

# St. Alphonsus Catholic School The Buzz

Forming Faith and Future

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

• 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 /
   Summer Camp Registration
   Begins
- March 12 Spring Pictures
   \*see page 2 for
   more information
- March 13 Math-A-Thon Begins
   \*see page 3 for more information

Mardi Gras Holidays - NO SCHOOL on **March 3rd - March 7th**. We will return to school on **March 10th**.

#### 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. Alphonsus Online Auction

The St. Alphonsus Online Auction will close **TOMORROW** at **9 p.m.** Don't forget to bid on your favorite school item! Click **HERE** to start bidding.



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

Must be 21+ to

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

#### **Event Highlights:**

- 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

Raffle Tickets
Go to alphonsus.org or scan this QR code with your phone to purchase tickets online.
Tickets are available for purchase in the Church and School Offices and will also be sold after Masses

on Jan. 18-19, Feb. 15-16, March 8-9

8 March 15-16.

There's No Place Like

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!



#### SAS Summer Camp - Save the Date

Camp registration will begin on **Monday, March 10th**. Families will get a link for registration via email. Spots are limited, so get your registration in quickly! Summer Camp will begin on **Monday, June 2nd and end Friday, July 18th**. You may register for the entire summer or for specific weeks. Students must be a registered SAS student for the 2025-2026 school year and 4 years old to participate.



Questions: email Mrs. Tammy Fouts at tfouts@stalphonsusbr.org

#### Spring Pictures

Spring pictures will be on **Wednesday, March 12th**. Only students who are taking spring pictures are allowed to wear free dress. Students not taking pictures may wear Spirit dress or school uniform. The dress code for spring pictures is as follows:

- Sandals may be worn but they must have a back.
- Shoes can only be flat, no heels, no boots.
- Dresses, skirts and shorts have to be an appropriate length (no shorter than 2 inches above the knee).
- No tank tops, tube tops or spaghetti straps are allowed. If the dress or shirt is sleeveless, a sweater must be worn over it at all times during the day. Shoulders and backs cannot be seen.

### PK3-4th Grade Grandparent's Day



We are excited to host Grandparent's Day for PK3-4th grade on **Friday, March 14th**. Parking is available between the church and the Family Center or behind the Family Center. All PK3-4th grade students will be dismissed at 12:00 p.m. on **Friday, March 14th**. Bus service

will not be available for that early dismissal time. All PK3-4th grade students who do not check out after Grandparent's Day must be picked up by carpool at 12:00 p.m. \*However, buses will run for 5th-8th dismissal at the regular time. The schedule is below.

**8:30-10:15:** Ist - 4th Grade will attend Mass, with a reception to follow in the Family Center.

**10:30-11:30:** PK3, PK4 and K will have a performance followed by refreshments in the Family Center.

\*\*\*Students in 5th through 8th grade have a full day of school and will not attend Mass on Grandparent's Day.





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 email any questions to Jennifer Glissman at <a href="mailto:iglissman@stalphonsusbr.org">iglissman@stalphonsusbr.org</a>. Thank you!!

#### 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. The only items that can be dropped off in the office is a lunch box or water bottle. Also, any sports clothes for after school will have to be dropped off at practice. Students will not be allowed to call home for forgotten items as well. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation with this matter.

#### **Sweatpants**

According to the Handbook, as of **March 1st**, students will only be able to wear sweat-pants to school if the outside temperature is 50 degrees or colder.

#### Save the Date

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

#### 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.



#### FESTIVAL OF 2 RIVERS CASH RAFFLE TICKET CONTEST

Our 2025 Cash Raffle ticket contest kicks-off today. Envelopes with tickets and contest information will be sent home today. 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 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

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** 



#### ms. Bueche

### February 27, 2025

#### FROM THE COUNSELOR:

When talking with students, whether auidance 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 newsletter. It is important for kids to understand peer pressure, what it might look like, and how kids can stand up against it.

#### CONTACT INFO:

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- **225.261.5299**

<u>Parent - Counseling</u> <u>Referral Form</u>

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."
- "Please stop telling me to...""I'm not okay with that."
- 'No thanks."

- "Let's do something else."
- "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 help

HELPING KIDS STAND UP TO PEER PRESSURE





MARCH 28

10am-1pm

6 Player Teams or Individual spots available Food and Hole Sponsorships available Door Prizes and Raffle Items

Each 6 player team is allowed 2 bystanders at bay.

**Hive Golf** Tournament Click **HERE** or scan the OR code to register.

BATON ROUGE

#### FAJITA BUFFET/CASH BAR

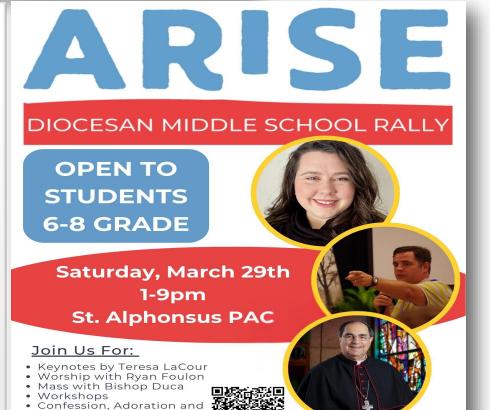
PRIZES FOR:

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.

#### **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.



lots more!