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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

Sacred Heart Church

90 Melrose Rd

St. Alphonsus Church

85 E. Genesee St.

St. Ann Church

4890 Twelve Corners Rd.

Holy Family Church

85 North St.

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GOSPEL MEDITATION ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

May 10, 2026
6th Sunday of Easter
John 14:15-21

In my family, we can hardly speak about orphans without tears. My father was adopted as a baby. He frequently told us stories of how his parents welcomed him not just into their home but into their hearts. It was never merely a relocation or a legal transaction. It was the joy of being chosen, of receiving a family, a name, and a place where he belonged forever. Even in his later years, recalling that gift still moves him to tears of tender gratitude.

That is the kind of tenderness behind Jesus' words in today's Gospel: "I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you." (John 14:18) He is going away, but not abandoning us. Instead, he sends us the Advocate, the Holy Spirit — his own Spirit, shared with the Father — who dwells in us. Through the Spirit, Christ is present in us, and we are present in him. His Spirit gives us a home and a family.

We deepen this knowledge in the sacraments, in prayer, and in the daily life of the Church. The Spirit is the bond of belonging, the power that makes us God's sons and daughters, not spiritual orphans. And this is not a one-time event. There is always a deeper outpouring of the Spirit available to us, a fresh appropriation of the promise that we are never abandoned.

If only we could be as grateful as my dad is for his adoption, realizing that we have been adopted by God Himself. In Christ, we are never left as orphans.
— Father John Muir

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The “**Pack the Pantry**” item for the week of
May 9/10-Cans of Tuna
May 16/17-Boxes, Bags or Pouches of Pasta
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
Monday-Saturday
9:00 am-11:30 am
315-252-0710

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

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

St. Alphonsus Food Pantry is extremely low on
canned tuna and we need help right away. Tuna is
one of our most requested items, and our shelves are
nearly empty. If you’re able to donate even a few
cans, it would make a real difference for local
families who rely on us. Donations can be dropped
off during our regular hours or in the back of church.

Thank you for your continued generosity.

**Calendar of Events
Week of May 10, 2026**

Sunday, May 10, 2026 *Mother’s Day*
Monday, May 11, 2026
Tuesday, May 12 2026
10:00am Mass at The Home
Wednesday, May 13 2026 *Our Lady Of Fatima*
Thursday, May 14, 2026 *Ascension Thursday*
5:30pm(SH) Choir Rehearsal
Friday, May 15, 2026
8:00am(SA) Adoration
6:00pm(SH) Christus Vivit
Saturday, May 16, 2026 *Armed Forces Day*
7:30am(SH) Blood Drive
Sunday, May 17, 2026

Ascension Thursday is May 14 and is a Holy Day of
Obligation. All are invited to join us for Mass:

- 8:30 AM – Sacred Heart Church
- 12:15 PM – St. Alphonsus Church
- 5:15 PM – St. Alphonsus Church

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP FOR 05/03/26

Sacred Heart Church

Regular Collection \$6131.00

St. Alphonsus Church

Regular Collection \$4805.00

St. Ann’s Church

Regular Collection \$1362.00

Thank you for your continued generosity!

BOOKKEEPER

*Part Time Bookkeeper Needed for the Regional
Finance Office based in the Ithaca/Lansing Area*

LIST OF JOB DUTIES:

Coordinates volunteers for money-counting and
record-keeping. This is accomplished by
scheduling, recruiting, training, supporting, and
overseeing the work of volunteers.

Oversee the counters to ensure accurate counting
and help with reconciliation as needed.

Escort the transportation of funds to the bank.

Issue tamper evident bags for masses, office bags,
fund raising and maintaining the logbook.

Attend a monthly staff meeting in Auburn with the
Finance Team.

Participating in diocesan-sponsored training.

Other duties as assigned.

NECESSARY QUALIFICATIONS: General
account clerk experience, ability to maintain
confidentiality and organize work effectively.

SEND RESUME: to Shawn.Gillen-Caryl@dor.org



Blessing for Mother’s Day

Dear Lord,

Pour your goodness and grace upon the women of
our community today in a special way.

For mothers: fill them with joy and blessing.

For those who have lost children:

hold them in their sorrow.

For those who have hoped for children:

surround them with Your love.

For those who have lost a mother:

may they know Your comfort.

For those carrying difficulty on this day:

bring them consolation.

Bless all women this day. Thank you for the love
they bring to this world, no matter their
circumstances or story.

Amen

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RADA Catalogs for our Parish Life Fundraising are now available in the vestibule of each of our Churches. Instructions for placing online orders are printed right on the front of every catalog.

