



# St. Alphonsus

Wheeling, WV

July 2, 2023

## Calendar

7/4 Independence Day

7/8 6:30 pm  
Reception for Fr. Wiley

## Pastor:

Most Rev. Bishop Mark Brennan

## Parochial Vicar:

Rev. Nye Joseph Wiley

## Office Hours:

Mon, Tues & Thurs 8:30 am-12:30 pm

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## Mass Schedule

**Sunday**

**9:00 am**

Tues, Thur & Fri

**8:00 am**

Wednesday

**6:00 pm**

**Saturday**

**5:30 pm**

## Reconciliation:

Sun 8:30-8:50 am

Sat 4:30-5:00 pm (or by appointment)

## Baptism, Marriage, & Anointing of the Sick:

Contact the parish office.

## **The Offertory Report**

June 24 and 25

Envelopes = \$ 1161

Loose = \$ 1053

Votive Candles= \$113

Utilities= \$280

### **Mass Attendance**

5:30 pm—89

9:00 am— 95

## **Minster Schedule**

July 8 and 9

### **Readers:**

Sat.- **J. Brensinger**

Sun.- **C. Griffith**

### **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:**

Sat.- **J. Vidonic**

**L. DeGasperis**

Sun.- **J. Brensinger**

**M. Bohlman**

**P. Holt**

## **Readings**

**Sun:** 2 kings 4: 8-11, 14-16  
Rom 6: 3-4, 8-11  
Matt 10:37-42

**Mon:** Eph 2: 19-22  
John 20: 24-29

**Tues:** Gen 19: 15-29  
Matt 8: 23-27

**Wed:** Gen 21: 5, 8-20  
Matt 8: 28-34

**Thurs:** Gen 22: 1-19  
Matt 9: 1-8

**Fri:** Gen 23: 1-4, 24:1-8, 62-67  
Matt 9: 9-13

**Sat:** Gen 27:1-5, 15-29  
Matt 9: 14-17

From: UNIFORMITY WITH GOD'S WILL by St. Alphonsus de Liguori

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The devout Father John Tauler relates this personal experience: For years he had prayed God to send him someone who would teach him the real spiritual life. One day, at prayer, he heard a voice saying: "Go to such and such a church and you will have the answer to your prayers." He went and at the door of the church he found a beggar, barefooted and in rags. He greeted the mendicant saying: "Good day, my friend." "Thank you, sir, for your kind wishes, but I do not recall ever having had a 'bad' day." "Then God has certainly given you a very happy life." "That is very true, sir. I have never been unhappy. In saying this I am not making any rash statement either. This is the reason: When I have nothing to eat, I give thanks to God; when it rains or snows, I bless God's providence; when someone insults me, drives me away, or otherwise mistreats me, I give glory to God. I said I've never had an unhappy day, and it's the truth, because I am accustomed to will unreservedly what God wills. Whatever happens to me, sweet or bitter, I gladly receive from his hands as what is best for me. Hence my unvarying happiness." "Where did you find God?" "I found him where I left creatures." "Who are you anyway?" "I am a king." "And where is your kingdom?" "In my soul, where everything is in good order; where the passions obey reason, and reason obeys God." "How have you come to such a state of perfection?" "By silence. I practice silence towards men, while I cultivate the habit of speaking with God.

Conversing with God is the way I found and maintain my peace of soul." Union with God brought this poor beggar to the very heights of perfection. In his poverty he was richer than the mightiest monarch; in his sufferings, he was vastly happier than worldlings amid their worldly delights.

## **The Christian Mother's Ladies' Guild News**

The next meeting will be the Ice Cream Social on July 18 at 6 pm.

\*\*\*\*We will be holding a **RUMMAGE SALE** on Saturday, August 5 \*\*\*\*  
Donations will be accepted beginning on Jul 6. The times for bringing in items are Mondays and Tuesdays from 10 to 12 noon and Thursdays from 4-7 pm. We will not, however be accepting any clothes, shoes, drinking cups or encyclopedia sets.

## **Holy Ghost Café Breakfast**

Join us for a delicious breakfast in Columbia Hall following the 9:00 am Mass on July 23.

## **SECOND COLLECTION:**

**July 16 :** Catholic Communication Campaign & Campaign for Human Development

## **Office of Safe Environment**

To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact WV Child Protective Services at 888-352-6513. To report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact the Diocese at 304-233-0880.

