



March 5, 2017 | First Sunday of Lent

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LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday (Vigil): 5PM

Sunday: 9AM & 11AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon., Wed., Fri.: 8AM

Tues., Thurs.: 7PM

Sat. & Holidays: 9AM

RECONCILIATION

Friday: After 7PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday: 3:45 - 4:45PM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 8:30AM - 4:30PM

(Closed for lunch 12 noon - 1PM)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday - Saturday: 7AM - Midnight

Sunday: 12 Noon - Midnight

EDGE NIGHTS (Grade 6-8)

Wednesday 6:30 - 8:30PM

LIFE TEEN NIGHTS (Grade 9-12)

Saturday 6:30 - 8:30PM

RADIATE (Young Adults)

2nd & 4th Fridays :7:00 - 9:00PM

BAPTISM & MARRIAGE

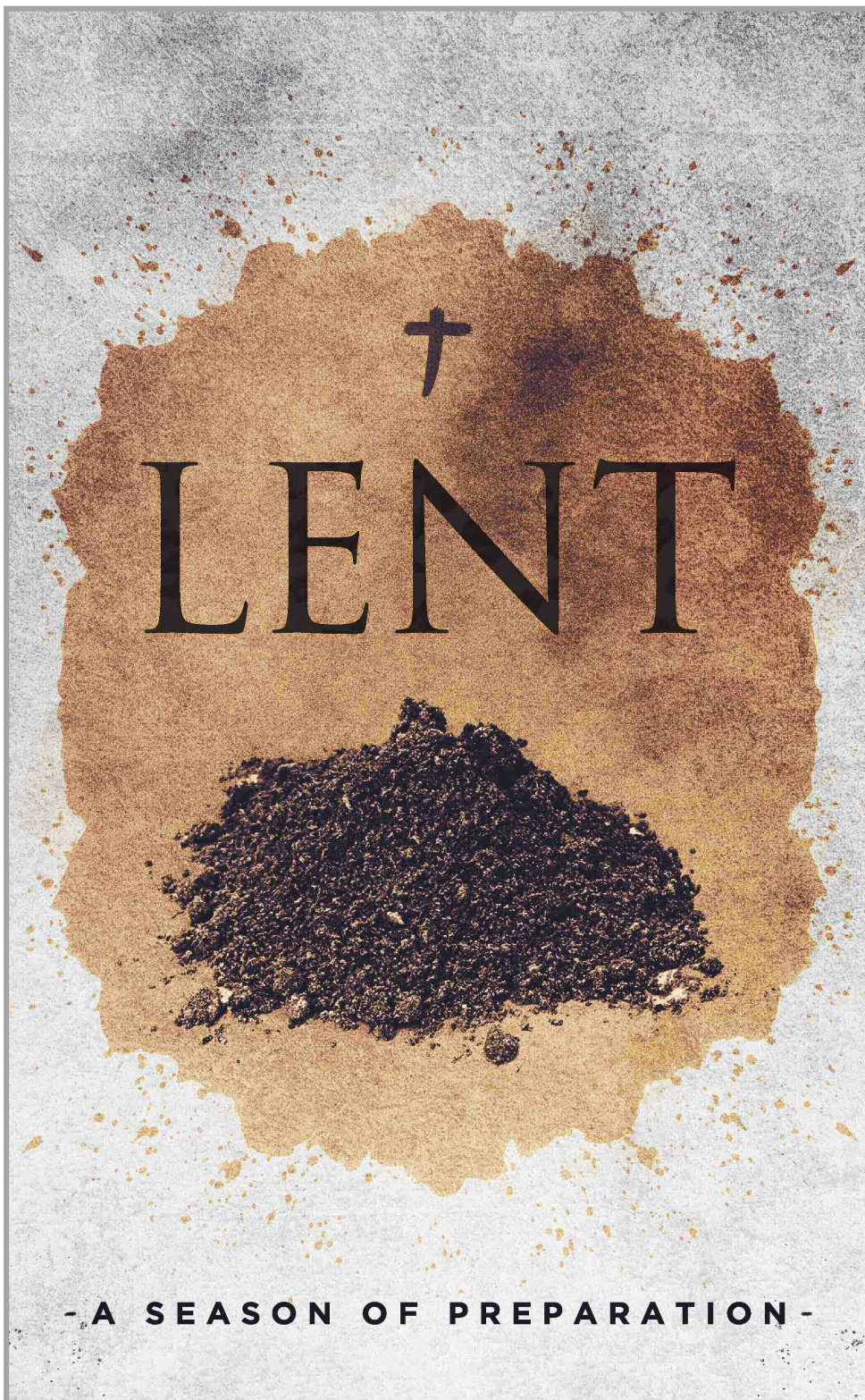
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Please approach one of the priests to introduce yourself and fill out a Communication Card (inside)

