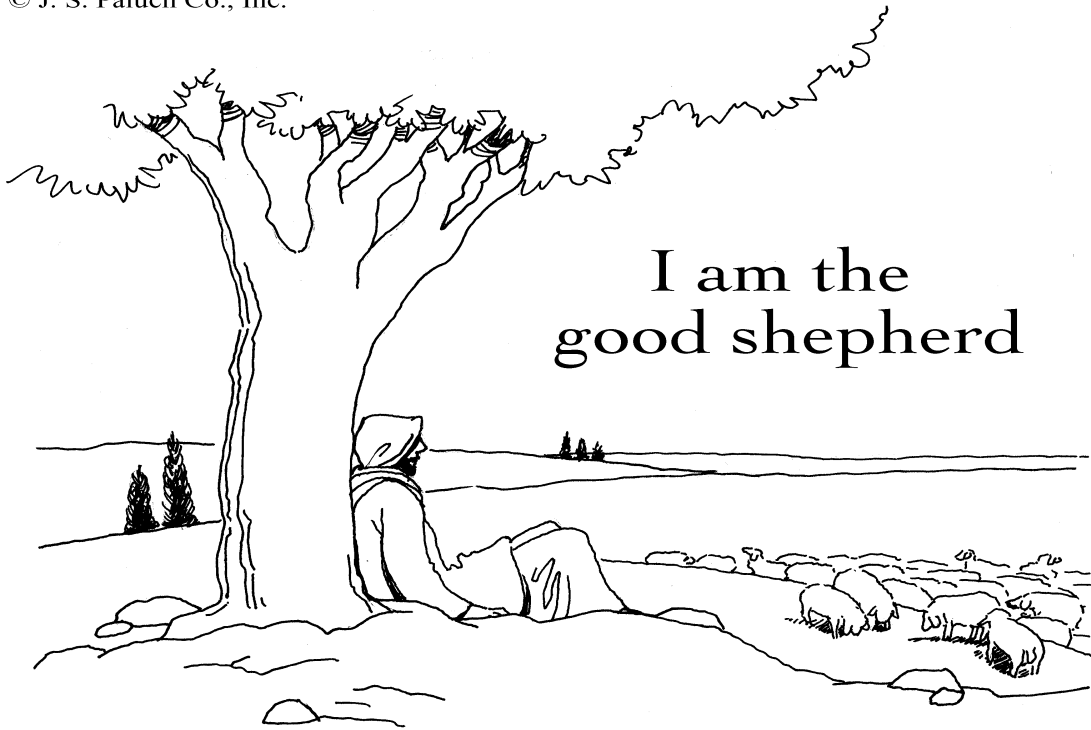


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**MASS SCHEDULE**

Mon Tues Thurs Fri	7:00 AM
Wed Communion Service	7:00 AM
Saturday Vigil Mass	5:30 PM
Sunday Mass	7:00 AM & 10:30 AM

**MONTHLY MASSES**

Mass Association 1 <sup>st</sup> Fri. of month	7:00 AM
Polish Mass 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of month	9:00 AM

**NOVENAS**

Miraculous Medal: Tues. after 7AM Mass  
 Novena to St. Jude: Fridays after 7AM Mass  
 Divine Mercy Chaplet: 1<sup>st</sup> Friday at 5:30 PM

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Saturday 4:30 PM—5:00 PM or by appt.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

Contact us 6 months before desired date.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Please call the office for appointment.

