



# SAINT ALPHONSUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Covington, Tennessee

# AVE MARIA CATHOLIC CHURCH

Ripley, Tennessee

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**April 28th, 2024**

**5th Sunday of Easter/5° Domingo de Pascua**

**White**

## 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

MASS SCHEDULE HORARIO de MISAS	
<b>SAINT ALPHONSUS</b>	
Saturday/Sábado	4:30 pm
Sunday/Domingo	10:30 am
Misa en español	12:15 pm
<b>Sunday/Domingo</b>	
<b>AVE MARIA</b>	
Sunday/Domingo	8:30am
<b>ST. ALPHONSUS Daily/Diario</b>	
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

## 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



I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit



### 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

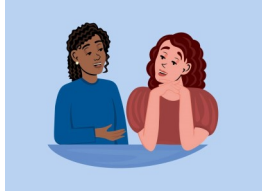
Parish Office 901.476.8140 • FAX 901.476.9650



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## Announcements/Anuncios

Spanish/English Class will be held on Thursday May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 p.m. for two (2) hours. The cost is \$15.00/per person. There are still spots open if you are interested to learn Spanish or English. Please contact the Parish Office at 901-476-8140 or Beth Teer at 901-605-7337



La clase de español/inglés se llevará a cabo el jueves 2 de mayo a las 6; 30 p.m. por dos (2) horas. El costo es de \$15.00/por persona. Todavía hay plazas abiertas si estás interesado en aprender español o inglés. Por favor comuníquese con la Oficina Parroquial al 901-476-8140 o Beth Teer al 901-605-7337

### MOTHER MARY'S BABY BASKET

During the month of May our parish is collecting baby items for those in need in our parish as well as for Tiny Blessings. Items such as baby clothes, socks, blankets, diapers, baby wipes, bibs, etc. Please drop off any items to the church during May. Your support is very much appreciated. Contact the Parish office for any questions at 901-476-8140 or Dave Hessling



### CANASTA PARA BEBÉS DE LA MADRE MARÍA

Durante el mes de mayo, nuestra parroquia está recolectando artículos para bebés para los necesitados en nuestra parroquia, así como para Tiny Blessings. Artículos como ropa de bebé, calcetines, mantas, pañales, toallitas húmedas, babe-ros, etc. Por favor, deje cualquier artículo en la iglesia durante el mes de mayo. Su apoyo es muy apreciado. Comuníquese con la oficina parroquial si tiene alguna pregunta al 901-476-8140 o Dave Hessling.

Vacation Bible School Registration for July 22-26 will begin next Sunday 4/21/2024. All youth from ages 3 years old to 17 years old are encouraged to join in this food, fun, faith and games time. Older youth will assist as Youth Leaders for the groups.

Cost is \$20.00/child which includes drinks, snacks, dinner and crafts. For families with 3 or more youth the max is \$50



La inscripción para la Escuela Bíblica de Vacaciones del 22 al 26 de julio comenzará el próximo domingo 21/4/2024. Se anima a todos los jóvenes de 3 a 17 años a unirse a este tiempo de comida, diversión, fe y juegos. Los jóvenes mayores asistirán como líderes juveniles de los grupos.

El costo es de \$ 20.00 / niño que incluye bebidas, bocadillos, cena y artesanías. Para familias con 3 o más jóvenes, el máximo es de \$50.

### Happy Birthday! Feliz Cumpleaños!

Nathan Greuling 04/23

Ellis Barrett 04/30

Juanita Buda 05/01

Gerald Bellow 05/04



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 at 901-476-8140

**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.

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



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



Our Parishioners/Nuestros Feligreses	
Leonard Bergen	Jerry & Rose Mills
Jerry Bryant	Michael & Margaret Nailor
Peter & Sandy Burkhardt	Doloris Pfountz
Gene Cross	Elaina Prizina
Ellen Daily	Lynda Rogers
Virginia & Jack Duff	Holly Schaefer
Derek Durham	Joan Smith
Donna Ewer	Cyburn Sullivan
George Hallock	Elizabeth Sullivan
Evan & Jen Greuling	Janine Tankersley
Jim & Lois Hayden	Annette Tustin
Pat Haynes	Dottie Wellbrock
Billie Hutchins	Patton Williams
Beverly Jiminez	Irma Wilson de Roze
Josephine King	
Nancy Koleas	Kathy Laxton
Maria & David McConnell	Maryana Leon
Rebecca Medford	Maria Vasquez

