#### **Electronic Equipment/Printer/Copiers**

The following used St. Alphonsus office equipment is available. If you are interested in any items, please contact Karen Clark @ 901-476-8140 or Beth Teer @ 901-605-7337 to discuss any terms. Items will be available until Monday 4/16/18.

Xerox copier-tabletop with Sharp cabinet on wheels Model # XC1045

Canon printer/copier ID# M1699 Image runner C2880

HP Laserjet printer, table top, Model # 1022

Sharp calculator compet VX-2652B

AT &T Phone

Sharp Plain Paper Fascimile Model # VX1100

Dell CPU XPS 400

Dell CPU Optiplex 380 x2

**Dell Dimension 2400** 

Dell Monitor Model # M782p

HP Deskjet D2445

Lenovo CPU

**Dell Monitor & Keyboard** 

**Dell Monitor** 



### SAINT ALPHONSUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Covington, Tennessee

# AVE MARIA CATHOLIC CHURCH Ripley, Tennessee

Rev. Martin Orjianioke, Pastor

office@stalphonsuscovington.org

April 1, 2018 EAS

EASTER SUNDAY WHITE

#### MASS SCHEDULE

SAINT ALPHONSUS

Saturday Vigil 4:30 pm Sunday 10:30 am

AVE MARIA

Sunday 8:30am

#### SAINT ALPHONSUS Daily

Tuesday 7:00 pm
Wednesday 12:00 pm
Thursday 12:00 pm
Friday 8:30 am
Saturday 8:30 am

#### **SACRAMENTS**

SAINT ALPHONSUS

Confession

Saturday 4:00 pm Sunday 10:00 am

AVE MARIA

Sunday 8:00 am

Or by appointment

Baptism or Marriage preparation

Call for appointment

#### **DEVOTIONS**

SAINT ALPHONSUS Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday and First Saturday of each month following 8:30 am Mass

Rosarv

First Saturday 8:00 am Sunday morning 10:05 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.

#### What's Happening this Week!

Saturday, March 31 EASTER VIGIL

4:30 pm Vigil Mass - St. Alphonsus

Sunday, April 1 EASTER SUNDAY

8:30 am Mass - Ave Maria

8:45 am No PRE

10:05 am Rosary - St. Alphonsus

10:30 am Mass - St. Alphonsus

Tuesday, April 3

10:00 am Friends of the Poor

6:30 pm No Evening prayers and No Mass

Wednesday, April 4

10:15 am Legion of Mary

12:00 pm No Mass

Thursday, April 5

**12:00 pm Mass** 

7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting

Friday, April 6

8:30 am Mass followed w/ Adoration

Saturday, April 7

7:45 am Confirmation Retreat

8:30 am Mass followed w/Adoration

Sunday, April 8 Sunday, April 8

8:30 am Mass Ave Maria

8:45 am PRE

10:30 am Mass St. Alphonsus followed w/coffee & donuts

12:00 pm Divine Mercy & Confession

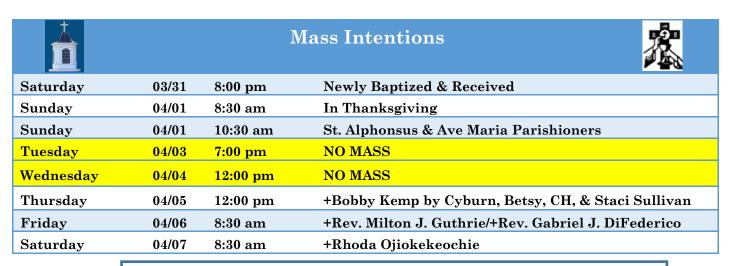
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#### **Please Pray for**



Our Ill Priests				
Fr. John Hourican	Fr. Bryan Timby			
Fr. Jolly Sebastian	Fr. Robert Ponticello			

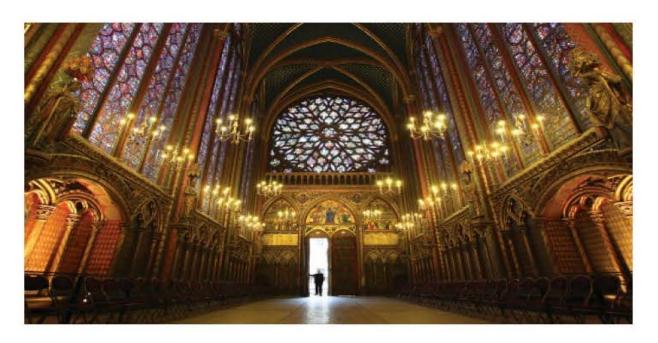
Our Parishioners			
Mike Brower	Jason Brower		
Jerry Bryant	Peter Burkhart		
Mary DiBiasi	Dixie Duncan		
John Folden	Joe Francis		
Marge Knight	Joe King		
Nancy Lind	W. D. Knight		
Jerry & Rose Mills	Maria McConnell		
Elaine Perry	Eleanor Nunn		
Barbara Schneider	Lynda Rogers		
Frank Stephens	Holly Schaefer		
Irma Wilson-deRoze	Vasanta Wilson-deRoze		