**PASTORAL STAFF**

Rev. Frank A. O'Kruta	<i>Pastor</i>
	<i>fokruta@gmail.com</i>
Rev. Mr. George Smoulder	<i>Permanent Deacon</i>
	<i>george_smoulder@yahoo.com</i>

Joyce Fiorilli *Parish Secretary*

Sister Anna Marie Cole, CSJ  
*Coordinator, Parish School of Religion*

Susie Foose  
*President, Christian Mothers/Ladies Guild*

David Alfred, Debbie Barlow,  
and Caroline Lakomy *Church Organists*

Kenny Wilson *Maintenance*

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday  
 9 AM—12 NOON and 1 PM—3:00 PM  
 Friday 9AM—12:00 Noon

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**PARISH e-MAIL ADDRESS:**

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**April 29, 2012**  
**4th Sunday of Easter**

**ST. ALPHONSUS CHURCH**

[www.stalswheeling.org](http://www.stalswheeling.org)

2111 Market Street, Wheeling, WV 26003-3827

# PARISH NEWS, EVENTS & INFORMATION

*"The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth;  
by the word of the Lord the heavens were  
made, alleluia."*

## ST. ALPHONSUS GRADE SCHOOL (Wheeling Catholic Consolidated School) SCHOOL BRICKS

Bricks are still available. Please see  
Fr. Frank. \$10.00 per brick/plaque.

## PARISH FOOD COLLECTION

18th Street Catholic Charities

Items needed: Raman Noodles, Mac &  
Cheese, canned  
soups, vegetables/  
fruits, cereals, pasta,  
fruit/pudding cups,  
spaghetti sauce, or  
rice. Also needed are  
paper towels, toilet  
paper, basic cleaning  
supplies and diapers  
(any size).



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*THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR  
CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THIS  
IMPORTANT OUTREACH TO THE  
PEOPLE OF THE WHEELING AREA.*

## FR. FRANK AWAY ANNUAL PRIEST CONVOCATION

Fr. Frank will be in Charleston, WV  
attending the annual Diocesan Priest  
Convocation on Tuesday, May 8, 2012  
through Friday, May 11, 2012.

If there is an emergency, please contact the  
Parish Office @ 304-232-4353 during regular  
business hours.

Deacon George will be conducting  
Communion Services Tuesday, May 8th to  
Friday, May 11th at 7:00 a.m.

**SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT**  
**Deacon George will be out of town, so  
there will be NO Communion Service on  
Wednesday, May 2, 2012.**

## IMPORTANT NOTICE FEAST OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

This year the Feast of the Ascension of the  
Lord occurs on Thursday,  
May 17, 2012. We will celebrate this feast  
on Sunday, May 20, 2012.

## MONTHLY POLISH MASS IS GOING ON THE ROAD

The May and June monthly Polish Masses  
will **NOT** be celebrated at St. Alphonsus  
Church. A Polish Mass will be celebrated at  
Our Lady of Grace//Polish War Memorial in  
South Wheeling to honor all our veterans on  
Memorial Day, May 27, 2012 at 9:00 am.  
*All are cordially invited to attend this very  
special Mass.*

The community of St. Alphonsus Parish offers its  
sympathy and prayers for the repose of the soul of:

**EDWARD A. CIHY**

May his soul and the souls of all the faithfully  
departed rest in peace.

St. Alphonsus parishioners  
and friends contributed:

**\$3,530.00 collections**  
**\$243.51 candles**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**



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# COMMUNITY EVENTS AND HAPPENINGS... ETC.

## INFANT OF PRAGUE NOVENA

Our Lady of Peace Church  
Mt. Olivet, Wheeling, WV

It will be held every Monday evening at  
7:00 p.m. beginning  
March 19, 2012 and ending May 14, 2012.

Theme is: "*Mary, our Good Mother*"

Please call the parish office at 304-242-6579  
with any questions.

3-Angels Blood Drive

Bishop Donahue High School

May 4, 2012

9:30 am to 3:30 pm

Fr. Ray Jablinske Gymnasium



## SPAGHETTI DINNER

St. Anthony Catholic Church

630 Main Street

Bridgeport, Ohio

Sunday, May 6, 2012

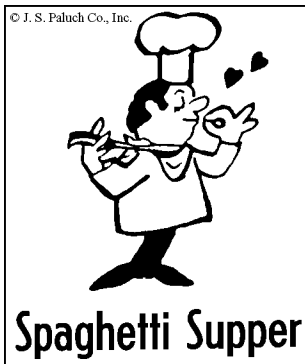
from 11:30am to 3:00pm

St. Anthony Hall

Cost: Adults \$7.00

Children under 12 \$3.00

Take-out is available



50/50 Raffle and various themed baskets will  
be offered.



