



SAINT ALPHONSUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Covington, Tennessee

AVE MARIA CATHOLIC CHURCH

Ripley, Tennessee

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December 31st, 2023

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

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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

SAINT ALPHONSUS

Saturday/Sábado 4:30 pm

Sunday/Domingo 10:30 am

Misa en español 12:15 pm

Sunday/Domingo

AVE MARIA

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

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
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AVE MARIA

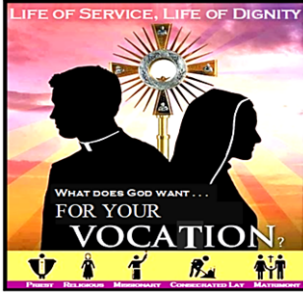
(just South of Highway 19 junction)
664 S. Washington St. (SR 209) • Ripley, Tennessee

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Merry Christmas/Feliz Navidad



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How are you being called to build the kingdom of God as His co-worker, bringing his Peace and the richness of His Word to all Nations?

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“Reine la paz de Cristo en sus corazones, y Su Palabra habite en ustedes con toda su riqueza”

¿Cómo estas siendo llamado a colaborar en la construcción del Reino de Dios, para llevar Su Paz y la riqueza de Su Palabra a todas las Naciones?

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Lord, in this holy season of prayer and song and laughter, we praise you for the great wonders you have sent us: for shining star and angel's song, for infant's cry in lowly manger. We praise you for the Word made flesh in a little Child. We behold his glory, and are bathed in its radiance.



CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS and POINSETTIAS

On Sunday January 7th at 3 p.m. the Christmas decorations will be taken down and put in storage and the poinsettias will be given away. Your help is needed with this task. A few men are needed to help move the votive candle stand and Our Lady of Guadalupe statue back into place and some items in high places. The poinsettias will be given away after all the decorations are taken down. Please come help with this after Christmas task. Point of contact is Anne Calvet.



ADORNOS NAVIDEÑOS Y FLORES DE PASCUA

El domingo 7 de enero a las 3 p.m. se desmontarán los adornos navideños y se guardarán y se regalarán las flores de Pascua. Necesitamos su ayuda con esta tarea. Se necesitan algunos hombres para ayudar a mover el candelabro votivo y la estatua de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe en su lugar y algunos artículos en lugares altos. Las flores de Pascua se regalarán después de que se retiren todas las decoraciones. Por favor, venga a ayudar con esta tarea después de Navidad. El punto de contacto es Anne Calvet.

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
Tammy Clowes	Elaina & John Prizina
Kay & Gene Cross	Lynda Rogers
Ellen Daily	Holly Schaefer
Derek Durham	Joan Smith
George Hallock	Cyburn Sullivan
Evan & Jen Greuling	Elizabeth Sullivan
Jim & Lois Hayden	Annette Tustin
Pat Haynes	Dottie Wellbrock
Billie Hutchins	Patton Williams
Beverly Jiminez	Irma Wilson de Roze
Josephine King	Kathy Laxton
Maria & David McConnell	Maryana Leon
Rebecca Medford	Maria Vasquez

Our Loved Ones/Nuestras Seres Queridos	
Shirley Arnold	Christie Johnson
James & Robin Barnett	Ester Jones
Tim Baltz	Anna & Jerry Kay
William Barrett	Cynthia/Ed Kilpatrick
Joe Bergen	Phillis King
Jane Bringle	Judy Kovach
Darlene Brooks	Janice Kuyoth
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	Linda Medford
Bella Crosby	Alex Medford
Liz Crosslin	Danny Miller
Bobbie Jean Crouse	Ronnie Nipp
Dell Daves	Sally Paulus
Danny Duff	Tom Pavletic
Peter DuFau	Sandra Pellegren
Dixie Duncan	William Perry
Michael Ellis	Beverly Pratt
Rob Engel	Joan Robertson
Willie Ferrell	Diane Robinson
Karri Flannigan	Russom Family
Holliabeth Flowers	Mike Sadler
Tammy Freeman	Mary Schaefer
Luke Garza	Harriet Shelby
Kathy & Ronda Gentry	Andrea Stafford
Elizabeth Guntert	Sam Stitt
Pam Grimsley	Jay St. John
Guy & Julie Hassan	Toni Swindell
Shannon Heindel	Jennifer Tidwell
Kay Hernandez	Peter Vanderven
Gunther Hitchcock & family	Mr. & Mrs. J. Watkins
Lisa Hogan	Donna Williams
Betty Hopper	Steve Williams

December-The Pope's Prayer Intention: For persons with disabilities...We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

Diciembre-La intención de oración del Papa: Por las personas con discapacidad... Oramos para que las personas que viven con discapacidades sean el centro de atención de la sociedad y que las instituciones ofrezcan programas inclusivos que valoren su participación activa.

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"



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

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 January 1st

Sunday/Domingo 2nd Collection:
None/Ninguno

Monday/Lunes Jan 1st

The Solemnity of Mary

La Solemnidad de María



This Week/Esta Semana!