Attendance Last Week					
Mar. 18	St. Alphonsus		Ave Maria		
	Adults	Children	Adults	Children	
4:30 Vigil	39	1			
8:30 Mass	_	_	22	4	
10:30 Mass	66	33			
Stations of the Cross	Total 27				

Our Lov	ved Ones
Rosemarie Aird	James & Robin Barnett
Eva Adams	Patti Butner
William Barrett	Christina Cahaly
Virginia Bowden	Patrick Christy
Joe Bynum	Liz Crosslin
Paul Casagrande	Cass Douglas
Elizabeth	Leslie Finn
Norita Fegere	Philip Galaska
Karri Flannigan	Lackey Gilmore
Kathy & Ronda Gentry	Christie Johnson
Lisa Hogan	Jackson Hughey
Luanne Jergens	Lauren/Faith Holloway
Mode Jones	Beverly Jiminez
Laura Swope-Keller	Judy Kovach
Gloria Louimet	Cindy Lavelli
Emile Latour	Jacob LeFils
Debbie Marshall	Diane Maness
Barbara McKay	David McConnell
Kevin Matras	Sandra Pellegren
David Powell	Pat Panky
Joan Robertson	Jody Rodriguez
Mary Schaefer	Betty Owen
Sam Stitt	Chris Plourde
Mibong Shin	Beverly Pratt
Ray & Yelba Stevenson	Carmen Sosa
Michael Sedinger	Donna Williams
Peter Vanderven	Earl Yeomans
Gale Wilson	

Please notify the church office if you or a family member is admitted to the hospital or to update our prayer list.

## **CATHOLICISM**



### BY BISHOP ROBERT BARRON

Bishop Barron journeys around the world and deep into the Faith to teach us what Catholics believe and why. This program uses the spiritual and artistic treasures of the faith to illuminate the key teachings of the Church.



### at St. Alphonsus on Monday Evenings

Date to start: April 9th thru June 11th, 10 week class

Time: 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Cost for Study Guide and workbook: \$25.00

Points of Contact are: Beth Teer @ 901-605-7337 or

Kay Bergen @ 901-476-6614

#### Together We March Volunteers needed.

#### April 4, 2018

On the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the assassination of the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., the Most Reverend Martin D. Holley, D.D., Bishop of Memphis in Tennessee, Reverend Dr. Paul D. Watkins, O.P., First Rector of the National Shrine of St. Martin de Porres, and Fr. Augustine DeArmond, O.P., pastor of St. Peter Church in Memphis, invite all the faithful of the Diocese of Memphis to come together to march, pray and remember the legacies of St. Martin de Porres and Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Both men helped further the cause of justice and dignity for all.

Together We March is a daylong event beginning at 7:30 a.m., April 4, 2018 at the Shrine of St. Martin de Porres inside St. Peter Catholic Church during which private prayer, reflection and the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered. Bishop Holley will celebrate two Masses that day. The first Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 am at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception (1695 Central Avenue). Bishop Holley will be the homilist. The second Mass will be celebrated at 1:30 p.m. at St. Peter's Catholic Church at 190 Adams Street, with Father Watkins as the homilist.

After the Mass, the "Walk of Faith" will begin at 2:45 p.m. outside of St. Peter's Church and will proceed 1.2 miles down Main Street to the corner of Main and Talbot outside the National Civil Rights Museum.

At 4 p.m., the National Civil Rights Museum's MLK50 program will begin, culminating with a moment of silence at 6:01 p.m., the moment Dr. King was fatally wounded.

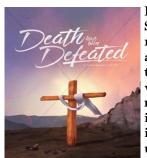
This is an excellent opportunity to show our Catholic faith in action. Please sign up for the march.

Volunteers should contact Wendy Vasquez (901) 373-1222 or Alma Abuelouf (901) 373-1224.