## GOLF SCRAMBLE BISHOP DONAHUE HIGH SCHOOL

"We Believe"

Golf Scramble

May 25, 2012

Call 304-233-3850

## FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

MAY 1, 2012

The Gospel of St. Matthew refers to Joseph as  
being "*a just man*" who faithfully carried  
out the wishes of God once he understood  
that he was to be the guardian of the Savior.

Joseph today is honored as the patron saint and  
protector of the Universal Church. He is  
also charged with being the protector of  
workmen, as well as the patron of  
Christian families.

## NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

Thursday, May 3, 2012 has been designated as  
a National Day of Prayer. Everyone in the  
United States is asked to take some time for  
prayer on that day. Please pray for our  
nation, its leaders, and our armed forces  
stationed both here and aboard.

## ST. JOSEPH RETREAT CENTER MOUNT ST. JOSEPH - MAY RETREATS

**Seeing the Holy: Praying through your  
camera lens**

Come and walk the grounds of Mount St. Joseph  
seeing through the eyes of a child. Daniel Caron  
will facilitate the day **on Saturday, May 5 from  
10 a.m. through 3 p.m.** Bring your camera and  
comfortable walking shoes. The cost is \$25 and  
includes dinner.

## **World Labyrinth Day**

Come and walk the ancient pathway of  
peace. The morning will include a short history of  
the labyrinth, walking the labyrinth, and sharing a  
light snack.

Sister Mary Clark, CSJ, will facilitate the program  
on **Saturday, May 12 from 10 a.m. until  
Noon.** A free will donation will be accepted.  
Please call Sister Mary Clark at 304-232-8160

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends:

Many of you would think that with the completion of our new narthex building that construction has ended here at St. Alphonsus but, it has not as our parish buildings continue to receive much need upgrades so that they can face the 21st century. Over the winter three unused chimneys which were from our coal furnace days were re-pointed and capped with concrete slabs. Now, as spring is upon us all the back walls of the church building have also been recapped and waterproofed to the existing roofline. All the damaged or rotted soffit has also been replaced recently. (This included the “*re-installation*” of 160 small wooden crosses on the alley side soffit to maintain its “*historical accuracy*”). All of this is now being repainted its original warm yellow color. Finally, our new parking lot is scheduled to have its wear coat installed soon. All of these upgrades and repairs are part of the original third phase of our parish renovation project and are being generously funded by Bishop Bransfield.

Springtime also means that we will have our center parking lot island planted with flowers and shrubs. We are also planning on adding some flowers along the back wall in front of the large evergreens and also around the base of my rectory deck and entrance. In addition, we will be doing some container plantings in front of the church building and elsewhere. Hopefully all of this will bring some needed color to our campus area.

Our last major project that is unfolding nicely is the total remodeling of our main church sacristy. This project is actually a continuation of our new narthex project and is also being graciously funded by Bishop Bransfield. The old sacristy was on one level with a storage area above it. This area was originally the Capuchin Chapel with beautiful stained glass windows that could be opened so that a person in the chapel could participate in a Mass as it was being celebrated below on the main high altar. These stained glass windows are still there and with the current renovations this space will become the second floor of the sacristy containing new storage closets and space.

