



St. Alphonsus Catholic School

The Buzz

Forming Faith and Future

Dr. Cynthia C. Ryals, Principal

January 25, 2024

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **January 26 - School Mass / Bingo Night 6:30 p.m.**
- **January 28 - New Student Open House 1-3 p.m. / Catholic Schools Week**
- **February 1 - Beta Induction Elementary - 6:00 p.m. / Middle School - 7:00 p.m.**
- **February 2 - School Mass**

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.

Open House / New Student Registration

St. Alphonsus School will be hosting a new student open house on Sunday, January 28th from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Please spread the word to any interested families and please share the flyer that is attached to the newsletter with prospective families. If you know of someone interested in joining our St. Alphonsus School family, please let them know that new student registration opens on January 28th.

Catholic Schools Week



Catholic Schools
United in Faith and Community

Our annual celebration of National Catholic Schools Week begins on Sunday, January 28th. We have some fun activities and dress days planned to celebrate the wonderful family and community we have at St. Alphonsus Catholic School.

- **Sunday, January 28th - Celebrate our Parish** - Open House and attend Mass in school uniform or SAS spirit shirt.
- **Monday, January 29th - Celebrate our Community** - SAS Spirit Dress
- **Tuesday, January 30th - Celebrate our Students** - Students may wear their favorite color shirt with spirit dress guidelines.
- **Wednesday, January 31st - Celebrate our Nation** - Students may wear a patriotic shirt with spirit dress guidelines.
- **Thursday, February 1st - Celebrate Vocations** - Students may wear a neon shirt with spirit dress guidelines. (No face or hair paint)
- **Friday, February 2nd - Celebrate Faculty, Staff and Volunteers** - SAS Spirit Dress

Catholic Schools Week/Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities will conduct their annual supply drive again this year during Catholic Schools Week. The collection will be from January 29th-January 31st. You can send in the items at any time this month. Suggested items are cleaning supplies: gift cards, mops, buckets, brooms, sponges, cleaning rags, dust pans, garbage bags, Lysol spray, window cleaner, toilet cleaner, laundry detergent, dish cloths. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!



Quiz Bowl

This past Saturday our 5/6 and 7/8 grade Quiz Bowl teams competed in the annual Diocesan Quiz Bowl tournament. Both teams had a great showing and we are extremely proud of their hard work. They were fantastic representatives for SAS!



Enrollment for the 2024-2025 School Year

Re-enrollment for currently enrolled students and new siblings is open now. The registration fee increased to \$350.00 on January 13, 2024 and will increase to \$400 on January 29, 2024.

*Re-enrollment is available through the “Family Portal” on RenWeb or by clicking on this link: <https://SA-LA.client.renweb.com/pw/>. Once on the Family Portal, select “Apply/Enroll” and then click "Enrollment/Reenrollment". Only new students will require an application. Please contact Bethany Richard at brichard@stalphonsusbr.org to enroll a sibling.

**If you are not enrolling your student for the next school year, please contact Bethany Richard or click the “Will Not Enroll” link in the Family Portal.

Tax Statements for 2023

A printable payment summary is available by logging into FACTS.

Please follow the steps below:

- Click Financial Home
- Click View Details in the Payment Plan and Billing Box
- Click View Payment Summary

If you need assistance navigating to your FACTS account, please contact Karen Keller, Finance Manager at 225.261.5299 or by email at kkeller@stalphonsusbr.org.

SAS Home and School Family Bingo Night



SAS Home and School Association would like to invite you to our Family Bingo Night on January 26th at 6:30 p.m. in the Family Center! VIP tables are sold out. Bingo boards will be \$7 at the door. We can't wait to see you there!!



Boys Basketball

Congratulations to our 5th Grade Blue team for finishing 2nd place in the St Jean Vianney basketball tournament this past weekend.



Beta Induction



Our 2023-2024 Beta Induction is on Thursday, February 1st in the St. Alphonsus Parish Activity Center. The dress code for Induction is Sunday best. We ask that skirts and dresses be the school appropriate length, and no jeans, shorts, or tennis shoes are allowed. Due to the number of students in Beta, we will divide the induction. Elementary Induction will begin at 6:00 and Middle School Induction will begin at 7:00. Beta Induction is such a special night to recognize the student's dedication to their academics and character. Thank you for all of your support.

School Calendar Changes

Please note the changes below:

- **March 8th - PK3-4th Grandparents Day** - Pk3-4th grade will dismiss at 12:00 p.m., no buses will run at 12:00 p.m. Buses will run at normal time for 5th-8th grade.
- **March 15th - Pep Rally** at 1:45 p.m.
- **March 22nd - Hive Golf Tournament**
- **April 12th - Field Day** - Students will dismiss at 1:00 p.m.