Our Loved Ones/Nuestras Seres Queridos	
Shirley Arnold	Christie Johnson
Willaim Armstrong	Ester Jones
James & Robin Barnett	Anna & Jerry Kay
Tim Baltz	Cynthia/Ed Kilpatrick
William Barrett	Phillis King
Joe Bergen	Judy Kovach
Jane Bringle	Janice Kuyoth
Darlene Brooks	Cindy Lavelli
Dan Browsers	Sondra Lewis
Randy Eastwood	Dietmar Linden
Joe Bynum	Louanne Little
Christina Cahaly	Kelly Mayfield
Angela Canady	Nancy McClanahan
Alissa Chandler	The McCully Family
Patrick Christy	Linda Medford
Bella Crosby	Alex Medford
Liz Crosslin	Danny Miller
Bobbie Jean Crouse	Ronnie Nipp
Dell Daves	Dr. Mark Olson
Danny Duff	Sally Paulus
Peter DuFau	Tom Pavletic
Dixie Duncan	Sandra Pellegren
Michael Ellis	William Perry
Rob Engel	Beverly Pratt
Willie Ferrell	Joan Robertson
Karri Flannigan	Diane Robinson
Tammy Freeman	Russom Family
Luke Garza	Mike Sadler
Kathy & Ronda Gentry	Andrea Stafford
Elizabeth Guntert	Jay St. John
Pam Grimsley	Toni Swindell
Guy & Julie Hassan	Jennifer Tidwell
Shannon Heindel	Peter Vanderven
Kay Hernandez	Bobby Ray Vaught
Gunther Hitchcock & family	Mr. & Mrs. J. Watkins
Lisa Hogan	Donna Williams
Betty Hopper	Steve Williams
Chris Huffman	Lee Ward
Larry & Jane Isome	Virginia/Richard Whitehorn
Terry Jergens	Beau Younger

**April-The Pope's Prayer Intention: For the Role of Women: We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world**

**Abril - La intención de oración del Papa: Por el papel de la mujer: Oramos para que se reconozca la dignidad y el inmenso valor de la mujer en todas las culturas, y por el fin de la discriminación que experimentan en diferentes partes del mundo .**

# SACRAMENT REQUIREMENTS/ REQUISITOS PARA LOS SACRAMENTOS

## BAPTISM

Registered 3 months with Parish  
Parents/Godparents attend 1 hour class within the past 2 years;  
Letter or document for attending a class is required from the parish  
Two godparents & One godparent (preferably both) must be Catholic in "good standing"

## BAUTISMO

Registrado 3 meses con Parroquia  
Los padres / padrinos asisten a clase de 1 hora en los últimos 2 años;  
Se requiere una carta o documento para asistir a una clase de la parroquia  
Dos padrinos y un padrino (preferiblemente ambos) deben ser católicos de "buena reputación"

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Registered with the Parish  
Letter or document of baptism  
Attend 2 year PRE class  
Attend 1 day Retreat/Reconciliation



## PRIMERA COMUNIÓN

Registrado en la Parroquia  
Carta o documento de bautismo  
Asistir a la clase PRE de 2 años  
Asistir a 1 día de Retiro/Reconciliación

## CONFIRMATION

Registered with the Parish  
Letter or document of baptism  
Letter or document of 1st Holy Communion  
Attend 2 year PRE class  
Attend Confirmation Retreat  
Participate in Community Service  
Sponsor(s) must be a Catholic in "good standing"  
Sponsor must provide a letter from their home parish



## CONFIRMACIÓN

Registrado en la Parroquia  
Carta o documento de bautismo  
Carta o documento de la 1ª Comunión  
Asistir a la clase PRE de 2 años  
Asistir al retiro de confirmación  
Participar en el servicio comunitario  
Los patrocinadores deben ser católicos de "buena reputación"  
El patrocinador debe proporcionar una carta de su parroquia de origen

## MATRIMONY

Registered with the Parish and a Catholic "in good standing"  
Letter or document of baptism, first communion and confirmation  
Six months marriage prep classes  
Diocesan marriage prep activities  
Witness(es) must be Catholic in "good standing"



## MATRIMONIO

Registrado en la parroquia y católico "en buen estado"  
Carta o documento de bautismo, primera comunión y confirmación  
Seis meses de clases de preparación para el matrimonio  
Actividades diocesanas de preparación matrimonial  
Los testigos deben ser católicos en "buena reputación"



## Schedule for the Week/Horario de la Semana April 29th



**Sunday/Domingo 2nd Collection:**  
**Catholic Home Missions**  
**Misiones Católicas en el Hogar**  
  
**Sunday/Domingo May 5th**  
**Maintenance/Mantenimiento**



### This Week/Esta Semana!

<b>Monday Apr 29</b>	
6:00 pm	St. Augustine Bible Study
<b>Tuesday, Apr 30</b>	
9:00 am	Friends of the Poor/Food Pantry
1:00 pm	Tiny Blessings Ministry
<b>Wednes, May 01</b>	
10:15 am	Legion of Mary
7:00 pm	Knights of Columbus meeting
<b>Thursday May 02</b>	
4:00 pm	Choir Practice
6:30 pm	Spanish/English Class
<b>Friday May 03 First Friday</b>	
9:15 am	Eucharistic Adoration
10:15 am	St. Parasceva Crocheting Ministry



