



# St. Alphonsus Catholic School

## The Buzz

*Forming Faith and Future*

Kristy M. Monsour, Principal

May 22, 2025

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- **May 23 -**  
School Mass /  
Spirit Dress /  
Awards /Last Day  
of School - 1:00  
p.m. Dismissal /  
**No Aftercare**
- **May 26 - 30 -**  
School Office  
Closed
- **June 2 -**  
Summer Office  
Hours Begin /  
First Day of Sum-  
mer Camp
- **June 7 -**  
Used Uniform Sale  
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- **June 24 - 26 -**  
Football Skills  
Camp \*Page 3
- **July 3 - 4 -**  
School Office  
Closed
- **July 18 -** Summer  
Camp Ends

**\*\*Tomorrow, May 23rd, students will dismiss at 1:00 p.m. There will be NO AFTERCARE; however, buses will run.**

## Summer Office Hours

**May 26th-30th - Office Closed**

**June 2nd - Summer hours start / Closed on Fridays 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

**July 7th - 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

**July 21st - 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

## Summer Camp

We're excited to kick off Summer Camp on **Monday, June 2nd**, running through **Friday, July 18th!** Camp shirts were sent home with your students. New families may pick up their shirts in the school office. We can't wait for a fun-filled summer!

[Click HERE for the Summer Camp Calendar.](#)

## Kindergarten Promotion

Congratulations to our Kindergarten classes on their Promotion! They've grown, learned, and are ready for First Grade!





# 2025-2026 School Year News

## New PE Uniforms and Spirit Shirts

Order your new PE Uniforms and Spirit Shirts today! The shop will remain open until June 2nd. Click [HERE](#) to order.

*\*Check your email for more information.*

## New Tuition and Fees Refund Policy for the 2025-2026 School Year

For any enrolled student who withdraws from school, the refund policy is as follows:

- May 1 to July 31 - 100%
- August 1 to October 31 - 75%
- November 1 to December 31 - 50%
- January 1 to March 31 - 25%
- April 1 to end of the school year - 0%

*\*Fees (student and security) are refundable until July 31.*

## Extended Care Registration for the 2025-2026 School Year

It is now time to register your child(ren) for the St. Alphonsus Extended Care Program for the **2025-2026** school year. We will be implementing a new online sign up and payment platform called Cheddar Up. You will be able to fill out necessary forms and make monthly recurring payments through Cheddar Up. Please make note of the following:

1. There is a one time registration fee **PER FAMILY**. Please only add to cart once.
2. The monthly recurring payments (either for morning care, aftercare, or both) will be **PER CHILD**. Please add to cart for each child.
3. Make sure to add a family registration fee (add only once) **AND** a recurring monthly fee choice (either mornings, afternoons, or both) to your cart before you check out.
4. Exception: Drop-in care will only pay their registration fee at this time.

Click [HERE](#) to register your child(ren) as soon as possible. The registration fee will increase to \$100.00 after **July 31, 2025**. If you have any questions, please contact Bethany Richard [brichard@stalphonsusbr.org](mailto:brichard@stalphonsusbr.org).

## School Supplies

Order your K-8th grade student's school supplies for the 2025-2026 school year today! The deadline to order is **July 1st**. Click [HERE](#) to order.






# FOOTBALL

## *Skills Camp*

**JUNE 24TH-26TH  
6-8 PM**

Join us for the 3-day Football Skills Camp, designed for young athletes who want to develop their football skills.

**REGISTRATION INFORMATION**  
\$75 \*includes T-shirt  
Boys, rising 2nd-6th grade

**LOCATION**  
St. Alphonsus School

★★★★★ Register [HERE](#) ★★★★★

## Football

It is that time of year to begin thinking about playing fall football at St. Alphonsus. Football is available for 3rd-8th grade boys. If your son would like to play, please fill out this [intent form](#) by this Friday, May 23. There is no payment needed today. We will send out formal registration in July as well as the practice schedule and other details about the season. The fee will be \$95 for the season. If you are interested in coaching, please contact Chuck Sanches at [chucksanches@msn.com](mailto:chucksanches@msn.com).

Click [HERE](#) to register for Skills Camp

**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**



## Summer Reading 2025-2026

Dear Parents,

We're excited to share some updates to our summer reading program for the 2025–2026 school year that we believe will make the experience more engaging and meaningful for both students and teachers.

Students entering 3rd–8th grade will read two books over the summer: one required title and one book of their choice that is appropriate for their reading level, based on their 4th nine weeks STAR scores. This approach allows students to enjoy more personalized reading while still engaging with a shared text that will connect the class in the fall.

There will no longer be a separate summer testing schedule. Instead, when students return to school, they'll take an AR test on their chosen book, and their class will dive into fun and enriching activities based on the required reading.

