



St. Alphonsus Catholic School

The Buzz

Forming Faith and Future

Kristy M. Monsour, Principal

September 25, 2025

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **September 26** - School Mass
- **September 27** - Dads' Club Mom & Son Pancake Breakfast
- **September 30** - Hornet Run Turn In Day
- **October 3** - School Mass
- **October 6** - Living Rosary 8:30 a.m.
- **October 7** - Hornet Run Turn In Day
- **October 10** - Fall Break
- **October 14** - Hornet Run Turn In Day
- **October 16** - Report Cards
- **October 17** - School Mass
- **October 20-24** - Red Ribbon Week

Hornet Fun Run

Great job, Hornets!!! We are off to an amazing start for the Hornet Run. The students collected \$14,424.01 for our first week. Because we do not utilize an outside company to run this fundraiser, 100% of the profits will come to St. Alphonsus School. Don't forget about the **Memory Walk** signs that are part of our fun run day as well. Thank you for your effort to make our Hornet Run successful!



CURRENT TOTAL

\$14,424.01



\$85,000
\$68,000
\$51,000
\$34,000
\$17,000

100% OF PROCEEDS GO DIRECTLY TO THE SCHOOL!

Tuesday, September 30th will be our next turn in day or you can donate online. Click [HERE](#) to donate to the Hornet Run.

Lumen Accreditation

As part of our commitment to giving your children the best education possible, St. Alphonsus School is taking part in the Lumen Accreditation process through The Catholic University of America. This multi-year process helps us grow as a school by combining strong academics with our Catholic mission, and one of the most important steps is gathering feedback from you, our families.

Your thoughts and experiences help us see what's working well and where we can do even better. By sharing your perspective, you're helping shape the future of our school.

Please take about 10 minutes to fill out our Program Effectiveness Survey using the link: [Program Effectiveness Survey](#)

The survey should be completed by Friday, October 3rd. All responses are confidential and will only be reported in summary form.

We're so grateful for your partnership and the trust you place in us as we walk with your children in faith, knowledge, and virtue. Thank you for helping us continue to grow! Thank you for your support and participation.



Red Ribbon Week

October 20th – October 24th



**Please note that all dress days are optional. Students may wear regular spirit dress or regular school uniforms if they do not wish to participate in the specific Red Ribbon dress day.

The Red Ribbon organization serves as a catalyst to mobilize communities to educate youth and encourage

participation in drug prevention activities.

This year our Red Ribbon Week will be held from

October 20th – October 24th.

During this week, we will have various dress days and activities for the students.

October 20th - “Don’t Get Mixed Up with Drugs”

Wacky Tacky Day

Students may wear:

- Mismatched, silly, or clashing clothing
- Crazy socks, mixed patterns, and fun accessories are encouraged.
- Clothing must be school-appropriate (no midriffs, short shorts, or inappropriate graphics).

October 21st - “Too Bright for Drugs” Neon Day

- Students may wear bright neon shirts, pants, or accessories.
- Sunglasses and glow accessories are allowed (not during class instruction).
 - Apparel must remain modest and school-appropriate.

October 22nd - “Follow Your Dreams, Don’t Do Drugs” - PJ Day

- Students may wear pajamas, robes, and slippers.
- Pajamas must be modest (loose fitting pajama bottoms only, no nightgowns). Students must wear sneakers /closed-toe shoes for safety (slippers can be brought for inside).

October 23rd - “We are RED-y to Say No to Drugs” - Red Spirit Day

- Students should wear a red shirt with uniform bottoms or spirit dress bottoms.
- Red socks, bows, and accessories encouraged; no face paint or hair dye.

October 24th - “Hornets Run from Drugs” Hornet Run Day

- Students should wear their Hornet Run shirt with SAS-approved PE shorts or uniform bottoms.
- Sneakers are required for running/walking.

CDL Driver Needed

We are currently seeking a qualified driver with a **Class B Commercial Driver’s License (CDL)** and the following endorsements:

- Passenger (P)
- School Bus (S)
- Air Brakes

Ideal candidates should have a clean driving record, relevant experience, and a commitment to professional conduct. Contact **Kyle Cutrer** at kylemcutrer@gmail.com.