If you have any difficulty ordering or have questions, please reach out to:

- Karen Mahoney: 315-515-3151
- Missy Deyneka: 315-246-8945

We're also excited to share that \$5.00 coupons are now attached to the front of the catalogs! Feel free to take advantage of this savings while supporting our Parish Life events—like our Parish Picnic—at no extra cost to you.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity. It truly helps our fellowship flourish.

Our next First Friday Mass in the Hall at Sacred Heart is on June 5, 2026 at 11:30am with 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!!!

Our next Parish Life Meeting is Monday, June 1st at 6:00pm at Sacred Heart Church. All are invited to attend.

2026 Annual Memorial Day Mass, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Assembly, will take place at St. Joseph Cemetery on Monday, May 25th at 9:00am. (If inclement weather, Mass will be at 9:30am at St. Mary's Church.) All are invited as this is the only Mass offered in Auburn on Memorial Day. This Mass remembers and prays for all of our deceased men and women who have served in the military over the years. May they rest in peace!

**Pope Leo's Intentions
for the Month of May**

That everyone might have food

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

Sharing the Light Award – Catholic Charities of the Finger Lakes will hold its annual Sharing the Light Award Dinner on Tuesday, June 16, 2026, at Hobart and William Smith Colleges in Geneva.

This year, we are delighted to share that *Doug Mason*, a devoted parishioner of Sacred Heart Church, will be one of the honorees. Doug is being recognized for the many ways he has shared his time, talent, and generous spirit—not only within our parish, but throughout the wider community. His quiet service has touched countless lives, far more than can be listed on a page, yet deeply appreciated by all who know him.

Please join us in congratulating Doug on this well-deserved honor as he continues to be a light for others. Tickets are \$60.00 per person; please contact Rhonda Zettlemoyer at 315-789-2235 ext. 104 or register online at www.catholiccharitiesfl.org Reservations must be in by June 4th.

Catholic Ministries Appeal Update

We extend our sincere gratitude for your generous support of the Catholic Ministries Appeal. We are thankful for every household that has participated. For those who have not yet had the opportunity to contribute, we invite you to join us. Each gift—regardless of size—brings us nearer to our goals and strengthens the mission entrusted to us.

Please note we will take up a 2nd collection the weekend of May 16th & 17th

Checks may be made payable to:
Catholic Ministries Appeal
PO Box 6841
Ithaca, NY 14851

(They can be put in an envelope either in the collection basket or mailed to the address above.)

Thank you for helping our parishes continue to grow in faith, service, and love.

*Together We Bring Hope
...and Hope does not disappoint*



We would like to thank
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315-252-5458
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Our Weekly Bulletin

LITURGY SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF May 10, 2026

Saturday, May 9, 2026

4:00pm Sacred Heart

+Deceased Members of the Eisenschmidt Family
by Denise & Tony Bellerdine
+Ann Driscoll by Sue Lennox & Family
+Ginny Chalanick by Dave & Eileen Cuff

4:30pm St. Alphonsus

+John Smith by Joe & Susan Rusinko
+Jean Fennessy by Family

Sunday, May 10, 2026

8:30 am Sacred Heart

+Mary Piccirillo by Sons Gary & Tom
+Barbara Wallace by Family

9:00 am St. Ann

+John Podolak by Family

10:30 am St. Alphonsus

+Marjorie Gregory, Jill Dougherty, Marci LaLonde,
Brian Farrelly, Edward Farrelly, Beverly Clifford,
Terry Clifford & William Dougherty by Family

11:00 am Sacred Heart

+Helen Oyer by Family
+Frances Keller & Angie Palazzoli by Mary
+Donna Lawler by Family

