



St. Alphonsus Catholic School

The Buzz

Forming Faith and Future

Dr. Cynthia C. Ryals, Principal

February 8, 2024

UPCOMING EVENTS

- February 9 - School Mass / Krewe of Hornets Parade 2:00 p.m.
- February 12-16 - Mardi Gras Holidays - No School
- February 19 - Students Return / School Mass
- February 20 - 1:00 p.m. Dismissal / 1:00-4:00 p.m. Conferences

*Mardi Gras Holidays - NO SCHOOL on February 12th - February 16th. We will return to school on February 19th.

**On February 20th, students will dismiss at 1:00 p.m. There will be NO AFTER-CARE on this day.

Lent

We hope that everyone has a blessed and safe Mardi Gras break. Remember that the liturgical season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 14th.

Father,

In this holy season of Lent, open our eyes and hearts to your love.

Open our ears to your wisdom.

Encourage us to be strong in faith and active in doing good works.

Give us grace to rise above our human weakness and energy for the journey of life.

We make this prayer through Christ your Son, Amen.

Krewe of Hornets / Mardi Gras Dress Day

The Krewe of Hornets parade will be on Friday, February 9th at 2:00 p.m. Students may wear Mardi Gras shirts and attire with spirit dress guidelines. NO beads or accessories can be worn to Mass.

Beta Induction

The SAS Elementary and Middle School Beta Club celebrated their new inductees and their returning members in an induction ceremony last Thursday night. We are so very proud of all of their hard work, dedication, and service in our community. Congratulations to our Beta Club!



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.



Milestones in Catholic Education

In Mass on Friday, we celebrated milestones in Catholic education! Thank you for your dedication to Catholic education!

15 years - Jennifer Glissman and Tammy Fouts

35 Years - Dr. Ryals



Dad's Club

Be on the lookout for the "Krewe of Dads" on Friday, February 9th in morning carpool and at Mass. It's always a special treat to see our dads in carpool!

New Student Registration

If you know of someone interested in joining our St. Alphonsus School family, please let them know that new student registration is open. Tours can be scheduled by calling 225-261-5299.

Diocese of Baton Rouge District Accreditation

Our school is participating in the Diocese of Baton Rouge District Accreditation Process. Cognia District Accreditation provides nationally recognized accreditation for the district and all its schools. To renew Cognia District Accreditation, the district must: 1) meet the Cognia accreditation standards; 2) implement a continuous process of improvement; and 3) host an external review team once every five years.

District accreditation is a rigorous process that demonstrates to our students, parents, and community that we are focused on raising student achievement, providing safe and enriching learning environments, and maintaining efficient and effective operations staffed by highly qualified educators. As a Catholic School, we utilize the National Standards and Benchmarks for Effective Catholic Elementary and Secondary Schools protocol. As a system of Catholic Schools, we employ the Cognia Performance Standards for K-12 and Postsecondary Institutions protocol.

Your input is important to your school and to the district during the self-study process. Please take the time to **complete the brief online survey by February 9**. To take the survey, simply go to the school website www.stalphonsusbr.org and click the survey link. All responses are confidential, and only the group statistics will be reviewed and included in the data reports. Dr. Ryals also sent the survey link in an email. Thank you for your help with this important endeavor.

<https://eprovesurveys.advanc-ed.org/surveys/#!/action/245681/28217>



Online Auction

Our Online Auction is now OPEN for bids! View and bid on items here: <https://auctria.events/expecttheextraordinary>
Bidding will remain open until Thursday, February 8th at 9:00 p.m.



St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank Friday

The next collection of food bank items to benefit our local St. Vincent de Paul food pantry will be on Friday, March 1st. Please send in a canned or boxed non-perishable food item to benefit the needy in our parish.

Child Nutrition Program

Meal Payment Reminder: NO cash will be accepted beginning this school year 2023-2024. However, checks and money orders will be accepted. Parents are encouraged to create an online meal account at www.myschoolbucks.com. This information is posted on the CNP website at www.cnpbr.org.

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/do4epfhWaDGc2LUn6>. 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!



Daddy Daughter Dance - Save the Date

Mark your calendars - The Daddy/Daughter Dance will be on Saturday, March 9th at 6:00 p.m.! The dance is hosted by the SAS Cheerleaders. More information coming soon.



St. ALPHONSUS CHEERLEADERS
present



Let's Get
Groovy

Daddy Daughter
Dance

SATURDAY, MARCH 9th

6:00PM - 8:00PM

SAS GYM

TICKETS GO ON SALE
FEBRUARY 19th





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





2024 HIVE GOLF TOURNAMENT

Scan the QR
Code to
REGISTER NOW!



LUNCH AND
HOLE
SPONSORSHIPS
ARE AVAILABLE

MARCH 22, 2024
10 AM - 1PM

PRIZES FOR:

1ST PLACE TEAM
1ST AND 2ND PLACE INDIVIDUAL

REGISTRATION DEADLINE MARCH 8, 2024

\$900.00 /6 Man Team

\$150.00 /Individual Player

LUNCH: FAJITA PACKAGE
CASH BAR AVAILABLE

The mission of the Hive Booster Club is to support all athletic and spirit programs at St. Alphonsus Catholic School.

Get More Info :

225-261-5299

www.stalphonsusbr.org

Top Golf Baton Rouge
10955 N Mall Dr, Baton Rouge, LA





Free Throw Contest

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Free Throw Contest for boys and girls ages 8-14 on Sunday, February 18th at 1:30 PM in the Family Center/Gym. Registration will begin at 1:00 PM. Contact Scott Armand or Mike Martone with any questions.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP

*SPECIAL 8 YR. OLD GROUP

Boys and Girls, Ages 9-14

*HOT DOGS CHIPS DRINKS

Location: ST. ALPHONSUS GYM

Date: FEB. 18TH Time: 1:30

Sponsor: K.C. 2807 REGISTRATION OPEN AT 1:00

Contact: SCOTT ARMAND 225-993-6171 MIKE MARTONE 225-445-7234

Please note: Entrants may compete in only one local competition.



FAITH IN ACTION

1596 5/18

COMMUNITY

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

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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.

WELCOME THERE IS MORE TO LIFE

You are personally invited to join us for our Women's Welcome Retreat

Beginning
Saturday February 24, 2024 at 7:30am
Ending
Sunday February 25, 2024 at 3:30pm
In the St. Alphonsus Parish Activity Center

To register, go to www.alphonsus.org or use QR code





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.



CENTRAL CAMPUS SPRING SOCCER

📍 LOVETT RD. PARK

REGISTER NOW SAVE \$25

OFFER ENDS SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10

All Pre-K to 4th grade Central Campus teams will play in an eight-game in-house league in Central on Thursday and Friday nights. All 5th-12th grade Central Campus teams will play eight regular-season games at Burbank Soccer Complex.

SEASON TIMELINE

Feb. 10: Last Day of Early-bird Discount

Feb. 17: Last Day to Register Online

Feb. 24: 1st Weekend of Games

May 19: End of Season

VOLUNTEER COACH

FORM A TEAM • FREE COACHING GEAR
PRACTICES PLANS PROVIDED

brsoccer.org/recreational/coachs-corner

BECOME A REFEREE

GREAT PAY • FLEXIBLE SCHEDULE

brsoccer.org/referees-srabr

BRSC ACADEMY (AGES 8-15)

PROFESSIONAL COACHING

THURSDAY & FRIDAY 5:00 - 6:30 PM

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Visit BR Soccer.org or call 225.924.2157
142 Lobdell Ave., Baton Rouge, LA 70806

