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Sacred Heart: Saturday 3:00pm

St. Alphonsus: Saturday 3:30pm

Sacraments

Baptism, Marriage, Ministry of the Sick—Please Call Parish Office

Holy Family Church

85 North St.

Sacred Heart Church

90 Melrose Rd

St. Alphonsus Church

85 E. Genesee St.

St. Ann Church

4890 Twelve Corners Rd.

Parish Council Members:

Holy Family Church: Helen Delaney,

Liza Kelly, Jeannine Larose

Sacred Heart Church: Pat Collier,

Melissa Deyneka, Kathy Herr

St. Alphonsus Church: Meg Gremli,

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St. Ann Church: Janet Zane

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April 13, 2025



STAFF CHANGES AND TRANSITION

I wish to inform all our parishioners that there will be changes in our parish staff beginning May 1st of this year. Two members of our pastoral team, Richard White and Barbara Quinn have asked to be relieved of their duties for personal reasons. Both have been highly committed and dedicated to their respective ministries as Faith Formation coordinator and Pastoral Associate, for Holy Family and our combined parishes, that now include St. Alphonsus, Sacred Heart, and St. Ann's Churches.

On behalf of our faith community, we extend our deepest gratitude to both of you for your enriching service, which enabled our community to reach out and help those in need during your time with us. Your contributions have enriched our community in countless ways, and we are deeply thankful for your time and efforts.

At the same time, to ensure that there is continuity in ministry, I am pleased to welcome Mrs. Ana Haff as our new Faith Formation Coordinator. Ana has been a volunteer in our Religious Education program and Lector at Sacred Heart Church and wherever needed. I am confident too that having this experience she will easily transition into this new leadership position for the good of our parishes.

With these changes, I will be doing all baptismal preparations for our children. I will also help in the funeral preparations with families of loved ones with assistance from Fr. Brown. Please call our parish office for any pastoral care needs. Moving forward, I am asking anyone who might be available for training, to assist the priests at funeral masses and baptisms to please reach out to me for more details on how to serve in this most noble ministry. Anyone who has experience as an altar server or sacristan would have an added advantage.

God bless you all and have a Happy Easter.

Fr. Stephen

Pastor

*Go to Mass not just to pray, but to receive Communion,
the bread that is the Body of Jesus Christ who saves us, forgives us,
unites us to the Father.*

~Pope Francis

Calendar of Events Week of April 13, 2025

Sunday, April 13, 2025 Palm Sunday

Monday, April 14, 2025

Communal Penance Service 7:00pm at St. Mary's

Tuesday, April 15, 2025

Wednesday, April 16, 2025

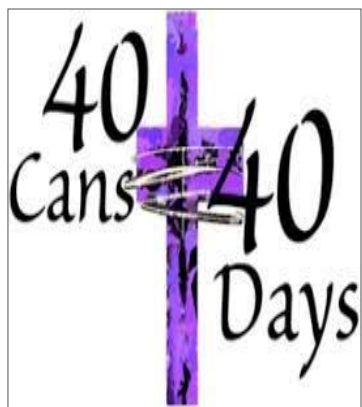
Thursday, April 17, 2025 Holy Thursday

Friday, April 18, 2025 Good Friday

7:00pm(SA) Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 19, 2025 Holy Saturday

Sunday, April 20, 2025 Easter Sunday



Date	Cans
03/09/25	631
03/16/25	780
03/23/25	693
03/30/25	1968
04/06/25	101
04/13/25	
TOTAL	4173

The “**Pack the Pantry**” item for the week of April 12/13—**Cans of Ravioli or Spaghettios**

April 19/20—**Cans of Fruit or Fruit Cocktail**

Please bring these items to church and place them in our “**Pack the Pantry**” baskets or they can be brought to the:

**ST. ALPHONSUS FOOD PANTRY
(PHYSICAL LOCATION)**

**1579 CLARK ST. RD. FINGERLAKES MALL
(SAVANNAH BANK ENTRANCE)**

Monday-Saturday
9:00 am-11:30 am
315-252-0710

**All Correspondence should be addressed to:
St. Alphonsus Food Pantry
90 Melrose Rd.
Auburn, NY 13021**

PLEASE NOTE: Soup, Pasta Sauce, Coffee, Tea, Juice, Dish Soap, Laundry Soap, Tissues and Hand Soap are always needed and appreciated.