5:00 pm St. Alphonsus

+Mary Diego by Family

Monday, May 11 2026

8:30 am Sacred Heart

+Mike Ford by Family

12:15pm St. Alphonsus

+Jean Fennessy by Dorothy & William Walters

Tuesday, May 12, 2026

8:30 am Sacred Heart

+Walter Dec by The Dec & DeRouin Families

12:15 pm St. Alphonsus

+The Alano & Mantella Families &
The Pour Souls in Purgatory by Gloria

Wednesday, May 13, 2026

12:15 pm St. Alphonsus

+Linda Tesoro by Mike Lavey

Thursday, May 14, 2026 Ascension Thursday

8:30am Sacred Heart

+Helen Oyer by Bereavement Ministry

12:15pm St. Alphonsus

+For the People of our Faith Community

5:15pm St. Alphonsus

+For the People of Our Faith Community

Friday, May 15, 2026

7:30am St. Alphonsus

+Mel Brown Estate

8:30am Sacred Heart

+Tommy Vasile III by The Vasile Family

Saturday, May 16, 2026

4:00pm Sacred Heart

+Jama & Steve Kessler by Barbara Hartnett & Family
+Gerald Evans by Family

4:30pm St. Alphonsus

+Helen Graney by Family

Sunday, May 17, 2026

8:30 am Sacred Heart

+Sandi Mettler by The Moore Family
+Bernie & Gloria Offenburg by Lisa Sobus

9:00 am St. Ann

+Bill Stinson by Paul & Kristine Hickey
+Sharon Romano by Anna Flanigan & Family

10:30 am St. Alphonsus

+Louise M. Janusz by Lorraine & Donald Arliss

11:00 am Sacred Heart

+Colonel Robert Schnurr, Jr. by Nancy & Al Prosser
+Mr. & Mrs. Austin T. Donovan by Timothy A. Donovan

5:00 pm St. Alphonsus

+Peggy Kolo by Jim & Mary Ann LaMay

The Memorial Candles
The Week of May 10, 2026
Sacred Heart Church
Tabernacle Candle
Helen Oyer by Family

St. Alphonsus Church
Tabernacle Candle
Katherine Festa
by Mary Anne Festa Leonard

For those who Have Recently Died
Father James Enright
Chris McEvoy
Eternal rest grant
unto them. O Lord;
and let perpetual light
shine upon them.



**Sunday, May 10, 2026:
6th Sunday of Easter**

Take a few minutes to read the Gospel. Jesus is teaching His disciples here and preparing them for what will come, but He is also speaking to you and I. Jesus tells us that when we love Him and follow His commandments, we will never, ever be alone. He promises in this Gospel that He will ask His Father to send a helper, an “Advocate,” to be with them (and us!) always. This Advocate is the Holy Spirit. The Blessed Trinity—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—will always give us what we need to sustain us! Often this can be clear to us when we take the time to sit in silence and pray. No matter how unique or lonely our situation may seem, we are never alone. The Gospel we read last week began with Jesus saying, “Do not let your hearts be troubled” (John 14:1). There is no need to be troubled because Jesus is always with us. He will send the Holy Spirit to help us always. God does not always give us what we pray for specifically, but He always answers our prayers and gives us what we need to sustain and guide us.

Activities:

- Pray “Come, Holy Spirit!” many times throughout this week. It is short and easy to remember to say it often, in every circumstance.
- If someone in your family seems sad or lonely this week, ask how you can help them or “advocate” for them.
- As a family, have you had times where it has been hard to trust that God is with you? How does this Gospel help your hearts to not be troubled?

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In His Service,
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Director of Faith Formation



SUNDAY GOSPEL ACTIVITIES

B L M K P H K U L X Q Y V H V A J U L R
 S D M H E S I L R V I W X P A A W H M D
 S I B G T F I Z J C A K A C S D Y A K G
 G K T I R C E I E X I N J E F V C X R H
 R X E V U E A O S S K N L B K O F F L L
 C H R X T Q V D U W P O T A H C Q I U O
 E D B Y H E R E S I J Q M D Q A R G I Q
 Q J P X J U Y E A Z Z T P Y A T C F H C
 Z U Z V U Y G K M L W I P Z D E V Z L O
 L O W B A H O Y P A V U O B W S E E V M
 Q Q H R N Q S B O V I O N U X S T Z X M
 M A S P Q J P D G W Z N E V N W S B J A
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 E O R P H A N S I Z Q E P X L I V E S M
 V C D Y T Q A J C L Q Y F A T H E R C E
 H R A B B U S X X N O Y H E B I P H X N
 U C O C A D R N F R H V K W D A F J G T
 J J S P I R I T I W C B E Y N P J J G S
 E Y L S B G R T N S H G Z S Z K A L G B

Advocate	Loves	See
Commandments	One	Spirit
Father	Orphans	Truth
Jesus	Remain	
Live	Reveal	





Intimate details Near the end of his earthly life Jesus spoke to his disciples about his living on in the Father as well as in them, and them in him. This notion of indwelling is a unique feature of Jesus' message, bringing a deep intimacy to our life in faith. Jesus has taken up residence within us, and we in Jesus. Talk about having a "personal relationship" with our Savior—it doesn't get more personal than that! Take a moment today to appreciate how great it is to be considered worthy of such intimacy.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Today's readings:

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; 1 Peter 3:15-18; John 14:15-21 (55).

"I am in my Father and you are in me and I in you."

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Starting June 8th! A Deep Dive in Pope Leo's Spiritual Guide: "The Practice of the Presence of God."

Ascension's Classic Catholics podcast has chosen this book as the fifth book in their series. For twenty consecutive days in June, they will read the entirety of Brother Lawrence's work along with commentary and guidance to make it accessible and useable in your spiritual life. "This is not a complex theological treatise. It is a practical and deeply personal guide to transforming ordinary duties into acts of love."

