



SAINT ALPHONSUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Covington, Tennessee

AVE MARIA CATHOLIC CHURCH

Ripley, Tennessee

Rev. Robert Ballman, Pastor

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December 4, 2022

Second Sunday of Advent

Violet

MASS SCHEDULE

SAINT ALPHONSUS

Saturday Vigil 4:30 pm

Sunday 10:30 am

AVE MARIA

Sunday 8:30am

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

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!

Monday, Dec 05

6:00 pm St. Augustine Bible Study

Tuesday, Dec 06

9:00 am Friends of the Poor/Food Pantry

1:00 pm Tiny Blessings Ministry

5:00 pm Reconciliation & Adoration

6:00 pm RCIA

Wednes Dec 07 NO NOON MASS

10:15 am Legion of Mary

Thursday, Dec 08 Feast of the Immaculate Conception

10:30 am St. Robert Bellarmine Bible Study

12:00 pm MASS at AVE MARIA

4:00 pm Choir Practice

7:00 pm MASS at ST. ALPHONSUS

Sunday, Dec 11

8:45 am NO PRE Classes-CHRISTMAS BREAK

1:00 pm St. Alphonsus/Ave Maria Christmas Party



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

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 • Rectory 901.501.6105



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Liturgical Ministers

	Lectors	Servers	Sacristans	Extra Ordinary Eucharistic Ministers
Dec 03	S. Stegall	K. Sass	M. Griffis	A. Calvet
		J. Watkins		
		E. Teer		
Dec 04	C. Jones	E. Teer	A. Calvet	A. Calvet
		J. Jasper		R. Wheeler
		E. Moreno		J. Terry/Loft
Dec 10	J. Buda	K. Sass	A. Calvet	G. Buda
		J. Watkins		
		M. Buda		
Dec 11	J. Terry	A. Moreno	M. Griffis	J. Tankersley
	J. King	E. Moreno		A. Calvet
		C. Gogel		R. Tankersley

Attendance Last Week

Nov 26/27	St. Alphonsus		Ave Maria	
	Adult	Children	Adult	Children
4:30 pm	52	9		
8:30 Mass			27	3
10:30 Mass	55	15		

**Sunday 2nd Collection:
Maintenance**

**December 11th- NEXT WEEK'S
Retired Religious**

Mass Intentions

Saturday	12/03	4:30 pm	For Special Intention
Sunday	12/04	8:30 am	For the Parishioners of Ave Maria
Sunday	12/04	10:30 am	For the Parishioners of St. Alphonsus
Monday	12/05	12:00 pm	+Emily Maglio by Linda Maglio
Tuesday	12/06	12:00 pm	Andrea Hessling for her retirement by Dave Hessling
Wednesday	12/07	12:00 pm	NO MASS
Thursday	12/08	12:00 pm	For the Parishioners of Ave Maria
Thursday	12/08	12:00 pm	For the Parishioners of St. Alphonsus
Friday	12/09	8:30 am	+Rev. Eric Peterson
Saturday	12/10	8:30 am	+Eleanor Nunn by Susan Farris

Nov 27, 2022	Saint Alphonsus	Ave Maria	Saint Alphonsus 2021	Ave Maria 2021
Budget	\$ 2,615.00	\$ 581.00	\$ 2,615.00	\$ 490.00
Regular	\$ 2,286.00	\$ 378.00		
YTD SURPLUS (Jul-Nov) 22 wk.	\$ 1,643.00	\$ 97.00		
Friends of the Poor	\$ 0.00			
Food Pantry	\$ 350.00		\$ 0.00	
Tiny Blessing	\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00	
Helping Hands		\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00

Volunteers

	Church	Parish Hall	Altar Linens	Lawn
Dec 10	Gogel	Hessling	E. Teer	Volunteer
Dec 17	Walker	Matthews	J. Buda	Volunteer
Dec 22	Sass/Calvet	Sass/Calvet	J. Buda	Volunteer



UPCOMING EVENTS



ADVENT RECONCILIATION & EUCHARISTIC ADORATION SCHEDULE

Day: Tuesdays

Dates: 12/6, 12/13, and 12/20

Time: 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Location: St. Alphonsus Church

Come for Reconciliation and then spend some time with Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament!

Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Mass Schedule will be as follows:

Day/Date: Thursday December 8th

Ave Maria Ripley at 12 p.m.

St. Alphonsus at 7 p.m.

This is a Holy Day of Obligation for All!



Happy Birthday!

Karen Clark 12/10

Denise Barrett 12/11

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.



Cursillo 3-Day Weekends – Now Accepting Applications!

