SAINT ALPHONSUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Covington, Tennessee

AVE MARIA CATHOLIC CHURCH

Ripley, Tennessee

Rev. Robert Ballman, Pastor

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March 5, 2023 | **The Second Sunday of Lent** | **Violet**

MASS SCHEDULE
HORARIO de MISAS

SAINT ALPHONSUS

Saturday/Sábado	4:30 pm
Sunday/Domingo	10:30 am
Misa en español Sunday/Domingo	12:15 pm

AVE MARIA

Sunday/Domingo	8:30am

ST. ALPHONSUS Daily/Diario

Monday/Lunes	12:00 pm
Tuesday/Martes	12:00 pm
Wednesday/ Miercoles	12:00 pm
Friday/Viernes	8:30 am
Saturday/Sábado	8:30 am

ST. ALPHONSUS & AVE MARIA MISSION STATEMENT

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

DEVOTIONS/DEVOCIÓN at ST. ALPHONSUS

Eucharistic Adoration/Adoración Eucaristía

First Friday and First Saturday of each month following 8:30 am Mass
Primero Viernes y Sábado de cada mes despues 8:30 am Misa

Rosary/Rosario

First Saturday/Primero Sábado	8:00 am
Sunday morning/Domingo por la mañana	10:05 am

March-Pope's Prayer Intention: For Victims of Abuse
We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.

SACRAMENTS/SACRAMENTOS

SAINT ALPHONSUS
Confession/Confesión

Saturday/Sábado	4:00 pm
Sunday/Domingo	10:00 am

AVE MARIA

Sunday/Domingo	8:00 am

or by appointment/Llame para pedir cita

Baptism or Marriage preparation
Bautismo o Matrimonio preparacion

Call for appointment/Llame para pedir cita

SAINT ALPHONSUS
1225 Highway 51 South (at Tatlock) • Covington, Tennessee
Mailing Address • PO Box 430 • Covington, Tennessee 38019

AVE MARIA
(just South of Highway 19 junction)
664 S. Washington St. (SR 209) • Ripley, Tennessee

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Prayer for the sick and those in need:

Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need. Amid mental and physical suffering may they find consolation in your healing presence. Show your mercy as you close wounds, cure illness, make broken bodies whole and free downcast spirits. May these special people find lasting health and deliverance, and so join us in thanking you for all your gifts. We ask this through the Lord Jesus who healed those who believed. Amen.

Pray for all of our loved ones and for those who are ill

Our Ill Priests/Nuestros Sacerdotes Enfermos		
Fr. John Hourican	Fr. Bryan Timby	Fr. Burke
Fr. Jolly Sebastian	Fr. Robert Ponticello	

Our Parishioners/Nuestros Feligreses	
Leonard Bergen	Jerry & Rose Mills
Jerry Bryant	Doloris Pfountz
Peter Burkhardt	Lynda Rogers
Florinda Clark/Family	Holly Schaefer
Tammy Clowes	Joan Smith
Kay & Gene Cross	Cyburn Sullivan
Ellen Daily	Elizabeth Sullivan
Derek Durham	Annette Tustin
Jim & Lois Hayden	Dottie Wellbrock
Pat Haynes	Patton Williams
Billie Hutchins	Irma Wilson de Roze
Beverly Jiminez	Eva Wright
Maria & David McConnell	
Piper Matthews	

Readings for Mar 06-Mar 12

Monday
Dn 9:4-10 Ps 79:8-13 Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday-Sts. Perpetua & Felicity
Is 1:10, 16-20 Ps 50:8-23 Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday-St. John of God, Religious
Jer 18:18-20 Ps 31:5-16 Mt 20:17-28

