



January 2019

Dear Parish Friends,

“May the God of hope fill you with joy and peace...”
--Romans 15:13

As we begin this New Year, we invite you to consider some special opportunities to assist you in dynamic Christian living. We know how busy you are! Choose programs that will fit your needs and your schedule, and will refresh your spirit.

Our presenters are outstanding. **This Lent, we are especially pleased to offer a 4-Day Parish Mission, with Fr. Johnpaul Cafiero, OFM.** Fr. Cafiero is a popular preacher and lecturer, known for his engaging and informative style. Check this mailing for more specifics. Plan to join us for this unique faith experience!

In this New Year, may we continue to be the visible face of Christ’s presence in the world.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Aaron Esch

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Sr. Eileen Kazmierowicz

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WED Jan. 23 & Jan. 30, 9:30-11 a.m.
“The Story of Adam and Eve”
With Sr. Bea Dorsey, SSSF, Ph.D.

What does the story of Adam and Eve tell us about human origins, and how has it influenced the understanding of the human being throughout history? This series will focus on an in-depth commentary of the Adam and Eve story. We will explore the difference the reading of this story has made throughout history.

Sr. Bea Dorsey, Ph.D., is a Lecturer in Scripture Studies.

Place: St. Alphonsus Parish Ministry Ctr., 5960 W. Loomis Rd. Use the Upper Parking Lot.

Fee: \$25. Need 12 participants. **To register:** 421-2442 x 225.



TU February 12, 9:00-10:00 a.m.
“Mary Todd Lincoln: Preserve the Union”
Jessica Michna - Living Historian

Mary recalls her early years and education in Lexington, Kentucky. She tells of her move to Springfield, Illinois, where she would meet and marry the young prairie lawyer. She details the early married years in Springfield. Mary introduces the audience to life in Washington, regaling her listeners with stories about her boys, including her biggest boy, Mr. Lincoln. In this time of national strife, the Lincolns would suffer personal tragedies, concluding on that fateful day in April of 1865.

Originally from Pennsylvania, Jessica Michna developed a love of American history at an early age. She uses her considerable acting and teaching skills to recreate notable women of history. She has been called “a National treasure” and has received the Presidential Service Center's Distinguished Service Award.

Please register to assist us with seating--421-2442 x 225.

Place: St. Alphonsus Community Rm., 6060 W. Loomis Rd.

Fee: Freewill offering at the door.



TU February 19, 9:00-10:45 a.m.
“St. Augustine and St. Benedict”
Pivotal Players in Church Life”



With
Sr. Eileen Kazmierowicz, D. Min.

We’ll use Bishop Robert Barron’s *Pivotal Players* DVD series to reflect on the lives of St. Augustine and St. Benedict. St. Augustine, the Teacher, is possibly the best example of how faith in Christ changed a person. Saint Benedict, the Monk, contributed more to saving western Christian culture than anyone else. We’ll share insights and reflect on applications for Christian living. Join us!

Sr. Eileen Kazmierowicz is St. Alphonsus’ Pastoral Associate. She holds a Doctor of Ministry Degree.

Place: Parish Ministry Center, 5960 W. Loomis Rd. Upper Lot.
Registration Required. Call 421-2442 x 225. No fee



LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES

Weeks of Mar. 3rd thru Apr. 7th
Small Faith Communities

This Lent, St. Alphonsus will again offer daytime and evening opportunities for six weeks of faith-sharing. We’ll use *“Live Lent!”* a booklet focused on the Sunday readings. Groups meet for 90 minutes, and are led by experienced parish leaders. New groups are formed each season. Newcomers are always welcomed.

Ways to register: Use the enclosed sign-up card or sign up through our website, www.st-alphonsus.org. Cards are also located on the tables inside the Church at each entrance. Or call: 414-421-2442 x 225.

PARISH MISSION- MARCH 9TH THRU 12TH - SEE INSERT



TU March 5, 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Book Discussion-"My Antonia"
With Ed Block, Ph. D.

Ed Block will again lead a book discussion, *My Antonia*, by award-winning American author, Willa Cather.