Cursillo (pronounced Cur-see-yo) is a movement of the Catholic Church that promotes Catholic ideals, fellowship, and spiritual growth in daily living. It provides an opportunity to deepen your Catholic faith, and to experience the love of God within a supportive and prayerful community. The Cursillo is a method of giving those, who have the potential of influencing others, a personal encounter with Christ and the means to further enhance, support, and spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ through evangelizing their environments. The Catholic Cursillo Movement is hosting two upcoming weekend encounters. For men, **January 36-29, 2023**. For more information, please contact **Bridget DiCello** at **901.628.3207** or e-mail precursillo@memphiscursillo.com. Brochures, applications, and more information are also available online at www.memphiscursillo.com.

St. Alphonsus/Ave Maria Annual Christmas Party

Sunday December 11th at Ave Maria Parish Hall, Ripley starting at 1:00 p.m.

Tickets are available following each of the Masses.

A ticket will be needed for all attendees.

Come and Enjoy the food, fun and fellowship!

Lunch: Porkloin with garlic mashed potatoes & gravy, assorted vegetables, rolls and desserts.

Drinks: Tea, water and coffee

Sign-up Sheets are in the hall for the Vegetables and desserts. Please bring your favorite to share.



AVE MARIA CHURCH and HALL CLEAN-UP

Help is needed on Friday December 9th at 8:30 a.m. to clean the church and basement hall.

Bring your mop and bucket and duster to make chores lighter for all!

Point of Contact is Linda Hallock

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 for Peace and to be thankful
for the blessing in our lives!*



Our Parishioners

Leonard Bergen	Jerry & Rose Mills
Jerry Bryant	Doloris Pfountz
Peter Burkhardt	Lynda Rogers
Florinda Clark/Family	Holly Schaefer
Tammy Clowes	Barbara Schneider
Kay & Gene Cross	Joan Smith
Ellen Daily	Cyburn Sullivan
Jack Duff	Elizabeth Sullivan
Derek Durham	Annette Tustin
Jim & Lois Hayden	Dottie Wellbrock
Pat Haynes	Patton Williams
Billie Hutchins	Irma Wilson de Roze
Beverly Jiminez	Eva Wright
Maria McConnell	

Readings for Dec 05 - Dec 11

Monday

Is 35:1-10 Ps 85:9-14 Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday

Is 40:1-11 Ps 96:1-13 Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday-St. Ambrose, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

Is 40:25-31 Ps 103:1-10 Mt 11:28-30

Thursday-FAEST of the IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Gn 3:9-20 Ps 98:1-4 Eph 1:3-12 Lk 1:26-38

Friday

Is 48:17-19 Ps 1:1-6 Mt 11:16-19

Saturday

Sir 48:1-11 Ps 80:2-19 Mt 17:9-13

Sunday-Third Sunday of Advent

Is 35:1-10 Ps 146:6-10 Jas 5:7-10 Mt 11:2-11

Our Ill Priests

Fr. John Hourican	Fr. Bryan Timby	Fr. Burke
Fr. Jolly Sebastian	Fr. Robert Ponticello	

Our Loved Ones

Shirley Arnold	Lisa Hutton
James & Robin Barnett	Christie Johnson
Tim Baltz	Ester Jones
William Barrett	Mode Jones
Joe Bergen	Anna & Jerry Kay
Virginia Bowden	Cynthia/Ed Kilpatrick
Jane Bringle	Phillis King
Darlene Brooks	Judy Kovach
Dan Browers	Janice Kuyoth
Daniel & Dave Buda	Cindy Lavelli
Joe Bynum	Sondra Lewis
Christina Cahaly	Dietmar Linden
Angela Canady	Susana Linden
Patrick Christy	Emily Maglio
Lottie Crofton	Michael McPike
Bella Crosby	Linda Medford
Liz Crosslin	Danny Miller
Bobbie Jean Crouse	Ronnie Nipp
Lillie Daves	Sally Paulus
Dixie Duncan	Joe & Tom Pavletic
Michael Ellis	Sandra Pellegren
Rob Engel	William Perry
Willie Ferrell	Beverly Pratt
Karri Flannigan	Joan Robertson
Holliebeth Flowers	Allan Rose
Ella Forkum	Russom Family
Tammy Freeman	Mike Sadler
Luke Garza	Mary Schaefer
Kathy & Ronda Gentry	Andrea Stafford
Elizabeth Guntert	Sam Stitt
Pam Grimsley	Jay St. John
John Hardesty	Allen & Penny Story
Shannon Heindel	Toni Swindell
Kay Hernandez	Jennifer Tidwell
Gunther Hitchcock/family	Peter Vanderven
Lisa Hogan	Mr. & Mrs. J. Watkins
Betty Hopper	Donna Williams
Terry Jergens	Steve Williams
	Joe Yarbrough

December-Pope's Prayer Intention:

Volunteer Not-for-Profit Organizations: We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

2022 Christmas Mass Schedule

The Nativity of the Lord

Saturday, December 24th

Vigil Mass	St Alphonsus	4:30 pm
Christmas Music	30 minutes before Mass	

Sunday, December 25th

Midnight Mass	St Alphonsus	12:00 am
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