### Readings for Apr 29- May 05

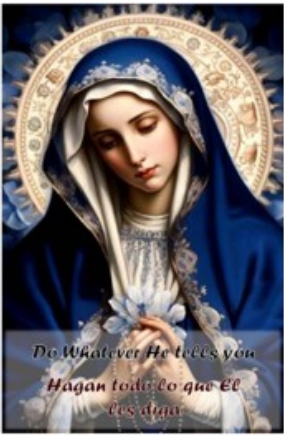
**Monday-St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin, Doctor of the Church**  
 Acts 14:5-18 Ps 115:1-16 Jn 14:21-26  
**Tuesday-St. Pius V, Pope**  
 Acts 14:19-28 Ps 145:10-21 Jn 14:27-31  
**Wednesday-St. Joseph the Worker**  
 Acts 15:1-6 Ps 122:1-5 Jn 15:1-8  
**Thursday-St. Athanasius, Bishop, Doctor of the Church**  
 Acts 15:7-21 Ps 96:1-10 Jn 15:9-11  
**Friday-Sts. Philip & James, Apostles**  
 1 Cor 15:1-8 Ps 19:2-5 Jn 14:6-14  
**Saturday**  
 Acts 16:1-10 Ps 100:1-5 Jn 15:18-21  
**Sunday-6th Sunday of Easter**  
 Acts 10:25-48 Ps 98:1-4 1 Jn 4:7-10  
 Jn 15:9-17

### Liturgical Ministers/ Ministros Litúrgicos

	Lectors	Servers	Sacristans	EMHC
<b>Apr 27</b>	E. Teer	J. Schaefer	M. Griffis	B. Wellbrock
<b>4:30</b>		J. Watkins		
		K. Sass		
<b>Apr 28</b>	C. Jones	M. Buda	J. Buda	R. Wheeler
<b>10:30</b>	J. Wheeler	C. Gogel		J. Terry
		E. Greeson		G. Buda
<b>Apr 28</b>	C. Moreno	A. Montoya	N/R Ortiz	I/S Lugo
<b>12:15</b>	L. DeLaO	D. Gobellan		
		E. Moroeno		
<b>May 04</b>	D. Hessling	K. Sass	A. Calvet	B. Wellbrock
<b>4:30</b>		J. Schaefer		
		J. Watkins		
<b>May 05</b>	D. Hessling	N. Gogel	R. Wheeler	J. Terry
<b>10:30</b>	C. Jones	E. Greeson		K. Greeson
		E. Teer		J. Wheeler
		P. Underwood		
<b>May 05</b>	R. Esquivel	R. Ortiz jr	I/S Lugo	N/R Ortiz
<b>12:15</b>	C. Moreno	J. Gobellan		
		A. Ruiz		

### Volunteers/Voluntarios

	Church	Parish Hall	Altar Linens
May 4	Duff/Teer	Volunteer	J. Buda
May 11	Priestley	Teer	J. Buda



**CALLED BY NAME LLAMADO POR SU NOMBRE**

**The Priesthood The Diaconate Religious Life**

- Noah Gogel Abel Gogel Hannah Buda
- Estrella Moreno Emanuel Montoya
- Aron Ruiz Juan Diego Gobellan
- Katherine Brumley Rafael Ortiz
- James Watkins Dave Hessling



**El sacerdocio El Diaconado Vida Religiosa**

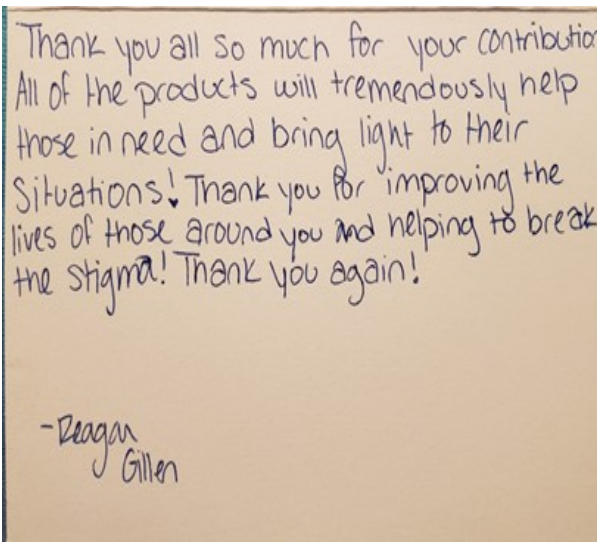
Mass Intentions/Intenciones Masivas			
Saturday	04/27	4:30 pm	For the Souls in Purgatory
Sunday	04/28	8:30 am	For the Parishioners of Ave Maria
Sunday	04/28	10:30 am	For the Parishioners of St. Alphonsus
Domingo	04/28	12:15 pm	Para una intención especial
Monday	04/29	12:00 pm	Jon Teer
Tuesday	04/30	12:00 pm	+Servin Scharding by Andrea & Dave Hessling
Wednesday	05/01	12:00 pm	+Rev Edward C Elliott & Rev Msgr Theron J Walker
Friday	05/03	8:30 am	+Philip Maxwell by Susan Stegall
Saturday	005/04	8:30 am	+William and Lorraine Teer



