



SAINT ALPHONSUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Covington, Tennessee

SAINT JOHN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Brownsville, Tennessee

Rev. Robert Ballman, Pastor

Email: office@stalphonsuscovington.org



September 1st, 2024

The 22nd Sunday in OT/22° Domingo en OT

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ST. ALPHONSUS & AVE MARIA MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of St. Alphonsus, St. John's & 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, Haywood & 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 SAINT ALPHONSUS

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

St. John's

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



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

SACRAMENTS/SACRAMENTOS

SAINT ALPHONSUS Confession/Confesión

Saturday/Sábado 3:30-4:30 pm
or by appointment/Llame para pedir cita

Baptism or Marriage preparation Bautismo o Matrimonio preparacion

Call for appointment/Llame para pedir cita



SAINT ALPHONSUS

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Mailing Address • PO Box 430 • Covington, Tennessee 38019

SAINT JOHN

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Brownsville, Tennessee 38012

Parish Office 901.476.8140 • FAX 901.476.9650; Email: office@stalphonsuscovington.org



www.stalphonsuscovington.org

Announcements/Anuncios

We welcome Fr. Carlos Donato de Silva. He will be the Parochial Administrator for St. Alphonsus, St. John's and Ave Maria. Fr. Donato has now joined us full-time. Please give Fr. Donato a warm welcome when you see him.

God Bless Us All



Damos la bienvenida al P. Carlos Donato de Silva. Será el Administrador Parroquial de San Alfonso, San Juan y Ave María. El P. Donato se ha unido a nosotros a tiempo completo. Por favor, denle una cálida bienvenida al P. Donato cuando lo vean.

Dios nos bendiga a todos

Mass for Monday September 2nd, Labor Day will be at 8:30 a.m.

Come and start your Labor Day with God's Blessings



La misa para el lunes 2 de septiembre, Día del Trabajo será a las 8:30 a.m.

O holy Saint Gregory, confessor and priest of the Lord, I pray thee that thou wouldst intercede with our Lord God for me, that, being purified from all vice, I may please Him in all things, and that He will grant me the peace possessed by all His servants. Amen.



Oh santo San Gregorio, confesor y sacerdote del Señor, te ruego que intercedas ante nuestro Señor Dios por mí, para que, purificado de todo vicio, le agrade en todo, y que me conceda la paz que poseen todos sus siervos. Amén.

Lector Training Class will be on Thursday September 12th at 6 p.m. All who are interested in becoming a Lector please sign up with the Parish Office. This training will allow you to Lector only at St. Alphonsus.



La clase de capacitación para lectores será el jueves 12 de septiembre a las 6 p.m. Todos los que estén interesados en convertirse en Lectores, por favor regístrese en la Oficina Parroquial. Esta formación te permitirá Lector solo en San Alfonso.

Happy Birthday! Feliz Cumpleaños!

Pat Haynes 08/25

Harriet Bordelon 08/31

Scott Moore 09/04

Jon Pavletic 09/09



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 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 Loved Ones/Nuestras Seres Queridos

Shirley Arnold	Larry & Jane Isome
Willaim Armstrong	Terry Jergens
James & Robin Barnett	Christie Johnson
Tim Baltz	Ester Jones
William Barrett	Anna & Jerry Kay
Joe Bergen	Cynthia/Ed Kilpatrick
Jane Bringle	Phillis King
Darlene Brooks	Judy Kovach
Dan Browers	Cindy Lavelli
Randy Eastwood	Sondra Lewis
Joe Bynum	Dietmar Linden
Christina Cahaly	Louanne Little
Angela Canady	Kelly Mayfield
Alissa Chandler	Nancy McClanahan
Patrick Christy	The McCully Family
Bella Crosby	Linda Medford
Liz Crosslin	Alex Medford
Bobbie Jean Crouse	Danny Miller
Dell Daves	Ronnie Nipp
Enrique Davis	Dr. Mark Olson
Gina Sedinger	Sally Paulus
Danny Duff	Tom Pavletic
Peter DuFau	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
Diane Hessling	Donna Williams
Gunther Hitchcock & family	Steve Williams
Lisa Hogan	Lee Ward
Betty Hopper	Virginia/Richard Whitehorn
Chris Huffman	Beau Younger