My Antonia is Cather's most popular work. The story of an immigrant family's struggles on the Nebraska plains, it is at once a family chronicle and a story of abiding friendship. The book is available through the Public Library/ Amazon. Come for a delightful discussion.

Dr. Block is Professor Emeritus, English Dept., Marquette U.

Place: St. Alphonsus Parish Library, Church building.

Register by: Feb. 26. Call 421-2442 x 225. Group size limited.



TH March 14-April 11, 1:00-3:00 p.m.
Little Rock Scripture Study (5 Wks.)
"Letters from Prison-Part I"
With Barbara Bova, Facilitator

In these letters written from prison, Paul lovingly inspires and challenges us to greater discipleship.

Place: St. Alphonsus Parish Ministry Center-5960 Bldg.

Register by Mar. 1st; call Barbara Bova, 427-4897. **Fee:** \$21.



TU March 19, 7:00-8:30 p.m., Social Follows
"What About St. Joseph?"
With Jim Gill, M.A.

For the major role he plays in salvation history, Joseph is a relative mystery to most of us. On this Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we'll look at what we know of Joseph from the Gospels, and what the life of Joseph can inspire us to be and do as witnesses of Christ in the world today.

Jim Gill is Associate Director of Programming at the Siena Retreat Center, Racine. He has 37 years in Adult and Family ministry in parishes in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.

Place: St. Alphonsus Chapel. **No registration; no fee.**



SA March 30, 8:40-10:30 a.m.
Morning for Men
With Rev. Brad A. Krawczyk, M.Div.

After a tasty, full breakfast catered by *Carl's*, the men will enjoy an engaging presentation by Fr. Brad Krawczyk.

We're pleased to welcome Father Brad to St. Al's. Men of all ages and stages of life are welcome to join us for a time of faith and fellowship!

Please note: On SA March 30, there will be an 8 a.m. Mass in the Chapel. Men are welcome to participate if they wish. We will not serve breakfast until after Mass!

Rev. Brad A. Krawczyk is the Director of Worship and Liturgical Formation at Saint Francis de Sales Seminary.

Place: Community Rm., 6060 W. Loomis Rd.

Fee: \$16. Register by March 22; call 421-2442 x 225



TU April 2, 7:00-8:30 p.m.
"Persecution is Rising In India, But Christianity is Standing Strong"
With Rev Britto Suresh, MBA

Christians in India comprise some 64 million of the nation's 1.3 billion residents. In the last two years, **Persecution Relief** has counted at least 1200 episodes of persecution. India ranks 11th, just behind Iran and Yemen, on the annual list of the world's 50 worst countries for Christian persecution. (Open Doors USA)

Join us to explore the various reasons why Christians are being suppressed / oppressed in India for the last 30 years.

Associate Pastor, Fr. Britto Suresh, was ordained for the Archdiocese of Madurai, South India, in 2003. He holds a B.A. in Philosophy. B.Th. in Theology, and a Master's Degree in Business Administration.

Place: The Community Room. No registration. **No Fee.**

REFRESH YOUR SPIRIT IN 2019



Saint Alphonsus Parish Greendale, Wisconsin



Adult Faith Formation 2019 Program Registration

Name _____

Address _____

City/Zip _____

Phone _____

E-Mail _____

I wish to register for... (✓) all that apply:

Note: For Lenten Small Faith Communities—

Please use the separate sign-up card. Thank you!

Mar.19 & Apr. 2 Programs-No Registration Needed.

___ Jan. 23 & 30 - "Adam & Eve"-Sr. Bea Dorsey(\$25)
Pre-payment requested

___ Feb. 12 -"Mary Todd Lincoln"-J. Michna
(freewill)

___ Feb. 19 - "Pivotal Players"-Sr. Eileen (no fee)

___ Mar. 5 - Book Discussion-Dr. Block (no fee)

___ Mar. 30 -Morning for Men-Fr. Krawczyk
(\$16.00) Please pre-pay by March 22

___ Payment is enclosed.

(Checks payable to **St. Alphonsus AF Ministry**)

Send to: St. Alphonsus Adult Formation
5960 W. Loomis Rd. Greendale, WI 53129

Questions? Call 421-2442 x 225