

St. Alphonsus Catholic School The Buzz

Forming Faith and Future

Kristy M. Monsour, Principal

February 20, 2025

UPCOMING EVENTS

- February 21 School Mass
- February 25 Basketball Home

 Games
- February 26 -Spirit Dress
- February 28 School Mass /
 Mardi Gras Dress
 Day / Krewe Of
 Hornets Parade
 2 p.m. / Online
 Auction Ends at 9
 p.m.
- March 3-7 Mardi Gras
 Holiday No
 School
- March 10 Students Return to School
- March 12 Spring Pictures



Raffle tickets for our 2025
Auction, Taste
Fair & \$10,000
Raffle are now available for purchase in the Church Office or click HERE.

Join us for a WICKED GOOD evening at our St. Alphonsus Liguori Catholic Church & School

Auction, Taste Fair & \$10,000 Raffle

21+ to

attend

Saturday, March 22, 2025 at 5 PM in the Parish Activity Center

<u>Event Highlights:</u>

- Silent & Live Auctions
- Chance to win \$10,000
- Chance at First Pick of our Incredible Live Auction Items
- Chance to Win Free Tuition (fees not included) for one student at SACS for the 2025-2026 school year
- Great Food & Drinks
- Prize for Best Outfit/Costume
- Wine & Dine, Door Prizes & More!

Online Auction Feb. 20-28

and will also be sold after Masses on Jan. 18-19, Feb. 15-16, March 8-9 & March 15-16.

Go to alphonsus.org or

scan this OR code with

tickets online.

your phone to purchase

Raffle Tickets

Tickets are available for purchase

in the Church and School Offices

The online portion of our auction will include popular school items such as: First in Carpool, Pick Your Teacher, Colorful Shoes, breakfast with teachers, passes to all 2025-2026 SAS home athletic events, & more!



Festival of 2 Rivers Cash Raffle Ticket Contest Kick-Off

Our 2025 Cash Raffle ticket contest will kick-off on **February 27th**. Envelopes with tickets and contest information will be sent home on this day. If your family has more than one child at the school, the tickets will be sent home with the youngest child. Note: the blue flyer will explains how the parish will reward the efforts of your family for selling the cash raffle tickets. If you have more than one child in your family, we are asking when you return the sold tickets and money; indicate on the envelope the name of the student, to receive credit for the family sales.

According to the state gaming rules we are required to have all tickets returned, therefore, we are asking you to send any tickets you are not planning to sell or buy to the school office ASAP.

If you are in need of additional tickets they can be obtained from the school office.

Again thank you for your continued support for our school and parish.

Lisa M. Deaton, Cash Raffle Chair 225)933-3242

Krewe of Hornets / Mardi Gras Dress Day

The Krewe of Hornets parade will be on **Friday, February 28th 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.

St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank

SVDP will have a Fill the Truck Drive the weekend of **February 22nd-23rd**. Only sellable items will be accepted. No mattresses or bunk beds. Underwear must be in original packaging. Used socks in good condition will be accepted. Items can be dropped off on Saturday from 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. and Sunday from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

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 now open. Tours can be scheduled by calling 225-261-5299.

2024-2025 Yearbooks



Buy your 2024-2025 yearbook today for \$40.00. The yearbooks will be distributed at the beginning of the 2025-2026 school year.

Click **HERE** to order your yearbook and use order number 2454. Yearbook orders are ONLY ACCEPTED ONLINE.





The St. Jude Math-A-Thon packets will be sent out on **Thursday**, **March 13th**. All donations need to be turned in by **Friday**, **March 21st**. Any student turning in at least \$10.00 to St. Jude will be allowed to wear a green shirt with jeans, uniform bottoms, or their school approved PE shorts on **Tuesday**, **March 25th**. Any student bringing in \$25 or more, will receive a free dress pass to be used on the day of their choosing (No Mass days). The easiest way to donate is online!

This year we will raise money in support of Anthony Terrell, a second grade student here at SAS.

Please e-mail any questions to Jennifer Glissman at jglissman@stalphonsusbr.org. Thank you!!

Save the Date

Mark your calendars, the first day of school for the 2025-2026 school year will be on **Thursday, August 7th!**

Carpool reminder

During morning and afternoon carpool, please turn in the parking lot from Frenchtown Rd. Turning in off of Greenwell Springs can cause delays and accidents.

Carpool Signs

If you need an official carpool sign for your car, please email Mrs. Erin at edickerson@stalphonsusbr.org. Having the school issued sign helps our carpool duty teachers and keeps the lines flowing. If you do not have a sign in the window, we will ask that you report to the school office so Mrs. Erin can print one for you. We require that drivers have the official sign to assist our duty teachers.

Forgotten Items

In order to ensure the consistent flow of education, it is our policy that we will not call students out of class to pick up forgotten homework, notes, book bags, binders, etc. If you bring items for your child, they will be placed in the mailbox of your child's teacher for them to get it on their next break. Students will not be allowed to call home for forgotten items as well. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation with this matter.