Thursday-St. Frances of Rome, Religious
Jer 17:5-10 Ps 1:1-6 Lk 16:19-31

Friday
Gn 37:3-28 Ps 105:16-21 Mt 21:33-46

Saturday
Mi 7:14-20 Ps 103:1-12 Lk 15:1-32

Sunday– 3rd Sunday of Lent
Ex 17:3-7 Ps 95:1-9 Rom 5:1-8 Jn 4:5-42

Feb 2023	Saint Alphonsus	Ave Maria	Saint Alphonsus 2022	Ave Maria 2022
Monthly Budget	$ 10,460.00	$ 2,324.00	$ 10,460.00	$ 1,960.00
Monthly Regular	$ 12,487.00	$ 3,343.00	$ 10,911.00	$, 2,103.00
YTD SURPLUS (Jul-Feb) 35 wk.	$ 9,861.00	$ 691.00	$ 3,063.00	$ 2,567.00
Friends of the Poor	$ 650.00	$ 0.00	$ 480.00	
Food Pantry	$ 630.00	$ 0.00	$ 410.00	
Tiny Blessing	$ 0.00		$ 0.00	
Helping Hands		$ 0.00		$ 0.00

Happy Birthday! Feliz Cumpleaños!

Danielle Buda 03/04, Stan Matras 03/05, Bryan Wellbrock 03/09

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

If you would like to have your name added to the birthday list please call the parish office.

Liturgical Ministers/Ministros Litúrgicos

	Lectors	Servers	Sacristans	EMHC
Mar 04	A. Calvet	K. Sass	M. Griffis	K. Kennedy
		J. Schaefer		
		J. Watkins		
Mar 05	C. Jones	Ja. Walker	J. Buda	R. Wheeler
	G. Buda	C. Buda		J. Tankersley
		N. Gogel		J. Wheeler/Loft
Mar 11	E. Teer	K. Sass	A. Calvet	A. Calvet
		J. Schaefer		
		J. Watkins		
Mar 12	R. Wheeler	Ju. Walker	E. Teer	J. Buda
	G. Buda	J. Jasper		J. Terry
		C. Gogel		R. Tankersley/Loft

Attendance/Público

Feb 25/26	St. Alphonsus		Ave Maria	
	Adult	Children	Adult	Children
4:30 pm	42	1		
8:30 Mass			29	1
10:30 Mass	64	33		
12:15 Mass	19	17		

Sunday/Domingo 2nd Collection: Maintenance

March/Marzo 12th 2nd Collection: None/Ninguno

This Week/Esta Semana!

Monday,	Mar 06	6:00 pm St. Augustine Lenten Reflections
Tuesday,	Mar 07	9:00 am Friends of the Poor/Food Pantry
	1:00 pm	Tiny Blessings Ministry
	5:00 pm	Confession & Eucharistic Adoration
	6:00 pm	RCIA
Wed,	Mar 08	10:15 am Legion of Mary
Thursday, Mar 09		
	10:30 am	10:30 am St. R Bellarmine Bible Study
	4:00 pm	Choir Practice
Friday,	Mar 10	
	5:00 pm	Lenten Supper– Soup & Salad
	6:30 pm	Stations of the Cross
Saturday, Mar 04		

Mass Intentions/Intenciones Masivas

Saturday	03/04	4:30 pm	For Special Intention
Sunday	03/05	12:00 am	For the Parishioners of St. Alphonsus
Sunday	03/05	10:00 am	For the Parishioners of Ave Maria
Domingo	03/05	12:15 pm	Para una intención especial
Monday	03/06	12:00 pm	+Emily Maglio by Linda Maglio
Tuesday	03/07	12:00 pm	Wanda & Keith Begnaud by Dottie & Bryan Wellbrock
Wednesday	03/08	12:00 pm	+Rev Patrick F Heenan
Friday	03/10	8:30 am	+Rev W Howard Doyle, Jr.
Saturday	03/11	8:30 am	Powell & Walker Family by John Powell

Volunteers/Voluntarios

	Church	Parish Hall	Altar Linens	Lawn
Mar 11	Calvet	Sass	J. Buda	Volunteer
Mar 18	Terry	Pesnell	J. Buda	Volunteer

UPCOMING EVENTS/PROXIMOS EVENTOS

LENTEN SCHEDULE

Feb 28 from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.-Tuesday Adoration and Reconciliation. This will be on each Tuesday during Lent

Mar 10 at 5 p.m.- Friday Lenten Supper: Fish and Chips.

