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Sacred Heart:
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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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God of Possibilities May 31, 2026 The Most Holy Trinity

Saint Paul offers a wonderful prism through which to consider the Trinity: the grace of Jesus, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit. To begin at the natural top of this triangle, many scripture texts support the revelation of divine love. God is memorably defined by this central attribute in 1 John 4:16. When God originally introduces divinity to humanity in the story of Moses, God claims only "I AM": pure existence. But John, mystically viewing eternity through the lens of Christology, goes further. I AM LOVE, he declares in God's name.

It's easy to see how he gets from one to the other. If Jesus and his Father are one, and God so loves the world as to surrender the Divine Son, then the pure existence of God is surely perfect love. Who or what else could make such a sacrifice? Although God doesn't claim to be "love" in today's story from the Book of Exodus, the Lord does announce the Divine Nature as mercy, grace, kindness, and fidelity—not inconsistent qualities but an aggregate of love's facets. In fact, Moses, knowing full well that he travels with a wicked band of stiff-necked people, only dares to invite God to join their company because he understands that a Lord who pardons sin is a God of love.

We move next to the traditional third point of the triangle: the fellowship of the Spirit. If "God's in his heaven" and Jesus is the Word made flesh who came to Earth, where does that leave the Spirit? A roving force of possibility, we might say. Jesus speaks of the Advocate as one that is sent (John 14:26) and says also that the Spirit comes and goes and blows where it wills (John 3:8). It makes sense not merely to speak of the movement of the Spirit but to perceive the Spirit as divine power in motion. The Spirit's origin is in God but is sent by the Father in the name of the Son, according to Jesus. To share in the Spirit's "fellowship" is to participate in this moveable feast of holy Presence.

Finally we come to the grace of Jesus. Paul begins his Trinity here, because it's only through the Incarnation of the Son that we know about his loving Father and companioning Spirit. Grace, however, is one of those religious words we all use and rarely define. We know we shouldn't leave home without it, but we're not always sure what it is. In Hebrew it means "favor," as to be in one's (especially God's) "good graces." In the New Testament, the epitome of grace is expressed in John 3:16. The God who rescues us by whatever means necessary emphatically reveals divine favor in Christ Jesus. May such grace, love, and fellowship be with us always!

Written by Alice Camille

Alice Camille is a religious educator, scripture commentator, and author of many books including This Transforming Word and other titles found at alicecamille.com.

The “**Pack the Pantry**” item for the week of
May 23/24-Boxes or Pouches of
 Rice/Flavored Rice
June 6/7-Cans of Beans

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.

Due to the early submission date for the bulletin, there is no weekly report. The information for May 24th will be in next week's bulletin.

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

Calendar of Events
Week of May 31, 2026

Sunday, May 31, 2026

Monday, June 1, 2026

Office Closed for Memorial Day
 9:00am Mass at St. Joseph's Cemetery
 (Only Mass in Auburn)

Tuesday, June 2, 2026

10:00am Mass at FLCL
 6:00pm(SH) Men's Club

Thursday, June 4, 2026

5:30pm(SH) Choir Rehearsal

Friday, June 5, 2026

8:00am(SA) Adoration
 11:30am(SH) First Friday Mass
 6:00pm(SH) Christus Vivit

Saturday, June 6, 2026

9:00am(SH) Baptism

Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

The month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, a devotion which began in the 12th Century and gained popularity after Jesus appeared to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque in the 1670s, revealing to her the image of His Sacred Heart. It is a month dedicated, therefore, to contemplating the wonderful mystery of the human heart of Jesus that contains all of God's eternal, infinite, self-giving love for each person. In this month, we invite you specially to start each day praying the consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus:

Divine Heart of Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer myself to God the Father in the Holy Sacrifice of the Altar, with all of my works, studies, prayers, sufferings and joys of today, in reparation for our sins and so that your Kingdom come.



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.

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

Join us for our next First Friday Mass in the Hall at Sacred Heart on June 5, 2026 at 11:30 AM. A light luncheon will follow. If you've never attended a First Friday before, this is the perfect time to come see what the fun, faith, and fellowship are all about!

Parish Life will be hosting a Coffee Hour on Sunday, June 7, right after the 10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Alphonsus Church. Join us in the narthex for light refreshments, a little conversation, and a chance to connect with one another before heading into the week.

