New only – women’s underwear and sleepwear.

New or used – women’s and children’s winter coats, towels, washcloths, all kitchen items and new paper products.

New or used – men’s sweatshirts, hooded sweatshirts, extra large winter jackets and large gloves, men’s white, calf-length socks, size 9-12.

ENTERTAINMENT DISCOUNT/COUPON BOOKS for 2010 are being sold by the Parish Social Services (Ladies of Charity). These books offer great savings at all kinds of restaurants, stores and various businesses, and they make great gifts (for Christmas, or anytime). They are available at \$20 after Sunday Mass in the Activity Room, or at the Parish House during office hours. There is a limited number for sale this year, so if you are really interested it would be wise to get them early. Proceeds from the sale go toward the works of the Ladies of Charity.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
FATHER DAVID EMERY COUNCIL 5021
COAL (CHANCE OF A LIFETIME)
SCHOLARSHIP SWEEPSTAKES**

Tickets will be sold by members after all Masses today, September 27th and next weekend, October 4th. Tickets are \$1.00 each or a book of 8 tickets for \$7.00. \$70,000 in prizes will be given away. You will have 16 chances to win great prizes. Money earned will be donated to the K of C Scholarship Fund.

EWTN PROGRAM SCHEDULE – The Fall/ Winter edition of the EWTN Program Highlights is available in the Activity Room.

POLISH PLATTER DINNER – Sunday, October 4, St. Mary Church (Friendship Hall), New Kensington. Noon – 5 P M eat in. 11 AM – 4 PM – take out. Adults: \$9, children under 10:\$5. Platter Dinner consists of pierogi, golabki, haluski, kielbasa, string beans polonaise, dinner roll and beverage. For more information call 724-335-8212.

Your Ministry of Support

Thank you for your offerings to Saint Alphonsus Parish
For Sunday, September 20, 2009

Offertory	\$4,269.00
Parish Share	\$1,296.00

**PLEASE REMEMBER ST. ALPHONSUS PARISH
IN YOUR WILL**

The special second collection next Sunday, October 4, will be the monthly collection for repairs and improvements to our Church. We thank you for your kind and generous support of St. Alphonsus Parish.