Our Parishioners/Nuestros Feligreses

Jerry Bryant	Elaina Prizina
Peter & Sandy Burkhardt	Lynda Rogers
Gene Cross	Holly Schaefer
Ellen Daily	Joan Smith
Derek Durham	Cyburn Sullivan
Donna Ewer	Annette Tustin
George Hallock	Dottie Wellbrock
Evan & Jen Greuling	Patton Williams
Jim & Lois Hayden	Irma Wilson de Roze
Pat Haynes	Kathy Laxton
Billie Hutchins	Maryana Leon
Beverly Jiminez	Maria Vasquez
Maria & David McConnell	Dixie Duncan
Rebecca Medford	Robert Sorrentino
Jerry & Rose Mills	Charlie Smith
Jackie Hubbard	Kathryn Barnoud

September- The Pope's Intention is: For the Cry of the Earth- We pray that each on of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.

Septiembre- La intención del Papa es: Por el Grito de la Tierra - Rezamos para que cada uno de nosotros escuche y tome en serio el grito de la Tierra y de las víctimas de los desastres naturales y del cambio climático, y que todos se comprometan a cuidar personalmente del mundo en el que vivimos.

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 Sept 2nd



Have mercy therefore upon me a sinner, and give me aid, O Lady, so that just as thy nativity, glorious from the seed of Abraham, sprung from the tribe of Juda, illustrious from the stock of David, didst announce joy to the entire world, so may it fill me with true joy and cleanse me from every sin.

Amen.

**Sunday/Domingo 2nd Collection
Maintenance/Mantenimiento**

**Sunday/Domingo Sep 08
Catholic University**



This Week/Esta Semana	
Monday	Sep 02
8:30 am Daily Mass	
Tuesday,	Sep 03
9:15 am Friends of the Poor/Food Pantry	
12:00 pm Daily Mass	
1:00 pm Tiny Blessings Ministry	
Wednes,	Sep 04
10:15 am Legion of Mary	
8:00 am Daily Mass	
Thursday	Sep 05
Daily Mass TBD	
4:00 pm Choir Practice	
Friday	Sep 06
Daily Mass TBD	
10:00 am St. Parasceva Crochet/Knit Mnstry	
Saturday	Sep 07
Daily Mass TBD	



Readings for Sep 02- Sep 08

Monday

1 Cor 2:1-5 Ps 119:97-102 Lk 4:16-30

**Tuesday-St Gregory the Great, Pope,
Doctor of the Church**

1 Cor 2:10-16 Ps 145:8-14 Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday

1 Cor 3:1-9 Ps 33:12-21 Lk 4:38-44

Thursday-St. Teresa of Calcutta, Virgin

1 Cor 3:18-23 Ps 24:1-6 Lk 5:1-11

Friday

1 Cor 4:1-5 Ps 37:3-40 Lk 5:33-39

Saturday

1 Cor 4:6-15 Ps 145:17-21 Lk 6:1-5

Sunday-The 22nd Sunday in OT

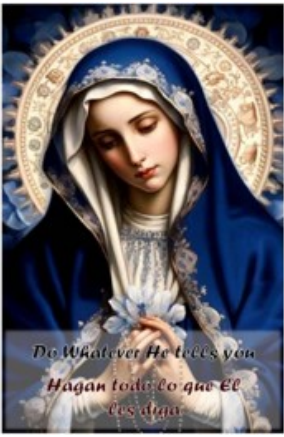
Is 35:4-7 Ps 146:7-10 Jas 2:1-5
Mk 7:31-37