It is respectful to God and to parishioners to be quiet while in the Church before and after Mass  
 Es respetuoso con Dios y con los feligreses estar en silencio mientras están en la Iglesia antes y después de la Misa



**SPECIAL DONATIONS for FEMINE HYGIENE PRODUCTS**



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS EXEMPLIFICATION**



On Wednesday May 01 at 7:00 p.m. at the K of C monthly meeting there will be an Exemplification ceremony to welcome three new members into the council 10641 of St. Alphonsus.

Parishioner are invited to attend the Exemplication.

Points of Contact are: Dave Hessling or Jeremy Pesnell

**PLEASE: No eating or drinking in the sanctuary except for water.**



**POR FAVOR: No comer ni beber en el santuario, excepto agua.**

# For Our Little Saints

Easter

St. Scholastica is the patron saint against storms. The story below details how St. Scholastica spent one evening with her brother during a violent storm. During this Spring season in Tennessee we will witness many thunderstorms. When you are scared remember to ask St. Scholastica to come to your aid. Through her own love God came to her aid that night. Through Jesus' resurrection God shows us his love for us and that he will come to our aid in the hour of

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need.



## Prayer

St. Scholastica, we pray, O Lord, that following her example, we may serve you with pure love and happily receive what comes from loving you. Amen

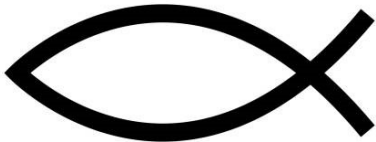


You can take a toilet paper or paper towel tub and cover the ends with paper using glue or a rubber band. Ask for help to fill it with tiny rocks, rice, or beans. Turn the tub over and listen to it "rain".

Saint Scholastica also had a brother who became a Saint. His name was Saint Benedict. Both of the siblings had devoted their lives to God and despite living near each other the siblings only saw each other once a year. During the evening of their day together, Saint Scholastica did not want the day to end. She enjoyed her time with her brother talking about God. Saint Benedict knew evening was coming and needed to back to his home. Saint Scholastica prayed to God and a huge storm came, which forced Saint Benedict to stay all night long, which made her happy!

# Easter

God is love. He loves us so much he sent his only son to walk among us and to save us. Take a moment to consider the depths of the love God has for us. St. Scholastica wanted to know that love through her whole being and rejected anything that would come between her and God's love. Do we yearn for God's love too? Do we prioritize that love in our lives?



The fish or is based on the first letters of the Greek words for Jesus Christ. The Greek word for fish is "Ichthus" which is also is an acronym for Jesus, The Greek, "Iesous Christos THEou Uios Soter" or "Jesus Christ, Son of God, Savior".

## Prayer

O God, to show us where innocence leads, you made the soul of your virgin St. Scholastica soar to heaven like a dove in flight. Grant through her merits and her prayers that we may so live in innocence as to attain to joys everlasting. This we ask through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. Amen.



Saint Scholastica- © TheCatholicKid.com

Saint Scholastica was led to a Holy Life early in life. When her brother, Saint Benedict, left home to join a monastery, she was in awe of his ability to pray and worship. When St. Benedict's monastery began to flourish, St. Scholastica was able to gather other woman and start the first the first Benedictine Convent. When St. Scholastica died her brother saw an image of a dove in his dreams. He went a collected her and she was buried in a grave that was meant for him. Years later when he died he was buried with his sister.



# *Mother Mary's Baby Basket*

*During the Month of May*

*Collecting items to fill Baby Baskets*



*to Welcome New Babies  
to Our Parish Family &  
to Help Tiny Blessings Ministry*



Items needed include:

Diapers

Baby clothes

Bibs

Baby wipes

Receiving blankets

Toys

Wash clothes

Onesies

Socks

Please place in the baby baskets in the Parish Hall

Point of Contacts are: Dave Hessling or Beth Teer in the Parish Office