



St. Alphonsus Catholic School

Kaleidoscope Connection

Forming Faith and Future

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Our calendar was modified due to the make-up days needed post flood. We are happy to announce that we are able to return one of those modified days back to the calendar. *Please note: Friday, December 23, 2016, school will be closed.* Class parties will be held on Thursday. Your child's teacher will send out class party times to you. ***Thursday, December 22nd will be a full day of school with aftercare provided.* Please mark your calendars to note the change. All other calendar changes will remain as noted: Return to school January 3, 2017 from the Christmas break, Mardi Gras holiday is shortened to two days off (February 27th and 28th). Thank you! Cindy Ryals

Student of the Year

Congratulations to our 2016-2017 Student of the Year winners.

Tori Baudry was elected as our 5th grade student of the year.

Tori is involved in many school activities such as quiz bowl, drama club, choir, and is an altar server. Outside of school she enjoys playing soccer, piano, dance and softball. Even as an active student and athlete she has maintained honor every school year.

Claire Lazaroe was selected as our 8th grade student of the year.

Claire has maintained an A average while participating in Beta

Club, band and volleyball. Outside of school, she is a dancer at Legworks Dance Studio and is a member of the Lady Legends fast pitch softball team.



Upcoming Events

- December 16 - School Mass
- December 19 - Re-Registration for currently enrolled students
- December 20 - December 22 - Middle School Exams
- December 21 - Sprit Dress
- December 23 - No School





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Advance Band and Children's Choir



Our Advanced Band and Children's Choir helped spread some Christmas cheer to the residents of St. James Place! They were wonderful!



Extended Care Drop In Fees

This is just a reminder that if your child drops in your payment must be paid on that day at the time of services. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Church Contribution Reminder

A family's tuition rate status will be based on their record of tithing to our church parish for the previous calendar year (January 1 - December 31). Families who are registered and active members of St. Alphonsus Church and tithe at least \$300 per year shall receive the "In Parish" rate which includes a \$400 discount from the "Out of Parish" rate.

Medical Reminder

Parents, please remember that students must be free of fever, vomiting, diarrhea or other symptoms for 24 hours prior to returning to school. Students diagnosed with strep throat are to be on antibiotics for 24 hours before returning to school.

Home and School

We are looking for 8th grade parent volunteers to help with graduation events (crawfish boil, graduation, etc.). Our chairperson would love a co-chair to help her! Please email veronicalisa@cox.net if you can help out, or if you'd like to co-chair.

Counseling Corner

This past week in guidance lessons, first and fifth grade continued exploring feelings and emotions. Fifth grade watched clips of the movie Inside Out and discussed how they think feelings mature and progress as people age. First grade students were asked to think how a person would feel in a certain situation, and explain why. Answers varied for each situation, and they



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gained an understanding that it is okay for different people to feel different emotions about the same thing.

New Student Open House

January 29th will be here before you know it! Please spread the word to anyone you think may be interested in coming to join our St. Alphonsus School family. We will begin in the cafeteria at 1:00 p.m. and tours will continue until 3:00 p.m. Interested families may also call 225-261-5299 to set up a tour of our school campus.

Cafeteria News

The Child Nutrition Program is excited to announce their new online payment system MySchoolBucks! This online payment service provides a quick and easy way to add money to your student's meal account using a credit/debit card or electronic check. The website is www.MySchoolBucks.com. If you have any questions concerning the online lunch payments, please contact Mrs. Nancy at alphonsuscafe@stalphonsusbr.org.

Lunch Prices: PK-8th Grade \$2.90 / Visitors \$5.00

For all Cafeteria news please go to the Child Nutrition website at www.cnpbr.org.

Blessing Your Baby Jesus

All families are invited to bring your family nativity figure of Baby Jesus to be blessed during Mass on Saturday, December 17 and Sunday, December 18.

There will be a table in the back of church for you to wrap your figure Baby Jesus. This "most special" gift can then be placed under your tree to be the first gift opened **before** all other gifts on Christmas morning! Then place the newborn Baby Jesus in his manger for all to adore!

Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace

 <p>DAVE RAMSEY'S FINANCIAL Peace UNIVERSITY</p> <p>Learn God's ways of handling money.</p> <p>Classes are STARTING SOON!</p>	<p>Nine weekly classes begin @ 7:00 pm January 10, 2017 at St. Alphonsus School in the</p>
<p>This New Year, make the resolution to free yourself from the financial burden of debt so you can live and give like never before. Learn how to eliminate debt, manage your money, and save for your future. Do what millions of families have already done. Let Dave Ramsey's FPU change your life today. For info and sign up, visit https://www.daveramsey.com/fpu/classes/1022443 Or</p>	