Liturgical Ministers/ Ministros Litúrgicos

	Lectors	Servers	Sacristans	EMHC
Aug 31	S. Stegall	J. Watkins	E. Teer	B. Wellbrock
4:30		J. Schafer		
		A. Calvet		
Sep 01	D. Hessling	M. Buda	A. Calvet	J. Buda
10:30	R. Wheeler	C. Buda		J. Tankersley
		N. Gogel		R. Tankersley
Sep 01	C. Moreno	J. Gobellan	I/S Lugo	I/S Lugo
12:15	R. Esquivel	E. Montoya		
		A. Ruiz		
Sep 07	D. Hessling	J. Watkins	A. Calvet	B. Wellbrock
4:30		J. Schafer		
Sep 08	N. Gogel	D. Hessling	J. Buda	R. Wheeler
10:30	C. Buda	C. Gogel		J. Wheeler
		A. Gogel		J. Terry
		E. Gogel		
Sep 08	D. Gobellan	Ep. Moreno	N/R Ortiz	N/R Ortiz
12:15	L. DeLao	E. Moreno		
		L. Ruiz		

Volunteers/Voluntarios

	Church	Parish Hall	Altar Linens
Sept 7	Brumley	Teer	J. Buda
Sept 14			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	08/31	4:30 pm	For the Souls in Purgatory
Sunday	09/01	8:30 am	Aylin Catalina Sagahon
Sunday	09/01	10:30 am	For the Parishioners of St. Alphonsus
Domingo	09/01	12:15 pm	Para una intención especial
Monday	09/02	8:30 am	+Lenny Lind by Andrea & Dave Hessling
Tuesday	09/03	12:00 pm	+Mike Sedinger by Andrea & Dave Hessling
Wednesday	09/04	8:00 am	+Jack Smith by Andrea & Dave Hessling
Thursday	09/05	TBD	
Friday	09/06	TBD	
Saturday	09/07	TBD	



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



Attendance/Público				
Aug 24/25	St. Alphonsus		Ave Maria	
	Adult	Youth	Adult	Youth
4:30 pm	35	0		
10:30 Mass	51	35		
12:15 Mass	35	27		
5:00 Mass			23	1

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

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

Aug 24/25	Saint Alphonsus	Ave Maria	Saint Alphonsus 2023	Ave Maria 2023
Weekly Budget	\$ 3,047.00	\$ 547.00	\$ 3,051.00	\$ 613.00
Weekly Regular	\$ 2,010.00	\$ 331.00	\$ 2,686.00	\$ 545.00
YTD SURPLUS (Jul-Aug) wk 8	(\$4,486.00)	(1,149.00)	\$ 4,224.00	(\$1,014.00)
Friends of the Poor	\$ 0.00		\$ 100.00	
Food Pantry	\$ 0.00		\$ 105.00	
Tiny Blessing	\$ 0.00		\$ 100.00	
Helping Hands		\$ 0.0		\$ 0.00