\*\*\* The Christian Mother's Ladies Guild will be hosting a **Reception of Farewell** for our Father Joseph Wiley following the 5:30 pm Mass on Saturday, July 8. Join us for a light supper and fellowship as we wish Father Wiley well on his new assignment as Administrator of Corpus Christi Parish in Warwood!  
Our parish will be welcoming Father Joseph Kutty Sebastian on July 19. He is coming to us from the Huntington area.  
Our Holy Ghost Café Breakfast on July 23 will be a good opportunity for parishioners to meet and welcome our new Parochial Vicar. \*\*\*

Corpus Christi Parish will host an evening Holy Hour on Monday, July 17 at 6:30 pm. The Holy Hour will be to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

Venerable Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen spent much of his life reminding Americans how precious their freedoms were and how vulnerable our country would be to the evil influence of a society that turned from a loving respect and dependence on the Almighty God. He wrote, "When we deny God as the foundation of our rights, we shall no longer have rights. The Declaration of Independence, I repeat, is a Declaration of Dependence."

*Greetings from the Parish Office!*

*We have a new email address! Send correspondence via email, please use **office@stalswheeling.org***

*Also, our bulletins are posted each week on our web page **www.stalswheeling.org***

*Our cover photo this week is of the stately "Wall of Honor" featuring the names of World War II veterans, which reminds us of the great cost to live in a country with so many freedoms and opportunities, especially the freedom to worship God according to our ancient and beautiful Catholic faith. The veterans honored on our wall in Columbia Hall lived and died the message of we hear in this Sunday's Gospel. They denied their families, their dreams, and eventually even their very lives for the sake of a nation built on principles designed to protect the rights and freedoms of its citizens to live, work and worship. Please keep these dear souls in your prayers and recall the sacrifices they and the many other American veterans made as we celebrate our nation's Independence Day. Have a blessed holiday!*

## *Mass Intentions*

Saturday, July 1

5:30 pm- **EDWARD DUFFY +**

Sunday, July 2

9:00 am - **People of the Parish**

Monday, July 3

*(No Mass)*

Tuesday, July 4

8:00 am- **ELIZABETH SMITH +**

Wednesday, July 5

6:00 pm- **CHESTER RESCZYNSKI +**

Thursday, July 6

8:00 am- ***Celebrant's Intention***

Friday, July 7

8:00 am- **St. Al's Mass Association**

Saturday, July 8

5:30 pm- **People of the Parish**

Sunday, July 9

9:00 am- **JOHN ROMANEK**

*Dates in our  
2023 Mass Intention Book are  
OPEN!*

*Stipends: \$10 weekdays \$15 / Sat. or Sun.*

***Please pray for:***

*Continuous Care: J.W. Evans, L. Blazier and B. Heller*

*Good Shepherd: R. Lewandoski Mt. St. Joseph: Sr. Ann Marie, Cole*

*Peterson: D. Moore and G. Weithie, Welty: J. Murray Morgantown: Leah Reinhardt*

*At home: L. Griffin, B. Blazier, M.K. Heller, N. Klamut, J. Garvarkovich,*

*B. & H. Henry, Donald Henning, Roberta Henning, Roxanne Geleski, Bob Comer*



**Called to Know, Love and Serve the Lord**  
**Weekly Calendar**

**SUNDAY, JULY 2**

Mass @ 9:00 am

***13th Sunday in Ordinary Time***

**MONDAY, JULY 3**

No Mass.

**St. Thomas the Apostle**

*Sacred tradition tells us that St. Thomas established 7 Christian communities on the Kerala Coast of India. The famous doubter succeeded in convincing thousands to give their lives in the service of Christ.*

**TUESDAY, JULY 4**

Mass @ 8:00 am

**God Bless America!**



**WEDNESDAY, JULY 5**

Mass @ 6:00 pm

***St. Elizabeth of Portugal  
(1271-1336)***

***"God made me queen so that I may serve others."***

**THURSDAY, JULY 6**

Mass @ 8:00 am

***St. Maria Goretti***

*She died on this day 1902. Would we be as forgiving as this 11-year-old?*

***Bring rummage sale items to the gym  
4-7 pm***

**FRIDAY, JULY 7**

Mass @ 8:00 am

Today is First Friday!

**Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy!**

**SATURDAY, JULY 8**

Mass @ 5:30 pm

**Farewell Reception for Fr. Wiley**  
**6:30 pm**  
**Columbia Hall**