On Monday night, we recognized our 8th-grade boys and their parents during the Rose Ceremony. It was a special moment to honor them and all their years at SAS.





Campus Updates

Thank you to Mr. Dale, Mr. Peter and the Knights of Columbus for completing this beautiful deck for our courtyard!

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.

Armor of God Prayer

I put on the helmet of salvation to guard my mind. I think the thoughts of Jesus.

I put on the breastplate of righteousness to guard my heart. I am righteous in Jesus.

I put on the belt of truth. I don't believe any lies, and I don't tell any either.

I put on the Gospel shoes of peace because I am on a mission for Jesus.

I take the shield of faith to stop all the darts of the enemy.

I take the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God, and I defeat the devil.

Amen





Boys Basketball

Join us in the Family Center to cheer on our basketball teams!

Click HERE for the boys' basketball schedule!

Track & Field

Track registration is now open! Track is open to all boys and girls in grades 5th-8th. The first meet is on **March**16th so please sign up soon. Click

HERE to register.

TRACK &

REGISTRATION

- Open to girls and boys in 5th-8th grade
- Registration fee is \$75
- The first meet will be on March 16th.



Hive Golf
Tournament

Click <u>HERE</u> or scan the QR code to register

FAJITA BUFFET/CASH BAR

PRIZES FOR:

FIRST PLACE TEAM

1ST AND 2ND PLACE INDIVIDUALS

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

Food and Hole Sponsorships available

Each 6 player team is allowed 2 bystanders at bay.

Door Prizes and Raffle Items

Get More Info 225-261-5299 www.stalphonsusbr.org



ms. Bueche

February 20, 2025

FROM THE COUNSELOR:

When talking with students, whether guidance class, small in groups, individually, the topic of peer pressure often comes up. Because of this, I thought it'd be a good topic to focus on in this week's important for kids to newsletter. It is understand peer pressure, what it might look like, and how kids can stand up against it.

CONTACT INFO:

- mbueche@stalphonsusbr.org
- **225.261.5299**

Parent - Counseling Referral Form

Student Check-In Form Elementary & Middle School

> School Website -Counseling Corner

HELPING KIDS RECOGNIZE PEER PRESSURE

Help kids recognize peer pressure by clearly defining it for them. Peer pressure is when others try to encourage us to do something -- usually something that we are not comfortable with. Giving examples of peer pressure can also help kids understand what it looks like in real life. Some common examples include: 1) encouraging you to do things that you know are wrong, like being mean to others, cheating, or stealing; 2) making fun of you or saying you can't be friends unless you do what they want you to do; 3) encouraging you to do things you are not comfortable with; and 4) not listening to you when you say no. It's important to help your child identify what they are comfortable with and uncomfortable with. Be clear about the rules they need to follow.

It can be hard for kids to know how to say no to peer pressure. Try teaching your child specific things they can say when they are facing peer pressure:

- "I don't want to do that.""Let's do something else."
- "Please stop telling me to...""I'm not okay with that."
- "No thanks."

- "That's not okay."
- Other strategies your child can use to resist peer pressure include: Choosing to spend time with people who are kind
- Avoiding situations where they might be pressured
- Walking away Asking for hélp

HELPING KIDS STAND UP TO PEER PRESSURE



DIOCESAN MIDDLE SCHOOL RALLY

We are so excited to announce that group registration for ARISE Middle School Rally is OPEN!!! St. Alphonsus is hosting the inaugural event! It's going to be a great day of worship with Ryan Foulon, keynotes by Teresa LaCour, Mass with Bishop Duca, and a whole lot of fun! Registration is \$40 a person. Students should register and pay through their church parish. St. Alphonsus middle schoolers can sign up through the QR code.

DIOCESAN MIDDLE SCHOOL RALLY

OPEN TO STUDENTS 6-8 GRADE



Saturday, March 29th 1-9pm St. Alphonsus PAC

Join Us For:

- Keynotes by Teresa LaCour Worship with Ryan Foulon Mass with Bishop Duca
- Workshops
- Confession, Adoration and lots more!





REGISTER HERE:



National Ataxia Foundation

Please visit http://ataxia.org/batonrouge for more information

March 10 am-15th

12pm

PERKINS ROAD PARK

7122 Perkins Rd, Baton Rouge, LA 70808

Donations accepted at event or on https://fundraise.givesmart.com/vf/BatonRouge

> **SAS BETA Club Service Hours** 9 am- 12pm

Middle School Chair Experience

UNA VOCE LIVE!

ONE CHOIR. ONE VOICE.

FEBRUARY 21

Does your 6th-8th grade daughter or son love to sing? The SJA/ CHS Choir Program invites them to join us for a Middle School Choir Experience: Una Voce Live, 4-7:30 p.m. in the Academy Arts Center. Singers from SJA and CHS come together to make one choir = One Voice - Una Voce! Middle school students will enjoy singing with our high school singers, learn some simple pieces and perform a mini concert for parents at the conclusion of the evening. Come have fun and see what choir is all about!