CRUSADERS FOOTBALL

Sunday, September 28th
AT WILDCAT STADIUM

- 3rd and 4th grade play at 2:00 p.m.
- 5th and 6th grade play at 3:00 p.m.
- 7th and 8th play at 4:30 p.m.



Congratulations to our 4th grade Lady Hornets for bringing home the championship at the Shoot for the Stars Tournament! Way to shine, girls, we're so proud of you!



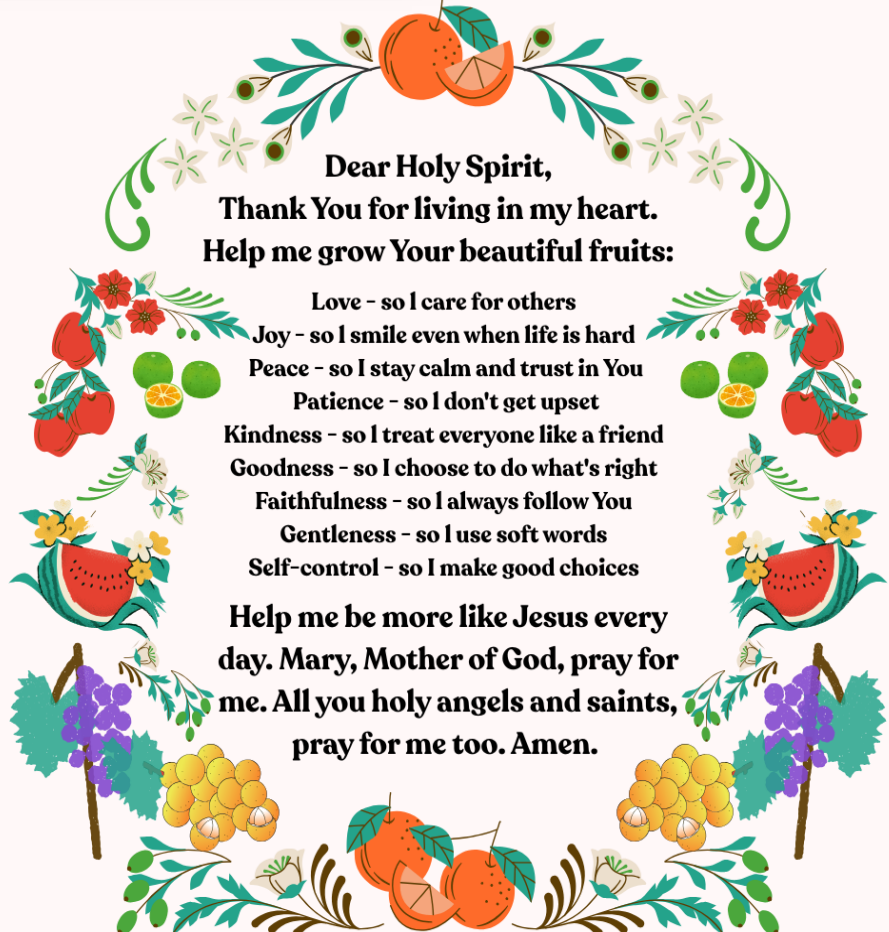
*The Mission of
St. Alphonsus
Liguori
Catholic School
is to form
students in the
Catholic Faith
spiritually,
academically,
physically, and
culturally in an
environment of
academic
excellence.*

FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT PRAYER

Dear Holy Spirit,
Thank You for living in my heart.
Help me grow Your beautiful fruits:

- Love - so I care for others
- Joy - so I smile even when life is hard
- Peace - so I stay calm and trust in You
- Patience - so I don't get upset
- Kindness - so I treat everyone like a friend
- Goodness - so I choose to do what's right
- Faithfulness - so I always follow You
- Gentleness - so I use soft words
- Self-control - so I make good choices

Help me be more like Jesus every day. Mary, Mother of God, pray for me. All you holy angels and saints, pray for me too. Amen.





Altar Server Training

What a great way to serve God as an Altar Server at Mass. If you have never been an Altar Server, and you are interested in this ministry, please join us in serving Him. If you are a current Altar Server there will be a training session for altar servers that will be held in the Church. At that time you will have the opportunity to sign up for your Mass time preference. The training session should last no more than one hour.

