



# SAINT ALPHONSUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Covington, Tennessee

# AVE MARIA CATHOLIC CHURCH

Ripley, Tennessee

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Apr 18, 2021

The Third Sunday of Easter

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## MASS SCHEDULE

### SAINT ALPHONSUS

Saturday Vigil	4:30 pm
Sunday	10:30 am

### AVE MARIA

Sunday	8:30am
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### SAINT ALPHONSUS Daily

Monday	12:00 pm
Tuesday	12:00 pm
Wednesday	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
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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

#### Rosary

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, Apr 17

4:30 pm Vigil Mass

### Sunday, Apr 18 1st Communion

8:30 am Mass - Ave Maria

10:05 am Rosary - St. Alphonsus

10:30 am Mass

### Tuesday, Apr 20

9:00 am Friends of the Poor

11:30 am Rosary

### Wednesday, Apr 21

10:15 am Legion of Mary

11:30 am Rosary

### Thursday, Apr 22

10:30 am St. Robert Bellarmine Bible Study

4:00 pm Choir



### Quote by St. Alphonsus:

*Acquire the habit of speaking to God as if you were alone with Him, familiarly and with confidence and love, as to the dearest and most loving of friends.*

### SAINT ALPHONSUS

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### AVE MARIA

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



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# Mass Intentions



Saturday	4/17	4:30 pm	For Bishop David Talley
Sunday	4/18	8:30 am	For the Parishioners of Ave Maria
Sunday	4/18	10:30 am	For the Parishioners of St. Alphonsus
Monday	4/19	12:00 pm	For Anita McLean-healing by Martha Wenning
Tuesday	4/20	12:00 pm	+Nicholas Scharding by Dave & Andrea Hessling
Wednesday	4/21	12:00 pm	+Gwin Sullivan by CH Sullivan
Friday	4/23	8:30 am	+Rev. John R. Donnelly
Saturday	4/24	8:30 am	+Rev. Alfred Graham

## Promises & Blessings

Scripture verses

April 17th

*The Lord bless thee, and keep thee; the Lord make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee; the Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.*

-Numbers 6:24-26

April 18th

*May the love and favor of the Lord Jesus Christ rest upon you.*

-I Corinthians 16:23

### St. Alphonsus Finance Council

The St. Alphonsus Finance Council will meet on Sunday, April 25, at noon

### Ave Maria Finance Council

Ave Maria Finance Council will meet on Monday, April 26, at 5:00 p.m.

### Quiet Please

Out of respect for the Blessed Sacrament present in the tabernacle, as well as out of courtesy to those praying before and after Mass, please avoid socializing in the church worship space. Thank you.

### Welcome & Registration

We extend a warm welcome to all who joined us today and invite you to worship with us again soon. Registration forms are available on our website:

[www.stalphonsuscovington.org](http://www.stalphonsuscovington.org)

Please complete a registration form or you may contact the parish office.

## Readings for Apr 19 - Apr 25

Monday

Acts 6:8-15 Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday-St. Martin I, Pope, Martyr

Acts 7:51-8:1a Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab  
Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday-St. Alselm, Bsp, DOC

Acts 8:1b-8 Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a Jn 6:35-40

Thursday

Acts 8:26-40 Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 Jn 6:44-51

Friday-St. George, (M), St. Adalbert, BSP, (M)

Acts 9:1-20 Ps 117:1bc, 2 Jn 6:52-59

Saturday-St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest, (M)

Acts 9:31-42 Ps 116:12-17 Jn 6:60-69

Sunday

Acts 4:8-12 Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29  
Jn 10:11-18

### Parking Lot Safety

For the safety of all our parishioners, please do not allow your children to run or play in the parking lots. The back patio and lawn provide ample space for those who wish to socialize. Children should have adult supervision at all times when on parish property.

### Family Blessing

Lord of all, bless our families. Be they formed by blood or by circumstance, make them holy.

May we find you in our relationships. In our marriages, in our families, in our households, in our communities, in our global humanity.

May we look across all that divides us and see family, and embrace as a family does, and love as a family ought to.

For where two or three gather in your name,

There are You. Amen.

**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.

*Please Pray*



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

Our Parishioners	
Jerry Bryant	Lenny Lind
Peter Burkhardt	Diana Lombardo
Pat Butner	Stan Matras
Florinda Clark/Family	Maria McConnell
Lottie Crofton	Christina Miller
Kay & Gene Cross	Jerry & Rose Mills
Dixie Duncan	David Moore
Derek Durham	Eleanor Nunn
John Folden	Ginger Poteete
Floanne Garrett	Lynda Rogers
Evan Grueling	Holly Schaefer
Jack & Peggy Haywood	Barbara Schneider
Jim & Lois Hayden	Joan Smith
Pat Haynes	Frank Stephens
Billie Hutchins	Elizabeth Sullivan
Beverly Jiminez	Annette Tustin
Carmen Jones	Irma Wilson de Roze

Our Loved Ones	
Vicki Antwine	Christie Johnson
James & Robin Barnett	Ester Jones
William Barrett	Mode Jones
Joe Bergen	Phillis King
Virginia Bowden	Judy Kovach
Darlene Brooks	Emile Latour
Dan Browsers	Cindy Lavelli
Dave Buda	Jacob LeFils
Joe Bynum	Dietmar Linden
Christina Cahaly	Susana Linden
Angela Canady	Joe Marking
Cirilo Castillo	Anita McLean
Billy Chipman	Linda Medford
Patrick Christy	Danny Miller
Bella Crosby	Ronnie Nipp
Liz Crosslin	Sandra Pellegren
Bobbie Jean Crouse	Beverly Pratt
Heather Daniels	Joan Robertson
Michael Ellis	Mary Schaefer
Danny Elrod	Cynthia Simmons
Sheila Elrod	Carmen Sosa
Rob Engel	Andrea Stafford
Karri Flannigan	Ray & Yelba Stevenson
Melissa Flores	Sam Stitt
Ella Forkum	Jay St. John
Kathy & Ronda Gentry	Cathy Stowers
Natasha Gray	Toni Swindell
Elizabeth Guntert	Jennifer Tidwell
Robert E. Harbin	Peter Vanderven
James Phillip Harbin	Brad & Paige Warmath
John Haywood, Jr.	Donna Williams
Kay Hernandez	Steve Williams
Lisa Hogan	Coila Winters
Betty Hopper	



**Happy Birthday!**

Maria McConnell 4/21

Holly Schaefer 4/22

Nathan Grueling 4/23

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.