For Our Little Saints

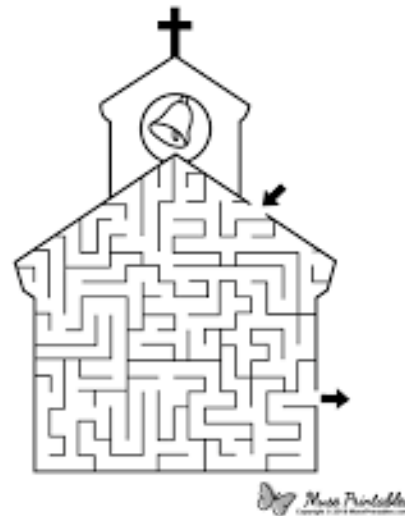
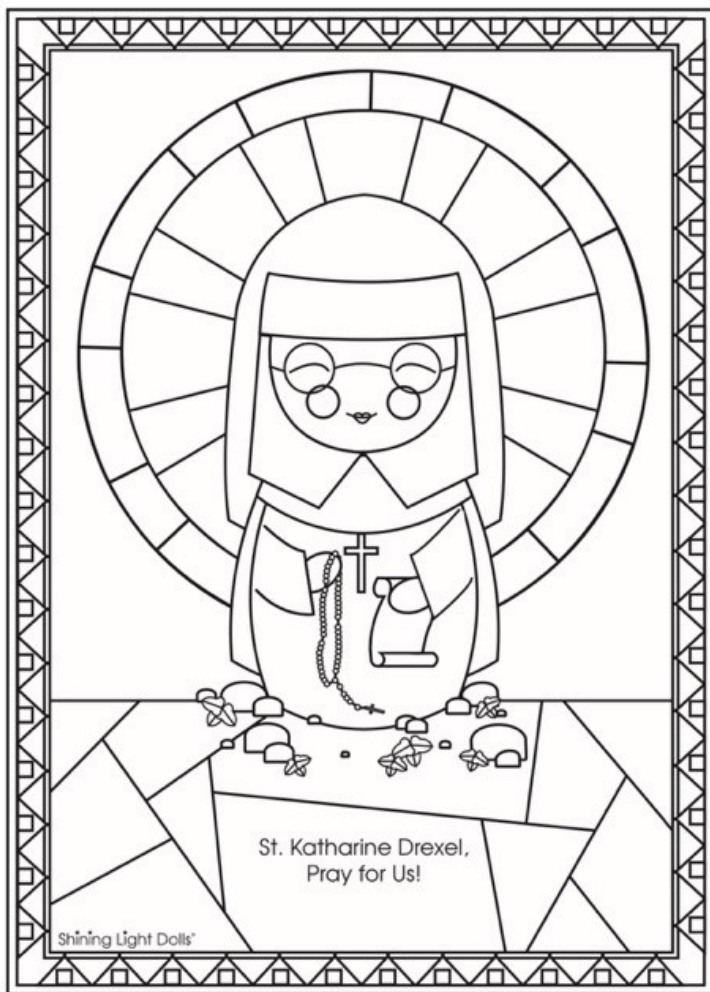
Ordinary

In today's Gospel, Jesus says, "Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defiles." At the time, the people had strict rules on cleaning their hands and dishes before eating. Jesus is saying that none of this changes if a person is acting Godly or not.

September 1, 2024

Prayer

Saint Katharine, you gave up earthly wealth so that you could receive the spiritual riches of life of grace, and better the lives of many. God called and you responded. Please pray for me, that I may never give my heart over to worldly and passing goals, but will seek only a life of selfless service to all whom you give me to love. Saint Katharine Drexel, pray for me. Jesus, I trust in You. Amen.



Saint Katharine Drexel was born in 1858 in Philadelphia into a very wealthy family. During a family vacation, Saint Katharine eye's were opened to the treatment of Native Americans and African Americans in the United States. She used her wealth to fund her mission of creating more than 60 missions and schools across the United States and even a college in New Orleans. She used her wealth to fund the care of Cuban children after the Spanish-American War left many of them orphaned. Many times those around the neighborhoods of her schools and churches were not welcoming and wished harm to the priests, teachers, and students. Saint Katharine was not deterred and would hire security to keep everyone safe.

Saint Katharine taught those around her that it didn't matter what color someone's skin was or how much money their family had. What mattered is that everyone was treated fairly and had an opportunity to thrive. Jesus says this week that "...evils come from within and they defile." The evil comes from within people's hearts. Saint Katharine would want to remind us that we cannot presume anyone has evil in their hearts from just looking at their exterior.



Our Lady of Guadalupe appeared to a man named, Juan Diego, four times. She asked him to create a church in her honor on top of the hill. Juan Diego asked the local Bishop a few times and the Bishop asked him to ask the Lady for a sign that she really was the Virgin Mary. He asked the Lady for the sign and she consented to provide it the next day. However, Juan Diego's uncle was sick and he was unable to meet her. Juan Diego left his uncle to find a priest to help him. On his way, the Lady appeared again. She promised to heal his uncle and asked him to pick the flowers on the hill. The lady arranged the flowers in his cloak. Later, when opened his cloak for the Bishop the flowers fell out and an image of the Lady was left on the cloak.