Thank you for your continued generosity!

EASTER SCHEDULE

Communal Penance Service

Monday, April 14th -St. Mary's Church-7:00pm

Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper

April 17th-St. Alphonsus Church-7:00pm

Good Friday

April 18th-St. Alphonsus Church-3:00pm

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil

April 19th-St. Alphonsus Church-7:30pm

Easter Sunday, April 20th

Sacred Heart Church-8:30am

St. Ann Church-9:00am

St. Alphonsus Church-10:30am

Sacred Heart Church-11:30am

St. Alphonsus Church-5:00pm

The Parish and Finance Offices will close at 12:00pm on Thursday, April 17th and reopen on Tuesday, April 22nd at 8:00am. Have a blessed Holy Week.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP FOR 04/06/25

Sacred Heart Church

Regular Collection \$5835.00

St. Alphonsus Church

Regular Collection \$5054.00

St. Ann's Church

Regular Collection \$1129.00

Thank you for your continued generosity!

**Memorial Candles
Week of
April 13, 2025**

**Sacred Heart
Church
Tabernacle Candle**
*Edward & Mary
Giannino
by
Family*

For Those Who Have Recently Died

Paul Lattimore, Jr.

*Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord;
and let perpetual
light shine upon them.*

Deacon John will lead a unique, very moving and realistic experience of the Stations of the Cross as experienced by Simon of Cyrene on Good Friday evening at 7:00 PM at St. Alphonsus Church. All are welcome.



The Auburn Community of St. Alphonsus, Holy Family, Sacred Heart, and St. Ann's Catholic Churches is pleased to announce a very special event for people with special needs. Our church is celebrating the Year of Jubilee 2025 during which time we will strive to re-establish hope for the world, deepen our faith, and renew our relationships with God and each other. Throughout the year, we will recognize many important groups of people for their significance to society.

On Friday, May 2, we will sponsor a dance for people with special needs at Sacred Heart Church Hall, 90 Melrose Rd, Auburn, from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm, to recognize these individuals. Two great DJ's will be spinning music the folks love with plenty of room for dancing. Refreshments will include pizza, soda, popcorn, and water. There is no fee or registration needed, but we do ask that individuals are accompanied by staff or family in order to provide a safe environment for all. Attire is casual.

**Catholic Ministries Appeal,
PO Box 6841
Ithaca, NY 14851**

Please make checks payable to:
Catholic Ministries Appeal (not your parish)
*Thank you for your continued
Generosity and Support!*

04/07/25	Donors	Pledged	Goal	%
SH	149	\$36,475	\$42,000	86.85%
ANN	26	\$10,200	\$12,000	85.00%
SA	128	\$23,997	\$33,000	72.72%



First Fridays will resume on May 2nd with Mass at 11:30am and a light luncheon to follow. If you have not attended a First Friday as of yet, please join us and see what the fun and fellowship is all about!!!

Volunteers will be acknowledged at the Parish Picnic this year as Easter is so late in April! The Picnic will take place in September.

The Garage Sale has been our biggest fundraiser for years providing for the events we hold. St. Alphonsus held Garage Sales in the Parish Center and after we became a Cluster, we continued the tradition. However, with the sale of the school we no longer have a place to hold them. If anyone knows of or has a location that would be large enough to hold the sale, with the following requirements, please contact either Karen Mahoney at 315-515-3151 or Jeanette Richardson at 315-784-5534. The space needs to be at least as large as a gymnasium, we would need it for 7-8 weeks in late June to August 2025 and hopefully yearly.

Parish Life Meetings are the first Monday of every month at 6:00pm at Sacred Heart Church. The meetings are open to all. Our next meeting is Monday, May 5, 2025. Hope to see you there.