What Role does the Parish Life play in our Faith Community? A parish life committee's primary role is to foster community and fellowship within the parish by organizing social events and activities. These committees aim to create a sense of belonging and strengthen the parish family, often by organizing events that allow parishioners to connect in a casual, social atmosphere. They plan and execute various social gatherings, such as potlucks, picnics, festivals, and other events that bring people together. If you would like to be a part of Parish Life, please join us at our next meeting or at any of our upcoming events.

Pope Leo's Intentions For 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 Zettlemyer at 315-789-2235 ext. 104 or register online at www.catholiccharitiesfl.org. Reservations must be in by June 4th.

Our neighbor across from St. Ann Church has asked us to remind parishioners not to park in a way that blocks or narrows their driveway. Traffic on 38A makes visibility difficult, and blocked access creates a serious safety concern, especially on holidays and the Chicken BBQ. Please use available parking areas and keep all driveways fully clear. Thank you for your cooperation

Eucharistic Adoration is every Friday at St. Alphonsus Church beginning with the 7:30am daily Mass and concluding with Eucharistic Benediction at 8:00pm. Stay for one minute or for an hour. Feel His love and His peace!
"Be still and know that I am God." — Psalm 46
All are welcome to spend quiet time with the Lord.

Christus Vivit Youth Ministry is open to any young person 6th-12th grade. The group meets every 1st and 3rd Friday of the month from 6:00pm-9:00pm at Sacred Heart Church.

We would like to thank
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Our Weekly Bulletin

LITURGY SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF May 31, 2026

Saturday, May 30, 2026

4:00pm Sacred Heart

- +*Harry & Jean Flanigan* by Family
- +*Ellen Harper* by Anne & Gina
- +*Ann Mulvey* by Pat Messina

4:30pm St. Alphonsus

- +*William V. DeTomaso* by Estate
- +*Robert Brown* by Dr. Phillip & Cath Gioia

Sunday, May 31, 2026

8:30 am Sacred Heart

- +*Sandi Mettler* by Richard, Maria, John & Joey
- +*Fr. Jim Enright* by The Nicpon Family

9:00 am St. Ann

- +*Josephine Christiantelli* by Frank & Jean Henderson
- +*Bonnie Summerville* by Joanie Macholl

10:30 am St. Alphonsus

- +*Paul Bona* by Louis Szakalski & Carol Aldrich
- +*Jim Newert* by Family

11:00 am Sacred Heart

- +*MM. Paul Lattimore Jr.* by Timothy A. Donovan
- +*Virginia Chalanick*

by Theresa Zanowick & Daughters

5:00 pm St. Alphonsus

- +*Ezio Leonardi* by Richard White

Monday, June 1, 2026

8:30am Sacred Heart

- +*Michael O'Leary* by Bereavement Ministry
- +*Ed Galka* by Dr. & Mrs. Thomas Hogan

12:15pm St. Alphonsus

- +*Jean Fennessy* by Chuck Healy

Tuesday, June 2, 2026

8:30 am Sacred Heart

- +*John Gormley* by Bereavement Ministry
- +*David Roller* by Family

12:15 pm St. Alphonsus

- +*David Welch* by Bereavement Ministry

Wednesday, June 3, 2026

12:15 pm St. Alphonsus

- +*The Deceased Members of the Lanni Family*
- by Dr. Phillip & Cath Gioia

Thursday, June 4, 2026

5:15pm St. Alphonsus

- +*Robert Brown* by Charlie & Sharon Mellor

Friday, June 5, 2026

7:30am St. Alphonsus

- +*Poor Souls of Purgatory* by Dr. Phillip & Cath Gioia

8:30am Sacred Heart

- +*Carmella Ruscio* by Family
- +*Dick & Betty Hogan* by Dr. & Mrs. Thomas Hogan

11:30am Sacred Heart

- +*Tom Donovan* by MM. Grziano & MM. Price

Saturday, June 6, 2026

4:00pm Sacred Heart

- +*Bill Fulton* by Judy & Ted Parker
- +*John Smith* by Robin & Ange
- +*Ann Mary Mulvey* by Anne