"Drawn from the letters and conversations of a humble seventeenth-century Carmelite lay brother, The Practice of the Presence of God presents a clear and attainable path to lasting peace, joy, and communion with the Lord.... Through gentle but profound instruction, readers learn to cultivate an interior life that remains steady amid external change. The soul becomes recollected, peaceful, and rooted in grace."

If you would like to join in a local study group that will meet periodically in June to talk about this spiritual classic and information gleaned in the podcast; contact Dcn. Dennis at 315-406-1538 by text or VM.

The new Federal Scholarship Tax Credit would allow all taxpayers to receive a 100% federal tax credit, up to \$1,700, for donations that fund scholarships helping students with tuition, tutoring, and other education costs. If New York opts in, this program will bring millions of dollars in privately funded support to families, while allowing taxpayers to redirect a portion of their federal taxes to help students across the state, including our Catholic school families. Tell Governor Hochul to opt in! Go to www.bit.ly/federal-scholarship-credit to take action today.

Young Adult Ministry resumed on Tuesdays at 6:30 pm at St. Mary's Church. The Young Adult Ministry is open to folks from 18 to 33 years old. Alex Haines will coordinate the Young Adult Ministry.

Tyburn Academy has several job openings for next school year, including Science and Math Teacher, English Teacher, Spanish Teacher, and Athletic Director. Please contact Principal Conor O'Donnell if you are interested in learning more at codonnell@tyburnacademy.com

Monthly Pasta-Drive Thru Dinner at St. Mary's Church is this Tuesday, May 12th beginning at 4:00 pm until 5:30 pm or until sold out. We will be serving our original Penne Rigate Pasta!!! You may reserve dinners by calling the parish office at 315-252-7593. Please leave your name and approximate time for pick-up.

Bl. Solanus Casey Doorway Ministry is our local parishioner assistance ministry helping individuals, couples and families deal with spiritual, emotional and practical concerns impacting their overall wellbeing. The ministry also provides spiritual guidance and resources to those looking to become more intentional in their discipleship. The confidential service is free and provided by Deacon Dennis Donahue, a NYS licensed mental health counselor. To learn more or to schedule an initial phone consult; text or voicemail Dcn. Dennis at 315-406-1538.

Thank you for visiting our church this Sunday! We hope you felt at home and that the message encouraged your heart. It was a joy to have you with us, and we look forward to seeing you again. If you have any questions or want to know more about our church, please don't hesitate to reach out to us. If you would like to register, contact Nancy in the Parish Office at 315-252-7271, email nancy.kavanagh@dor.org or stop in the parish office.

Remember our Sick: Pat Allen, Huguette Evangelista, Heidi, Frank D., Johnny Coop, Kevin Jessie, Kathryn Lane, Eleanor Hudo, Patricia Ricci, Anthony Alberici, Evelyn Gagliano, Sue, Carl Jr. & Cheryl Moore Festa, Tim Grazsko, Jamie Mazza, Pat, Jim Podolak, Mary Manuel, Olivia, Kathleen, Bruce, Marilyn Castiglione, Allyza, John Salva, Stacy, Danielle, Lucy Pagano, Kevin & Maryanne Festa Leonard, Cortney Fedyshyn, Briana Dewitt, Joyce Blowers, John Clark, Cheryl Bellnier, Colleen Pinckney, Pat Gallagher, Gloria Cuddy, Tim Daly, Sue Daly, Carol Aldrich, Thomas Didio, Dave, Don & Joan Zeleznik, Mary Campbell, Mark Cole, Jonathan Arrowsmith, Lucas Mallory, Joe Schubach, Mary Warter, Gina DelPiano, Caleb Jones, Michael Fronzek, Carter Hergert, Joan Komanecky, Elizabeth Lane, Frances Lane, Siobhan Phillippe, Donna Romano, and those listed in our Book of Petitions.

"We pray for all those who are sick, especially those on our parish prayer list, those in nursing homes, assisted living, the hospital or the homebound. May they receive comfort, healing, and strength from God's grace."

Please call Nancy at 315-252-7271 to have names added or removed. Thank you!

We pray for the men and women of our Armed Forces serving U.S. and abroad: Major Mark Doherty US Army, 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, Lt Jg Richard Nelson IV, USN, E4 Adam H. Brooks, Airman Sarah Pasternak, USAF, Lt. Jack Hogan, USN, Airman Alex Gonnella, USAF., Major William Griffin USMC

"We pray for the protection and safety of all military personnel, including police, fire, and corrections serving both at home and abroad, especially those deployed in dangerous situations."