This will be alternated with Fish & Chips

Mar 10 at 6:30 p.m.- Friday Stations of the Cross. This will be on each Friday during Lent

HORARIO DE CUARESMA

28 de febrero de 5 p.m. a 6 p.m.-Martes Adoración y Reconciliación. Esto será cada martes durante la Cuaresma

10 de marzo a las 5 p.m.- Viernes Cena de Cuaresma: Fish y Chips.
Esto se alternará con sopas y ensaladas.

10 de marzo a las 6:30 p.m.- Viernes Vía Crucis. Esto será cada viernes durante la Cuaresma

Knights of Columbus Religious Article sales has been temporarily closed. Saint Paul's needed all of their inventory back as they are implementing a brand new system for inventory management. They've promised we will have inventory back in time for Easter! Please be patient and know that the KofC appreciates you buying from us. All profits from our Religious Article sales benefits our Sponsored Seminarian.

Las ventas de artículos religiosos de Caballeros de Colón se han cerrado temporalmente. Saint Paul's necesitaba recuperar todo su inventario, ya que están implementando un nuevo sistema para la gestión de inventario. ¡Han prometido que tendremos inventario a tiempo para Pascua! Tenga paciencia y sepa que KofC aprecia que nos compre. Todas las ganancias de nuestras ventas de artículos religiosos benefician a nuestro seminarista patrocinado.

National Council of Catholic Women is desiring to rebuild the Diocesan and Parish Councils of Catholic Women. If you are interested in being a parish representative please read and respond to Theola Copeland at the phone or email address in the

El Consejo Nacional de Mujeres Católicas desea reconstruir los Consejos Diocesanos y Parroquiales de Mujeres Católicas. Si está interesado en ser un representante de la parroquia, lea y responda a Theola Copeland en el teléfono o dirección de correo electrónico en la carta adjunta.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Youth gathering on Thursday March 23rd at 6 p.m. at St. Alphonsus. Come and join in the fun, food and fellowship.

Actividades para jóvenes

-Reunión de jóvenes el jueves23 de marzo a las 6 p.m. en San Alfonso. Ven y únete a la diversión, la comida y el compañerismo.

A Time to Pray: I got up early one morning and rushed right into the day; I had so much to accomplish that I didn't take time to pray. Problems just tumbled about me, and heavier came each task, "Why doesn't God help me," I wondered. He answered, "You didn't ask." I wanted to see joy and beauty but the day toiled on, gray and bleak, I wondered why God didn't show me, He said, "But you didn't seek." I tried to come into God's presence; I used all my keys at the lock. God gently and lovingly chided, "My child, you didn't knock." I woke up early this morning and paused before entering the day. I had so much to accomplish that I had to take time to pray.

LAWN MAINTENANCE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Spring is just around the corner, the lawns are starting to show signs of new life, and it won't be long before we will need to start mowing again to keep the grounds neat and tidy.

For the size of our grounds the use of a commercial lawn care service is very expensive and strains our maintenance budget. So, to keep costs under control we have assembled a team of volunteers each year for this task. The church has all the equipment so all that is needed is a little of your time.

The goal is to have enough volunteers (at least two per weekend) so that it will only be necessary for each person to help no more than 2-3 times for the season (generally April through September). If you were part of the team last year – THANK YOU and please join us again this year. Historically we lose a few members each year for various reasons, so we are always in need of new members.

Many use this as a great opportunity for family parish participation. Its time spent together helping the church in an important way and, in many cases, can be documented if needed for community service credits.

If you can spare just a little of your time this summer and want to help, we need you.