4:30pm St. Alphonsus

- +*John Lawler* by June Lawler
- +*Jean Fennessy* by The Hay Family

Sunday, June 7, 2026

8:30 am Sacred Heart

- +*Helen Oyer* by Family
- +*John Brown* by Family

9:00 am St. Ann

- +*Sharon Romano* by Ron & Sara Podolak

10:30 am St. Alphonsus

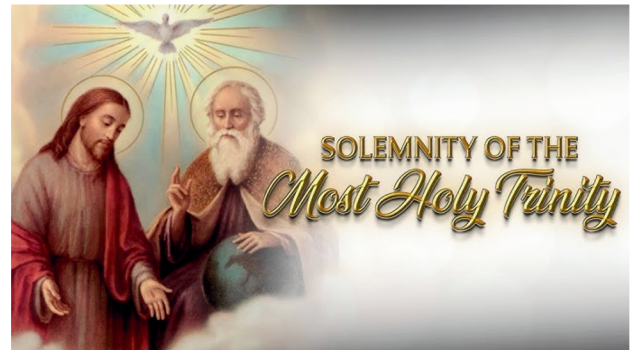
- +*Joanne & Tim Francis* by Jeannine Larose

11:00 am Sacred Heart

- +*Brian Vitale* by Grandma & Grandpa
- +*Amy Pine* by Ron & Marti Milliman

5:00 pm St. Alphonsus

- +*Peggy Kolo* by Family



The Memorial Candles
The Week of May 31, 2026
Sacred Heart Church
Tabernacle Candle
Judy Janusz by A Friend

St. Alphonsus Church
Tabernacle Candle
The Tomandl, Panec & Regets Families
by Deacon John & Carole

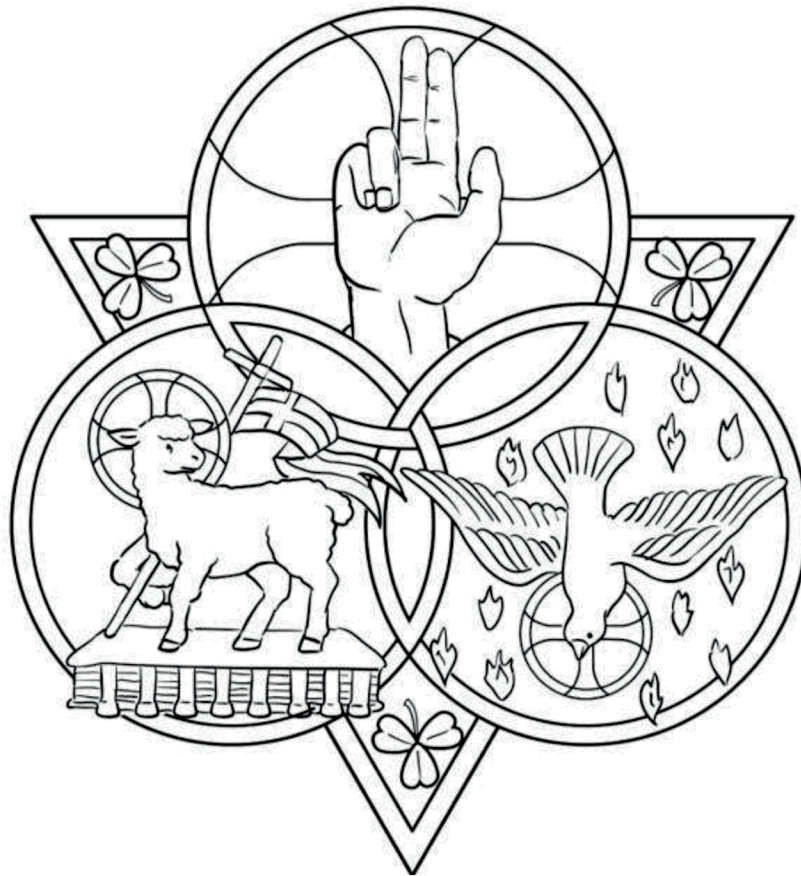
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Candle
Cathy Burger by Family

The Most Holy Trinity
May 31, 2026

In this Sunday's Gospel, we learn that God loved us so very much that He sent His Son Jesus to teach the world how to love. Jesus gave His life so that we too might one day have life in Heaven with God. The Gospel teaches that God did not send Jesus to condemn the world, but instead to draw the world closer to Himself. In Jesus, and through Him, we have everlasting life.

