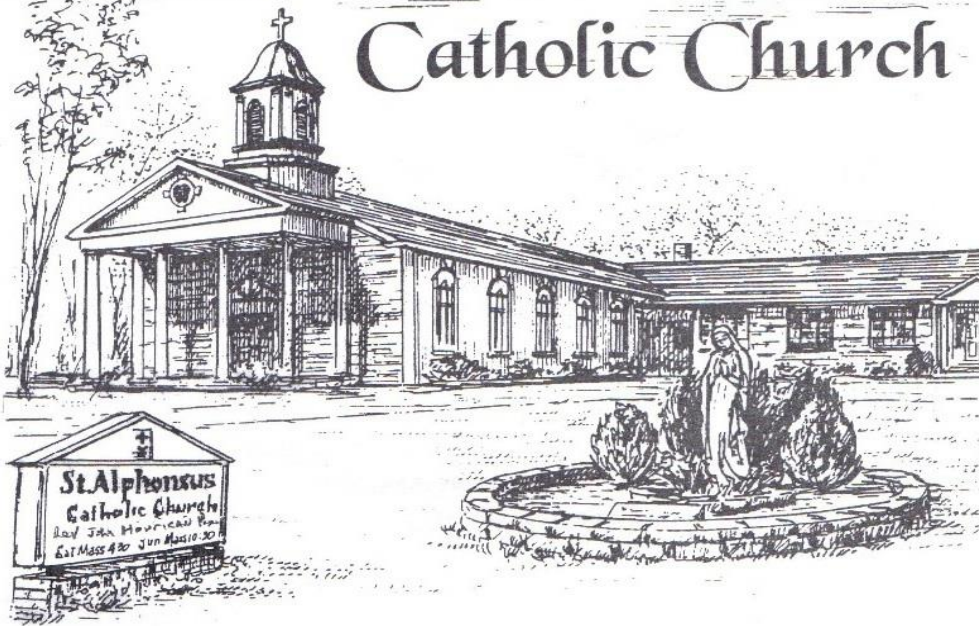


St. Alphonsus Catholic Church



Covington, Tennessee

1225 Highway 51 South
(at Tatlock) Covington, TN

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 430
Covington, TN 38019

Parish Office

Phone: (901) 476-8140

Fax: (901) 476-9650

Monday – Thursday
9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

www.saintalphonsuschurch.org

Rectory

(901) 476-0374

Devotions at St. Alphonsus

Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday & Saturday of
each month following
the 8:30 a.m. Mass

Rosary

First Saturday at 8:00 a.m.
Sunday morning at 10:05 a.m.

Rev. Martin Orjanioko, Pastor

St. Alphonsus Daily Masses

Tuesday ~ 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday & Thursday ~ 12:00 noon

Friday and Saturday ~ 8:30 a.m.

The Mass schedules for Holy Days of Obligation are published inside the bulletin.

Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil ~ 4:30 p.m., St. Alphonsus

Sunday Morning ~ 8:30 a.m., Ave Maria

Sunday Morning ~ 10:30 a.m., St. Alphonsus

Mission Statement

It is the mission of St. Alphonsus and Ave Maria to proclaim and share the Gospel of Jesus Christ and His Church, through the liturgy, education, community service and social events; and to witness to Christ who has blessed our lives in the larger community of Tipton and Lauderdale Counties and beyond. Our parish life is centered on the Eucharist during which we celebrate with joy the presence of the Risen Lord among us.

Ripley, Tennessee

664 S. Washington St. (SR 209)

Just South of the Hwy. 19 Junction

Ripley, TN

Sacraments

Confession:

St. Alphonsus: Saturday at 4:00 p.m.

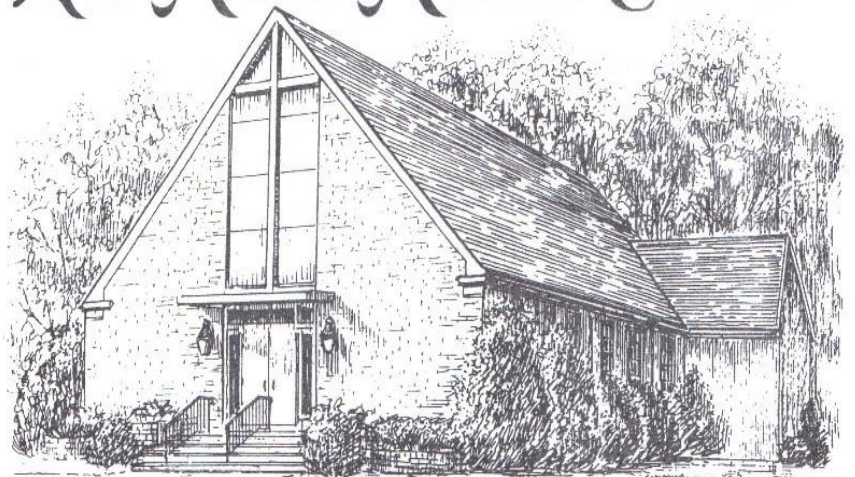
Sunday at 10:00 a.m. or by appointment

Ave Maria: Sunday at 8:00 a.m.