NAME TAG SUNDAY

Last Sunday of the month followed by social after each Mass



- A SEASON OF PREPARATION -



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calendar

1st Week of Lent • Psalter Week 1

Monday, March 6

8:00am Mass † **Keith Foster**

Tuesday, March 7

7:00pm Mass & Novena † **Ruth Kelly**

7:45pm Rediscover Jesus book study,
Redemptorist Room

Wednesday, March 8

8:00am Mass † **Sterling Stewart**

6:30pm Edge, Parish Hall

Thursday, March 9

7:00pm Mass † **Lloyd Wheeler**

Friday, March 10

8:00am Mass † **Frances Jones**

7:00pm Stations of the Cross and Confessions

Saturday, March 11

9:00am Mass † **Neil Allen**

March 10-12 Life Teen Retreat

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

SVDP Collection

Gen. 12.1-4 • 2 Timothy 1.8-10 • † Matthew 17.1-9

5:00pm Mass † **Valerie Hotner and**

Christopher Hotner

Sunday, March 12

9:00am Mass † **Don McGahey and**

Sheila Campanaro

11:00am Mass **Missa Pro Populo** (for the people)

12 Noon Vantage Point, Parish Hall

next week

March 13/14 OFFICE CLOSED

March 14, 7:30pm SVDP mtg, Redemptorist Room

March 15, 7:00pm CWL mtg, Redemptorist Room

prayers for the sick

Gaye Ayotte, Elizabeth Beach, Wilhelmina Brasser,
Baby Emmaline, Eileen Collins, Cull Family, Walter
Fisher, Dale Healey, Angeline Laughlin, Hugh
Laviolette, Meaghan Lisle, John Mahoney, John
Matser, Don Morton, John Nicholson, Mary O'Brien,
Janet Perry, Jessica Pluard, Federico Quidit
Rocapor, Helen Shaw, Maureen Stemmelen,
Owen Thompson.

Please pray for healing

stewardship of treasure

*"Give and gifts will be given to you...the
measure with which you measure will in turn
be measured out to you." -Luke 6:38*

March 4/5, 2017

Offertory Envelopes (169) \$3,617.00

Electronic Giving (160) average 4 weeks \$3,283.08

Loose 550.20

Total Offertory Contributions \$7,450.28

Other Collections

Initial 5.00

Youth 30.00



**Everything we Have is a Gift from God
that we Are to Use to Help Others.**

Welcome to St. Alphonsus Liguori!

St. Alphonsus Liguori Parish is a movement that exists to carry out the mission of Jesus Christ, to make disciples of all nations. As Roman Catholics, we seek to honour our faith tradition by authentically and creatively presenting it to our community in Peterborough. We are thrilled you have visited us.



Living as an authentic Christian

Lenten Message Series:

Get Real: Living as an Authentic Christian.

As a Catholic Community we profess to believe God, but sometimes by our thoughts or actions show that we don't really trust him or act as if he exists. Throughout the series we will look at five specific ways in which we profess God, but then act and think as if he doesn't exist.

Lent

The annual observance of Lent brings a twofold theme of repentance from sin and selfishness, renewing our baptismal commitment, as well as our annual preparation for the celebration of Easter. Traditionally the Church teaches us to turn with renewed discipline and dedication to the spiritual pillars of prayer, fasting and giving. Please join us in observing this season with hope and charity.

Lenten Challenge

This year we are once again asking parishioners to participate in our **Lenten Challenge to Serve and Share using Corporal Works of Mercy**. Check the church side walls under Serve, there are suggestions for ways to serve the community—or use your own ideas. Then we write a note about what we have done and post it on the wall under Share. True serving means everyone is anonymous, both ourselves and those we help.

Rediscover Jesus Book Study

Join us **Tuesday evenings after Mass, 7:45—8:45pm in the Redemptorist Room March 7, 21, 28, April 4, 11 and 18th** as we take a closer look at the writing of Matthew Kelly in his book **Rediscover Jesus** which was handed out last weekend. We thank **Ryan and Angie Brooks** for facilitating this study in an informal setting. There is no need to sign up—just show up. All are welcome to come!



40 Hours of Prayer and Adoration

Beginning on **Friday, March 24th at 8pm** (after the Stations of the Cross) we will have the Blessed Sacrament in the church for 40 continuous hours (It will be reposed for the weekend Masses). **40 hours will end at 5:00pm Sunday, March 26th**. There will be praise and worship music, taize and adoration. Sign up sheets are at all doors so that all hours may be covered.

Station of the Cross

Every Friday evening at 7:00pm during Lent you are welcome to come and participate as we pray through the final hours of Christ on His way to Calvary. A priest will be available to hear Confessions on Fridays immediately following the Stations of the Cross as well as on Saturday afternoons from 3:45—4:45pm. **(There will be no confessions Tuesday evenings during Lent.)**



About Fasting

Fasting among Christians is a penitential discipline intended to open our hearts to God and others, a meaning of purification and spiritual liberation, a witness of the depth of our Faith. The **law of abstinence** from meat binds those who are 14 and older; Meatless Fridays are a timeless tradition in the Catholic Church. The simple act of abstaining from meat joins us to the sacrificial heart of Jesus. We encourage every parishioner to adopt this penitential practice on the Fridays during Lent. The **law of fasting** binds those from 18 to 59 years of age. Two smaller meals are allowed as needed, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. Only one full meal is allowed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday which are Universal days of Fasting and Abstinence.