Monday Jan 1st	Happy New Year
	12:00 pm The Solemnity of Mary- A Holy Day of Obligation
Tuesday, Jan 2	
	9:00 am Friends of the Poor/Food Pantry
	1:00 pm Tiny Blessings Ministry
	6:00 pm Christmas Reflections
Wednes, Jan 3	
	10:15 am Legion of Mary
Thursday Jan 4	
	4:00 pm Choir Practice
Friday Jan 5 First Friday	
	9:00 am Eucharistic Adoration
	10:15 am St. Parasceva Crochet Mnstry
Saturday Jan 6 NO DAILY MASS	

Liturgical Ministers/ Ministros Litúrgicos

	Lectors	Servers	Sacristans	EMHC
Dec 30	E. Teer	K. Sass	M. Griffis	D. Hessling
4:30		A. Calvet		
Dec 31	R. Wheeler	C. Buda	J. Buda	D. Hessling
10:30	J. Terry	P. Underwood		J. Tankersley
		Ja. Jasper		J. Wheeler
		M. Buda		
Dec 31	C. Moreno	J. Gobellan		
12:15	L. DeLaO	E. Montoya		
		A. Ruiz		
Jan 06	D. Hessling	J. Schaefer	M. Griffis	B. Wellbrock
4:30		J. Watkins		
		E. Greeson		
Jan 07	D. Hessling	C. Buda	J. Buda	J. Tankersley
10:30	C. Jones	P. Underwood		G. Buda
		N. Gogel		J. Wheeler
Jan 07	C. Moreno	G. Montoya	N/R Ortiz	N/R Ortiz
12:15	L. DeLaO	E. Moreno		
		M. Ruiz		



Readings for Jan 01- Jan 07

Monday-The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Nm 6:22-27 Ps 67:2-8 Gal 4:4-7
Lk 2;16-21

Tuesday-Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops, Doctors of Church
1 Jn 2;22-28 Ps 98:1-4 Jn 1;19-28

Wednesday-The Most Holy Name of Jesus
1 Jn 2:2-9 Ps 98:1-6 Jn 1:29-34

Thursday-St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious
1 Jn 3:7-10 Ps 98:1-9 Jn 1;35-42

Friday-St. John Neumann, Bishop
1 Jn 3:11-21 Ps 100:1-5 Jn 1:43-51

Saturday-St. Andre Bessette, Religious
1 Jn 5:5-13 Ps 147:12-20 Lk 3:23-38

Sunday-The Epiphany of the Lord
Is 60:1-6 Ps 72:1-13 Eph 3;2-6
Mt 2:1-12

Volunteers/Voluntarios

	Church	Parish Hall	Altar Linens
Jan 06	Koleas/Priestly	Teer	J. Buda
Jan 13	Terry	Matthews	J. Buda

O Holy Family, bless and protect all the families of the world; safeguard their unity, fidelity, integrity and dignity. Enable them to live according to God's law that they may fulfill their sublime vocation. May their lives be a reflection of yours and may they enjoy your presence forever in heaven. Amen



Oh Sagrada Familia, bendice y protege a todas las familias del mundo; salvaguardar su unidad, fidelidad, integridad y dignidad. Permíteles vivir según la ley de Dios para que puedan cumplir su sublime vocación. Que sus vidas sean un reflejo de las tuyas y que disfruten de tu presencia para siempre en el cielo. Amén

Mass Intentions/Intenciones Masivas			
Saturday	12/30	4:30 pm	For the Souls in Purgatory
Sunday	12/31	8:30 am	For the Parishioners of Ave Maria
Sunday	12/31	10:30 am	For the Parishioners of St. Alphonsus
Domingo	12/31	12:15 pm	Para una intención especial
Monday	01/01	12:00 pm	+Callum Gabbett by Fritz Family
Tuesday	01/02	12:00 pm	+Dr. Joe Pavletic by Eunice & Debby Jenkins
Wednesday	01/03	12:00 pm	+Lukas Fritz by Fritz Family
Friday	01/05	8:30 am	+James Haynes by Pat Haynes
Saturday	01/06	8:30 am	NO DAILY MASS-PRIESTS ORDINATION



Attendance/Público				
Dec 23/24	St. Alphonsus		Ave Maria	
	Adult	Youth	Adult	Youth
4:30 pm	46	3		
8:30 Mass			30	1
10:30 Mass	64	18		
12:15 Mass	28	7		

Dec 23/24	Saint Alphonsus	Ave Maria	Saint Alphonsus 2022	Ave Maria 2022
Weekly Budget	\$ 3,051.00	\$ 613.00	\$ 2,615.00	\$ 581.00
Weekly Regular	\$ 2,886.00	\$ 346.00	\$ 2,118.00	\$ 355.00
YTD SURPLUS (Jul-Dec) 26 wk.	\$ 2,282.00	\$ 3,625.00	\$ 4,900.00	\$ 1.00
Friends of the Poor	\$ 0.0			
Food Pantry	\$ 0.0		\$ 50.00	
Tiny Blessing	\$ 0.0		\$ 0.00	
Helping Hands		\$ 0.0		\$ 0.00