At the time of Saint Katharine Drexel's death, she had used more than \$12 million dollars of her inheritance for her charitable works. In 1988 her first miracle was confirmed, which was restoring a boy's hearing. A second miracle was attributed to her in January of 2000 after a young girl was cured of her deafness following prayers to Saint Katharine Drexel and having her ears touch by possessions that belonged to the Saint. In March of that year she was approved for sainthood and was canonized in October of 2000. She was the second U.S. born saint to be canonized.

**Fundraiser for Our Lady of
Guadalupe Celebration**



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Bethany Brunch

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WOMEN AGES 16 - 35

St. Anne Highland | St. Joachim Hall (Convent)

September 14 & November 9 | 8:45 - 10:45 am

rsvp at www.maryandelizabeth.com



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Holy Rosary Catholic Church

You are cordially invited to attend the
70th Anniversary celebration of
Holy Rosary Catholic Church.

Saturday, September 21st

at 4:30pm

Mass will be celebrated by Bishop David P. Talley
Following Mass join us for our parish picnic with
music and fellowship.

SATURDAY

09/21

4:30PM - 9:00PM

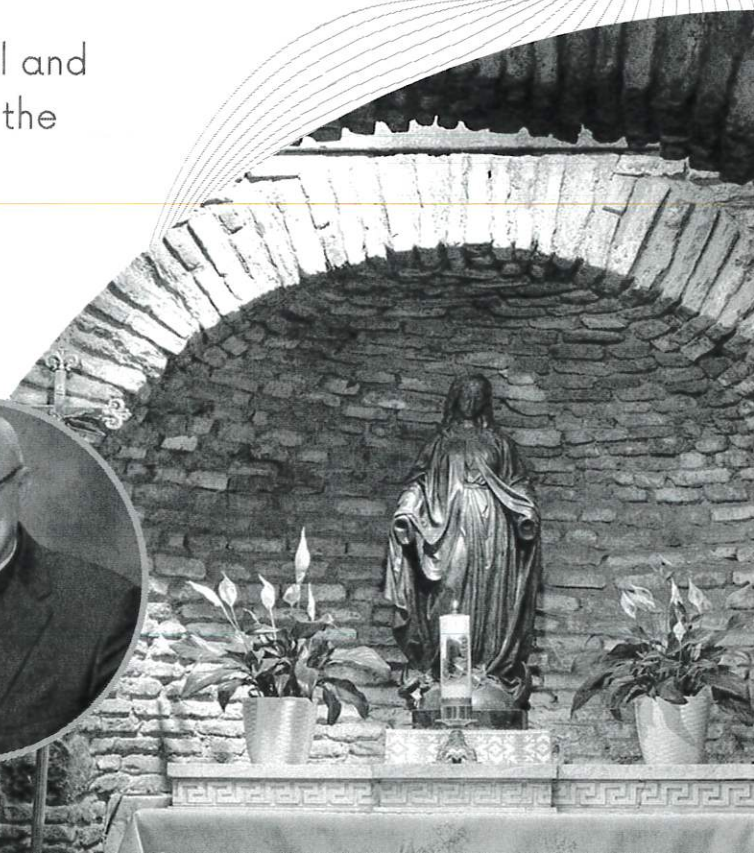
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**BISHOP DAVID P. TALLEY
MSGR. MARVIN BORGER**

Pilgrimage to
TURKEY & GREECE

Walk in the footsteps of St. Paul and
discover the seven churches of the
Book of Revelation.