**April Prayer Intention of Pope Francis**

**Universal Intention: – Fundamental Rights**

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

## Liturgical Ministers

	Lectors	Servers	Sacristans
Apr 17 4:30 pm	E. Teer	K. Sass	M. Griffis
Apr 18 10:30 am	C. Clark L. Pesnell	A. Calvet D. Gobellan	J. Buda
Apr 24 4:30 pm	A. Calvet	K. Sass	A. Calvet
Apr 25 10:30 am	P. Williams G. Buda	A. Moreno Ju. Walker	M. Griffis

## Attendance Last Week

Apr 11	St. Alphonsus		Ave Maria	
	Adult	Children	Adult	Children
4:30 pm	56	8		
8:30 Mass			22	2
10:30 Mass				

## Volunteers

	Church	Parish Hall	Altar Linens
Apr 17	A. Hessling	J. Buda	M. Stephens
Apr 24	A. Calvet	K. Sass	M. Stephens
May 1	L. Pesnell	R. Esquivel	M. Stephens

## Sunday 2nd Collection: Capital Fund

Apr 11, 2021	Saint Alphonsus	Ave Maria	Saint Alphonsus 2020	Ave Maria 2020
Budget	\$ 2,250.00	\$ 365.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 365.00
Regular	\$ 2,383.00	\$ 1,768.00	\$	\$
YTD SURPLUS (Jul-Apr)41 wks.	\$ 4,136.00	\$ 7,201.00	\$	\$
Friends of the Poor	\$ 380.00	\$	\$	\$



### Saint Anselm's Story – April 21st

Indifferent toward religion as a young man, Anselm became one of the Church's greatest theologians and leaders. He received the title "Father of Scholasticism" for his attempt to analyze and illumine the truths of faith through the aid of reason.

At 15, Anselm wanted to enter a monastery, but was refused acceptance because of his father's opposition. Twelve years later, after careless disinterest in religion and years of worldly living, he finally fulfilled his desire to be a monk. He entered the monastery of Bec in Normandy, was elected prior three years later, and 15 years later, was unanimously chosen abbot.

Considered an original and independent thinker, Anselm was admired for his patience, gentleness, and teaching skill. Under his leadership, the Abbey of Bec became a monastic school, influential in philosophical and theological studies.

During these years, at the community's request, Anselm began publishing his theological works, comparable to those of Saint Augustine. His best-known work is the book *Cur Deus Homo* ("Why God Became Man"). Against his will, Anselm was appointed archbishop of Canterbury in 1093, at age 60. His appointment was opposed at first by England's King William Rufus and later accepted. Rufus persistently refused to cooperate with efforts to reform the Church.

Anselm finally went into voluntary exile until Rufus died in 1100. He was then recalled to England by Rufus' brother and successor, Henry I. Disagreeing fearlessly with Henry over the king's insistence on investing England's bishops, Anselm spent another three years in exile in Rome.

His care and concern extended to the very poorest people. Opposing the slave trade, Anselm obtained from the national council at Westminster the passage of a resolution prohibiting the sale of human beings.

### Reflection

Like every true follower of Christ, Anselm had to carry his cross, especially in the form of opposition and conflict with those in political control. Though personally a mild and gentle man and a lover of peace, he would not back off from conflict and persecution when principles were at stake. -*Franciscan Media*



# Knights Corner

*St. Alphonsus Knights of Columbus  
Council #10641*

Won't you consider becoming a Knight today?

If you're interested in helping those in need, serving our parish, growing in faith, and obtaining exclusive access to top-rated insurance protection for your family, then joining the Knights of Columbus is the organization for you.

Your St. Alphonsus Council #10641 Knights will be hosting an in-person exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity in order for interested men of the church to become Third Degree Knights of our order. The ceremony will be held immediately following morning mass on 2 May, 2021 at approx. 11:45am. Family members, friends and other interested members are invited to attend to view the ceremony and welcome our new members. The ceremony will also enable current First and Second Degree Knights to attain their Third Degree in anticipation of becoming a Fourth Degree, Sir Knight in the future.

As a member of our council, you will strengthen your faith and become a better Catholic, husband and father. Through your support of our parish and community, you will form friendships with fellow Knights that can last a lifetime.

We were founded to protect the livelihood of Catholic families and that commitment means that we continue to provide our members and their families with top quality life insurance and annuity products. No life insurer in North America has a higher rating than the Knights of Columbus.

As much good as our council has done over the past year, we could do even more with your help. We invite you to join our council today and help us be the difference in our parish and community.

## Council 10641 Officers

Grand Knight—Jeremy Pesnell	Deputy Grand Knight—David Calvet	Chancellor—Lenny Lind
Recorder: Jack Schaefer	Treasurer: Richard Keenan	Advocate: Peter Burkhardt
Lecturer: John Prizina	Warden: Ellis Barrett	Inside Guard: Patton Williams
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