If you have any questions concerning any of the day's events, please contact Vince Higgins (901) 373-1267 or Father Augustine DeArmond at (901) 527-8282.

#### **Easter Triduum**

For Roman Catholic Christians as well as many Protestant denominations, the Easter Triduum (sometimes also referred to as the Paschal Triduum or simply, the Triduum) is the proper name for the three-day season that concludes Lent and introduces Easter. Technically speaking, a triduum refers simply to any threeday period of prayer. Triduum comes from Latin meaning "three days." Easter Triduum: The three 24-hour periods of the triduum include the major feasts for all four days at the heart of the Easter celebration: the evening feast of Holy Thursday (also called Maundy Thursday), Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and Easter Sunday. The Easter Triduum memorializes the suffering, death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. For Roman Catholics since 1955, the Easter Triduum is formally considered a separate season. Holy Thursday: Starting with the Mass of the Lord's Supper on the evening of Holy Thursday, continuing through the Good Friday service and Holy Saturday, and concluding with vespers (evening prayer) on Easter Sunday, the Easter Triduum marks the most significant events of Holy Week (also known as Passiontide). On Holy Thursday, the Triduum begins with the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, during which bells are rung and the organ played. The bells and organ will then remain silent until the Easter Vigil Mass. The Mass of the Lord's Supper includes a ritual washing of feet in most Catholic congregations. The altars are stripped of ornamentation, leaving only the cross and candlesticks. Good Friday: The church ceremony is marked by a ritual unveiling of the main cross near the altar. This is the day that marks the Crucifixion of Jesus Christ. The Catholic worship service does not include Communion on this day. Catholics may ritually kiss the feet of the Jesus figure upon the cross. Holy Saturday: After nightfall on Holy Saturday, Catholics hold an Easter vigil service, which represents the faithful awaiting the resurrection of Jesus Christ after his burial. In some congregations, this vigil service is held before dawn on Easter Sunday. This service includes a ceremony of light and darkness, in which a paschal candle is lit to represent the resurrection of Christ; members of the congregation form a solemn procession to the altar. The Easter Vigil is considered the pinnacle of the Easter Triduum, and is usually celebrated with a devotion equal to that bestowed on Easter itself. Easter Sunday: Easter Sunday marks the end of the Triduum and the beginning of the sevenweek Easter season that will end with Pentecost Sunday. Easter Sunday church services for Catholics as well as Protestants is a joyous celebration of resurrection and rebirth of Jesus and mankind. Popular Easter symbolism includes many images of rebirth as found in the world of nature and from religious traditions through history, including fragrant lilies, newborn animals, and spring plant growth.



Lord, the resurrection of Your Son has given us new life and renewed hope. Help us to live as new people in pursuit of the Christian ideal. Grant us wisdom to know what we must do, the will to want to do it, the courage to undertake it, the perseverance to continue to do it, and the strength to complete it. Amen.

New Saint Joseph People's Prayer Book

### April Prayer Intention of Pope Francis

Universal - For those who have Responsibility in Economic Matters

That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.

#### **Dear Parishioners:**

The Lenten meals have been a success once again! In a special way, I would like to thank the Altar Society, Knights of Columbus, Family & Youth Ministry, our Confirmandi, and all others who contributed to make the Lenten Fridays special and a great success. Thank you all for your efforts and hard work!

Fr. Martin Orjianioke

#### Readings for Apr. 2-Apr. 8

#### Monday

Acts 2:14, 22-23; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11;

Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday

Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday

Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35

Thursday

Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2a, 5-9; Lk 24-48

Friday

Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27a;

Jn 21:1-14

Saturday

Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-15, 16ab-21;

Mk 16:9-15

SUNDAY-DIVINE MERCY

Acts 4:32-35; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; Jn 20:19-31

#### Fellowship in the Parish Hall

Come, join us for coffee and cake after Mass on Saturday, March 31 and Easter Sunday.