For more information, or to volunteer please call Bryan Wellbrock at 901 482-1554.

¡SE NECESITAN VOLUNTARIOS DE MANTENIMIENTO DEL CÉSPED!

La primavera está a la vuelta de la esquina, el césped está empezando a mostrar signos de nueva vida, y no pasará mucho tiempo antes de que tengamos que comenzar a cortar el césped de nuevo para mantener los jardines limpios y ordenados.

Para el tamaño de nuestros terrenos, el uso de un servicio comercial de cuidado del césped es muy costo so y agota nuestro presupuesto de mantenimiento. Por lo tanto, para mantener los costos bajo control, hemos reunido un equipo de voluntarios cada año para esta tarea. La iglesia tiene todo el equipo, así que todo lo que se necesita es un poco de su tiempo.

El objetivo es tener suficientes voluntarios (al menos dos por fin de semana) para que solo sea necesario que cada persona ayude no más de 2-3 veces durante la temporada (generalmente de abril a septiembre). Si fue parte del equipo el año pasado, GRACIAS y únase a nosotros nuevamente este año. Histórica mente, perdemos algunos miembros cada año por varias razones, por lo que siempre necesitamos nuevos miembros.

Muchos usan esto como una gran oportunidad para ayudar a la parroquia familiar. El tiempo compartiendo juntos ayudando a la iglesia de una manera importante y si es necesario, este tiempo lo podemos documentar para créditos de servicio comunitario.

Si puede dedicar un poco de tu tiempo este verano y quiere ayudar, lo necesitamos.

Para obtener más información o para ser voluntario, llame a Bryan Wellbrock al (901) 482-1554.

REVIVED BY YOUR MERCY

Friar Fest

Friar Fest is Coming!

7th through 12th Grades

April 14 - 16, 2023

St. Michael Catholic Church

Memphis, TN

Friar Fest is a weekend celebration of faith where middle and high school youth are lead by the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal through prayer before the Blessed Sacrament and growth into a deeper relationship of heart and mind with the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus.

Register at **FRIARFEST.COM**

Email **Sharon.kowalke@cc.cdom.org** for more details

Catholic Diocese of Memphis

February 24, 2023

Dear Catholic Ladies of the Diocese of Memphis:

My name is Theola Copeland and I am the National Council of Catholic Women (NCCW) Province Director for Tennessee and Kentucky (Province of Louisville). Years ago Memphis had a Diocesan Council of Catholic Women which was active. A Diocesan Council is made up of Deanery Councils and Deaneries are made up of Affiliate Parish Women Groups. My task is to see if you are interested in starting your Diocesan Council again. There may be women still living who remember in 2001, that the Diocesan Councils of Knoxville, Nashville, and Memphis hosted the 2001 NCCW Convention in Nashville at the Opryland Hotel. Hosting a convention requires lots of volunteers and all of the ladies stepped up!

Getting a Diocesan Council organized and running is no quick fix. If there is interest it could take one to two years to reach a point where you can host your own convention for your ladies. Most Catholic women want spirituality in their Church organizations. We also want to have well organized meetings, and want to learn and have fun**! NCCW Mission Statement states, "The National Council of Catholic Women acts through its members to support, empower, and educate all Catholic women in spirituality, leadership, and service. NCCW programs respond with Gospel values to the needs of the Church and society in the modern world."**

NCCW celebrated its 101 Birthday in 2021. We had to cancel the Convention in 2020 due to COVID. NCCW was founded in 1920 by the U.S. Catholic Bishops to provide all Catholic women a common voice and an instrument of unified action.

There is a lot more I could write, but this letter would be too long. What I would like is to meet with you at a Parish in each Deanery and have a discussion. I have written Bishop Talley and he has asked Mr. Sam Mauck, the Director of Evangelization to help me reach out to you. I hope to hear from you soon.

The Patroness of NCCW is Our Lady of Good Council.

Our Lady of Good Council, pray for us.

Theola Copeland, PD

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