or by appointment

Call the Parish Office to schedule an
appointment for Baptism, Confession
or Marriage preparation

Ave Maria Mission Church





Mass Times and Intentions for the Week

Saturday	1/07	4:30 p.m.	+Mr. Osborn by Len & Kay Bergen
Sunday	1/08	8:30 a.m.	+Jodie Robbins by Susan Farris
Sunday	1/08	10:30 a.m.	For the People of Ave Maria and St. Alphonsus
Tuesday	1/10	7:00 p.m.	+Wayne Rutledge by Susan Farris
Wednesday	1/11	12:00 noon	+Carolyn Graham by Len & Kay Bergen
Thursday	1/12	12:00 noon	+Martha Tate by Susan Farris
Friday	1/13	8:30 a.m.	+Herb Wenning by Martha Wenning
Saturday	1/14	8:30 a.m.	
Saturday	1/14	4:30 p.m.	+Frank Bryant by Len & Kay Bergen

Liturgical Ministers

Date:	Jan. 7	Jan. 8	Jan. 8	Jan. 14	Jan. 15	Jan. 15
Mass Time:	4:30 p.m.	8:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	4:30 p.m.	8:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
Lector:	A. Hartz	J. Pavletic	Josephine K.	B. Teer	S. Matras	Moreno / Terry
Eucharist:	Mary G.	S. Matras	P. Ferguson	S. Burkhardt	J. Pavletic	K. Cross
	J. Prizina		J. Powell	M. Folden		Jaci D.
Loft:			K. Ferguson			B. Wellbrock
Servers:	M. Griffis	J. Fritz	J. Daley	A. Hartz	J. Fritz	C. Daley
	C. Jacobs	M. Fritz	John D.	C. Jacobs	M. Fritz	P. Ferguson
	B. Teer	J. Fritz	A. Hartz	K. Sass	J. Fritz	B. Teer
Ushers:	J. Daily	S. Matras	King/Stephens	J. Daily		King/Pesnell
Collections:	Volunteers		Knight/Pesnell	Volunteers	P. Fritz	Cross/Knight
Gifts:	Volunteers	J. & D. Pavletic	Volunteers	Volunteers	P. & L. Fritz	Volunteers

Volunteers for January 14, 2017

Volunteers for January 21, 2017

Church: Tankersley	Altar Linens: Stephens	Church: Ferguson	Altar Linens: Stephens
Parish Hall: Hessling	Lawn: Teer	Parish Hall: Brower	Lawn: Teer

Please Pray for Our Parishioners:

Rosemarie Aird, Kay Bergen, Mike, Jamie & Jason Brower, Jerry Bryant, Gary & Juanita Buda, Patti Butner, Tammy Clowes, Liz Crosslin, Mary DiBiasi, Dixie Duncan, John Folden, Joe Francis, Pat Haynes, James Haynes, Becky Kahl, Helene Keenan, Joe King, W. D. & Fay Knight, Nancy Lind, Jerry & Rose Mills, Eleanor Nunn, Elaina Prizina, Joseph Roman, Frank Stephens, Maria Vasquez, Dottie Wellbrock, Patricia Yoste

Our Loved Ones:

Josephine Amasiani, Milton Anderson, Alan Ashford, George Ashbaugh, Amanda Barnes Family, William Barrett, James & Robin Barnett, Palma Borgognoni, Juanita Brannon, Debbie Brock, Joe Bynum, Christina Cahaly, Patrick Christy, Jean Clements, Darlene Cross, Joy Diotte, Cass Douglas, Karri Flannigan, Philip Galaska, Kathy & Rhonda Gentry, Linda Gray, Dot & Elizabeth Griffin, Jennifer Gross, Philip Harbin, Kinney Hinkle, Patsy Hoffman, Lisa Hogan, Carrie & Craig Horwath, Peter Hubicki, Bob Hutchins, Lisa Hutton, Christie Johnson, Dawn Kearney, Jennifer Kunkel, Jacob LeFils, Paul M. Lyon, Diane Maness, Joyce Miller, Deloris Molloy, Charlie Moss, Chris Nunn, Sandra Pellegren, Chris Plourde, Beverly Pratt, Jim Rinaldi, Joan Robertson, Norma Rogers, Mary Schaefer, Barbara Schneider, Mibong Shin, Neal Simonton, Sam Stitt, Ray & Yelba Stevenson, Betsy Sullivan, C.H. Sullivan IV, Jan & Ellen Valeriano, Peter Vanderven, Betty Waldenmeir, Scharrol Wansley, Phyllis Whittington, Steve & Tracy Williams, Gale Wilson, Earl Yeomans