SEPT 5-19, 2026



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Discover the magnificent monuments of the Ottoman and Byzantine Empires: the Roman Hippodrome, Hagia Sophia, and the Grand Bazaar. Become immersed in the book of Revelations by exploring Pergamum (Rev. 2: 12-17), Thyatira (Rev. 2: 18-29), Izmir (Rev. 2: 8-11), Sardis (Rev. 3: 1-6), Philadelphia (Rev. 3: 7-13), Laodicea (Rev 3: 14-22), and Hierapolis (Col 4:13). Visit Ephesus, Patmos, Athens, Delphi, Corinth and Thessaloniki. Final details will be made available once the hotels and airlines publish their rates for 2026. For now, save the date and begin to save for this special pilgrimage with Bishop Talley and Msgr. Borger.

SAVE THE DATE

2024 August-September Series with Sr. Cathy, OP
So Wonderfully Made! Prayer, Spiritual Exercises and the Brain

How does the brain support prayer and spiritual practices?
How do prayer and spiritual practices affect the brain?
Join us for spiritual deepening and interesting scientific information!

In person classes:

6 Mon., Aug. 12, 19, 26, (skip Sept 2) Sept. 9, 17, 23 at the Cathedral, 10-11:30 am.
6 Tues., Aug. 13, 20, 27, Sept. 3, 10, (skip Sept. 17) 24 at Holy Spirit, 10-11:30 am.

Online classes: Register to receive link

6 Mon., Aug. 12, 19, 26, (skip Sept 2) Sept. 9, 16, 23 via *Zoom*, 6:30-8 p.m. (link will be sent)
6 Wed., Aug. 14, 21, 28, Sept. 4, 11, 18 via *Go To Meeting*, 10-11:30 (app & link will be sent)

Materials. A study guide is provided for each session.

Resource Book (optional) *Spiritual Practices for the Brain*, Anne Kertz Kernion, Loyola Press
Other Sources: *Bible*, *Catechism of Catholic Church*, and other books, articles on the topic

Video Recordings are sent to class members each week; this helps those who miss a class.

Register 901-726-5611 or cathy.galaskiewicz@gmail.com

\$15 for entire series (6 Sessions) to Dominican Sisters of Peace.

In-person classes pay at first session. Online persons will receive a mailing address.

Sept. 6-8 Women's Retreat at Our Lady Queen of Peace Retreat Center

Register: www.olqpretreats.com

debbie.voyles@olqp.cdom.org

731-548-2500

Women's Silent Weekend Retreat

September 6-8, 2024 with Msgr. Al Kirk and Team

Team members: Deacon Ernie Albonetti, Sr. Cathy Galaskiewicz, Mr. Matt Cummings (music)

Theme: Eucharist-They Recognized Him in the Breaking of the Bread

Retreat begins with dinner at 6:30 on Friday and ends with Sun. Mass and lunch.

Retreat includes prayer, conferences, group sharing, personal time, and Sat. and Sun. Masses.

Silence is observed at all other times, including meals and free time.

Cost is \$210 for single rooms. This is recommended to enable silence.

Register as soon as possible or by Aug. 30 to secure your room. This is a popular retreat.

**Please join us for upcoming Diocesan
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion
& Lector Training Classes**

Lector Class (English)

Wednesday, September 18th @ 6:00 pm
Church of the Resurrection

**Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion Class
(English)**

Saturday, October 19th @ 11:00 am
Church of the Resurrection

Ministry to the Sick (English)*

Saturday, October 19th @ 1:00 pm
Church of the Resurrection

Lector Class (Spanish)

Saturday, November 9th @ 10:00 am
St. Francis of Assisi—Cordova

**Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion Class
(Spanish)**

Saturday, September 14th @ 10:00 am
St. Francis of Assisi—Cordova

You **MUST** register for each class **and** receive permission
to take the class from your pastor:

<https://cdom.org/office-of-divine-worship/>

Please contact Candace Campbell in the Office of Divine
Worship @ (901) 373-1261 with any questions.

*Ministry to the Sick registration:

<https://cdom.org/schedule-events/>