Happy 60th Birthday SAS



Happy 60th Birthday to St. Alphonsus Liguori School! We are excited to begin planning some activities to celebrate 60 wonderful years of Catholic education. One of the ways will be to get in touch with all of our past students. Please use the link to be in our alumni database. We would also like you to share your favorite memory from your time at St. Alphonsus <https://forms.gle/do4ephfWaDGc2LUn6> . We will be sharing this link on Facebook, but please share with other alumni of the school. We are looking forward to hearing from our past students!



St. Alphonsus Catholic School

OPEN HOUSE

January 28th 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Grades Pre K3 - 8th

13940 Greenwell Springs Road
Greenwell Springs, La 70739

225-261-5299 - stalphonsusbr.org

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WHO ARE WE?

- Certified, Caring Faculty
- Excellence in Academics
- Religious Education
- Weekly Mass
- Reading Lab
- Athletics 3rd-8th
- Morning and Extended Care
- Technology
- Computer Lab
- K - 8th Grade 1:1 Chromebook Program
- Multi-Media Library
- Science Lab
- Foreign Language
- High School Credit in Algebra 1, Physical Science, and Spanish 1
- Extracurricular Activities/Clubs
- Summer Camp





HOW TO CREATE A TECH-READY HOME

Free Workshop for Parents



All Catholic School parents in the Diocese of Baton Rouge are strongly encouraged to attend an upcoming presentation from national speakers at Protect Young Eyes.

- Understand how young, developing brains are impacted by today's technologies.
- Learn how to use hardware and software to keep your children safe.
- Discover ways to ensure your family is prepared, balanced and protected online.



Free registration is required at:
<https://csoabr.org/events/pye>

Tuesday, February 20
 6 p.m. - Catholic of Pointe Coupee Gym
 504 W. Fifth St., New Roads, LA 70760
 6 p.m. - St. Theresa Cafeteria
 212 E. New River St., Gonzales, LA 70737
 6:30 p.m. - Catholic Life Center Ballroom
 1800 S. Acadian Thruway, Baton Rouge, LA 70808

Wednesday, February 21
 6 p.m. - Holy Ghost Catholic Church
 601 N. Oak St., Hammond, LA 70401
 6:30 p.m. - Catholic Life Center Ballroom
 1800 S. Acadian Thruway, Baton Rouge, LA 70808
 7 p.m. - St. Alphonsus Family Center
 13940 Greenwell Springs Rd., Greenwell Springs,
 LA 70739





ST. ALPHONSUS PARISH LENTEN MISSION

February 18-20, 2024 at 7 PM

Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers is an internationally-renowned speaker, author, and preacher. His talks will focus on the following three topics:



Sunday, February 18 at 7 PM:
Baptized Into His Death: The Power of the Cross and Its Meaning in Our Lives

Monday, February 19 at 9:30 AM:
Meeting Jesus in the Beauty & Truth of the Catholic Faith for SAS Middle School

Monday, February 19 at 7 PM:
Rich in Mercy: Finding Healing in God's Mercy

Tuesday, February 20 at 9:30 AM (after 8:30 Mass & Novena):
Living a Eucharistic Faith:
The Big Deal About Mass & Why It Matters

Tuesday, February 20 at 7 PM:
Living a Eucharistic Faith:
The Big Deal About Mass & Why It Matters

ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.

A LOVE OFFERING WILL BE COLLECTED.

A RECEPTION WILL FOLLOW IN THE ST. FRANCIS ROOM EACH EVENING AFTER 7 PM TALK.



Redemptorist St. Gerard School is seeking a Principal for the 2024-2025 school year. For more information, please visit www.rsgbr.org.



Redemptorist St. Gerard School
seeks a faithful, joyful
Principal, Grades PK4-8
for the 2024-2025 school year

Redemptorist St. Gerard School is a private, Catholic school located in North Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Our dedicated faculty and staff of 25 individuals currently serve over 250 students in grades Pre-kindergarten through eighth, and nearly 100% of our students qualify for need-based scholarships.

For more information, visit www.rsgbr.org

Cultivating Scholars with Pride and Passion



The Roman Catholic Diocese of
BATON ROUGE
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS OFFICE

The schools of the Diocese of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, admit students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at its schools. They do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school administered programs.



The Catholic High School Cheerleaders will be hosting cheerleader clinics on Sunday, March 3 and Sunday, March 10 from 1:00 pm until 3:00 pm. The clinics are open to all girls in first through fifth grades. The cost to attend a clinic is \$30 per girl and includes a t-shirt and snack. Please register at mychs.catholichigh.org/cheer/clinic or you may contact Jennifer Thibodeaux or Carey Lauret at chscheer@catholichigh.org. The registration deadline is February 7, 2024.



Catholic High School Cheerleading Clinics

Open to girls 1st through 5th grade

**Sunday, March 3 or
Sunday, March 10**

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

*Performance for parents at
3:00 p.m.*

Catholic High School Gym

Cost - \$30

Includes a t-shirt and snack



Register by Wednesday, February 7 at
<https://mychs.catholichigh.org/cheer/clinic>
(You will need to create a myCHS account.)

Any questions, please email CHSCheer@catholichigh.org.