While we cannot completely understand the Blessed Trinity (this is called a "supernatural mystery"), we do know that God is Three Persons in One. God is Love. When we receive sanctifying grace in the sacraments, we are receiving the life of God (Who is love) in our souls. You have the love of God in your soul! How can you remember that in your day-to-day life? How can you share God's love with others?

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes
in him might not perish but might have eternal life. *John 3:16*



Activities:

- Saint Patrick is often associated with teaching about the Blessed Trinity. The Lorica of Saint Patrick (his famous prayer) begins with a beautiful reminder of the Trinity. Pray it together as a family today (you can find it on EWTN.com).
- Ask your parents how they have experienced God's love in their life. What can you learn from their stories?
- Say the "Glory Be" as a family, reverently and slowly, in honor of today's feast day.



What is God like? According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, God is like a family

and vice versa. It says, “The Christian family is a communion of persons, a sign and image of the communion of the Father and the Son in the Holy Spirit.” God isn’t aloof, disconnected, and distant. God is creative, compassionate, and as close to us as our next breath. We cannot fully fathom the nature of God, but we can know that God is in our yearning as well as in the satisfying of those yearnings.

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Today's readings:

Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13; John 3:16-18 (164).

“God so loved the world that he gave his only Son.”

The Practice of the Presence of God

Starting June 8, 2026, Fr. Gregory Pine, O.P. and his sister Rebecca will read through a spiritual classic that Pope Leo XIV has said shaped his spirituality: The Practice of the Presence of God, by Brother Lawrence. To prepare to get the most out of this 20 Day podcast series, Dcn. Dennis will offer an overview on Brother Lawrence and his writings on Monday June 1st at 3:00 PM in Nacca Hall at St. Francis. The same overview will be presented again at 7:00 P.M for those who cannot attend at 3:00 PM.

A Prayer for Peace

Lord Jesus Christ, You are the true King of peace. In You alone is found freedom. Please free our world from conflict. Bring unity to troubled nations. Let Your glorious peace reign in every heart. Dispel all darkness and evil. Protect the dignity of every human life. Replace hatred with Your love. Give wisdom to world leaders. Free them from selfish ambition. Eliminate all violence and war. Glorious Virgin Mary, Saint Michael the Archangel, Every angel and saint: Please pray for peace. Pray for unity amongst nations. Pray for unity amongst all people. Pray for the most vulnerable. Pray for those suffering. Pray for the fearful. Pray for those who are most in need. Pray for us all. Jesus, Son of the Living God, have mercy on us. Jesus, hear our prayers. Jesus, I trust in You! Amen.

Fr. John Guy Council is offering up to five \$200.00 scholarships to any parishioners or graduating high school senior who attend Our Lady of the Snow Parish and plans to pursue or is pursuing post-secondary education or training. They must be a confirmed Catholic and have shown service to church and community. Application forms are available in the back of each church and are due back by Wednesday, June 2, 2026.

Cayuga County Mini Conference on Alzheimer’s & Dementia. A free, half-day conference will be held on Tuesday, June 9, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Cayuga Community College, 197 Franklin St., Auburn, NY. This program is designed for caregivers, families, professionals, and community members seeking up-to-date information, resources, and support for those living with Alzheimer’s disease or other dementias. For additional education on caregiving, disease stages, or risk factors, visit the Alzheimer’s Association for more local programs and resources in Central New York.

The Justice and Peace Committee is accepting donations of Shampoo, Conditioner, Body Wash, Laundry Detergent, and Socks. Items donated by St. Alphonsus parish will be provided to the St. Alphonsus Food Pantry. Items donated by Sacred Heart and St. Ann’s parishes will be provided to the St. Alphonsus Food Pantry, and to Safe & Warm, an Auburn non-profit organization which serves local people experiencing homelessness. Baskets will be located near the main entrance to the churches.

Enthronement of Your Home to the Sacred Heart of Jesus On June 11, 2026, as part of the celebration of the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, the U.S. bishops will consecrate the United States of America to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Parishes around the country are encouraged to join the bishops in celebrating the consecration of our nation to the Sacred Heart.

This is a good time to consider having your home officially Enthroned! We have local teams trained to assist you in the Enthronement process. Contact Dcn. Dennis for more information. His cell # is 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."