



SAINT ALPHONSUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Covington, Tennessee

AVE MARIA CATHOLIC CHURCH

Ripley, Tennessee

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February 18, 2018

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

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MASS SCHEDULE

SAINT ALPHONSUS

Saturday Vigil 4:30 pm
 Sunday 10:30 am

AVA 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

AVA MARIA

Sunday 8:00 am
 Or by appointment

Baptism or Marriage prepara-

Call for appointment

SAINT ALPHONSUS Eucharistic Adoration

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

Rosary

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

ST. ALPHONSUS & AVE MARIA MISSION STATE-

It is the mission of St. Alphonsus & Ave Maria Parishes to proclaim and share the Gospel of Jesus Christ and His Church through liturgy, education, community service, and social events and to witness to 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, February 17

4:30 pm Vigil Mass - St. Alphonsus

Sunday, February 18

8:30 am Mass - Ave Maria

8:45 am PRE

10:05 am Rosary - St. Alphonsus

Mass - St. Alphonsus followed w/Coffee &
 Donuts

2:00 pm Legion of Mary- Memphis Curia Meeting

Monday, February 19 - Parish Office Closed

5:30 pm Bible Timeline

Tuesday, February 20

10:00 am Friends of the Poor

6:30 pm Evening Prayer followed with Mass

Wednesday, February 21

10:15 am Legion of Mary

7:00 pm RCIA

Thursday, February 22

5:00 pm Choir

6:00 pm Parish Life Center Meeting

Friday, February 23

5:30 pm Lenten Soup/Salad Dinner

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

SAINT ALPHONSUS

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

AVA MARIA

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

Parish Office 901.476.8140 • FAX 901.476.9650 • Rectory 901.476.0374



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Mass Intentions



Saturday	2/17	4:30 pm	For the Parishioners of St. Alphonsus
Sunday	2/18	8:30 am	For the Parishioners of Ave Maria
Sunday	2/18	10:30 am	+Rev. Fr. Gab Ekong
Tuesday	2/20	7:00 pm	+Rev. Walter M. J. Emala
Wednesday	2/21	12:00 pm	For Martin Obikwu Family
Thursday	2/22	12:00 pm	+Barbara Cuaila +Eddie Cuaila
Friday	2/23	8:30 am	+Rev. Fr. Gab Ekong
Saturday	2/24	8:30 am	+Rev. Fr. Gab Ekong

In Prayerful Remembrance

*Please pray for the repose
of the soul of*

David Molloy,
Brother of St. Alphonsus
Parishioner
Maureen Stephens



*Eternal rest grant unto
him,*

O' Lord,

*and let perpetual light
shine upon him.*

May he rest in peace.

Amen.

Please Pray



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
Mark Gray	Natasha Gray
Carmen Jones	Joe King
Marge Knight	W. D. Knight
Nancy Lind	Maria McConnell
Jerry & Rose Mills	Eleanor Nunn
Elaine Perry	Lynda Rogers
Julia Powell	Holly Schaefer
Barbara Schneider	Jack & Joan Smith
Frank Stephens	

Our Loved Ones

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

Attendance Last Week

Feb. 11	St. Alphonsus		Ava Maria	
	Adults	Children	Adults	Children
4:30 Vigil				
8:30 Mass	—	—	24	6
10:30 Mass	87	19		

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

Feb. 11, 2018	Saint Alphonsus	Ave Maria	Saint Alphonsus 2017	Ava Maria 2017
Budget	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 365.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 365.00
Regular	\$ 2,279.00	\$ 286.00	\$ 2,205.00	\$ 597.00
Food Pantry	\$ 185.00		\$ 60.00	
Friends of the Poor	\$ 250.00			
Blk & Ind Missions	\$ 379.00	\$ 70.00		

****** 2nd Collection: Capital ******

**Lenten Mission Retreat
with Fr. Ben Bradshaw
Divine Mercy: Healing & Evangelization
Please mark your calendar and join us on**

**Saturday, March 3rd at 4:30 pm
Sunday, March 4th at 8:30 - Ave Maria
Sunday, March 4th at 10:30 am
Monday, March 5th at 7:00-8:00 pm
Tuesday, March 6th at 7:00-8:00 pm**

Lenten Dinners

**Kick off Friday, February 16, 2018
with K of C serving Fish & Chips
rotating each Friday with Soups and Salads
sign up sheet is in the Parish Hall.**

Bible Timeline Overview Class

- ♦ Come learn the history of Salvation from Genesis to Acts
- ♦ Come learn about Eat A big Purple Grape

**Classes begin Monday, February 5th at 5:30
till 7:00. Bring your dinner. Sign-up in the hall**

Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday and Saturday devotions are held each month at St. Alphonsus. On Friday, March 2nd, Eucharistic Adoration will immediately follow the 8:30 a.m. Mass. On Saturday, March 3rd, the Rosary will be recited at 8:00 a.m., followed by Mass at 8:30 and the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 3:45 p.m. A sign-up sheet is available in the narthex for all those who wish to spend a quiet, contemplative hour with the Blessed Sacrament.