And Our Priests Who are Ill:

Fr. John Hourican *Fr. James Murphy* *Fr. Jolly Sebastian*
Fr. Bryan Timby *Fr. Robert Ponticello*

Please notify the church office to add or remove someone from the lists. **Also, call 476-8140 to let us know if you, or a family member, are admitted to the hospital.**

Readings for January 9 - January 15

Monday, January 9

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Ps 29:1-4, 9-10; Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17

Tuesday, January 10

Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2, 5-9; Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday, January 11

Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mk 1:29-39

Thursday, January 12

Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11; Mk 1:40-45

Friday, Jan. 13: St. Hilary, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4, 6-8; Mk 2:1-12

Saturday, January 14

Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 2:13-17

Sunday, January 15

The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

THIS WEEK AT ST. ALPHONSUS & AVE MARIA

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8 – The Epiphany of the Lord

- 8:30 a.m. – Mass at Ave Maria Mission
- 8:45 a.m. – PRE Classes at St. Alphonsus
- 10:05 a.m. – Rosary at St. Alphonsus
- 10:30 a.m. – Mass at St. Alphonsus followed by coffee & donuts
- 12:00 p.m. – Remove Christmas decorations from the church
- 12:00 p.m. – Family & Youth Ministry meeting
- 12:15 p.m. – History & Archive Ministry meeting
- 3:00 p.m. – Youth Group (L.I.G.H.T.) at St. Alphonsus
- 7:00 p.m. – Divine Renovation Study Group at St. Alphonsus

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10

- 10:00 a.m. – Friends of the Poor

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11

- 10:15 a.m. – The Legion of Mary at St. Alphonsus

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12

- 5:00 p.m. – Choir Practice at St. Alphonsus
- 7:00 p.m. – R.C.I.A. class at St. Alphonsus

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14

- 4:00 p.m. – Confessions at St. Alphonsus
- 4:30 p.m. – Vigil Mass at St. Alphonsus

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15 – The Baptism of the Lord

- 8:30 a.m. – Mass at Ave Maria Mission
- 8:45 a.m. – PRE Classes at St. Alphonsus
- 10:05 a.m. – Rosary at St. Alphonsus
- 10:30 a.m. – Mass at St. Alphonsus followed by coffee & donuts
- 3:00 p.m. – Youth Group (L.I.G.H.T.) at St. Alphonsus
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Last Week's Attendance

St. Alphonsus

- 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass: 35 adults & 4 children
- 10:30 a.m. Mass: 58 adults & 10 children

Ave Maria

- 8:30 a.m. Mass: 22 adults & 4 children

Jan. 1, 2017	St. Alphonsus	Ave Maria	S.A. 2016	A.M. 2016
Budget	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 365.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 365.00
Regular	\$ 1,541.00	\$ 375.00	\$ 2,821.00	\$ 226.00
Mother of God	\$ 366.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 657.00	\$ 205.00
Maintenance	\$ 510.00	\$ 340.00	\$ 759.00	\$ 75.00
Food Pantry	\$ 60.00	\$ ---	\$ 60.00	\$ ---

Birthday Wishes This Week To

1/11-Robert Cotton

Consider offering or attending Mass, or visiting a church to pray before the Blessed Sacrament for yourself or a loved one's birthday, to thank God for the gift of family and life.

L.I.G.H.T.

The St. Alphonsus ~ Ave Maria youth group (L.I.G.H.T.) will resume their weekly meetings on Sunday, January 8, at 3:00 p.m. in the St. Alphonsus parish hall.

PRE Classes

PRE classes will resume on Sunday, January 8, at 8:45 a.m. in the St. Alphonsus parish hall.

Mass Hymns for January 8, 2017

Bold is for St. Alphonsus () is for Ave Maria

- Entrance: **110** (234) We Three Kings
- Offertory: **100** (214) O Little Town of Bethlehem
- Communion: **594** (517) Christ, Be Our Light
- Recessional: **96** (218) Go, Tell It on the Mountain

January Prayer Intention of Pope Francis

Christian Unity: That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.



It is the Magi and their journey in search of the Messiah that the Church today invites us to meditate and to pray. These wise men from the East were the first in that great procession of which the prophet Isaiah speaks of: a procession, which from that time on has continued, uninterrupted; in every age it hears the message of the star and finds the Child who reveals the tenderness of God. New persons are always being enlightened by that star; they find the way and come into his presence.

- Pope Francis, December 2015

Removing Christmas Decorations

Your help is needed to take down our parish Christmas decorations on Sunday, January 8, immediately following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. If you can spare some time, or if you have a truck to move the decorations to the rectory for storage, it would be greatly appreciated. The point of contact is Anne Hartz.