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		S. Burkhardt		J. Schaefer	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
	S. Matras	5. Durknarut		A. Calvet			
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Apr. 1 S	S. Farris	J. Pavletic		J. Fritz	P. Fritz	Volunteer	P. & L. Fritz
8:30 am				M. Fritz			
				J. Fritz			
Apr. 1 G	J. Buda	J. Powell	K. Ferguson	P. Ferguson	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
10:30 am		K. Cross		D. Gobellan			
				EP Moreno			
				E. Moreno			
Apr. 7 E	E. Teer	M. Folden		K. Sass	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
4:30 pm		J. Prizina		J. Schaefer			
Apr. 8 S	S. Matras	S. Farris		J. Fritz	G. Hallock	Volunteer	G. & L. Hallock
8:30 am				M. Fritz			
				J. Fritz			
Apr. 8 J	I. King	K. Clark	B. Wellbrock	J. Daley	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
10:30 am		K. Cross		J. Walker			
				J. Walker			
				L. Marquez			

Mar. 25, 2018	Saint Alphonsus	Ave Maria	Saint Alphonsus 2017	Ave Maria 2017
Budget	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 365.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 365.00
Regular	\$ 1,779.00	\$ 232.00	\$ 2,020.00	\$ 324.00
Food Pantry	\$ 160.00	\$	\$ 60.00	\$

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Volunteers					
	Church	Parish Hall	Altar Linens	Lawn	
Mar. 31	A. Hessling	J. Brower	A. Hessling		
Apr. 7	K. Clark	E. Teer	P. Haynes		

#### Families with young children

Families with Young Children 5 years old and under are invited to a Parish Outreach get together to share concerns and joys with little ones. The get together will be on Thursday 4/12/18 at 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Snacks and drinks will be provided. The young children are encouraged and welcomed to attend. know if you will attend this get together please contact LeeAnn Pesnell @ 904-955-2201 or Beth Teer @ 901-605-7337

#### **Knights of Columbus Meetings**

The Knights of Columbus Council 10641 will meet at St. Alphonsus on Thursday, April 5, at 7:00 p.m.

#### Easter Egg Hunt

When: Easter Sunday after the 10:30 a.m. Mass

Where: St. Alphonsus behind the parish hall Who: Children from 0 - 12 years old Bring your basket and come join the fun

PRE-Class Schedule
PRE-classes will resume on Sunday, April 8,
at 8:45 a.m. in the Parish Hall

## The Sunday after Easter is Divine Mercy Sunday!

### How should we prepare for this great Feast of Mercy?



First Friday and Saturday devo-

tions are held each month at St. Alphonsus.

On Friday, April 6, Eucharistic Adoration

will immediately follow the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

On Saturday, April 7, the Rosary will be re-

cited at 8:00 a.m., followed by Mass at 8:30

wish to spend a quiet, contemplative hour

and the Exposition of the Blessed Sacra-

ment until 3:45 p.m. A sign-up sheet is available in the narthex for all those who

with the Blessed Sacrament.

Jesus told St. Faustina that this Feast of Mercy would be a very special day when "all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened". (Diary 699) Our Lord made a great promise to all those souls who would go to Confession and then receive Him in Holy Communion on the Feast of Mercy, on the Sunday after Easter, which is now called Divine Mercy Sunday throughout the Catholic Church.

Jesus promised that "The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain the complete forgiveness of sins and punishment." (Diary 699) He went on to say "I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My Mercy." (Diary 1109)

The Image of The Divine Mercy, which Our Lord requested to be solemnly blessed and venerated on this day, will be on display in our church. Pope John Paul II said that the image portrays the Risen Jesus Christ bringing Mercy to the whole world. Our Lord said "I want the image to be solemnly blessed on the first Sunday after Easter, and I want it to be venerated publicly so that every soul may know

about it. I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish". (Diary 341, 48) Please take the time to visit with this Image of The Divine Mercy and venerate Jesus.

Jesus said to St. Faustina "I am offering people a vessel with which they are to keep coming for graces to the fountain of mercy. That vessel is this image with the signature: Jesus, I trust in You". (Diary 327) "The two rays denote Blood and Water. The pale ray stands for the Water which makes souls righteous. The red ray stands for the Blood which is the life of souls. (Diary 299)

Our Lord said "When you go to confession, to this fountain of My mercy, the Blood and Water which came forth from My Heart always flows down upon your soul..." and "Every time you go to confession, immerse yourself entirely in My mercy with great trust, so that I may pour the bounty of My grace upon your soul. When you approach the confessional, know this, that I Myself am waiting there for you. I am only hidden by the priest, but I Myself act in your soul. Here the misery of the soul meets the God of mercy" (1602) Make your confession before Me. The person of the priest is... only a screen. Never analyze what sort of a priest that I am making use of; open your soul in confession to Me, and I will fill it with My light." (1725)

## The message of The Divine Mercy is simply that

The message of The Divine Mercy is simply that God loves us, all of us, and He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy.

Divine Mercy Sunday: April 8, 2018

Please join us at 12:00 pm on Sunday, April 8, for veneration of the Divine Mercy image as we pray the Chaplet.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available during the service.