Altar Server Training Sessions:

September 27th 5:30pm in the Church after 4:00 p.m. Mass OR September 29th from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the Church.

See the form attached to the newsletter to sign up.

1st Reconciliation and 1st Eucharist

Dear Parents, thank you for your commitment to the spiritual formation of your children. Be assured of our prayers for you and your child as they prepare for the beautiful sacraments of 1st Reconciliation and 1st Eucharist. Please register your child online at www.alphonsus.org then go to the *Forms* tab. Scroll down and look for *Faith Formation Registration* then click on "Parish School of Religion Registration 2025-2026. There is a printable and online form. Only register for 1st Reconciliation/1st Eucharist (no religion classes are needed as your child attends St. Alphonsus School.) If you have any questions, contact us at 225-261-4644 or email Colby Novo cnovo@alphonsus.org.



St. Alphonsus

LIGHT KEEPER'S YOUTH MINISTRY

Join us for fun, food, and fellowship at the Lighthouse!
Sunday, September 28th
5p - 8p
Bring a friend!

What to Expect:

- ✓ Fellowship
- ✓ Pizza and Games
- ✓ Music and Adoration

contact us



225-261-4644



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HOPE

YOUTH FEST

OUR LADY OF HOPE
3167 Old 51 S. Osyka, MS

OCTOBER 11, 2025

YOUTH GROUPS / CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

8TH - 12TH GRADE



Deacon Michael Parker

Music by:

THE VIGIL PROJECT
MUSIC FOR THE CATHOLIC JOURNEY



COLIN AND AIMEE MACIVER



FATHER PAUL GROS



KATHLEEN HIGGINS

REGISTER: WWW.OURLADYOFHOPEMS.COM/YOUTH-FEST



Mom and Son Pancake Breakfast Gameday

The Dads' Club is hosting a Brunch & Bond / Mom & Son Breakfast Gameday on September 27th. Click [HERE](#) to register.

BRUNCH & BOND: MOM & SON PANCAKE BREAKFAST GAME DAY 2025!

SATURDAY
SEPT.
27TH



9:00A.M.-
12:00 P.M.
IN THE SAS
GYM

PANCAKE BREAKFAST FOLLOWED BY FRIENDLY COMPETITION, INCLUDING DODGEBALL, AN OBSTACLE COURSE RACE, TUG-OF-WAR, AND MORE!
SPONSORED BY THE SAS DADS' CLUB

St. Alphonsus Church and School Christmas Craft Show and Festival



- **Save the Date:** December 5th and 6th
- **Vendors Welcome for One or Both Days**
- **Vendor Cost:** \$50 for both days
- **Location:** St. Alphonsus Parish Activity Center (PAC)
- **Festival Times:** Friday: 12:00-7:00 p.m.
Saturday: 11:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
(After the Central Parade)

Email Lynette or Vicki to Register
lynetteshaffett7@gmail.com
gramps00543@cox.net

****More information to come
on additional festival
activities and sponsoring
groups.**

Register Here



Calling all Vendors!

We are excited to announce that the **Hornet Holiday Market** will take place on **Friday, December 5, and Saturday, December 6** at the St. Alphonsus Parish Activity Center!

If you would like to set up a booth to sell your items at this festive event, please use the link below to register:

[**Register Here**](#)

Proceeds from vendor registration will benefit the **St. Alphonsus Home and School Association**, helping us continue to support our students, teachers, and school community.

We would love to have you join us and share your products with our families and friends during this special holiday tradition!



Counselor's CORNER

September 2025

Ms. Morgan Bueche

A Note from Ms. Morgan

September is flying by, and all the fun is just beginning! I've really enjoyed my first couple of guidance classes with grades Pre-K4 through 8th. In Pre-K4, we had fun talking about different emotions and making feeling faces. Our kindergarten and 1st-grade guidance classes have been all about whole-body listening, where we made listening monsters and played Ms. Morgan Says. In 2nd through 4th grade, we've been focusing on team building and communication by playing some fun guidance games. Our 5th graders have been learning about peer pressure and working on group role-play projects. Lastly, middle school students have been discussing stress management and are also working on group presentation projects. Guidance classes have been lots of fun!

Happy, Healthy Hornet Tip

Rather than asking your child, "How was your day?" and them replying again with, "good."