The original first floor sacristy is now connected with this new space by a spiral staircase. The original vestment cabinet on this first floor sacristy is being refinished along with the original lavavvo sink which is in the corner of the room. A new marble floor will be installed on this first floor level as well. The two windows on both the first and second floor of the sacristy along with the two windows in the work sacristy, located on the other side of the sanctuary area, have been replaced and are arched at the top to accurately reflect the original ones which they replaced. The roof over the work sacristy failed and begun leaking very badly back in December. (This roof is on the back south side of the church building and is directly below the Last Supper stained glass window). We did an emergency replacement of this roof. Finally, an entirely new electrical system is being installed. This new system will correct many of the mistakes of our current system. It will also be safer to operate than our current one.

As each of these projects is completed we, as a parish take one step closed to having our own wonderful and historic buildings ready to work for us as we worship, pray, gather and celebrate now and in the future.

Peace, Fr. Frank

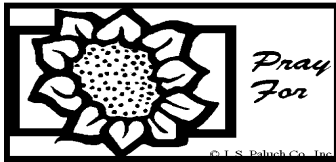
# MASS INTENTIONS

✘ DENOTES A MASS FOR THE DECEASED

SUN APR 29	SUN APR 29	MON APR 30	TUE MAY 1	WED MAY 2	THR MAY 3	FRI MAY 4	SAT MAY 5	SUN MAY 6
7:00 AM	10:30 AM	7:00 AM	7:00 AM	7:00 AM	7:00 AM	7:00 AM	5:30 PM	7:00 AM
✘		✘	✘		✘	✘		✘
Gertrude Trabert	People Of the Parish	Betty A. Gavarkavich	Saad Family	NO Communion Service	Ed Coleman	St. Alphonsus Mass Association	People Of the Parish	Adam & Catherine Bernas
Anna Marie Reid		Family	Charlie Saad		Ron & Sandy DeMuth			Son-Frank
								10:30 AM
								✘ Willis Reid
								Anna M. Reid Family

## HOMEBOUND & CONTINUOUS CARE

## Weekend Ministry Schedule



Helen Bernas,  
Mary Bohlman,  
Elizabeth Bissett,  
Frank Brzozowski,

Norma Campbell, Stella Czyzewski,  
Harold Ehni, Mark Fedorke, David Jasko,  
Theresa Lally, Margie Markwas,  
Phyllis Oberle, Dorothy Obyc,  
Blanche Richard, Mary Rushkevich,  
Elizabeth Rycerz, Mary Stefanow,  
Dorothy Thalman, Betty Weckerley.

### IF ADMITTED INTO A LOCAL HOSPITAL

Please notify the Parish Office at **304-232-4353**  
if you or a member of your family is hospitalized.  
Because of HIPPA regulations, we may not be told that  
you are in the hospital.

R = READER  
EM = EUCHARISTIC MINISTER  
S = SERVER

### 5:30 pm, Saturday, May 5

R: Mike Sofka  
EM: Don Orlando, Darla Orlando, Judy Sofka  
S: Josh Bischof

### 7:00 am, Sunday, May 6

R: Phyllis Holt  
EM:  
S: Charlie Saad

### 10:30 am, Sunday, May 6

R: Debbie Evans  
EM: Judy Brensinger, Rose Henry, Dick Lemery  
S: Katie McGonigal

## Special Request

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Rosemarie Bursee, Karleigh Ryan, Mary Schlosser,  
Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Rycerz, Beverly (Hill) Douglas



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Please continue to pray for our military  
men and women who serve to protect us  
as well as their families:

Lcpl. Brandon Collins USMC  
1st Lt. Mel S. Falck  
Lcpl. Marine Joey Henry  
Staff Sgt. Patrick Janiszewski  
PFC Jeremy Labuda  
Staff Sgt. Leonard E. Lapinsky  
Corp. Thomas McCarthy USMC  
Capt. Rich Wolf

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ATTN: FR. O'KRUTA OR JOYCE FIORILLI

MESSAGES:

Please disregard the first two copies sent to you. Changes were made again to page 5. Sorry....

I am submitting the bulletin for April 29 early because I will be on vacation next week. Thank you.

Joyce