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential to help the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, including in Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name only a few. The pandemic had hit Christians in the Holy Land hard. Most of them depend on pilgrims for work. The war made their situation even more dire. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection is necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land and to maintain a Christian presence where the Church was born. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. Please be generous! Thank you.

Please call the Parish Office at 315-252-7271
to schedule a Mass Intention.

		MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF APRIL 13, 2025 Sacred Heart (SH) * St. Alphonsus (SA) * St. Ann (ANN)
Saturday, April 12, 2025 Palm Sunday	4:00 pm (SH) 4:30 pm (SA)	+Paul Castellano <i>by Family</i> +Anthony J. Daloia <i>by Betty Festa</i> +Alfred, Shirley & Maria Napoli <i>by Bill & Cathy Barlow</i>
Sunday, April 13, 2025 Palm Sunday	8:30 am (SH) 9:00 am (ANN) 10:30 am (SA) 11:30 am (SH) 5:00 pm (SA)	+Thomas Eisenschmidt <i>by Bereavement Ministry</i> +Christine Cuff <i>by Family</i> +Tom Patterson <i>by Sylvia Lukins</i> +Frank Reginelli <i>by Family</i> +Mary Brooks <i>by Family</i> +Deceased Members of the Gioia Family <i>by Phillip & Catherine Gioia</i>
Monday, April 14, 2025	8:30 am (SH) 12:15pm (SA)	+Gary Leader <i>by Bereavement Ministry</i> +Fred & Jane Kruger & Children & Grandchildren <i>by Family</i>
Tuesday, April 15, 2025	8:30 am (SH) 12:15 pm (SA)	+Jeff Gage <i>by Bereavement Ministry</i> +For the People of St. Alphonsus Parish
Wednesday, April 16, 2025	12:15 pm (SA)	+Agnes Njambi <i>by Phillip & Catherine Gioia</i>
		<i>Paschal Triduum through Easter Sunday</i>
Thursday, April 17, 2025	7:00pm(SA)	<i>Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper</i> +For Our Faith Community
Friday, April 18, 2025	3:00pm(SA)	<i>Good Friday Celebration of the Lord's Passion</i>
Saturday, April 19, 2025	7:30 pm (SA)	<i>Easter Vigil</i> +For Our Faith Community
Sunday, April 20, 2025	8:30 am (SH) 9:00 am (ANN) 10:30 am (SA) 11:30 am (SH) 5:00 pm (SA)	<i>Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord</i> +Lucy Cacciotti <i>by Bereavement Ministry</i> +Nick DeOrio <i>by Family</i> +Joseph & John Carberry <i>by Family</i> +Frances Watkins <i>by Lisa Utterback & Family</i> +Tom Eisenschmidt <i>by The Tracy Family</i> +Richard L. Palazzoli <i>by Wife Mary &</i> +William & Frances Keller <i>by Daughter Mary</i> No Intention

Devotions, Explained! Seven Churches Pilgrimage

The Seven Churches Pilgrimage is the practice of visiting seven different churches on Holy Thursday, in imitation of the journey of Christ on the eve of his crucifixion.

The devotion is thought to have originated in sixteenth-century Rome, where pilgrims — likely led by St. Philip Neri — would visit the seven major basilicas there: St. Peter's in the Vatican, St. John Lateran, St. Paul Outside the Walls, St. Mary Major, St. Sebastian Outside the Walls, St. Lawrence Outside the Walls and Santa Croce in Gerusalemme. Pilgrims undertaking this journey anywhere in the world can visit any seven churches while adoring Christ in the Blessed Sacrament upon the Altar of Repose, fulfilling his request of his disciples to stay with him as he awaited his Passion. There are specific Scripture passages that pilgrims can meditate upon at each altar.