Try asking, "What was the best part of your day?" "What did you learn?" "Who did you play with?" "Who did you sit with at lunch?"

Important Links

[Parent Referral Form](#)

[Elementary Student
Check-In Form](#)

[Middle School Student
Check-In Form](#)

[School Website
Counseling Program](#)

Let's CONNECT!



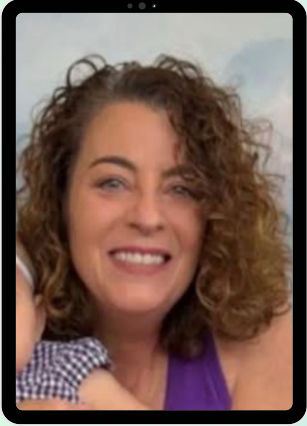
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225.261.5299



Meet our 2025-2026 School Advisory Board



Chairperson - Lynn Kennedy

Lynn currently serves as the Chairperson for the St. Alphonsus School Advisory Board. Her two daughters attended St Alphonsus Catholic School, and now has four grandchildren who attend SAS. She is a former educator having spent 33 years working for Livingston Parish Public Schools as a high school teacher and District Technology Coordinator.

Home and School - Lacey Keller

Lacey attended Catholic schools for 12 years at St. Alphonsus and Redemptorist High School. She is married to Casey Keller and has two sons- Cole 9th grade at St. Michael's and Jace who is currently in 4th grade at St. Alphonsus. She attended LSU where she was a cheerleader from 2000 until 2003 and graduated from Our Lady of the Lake School of nursing. She has been a registered nurse for 19 years. Lacey has volunteered for SAS by being a room mom for 11 years and on the Home and School Board for 4 years. In her free time she loves watching her boys play basketball. She also loves to travel and all things Disney!



Security - Don Dartez

Don is a native of Vermilion Parish and has lived in Central since 1990. He has been with the East Baton Rouge Sheriff's Office for 35 years and currently serves as the detective commander of the Special Investigation Division. Don is a long-time parishioner of St. Alphonsus, and proud grandparent of a pre-k student. Over the years he has assisted with security and threat assessments of the facilities as a member of the advisory board.



Building/Maintenance - Ryan Myers

Ryan Myers was born and raised in Central & attended SAS in middle school. Ryan played football at LSU while earning his Bachelor's Degree & later attended SELU earning his Master's Degree. Ryan owns a number of businesses that primarily focus on real estate, development, construction, and swimming pools which is why we are grateful to have him assisting with building/maintenance. Ryan and his wife Mallory are deeply rooted here at SAS with 3 of their 4 girls currently attending the elementary school.



Finance - Monica Zumo

Monica is a consulting partner with Hannis T. Bourgeois, CPAs. She serves as chairperson of the school finance committee. Monica attended St. Alphonsus, her children attended St. Alphonsus and now her grandchildren attend the school. She has a passion for the school and its success financially.

Marketing/Development - Trent Willis

Trent is a Financial Advisor with Edward Jones here in Central. He will be working closely with the School Board on the Marketing/Development Committee. He and his wife, Baylea, have three children; two of them currently attend St. Alphonsus, with their youngest joining in the next few years. Waylon is in the second grade, and Wesley is in Pre-K 4. He can't wait to be a part of the bright future here at SAS!



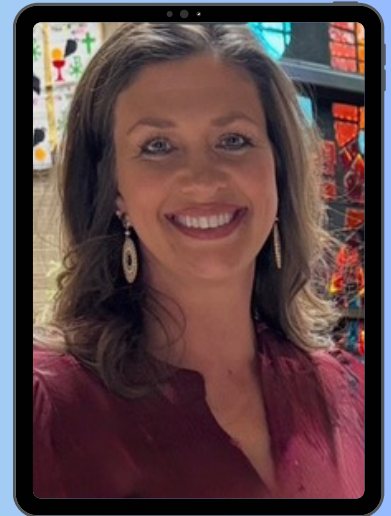


Dana Duvall - Member-at-Large

Dana attended SAS as a student in grades K-6. Then after attending LSU, she returned and taught here for 22 years. Dana is recently retired from Central Public Schools. She loves being on the school board to offer any insight as an educator or to help in anyway. SAS is a special place to Dana.