To help select a book at the appropriate level, families can use [arbookfind.com](https://arbookfind.com).

We're confident that this refreshed approach will help foster a love of reading and build a stronger classroom community from day one!

### Required Books

3rd Grade: Third Grade Angels by Jerry Spinelli

4th Grade: Because of Winn Dixie by Kate DiCamillo

5th Grade: One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate

6th Grade: Wonder by RJ Palacio

7th Grade: Watson's Go to Birmingham by Christopher Paul Curtis

8th Grade: The Wednesday Wars by Gary D Schmidt





# USED UNIFORM SALE

## It's Closet Clean-Out Time!

### Drop-Off:

Gently used uniforms you'd like to sell can be dropped off on **Friday, June 6th** from **4:00–6:00 PM**. The new SAS logo will be mandated in August so we will not be accepting any items with the old logo. This includes items such as sweatpants, jumpers, and polos. The spirit shirts and PE shirts will be redesigned this year. Like with the uniform logo, St. Alphonsus will be extending a 1 year grace period to change to the new design. More to come on this.

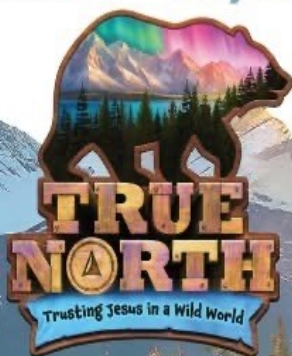
### Pick-Up Reminder:

Items not sold must be picked up at **10:45 AM on Saturday**. Any uniforms or money not picked up will be donated to the school.

**JUNE 7TH  
9:00 - 11:00 A.M.  
IN THE GYM**



## ST. ALPHONSUS Vacation Bible School June 9 - 13, 2025



SCAN HERE TO  
REGISTER  
OR GO TO THE  
PARISH WEBSITE



## Vacation Bible School

<https://vbsmate.com/events/alphonsusVBS25/29965>

VBS is in need of your help. We are planning a wonderful week of fun and excitement. This year's theme is "True North." We are hoping to borrow items from the community for some of our décor. We need a canoe, paddles, camping equipment like a small tent, fishing poles, hiking boots, camp chairs, cooking equipment. If you have some of these items and would allow us to use them, please contact the Faith Formation Office at 225-261-4644 for details.

We also need help making decorations. If you can cut paper, you and your scissors are needed. We have the supplies and directions in the Faith Formation office. Please contact us and we will get you started. Items are due back in the Faith Formation Office by **Friday, May 23, 2025**.



# TIPS FOR TEACHING KIDS ABOUT INTERNET SAFETY

## Be Clear About What Is And Isn't Okay

It's important to be very clear about what you expect from your child when they are online. This will help your child know exactly what they should and shouldn't do. Here are some ideas:

- Talk with your child about which websites/apps they are allowed to use. If possible, put a parental block on the websites/apps that you don't want them to use.
- Remind your child to never share private information like their full name, address, passwords, phone number, or even their upcoming plans.
- Discourage your child from talking to strangers online.
- Talk with your child about cyberbullying. Remind them to never be mean or post embarrassing things about others. If they see any of this happening, encourage them to tell you or another adult right away.

## Monitor Internet Use

Helping your child use the internet safely is not just a one-time conversation. Here are some tips to help you monitor your child's internet use:

- Use the internet together. Model the behavior you want them to practice when using the internet.
- Talk to your children about what apps or websites they are using. Research the apps to see what potential dangers there are for those specific apps. Talk to your child about ways they can stay safe. Keep in mind that apps change frequently, so stay up to date on the information.
- Pay attention to how much time your child is spending on the internet. Remind your child that it is healthy to take breaks from their device(s). Help your child find screen-free activities that they enjoy, or that you can do together as a family. Ideas include playing board games, going on a walk, cooking or baking, or playing a sport.

## Make A Plan

Together with your child, come up with a plan that answers the following questions:

- How much time will they spend on the internet?
- What apps/websites can they access?
- What will they do if they see unsafe/inappropriate things?

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<https://www.stalphonsusbr.org/parents/counseling-corner.cfm>

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 School Closed/Holidays

 Indicates First/Last day of school

### Important Dates

Please note these dates are subject to change & families will be notified if changes are made.

**August 7** First Day of School  
**September 1** Labor Day  
**October 10** Fall Break  
**Nov. 24-28** Thanksgiving Holidays  
**Dec. 22-Jan. 2** Christmas Holidays

**January 5** Students return to school  
**January 19** Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday  
**Feb. 16-20** Mardi Gras Holidays  
**April 3-10** Easter Holidays  
**May 22** Last Day of School



# St. Michael High School



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