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Here are the Scripture excerpts to reflect on at each church:

- 1) Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane (Lk 22:39-46)
- 2) Jesus before Annas (Jn 18:19-22)
- 3) Jesus before Caiaphas (Mt 26:63-65)
- 4) Jesus before Pilate (Jn 18:35-37)
- 5) Jesus before Herod (Lk 23:8-9; 11)
- 6) Jesus before Pilate again (Mt 27:22-26)
- 7) Jesus's crucifixion and death (Mt 27:27-31)

St. Alphonsus and Sacred will be open from 8:00pm-10:00pm for visitation along with St. Mary's, St. Francis and St. Hyacinth's.

The Bereavement Group meets on the third Wednesday of the month from 1:30 to 3:00 pm in Schrader Hall. Each month we discuss a specific topic, usually suggested by the group. There is time for sharing and then a video and discussion time. The topic for April 16 is 'Loss of a Spouse.' The seminar offers helpful insights on what to expect in the days to come; how to deal with the loneliness; what to do with your spouse's belongings; why it won't always hurt this much; and other practical help for dealing with the challenges of widowhood. The cost is \$5.00 to cover the cost of a book. Contact Bernie Tomasso at 315-246-3440 or berniet8@gmail.com.

Jubilee Month of April

This month, during the Jubilee of Teenagers, Blessed Carlo Acutis will be canonized as a saint. Carlo Acutis is the first millennial saint. He was a web designer who was especially devoted to the Eucharist and he designed a website that catalogued all of the Eucharistic miracles in the world. This month, celebrate his sainthood by attending Eucharistic Adoration as a family and talk about how the Eucharist impacts your lives!

Eucharistic Adoration is every Friday at St. Alphonsus Church beginning with the 7:30am morning Mass concluding with Eucharistic Benediction at 8:00pm. All are invited to spend quiet time alone with the Blessed Sacrament. Would you like to be a Eucharistic Adoration Guardian for one hour a week? Call Nancy in the parish office at 315-252-7271.

Please Note: There is NO Eucharistic Adoration on Good Friday, April 18th at St. Alphonsus Church.

Jubilee Pilgrimage to Shrines in Auriesville is Saturday May 17th we have committed to an all-day pilgrimage to the Shrines of the North American Martyrs and St. Kateri Tekakwitha. A bus will be available on a first-come basis by payment of \$10 per seat. Once the bus is filled, we will consider adding another bus if we have commitments to fill that bus as well. If we are not able to get you a seat on a bus you will be informed by May 10th and your check will be returned to you. Payment is by Check ONLY made out to Tyburn Academy with Pilgrimage noted in the memo area. The check is to be mailed to Dcn. Dennis Donahue 299 Clark St. Auburn NY 13021 or dropped off there during regular office hours.

CRUSADERS UNITED COLOR RUN

Tyburn Academy is sponsoring a Color Run 5k on May 3rd, at Everest Park. The day also features a shorter Color Fun Run for younger children. Proceeds raised will benefit Tyburn Academy and United Way of Cayuga County's Financial Stability Programs and Community Resiliency Programs. Register by April 15th to guarantee your event t-shirt!

Registration is \$38 for the Color Run, and \$22 for the Fun Run. Runners/walkers can register at <https://runsignup.com/Race/NY/Auburn/CrusadersUnitedColorRun>

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St. Alphonsus and St. Ann
Faith Formation Office,
90 Melrose Rd. Auburn, NY 13021 Barbara Quinn,
Coordinator of Faith Formation
Email: Barbara.Quinn@dor.org
Telephone: 315-252-7271 Ext. 204**



April 13, 2025

Palm Sunday begins the Celebration of Holy Week

It is important in sharing your faith, that you share the importance of Palm Sunday in our Catholic Faith. Here are a few thoughts in sharing the season with your children.

The events of Palm Sunday were prophesied in the Old Testament. The people in the crowd were so excited to see Jesus riding toward them on a donkey, finally, their King had come to save them. But in all reality, they shouldn't have been surprised because 500 years prior, the Old Testament prophet Zechariah told the Jewish people that their king would ride on a donkey.

We don't know what will happen five minutes from now but, God does. He loves us so much that He made a rescue plan back to the Old Testament for Jesus to be born in a manger, die, be buried, and rise again.