Amanda Ruffini - Member-at-Large

Amanda and her husband, Trey, have been parishioners at St. Alphonsus Church for twenty years. Their youngest son, Michael, is a 7th grader, and thier two older sons are graduates of SAS. She has served as a school board member for 6 years and she is blessed to serve this community that has given so much to their family. Hornet Proud!!



Jessica Weimer - Member-at-Large

Jessica is a proud parent with a daughter at St. Joseph's Academy (SAS Class of 2024) and a son currently in 4th grade at St. Alphonsus School. She served on the Home and School Association from 2017 to 2022 and has been a member of the SAS Advisory Board since 2021. Professionally, Jessica serves as a Section Chief at the Louisiana Department of Justice, overseeing the Occupational Licensing Review Program. She is committed to supporting St. Alphonsus School in any way she can and is grateful for the opportunity to give back to a community that has given so much to her family.

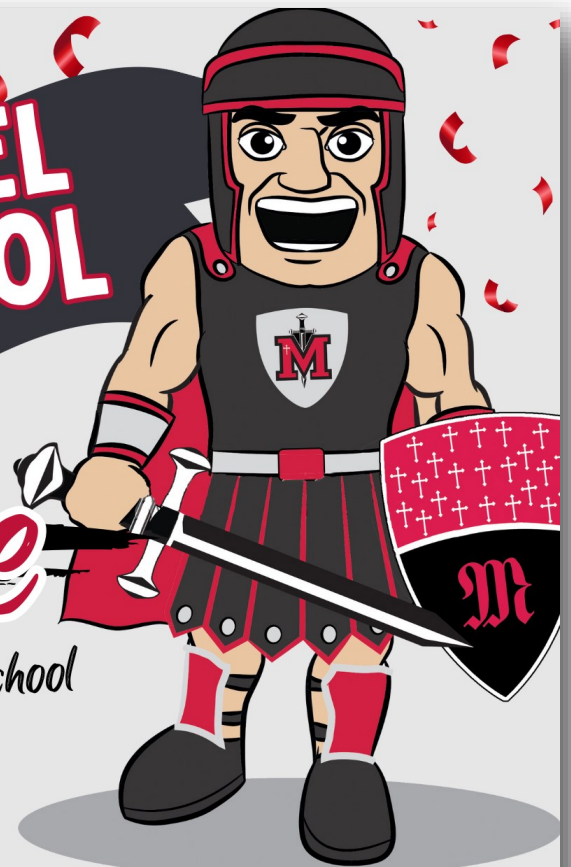


Pastor - Fr. Jason Palermo
Principal - Kristy Monsour
Assistant Principal - Kristin Tate

ST. MICHAEL HIGH SCHOOL

Open House

Experience the Spirit of St. Michael High School
Register Now at www.smhsbr.org



OCTOBER 22, 2025 4:00-7:00PM

Come Experience



FALL COFFEE ON KLEINERT

September 11, 18, 25
For 8th grade parents
8-10 a.m.

Register at visitsja.org.



ST. JOSEPH'S ACADEMY

MIDDLE SCHOOL RED & WHITE NIGHTS

For 6th-8th grade girls
September 23: Volleyball
5 p.m.: Meet & Greet with Players and Coaches
6 p.m.: Varsity match vs. St. Thomas More

Registration and details at visitsja.org.

Details to come for Red & White Night events for soccer and basketball.

OPEN HOUSE October 16

3:30-7 p.m.

For 6th, 7th and 8th grade families
Reserve your tour time at visitsja.org
beginning September 8.

October 11: Swimming
CCSL League Meet, Crawfish
Aquatics, 8-10 a.m.
Meet & Greet with Swimmers and
Coaches, Watch the Meet and Enjoy
Snacks.

FINANCES AND FOOD

October 9: Learning Lunch 12-1 p.m.

November 5: Evening Event 6-7 p.m.

Parents are invited to join us to
learn more about tuition and
financial opportunities at SJA.
Register at visitsja.org.

SPEND THE DAY AT SJA

For 8th grade girls
What better way to learn all
about us than to spend the day
on our campus?

See visitsja.org for dates
and details.

For more information,
contact the Admissions
Team of Meredith
Smith and Victoria
Hudson '09 at
admissions@sjabr.org
or (225) 388-2243.