ATTENTION!!

Family & Youth, Education & Evangelization, St. Therese Altar Society, Friends of the Poor, Food Pantry and Legion of Mary members there will be a meeting on Thursday 2/22/18 at 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. to discuss current and future needs for space and activities. Your participation and input, is very much encouraged and welcomed. Following the meeting will be a short meeting from 7 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. with Family & Youth and Education & Evangelization to review 2018 activities. Point of Contact is Beth Teer @ 901-605-7337 or email @ elizabethteer@yahoo.com



**St. Marie Bernadette Soubirous,
Virgin- witness to apparitions of
Our Blessed Virgin Mother**

**Lord God, You showered heavenly
gifts on St. Bernadette. Help us to imi-
tate her virtues during our earthly life
and enjoy eternal happiness with her
in heaven. Amen. *Lives of the Saints***

February Prayer Intention of Pope Francis

**Universal: Say “No” to Corruption
That those who have material, political or spir-
itual power may resist any lure of corruption.**

Ave Maria Coffee & Donuts / Food Pantry

Coffee and donuts will be served on Sunday, February 25, after the 8:30 Mass at Ave Maria. All are welcome!

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

**The office will be closed Monday February 19th,
in observance of President’s Day**

Readings for Feb 19 - Feb 25

Monday

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday

Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mk 6:7-15

Wednesday-St. Peter Damian, Bsp, DOC

Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32

**Thursday-THE CHAIR OF ST PETER
THE APOSTLE**

1Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 16:13-19

Friday-St. Polycarp, Bsp, Martyr

Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26

Saturday

Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48

Sunday

**Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10, 15-19;
Mk 9:2-10**

Liturgical Ministers



Eucharistic Loft

	Lectors	Eucharistic	Loft	Servers	Ushers	Collections	Gifts
Feb. 17 4:30 pm	A. Calvet	M. Folden S. Burkhardt		K. Sass E. Teer J. Schaefer	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
Feb 18 8:30 am	J. Pavletic	S. Farris		J. Fritz M. Fritz J. Fritz	D. Williams	Volunteer	D. & K. Williams
Feb. 18 10:30 am	King/Moreno	Jaci Dwyer K. Cross	B. Wellbrock	C. Daley E. Moreno D. Gobellan W. D. Knight	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
Feb. 24 4:30 pm	A. Calvet	C. Jacobs S. Burkhardt		K. Sass E. Teer J. Schaefer	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
Feb 25 8:30 am	S. Matras	S. Poltrock		J. Fritz M. Fritz J. Fritz	S. Matras	Volunteer	J. & D. Pavletic
Feb. 25 10:30 am	G. Buda	K. Clark J. Prizina	L. Lind	T. Daley A. Moreno A. Garcia L. Marquez	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer

Volunteers

	Church	Parish Hall	Altar Lin-ens	Lawn
Feb. 24	L. Pesnell	J. Terry	M. Wenning	
Mar. 3			A. Hessling	

This Week's Birthdays

Mary Griffis 2/19 Kerry Kahl 2/21

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.*

THE CHAIR OF ST. PETER THE APOSTLE - Thursday, February 22

We celebrate the feast of the Chair of St. Peter. We are not celebrating a piece of furniture, but the role and office of St. Peter within the Church. That office, presently held by Pope Francis, has been around for over 2,000 years and is both a source of authority and unity as well as a cause of significant tension among the followers of Jesus. So why celebrate it? We celebrate the feast for several reasons. First, it is a day when we recognize who and what the chair stands for. The Chair of St. Peter is not the chair of a local bishop, for the chair of the Bishop of Rome is in his cathedral of John Lateran. So, while the present occupant of the Chair of St. Peter is Pope Francis, we are not focusing on his role as the local bishop of the diocese of Rome. Rather, we're celebrating his role as shepherd or bishop of the universal Church, a role that is intricately one with, but not identical to, his position as bishop of Rome. So the Chair of St. Peter is, first, a stand-in for the pope as bishop of the world-wide Church. We are also celebrating the authority of the universal bishop. It's the authority given by Jesus to Peter to lead and guide the Church in Jesus' place. For Jesus told Peter that "you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church . . ." (Mt 16:18). In his Letter to the Galatians, we see St. Paul acknowledging this fact by seeking Peter's approval for his ministry, for he recognized Peter as the first among the apostles (Gal 1:18). This authority and role, we believe as Catholics, is passed down and exercised by the pope, just as the authority and role of the apostles is passed down and exercised by the bishops in union with the pope.