Jesus is Worthy of Our Worship. Surrounded by palm trees, the branches were a symbol of victory and joy. They were used to cheer for important people who rode down the streets. The Jewish people believed Jesus was their king, and they responded by waving palm branches and shouting "Hosanna" – but they did not worship Him as their Savior.

As parents, you can help your children see that Jesus is our King and Savior, and that He is worthy of our worship! We can point out the blessings in our lives and the characteristics of the God we serve. Admire creation and praise God for its beauty. Listen to praise music and worship together as a family.

Worshipping Jesus

Scriptures say that some in the crowd threw their cloaks over the donkey while many laid them on the road. Others spread branches on the road, while those ahead and those who followed shouted, "Hosanna!" No matter which avenue they chose, they all were worshipping Jesus.

Two-thousand years later, our worship is focused on the love of Jesus and his sacrifice for us. Jesus transforms our hearts. The crowd desired an earthly king, but they received a servant of all. The crowd wanted a ruler who resided on a throne to change their world. Instead, God sent His son who could transform their hearts. The crowd expected a leader who would save their lives. They were given Jesus who died in their place.

On Palm Sunday, let's help our children to understand that Jesus cares deeply for us, is worthy of our praise, and desires to do more than we could ever ask or imagine.

God Bless,
Barbara Quinn,
Coordinator of Faith Formation



Here are easy steps to creating your FREE online learning account at Franciscanathome/diocese-rochester:

1. Click on the blue button that says "My parish/school is already registered."
2. Select "Create a New Account"
3. **Find Holy Family/Sacred Heart/St. Ann/St. Alphonsus AUBURN** in the drop-down menu.
4. Fill in required fields
5. Follow directions to start learning!



Remember our Sick:

Helen Oyer, Evelyn Gagliano, Kathleen, Leighanne Boni, Kevin & Maryanne Festa Leonard, Marilyn Castiglione, John Salva, Patricia Burtless, Allyza, Danielle, Lucy

Pagano, Bruce, Olivia, Sue, Courtney Fedyshyn, Briana Dewitt, Joyce Blowers, John Clark, Cheryl Bellnier, Colleen Pinckney, Pat Gallagher, Gloria Cuddy, Carol Aldrich, Thomas Didio, Dave, Don & Joan Zeleznik, Mary Campbell, Stacy, Jonathan Arrowsmith, Lucas Mallory, Joe Schubach, Mary Warter, Caroline Blowers, Mark Cole, Sue Daly, Tim Daly, Gina DelPiano, Caleb Jones, Michael Fronzek, Carter Hergert, Joan Komaneky, Elizabeth Lane, Frances Lane, Stephen L. Norris, Siobhan Phillippe, Donna Romano, David Festa, and those listed in our Book of Petitions. *Please pray for all of our parishioners in nursing homes, assisted living, the hospital or homebound.*



We pray for the men and women of our Armed Forces serving U.S. and abroad:

LCpl Brian Baxter USMC, Capt. Gregory Baxter USMC,

Capt. DJ Benzing USAF, Lt.Col Joseph E. Brooks USAF, SSgt Tom Ellis Sr. USA, SSgt Angel Gonzalez USA, Col Eddie Gonzalez USMC, Pvt Zachary Gonzalez USMC, CWO4 Roger Graf USA, 1SGT Zachary Howell USA, SSgt James Johnson USMC, SFC Jason Mero USA, Pvt Justin Miller USA, E3 David Mirales US Navy, LTJG Richard Nelson IV, USN, E4 Adam H. Brooks, Airman Sarah Pasternak Clark, USAF, Airman Alex Gonnella, USAF

Please pray for all who risk their lives for our safety including police, fire, corrections and military personnel.

Prayer List-REMINDER Please let us know of Parishioner changes or those not included on our list. Please email Nancy at nancy.kavanagh@dor.org or call 315-252-7271 to have names added or removed. Thank you!

Bulletin: If you know someone who can no longer attend Mass but would like to receive a bulletin, please call the parish office to be put on the bulletin mailing list.