Divine Renovation Study Group

The Divine Renovation Study Group will meet at 7:00 p.m. on January 8, 15, and 22 at St. Alphonsus.

Family and Youth Ministry Meeting

Sunday, January 8, the Family and Youth Ministry will meet at noon in the St. Alphonsus parish hall extension.

History and Archive Ministry Meeting

The History and Archives Ministry will meet at 12:15 on Sunday, January 8, in the St. Alphonsus PRE classroom.

Catholics and Non-Christian Religions

All catechists are encouraged to attend "Catholics and Non-Christian Religions" which will be presented by Sr. Cathy Galaskiewicz, OP, at St. Alphonsus on Saturday, February 18, from 10:00 a.m. – 3:45 p.m. Credit for 5 catechetical hours will be given for those attending this class. There is a \$5.00 fee for materials and you are asked to bring your own lunch. You can register for this course by emailing Sr. Cathy at catherine.swan@cc.cdom.org. or calling (901) 373 – 1235.

Prayer of Intercession for Vocations

The Epiphany: For an increased understanding among our young people that they are uniquely chosen by God to be holy through their specific vocation to their state in life in Christ, we pray to the Lord.

La Epifania: Para que nuestros jovenes entiendan cada vez mas que ellos son especialmente elegidos por Dios para que sean santos a traves de su vocacion especifica de vida en Cristo. Roguemos al Senor.

The Epiphany

"God chose us before the world began to be holy." God has chosen each person in Christ for a particular vocation. If He may be calling you to be holy through a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, call Father Patrick Gallagher at (901) 323-3817 or write: VocationDirector@vocations.cdom.org.

Healing Mass

When: Saturday, **January 14**

10:15 a.m.: Praise & Worship Music 10:30 a.m.: Healing Mass

Where: St. Mary's Catholic Church, 45 Bypass, Jackson, TN

Concelebrants: Fr. Richard Cortese & Msgr. Al Kirk
Prayer teams will be available after Mass. A fellowship potluck luncheon will follow in the Holy Family Hall.

Marian Cenacle and Mass

For: Priests, Deacons, and Laity

What: A Marian Cenacle and Mass

When: Saturday, **January 28**, from 12:00 noon - 3:00 p.m.

Where: Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 1695 Central Avenue, Memphis, TN 38104

Fr. Richard Cortese invites all to attend this Marian event held by the Marian Movement of Priests (MMP). Bishop Holley has given his blessing for this event and encourages both priests and laity to participate.

Diocesan Celebration of Wedding Anniversaries

Married couples throughout the diocese celebrating 25, 50 and 50 plus years of marriage in 2017 and their guests are invited to attend a Mass celebrated by His Excellency, Most Reverend Bishop Martin D. Holley, D.D., at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, **February 4** at St. Louis Catholic Church, 123 White Station Road, 38117. A reception will follow at the Clunan Center. For more information, contact the Office of Pastoral Life at (901) 373-1237 or register on line under "events". Registration forms are available in the narthex. **Deadline to register is January 25.**

Gathering to Remember

Most of us do not have to look far to find "non-practicing Catholics" in our circle of family and friends. Many of us are concerned about these loved ones but we do not know how to help them. Obviously, most of them are searching, but how can we help them find their way

home? To respond to this very crucial issue, the Diocesan Office of Pastoral Services and St. Alphonsus/Ave Maria are offering "**Gathering to Remember**", a place for inactive, alienated, disillusioned or former Catholics to discuss concerns and questions in a safe, understanding and nonjudgmental environment. These six weekly sessions will meet on **February 6 through March 13, 2017** in the St. Alphonsus parish hall. For more information, contact Karen Clark at the parish office: (901) 476 - 8140. You can also contact Alma Abuelouf with the Office of Pastoral Services, at (901) 373 - 1224.

Divine Mercy Healing Mass

What: World Day of the Sick 10th Annual Divine Mercy Healing Mass

When: Saturday, **February 11** 9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.: Confessions

10:30 a.m.: The Chaplet of Divine Mercy immediately followed by the Healing Mass (about 10:45)

Where: St. Ann's Catholic Church, 6529 Stage Road, Bartlett, TN

Celebrant: The Most Reverend Bishop Martin D. Holley
This event will include a blessing for all, anointing of the sick during the Mass, and veneration of a 1st class relic of St. Faustina and the icon of Divine Mercy. Prayer teams will be available after Mass. A fellowship potluck luncheon will follow in the Holy Family Hall. Pass the word! Bring family, bring friends!

Save the Dates!

Women's Morning of Spirituality: **February 25, 2017**

Men's Morning of Spirituality: **April 1, 2017**

Church of the Incarnation, Collierville, TN