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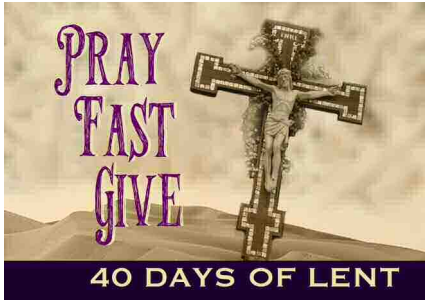
We are getting ready to launch **Small Groups** soon and are now looking for leaders. If you're interested, reach out by phoning the parish office, stopping by the Welcome Desk or email: office@stalphonsus.net

Three Pillars of Lent

Pray—Find a quiet, private place to be alone with your thoughts and alone with God. Try praying a little longer during Lent than what you normally do.

Fast—Think about what you eat and drink, and why. Try to make healthy choices and support local producers. Thoughtful self-denial cleanses both the body and spirit.

Give Alms—Share what you have with a generous spirit. Acts of justice and compassion bless both giver and recipient.



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FORGIVEN

THE TRANSFORMING POWER OF CONFESSION

No matter what you've done, no matter how long you've been away, Jesus is waiting for you in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

"I'm going to be late for work because I couldn't stop watching Session Three of Forgiven. I thought the first episode was amazing but this one takes the cake! . . . Brought me to tears." - Lisa M.

www.formed.org Parish code: MT9YZ7

Need A Time Out?

Life can be complicated. There are times that we need to step away from the noisy hustle and bustle of every day, times when we need to sit quietly in the presence of the Lord.

St. Alphonsus Adoration Chapel is open seven days a week, Monday to Saturday, 7am to midnight and Sunday 12 noon to midnight. Drop in for five minutes or spend an hour with Jesus. The chapel entrance is off the main parking lot, near the Parish Office.

Holy Father's Prayer Intention: March Evangelization:

Support for Persecuted Christians—That persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole world.

Time Change

Clocks 'spring ahead' next Sunday, March 12 at 2am

Don't miss Mass! It will feel an hour earlier.

Reflection

Matthew's Gospel this week continues the Sermon on the Mount. Jesus encourages his disciples to notice how the Father cares for even the smallest of creatures, and assures them that their heavenly Father provides even more for their needs.

A Vocation View

Lent is a season of renewal, of spiritual growth. These forty penitential days invite us to strive for our true calling.

When a death occurs, please call the Parish Office first to arrange for the funeral liturgy.

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EDGE: Grades 5-8
Wednesdays at 6:30PM

Radiate: Young Adult (18-39)
2nd & 4th Fridays at 7PM

Life Teen: Grades 8-12
Saturdays at 6:00PM



EDGE



LIFE TEEN
Leading Teens Closer to Christ

Upcoming Events!



EDGE: Movie Night

At EDGE this week we kicked back and had a movie night!

EDGE: Wed, March

Fire Fall

The Sacrament of Confirmation

Life Teen: March 10-12

Life Teen Retreat

Our Glory Revealed weekend retreat!

EDGE: Wed, March 15

No EDGE (March Break)



Life Teen: Beggar

Last week at Life Teen we started a new series all on the controversial Jesus and how he challenges us. This week was on Jesus and His heart for the poor. We also had time in Praise and Worship and Adoration

HEY, YOU! SAVE THE DATE!

28-30
July
2017

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Steubenville Toronto is this July 28-30!

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Definitely a weekend NOT to be missed!

"Even now, says the LORD,
return to me with your whole
heart..." -Joel 2:12

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Stewardship

A common theme in today's Scripture passages is avoiding temptation. The passage from the Book of Genesis tells of Adam and Eve's fall from grace, which establishes Catholic teaching on original sin. In Psalm 51, the psalmist sings of God's mercy and forgiveness. St. Paul alerts the Roman community to God's gift of grace in Jesus Christ, and to how, through one righteous act, acquittal and life came to all. St. Matthew's Gospel retells Jesus' 40 days of fasting in the desert, culminating in the devil's fruitless temptations of Christ. Temptations distract us from developing a personal relationship with Jesus and hinder Christian stewards from doing His will. These temptations can also lead to sin. Yet, even when we fail, His mercy is always available through the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Lighthouse Catholic Media

Confession

Based upon his proven and powerful parish mission presentation, **Fr. Larry Richards'** talk on Confession has become the #1 talk in North America dealing with one of the Catholic Faith's most misunderstood Sacraments. He is riveting, honest, very human, often touchingly gentle, and yes, even humorous, and provides listeners with hope for a closer, healing relationship with Jesus Christ.

"I laughed and I cried as I learned how mistaken I was about the ease and simplicity in which we sin against God, and each other." - Chris

We ask for a donation of \$5 per DVD which can be found in the Narthex.

Fabric Donations

The **Sew-Sew Group** in Peterborough is looking for 100% cotton fabric to make chemo caps and polar fleece for extra mittens in the schools. Please call Janice at 705-745-6241 if you have such material in your stash you would like to donate.

Peterborough Canadian Irish Club Annual St. Patrick's Day Celebration!

Saturday March 11th - 5pm till midnight, Parkway Banquet Hall

Light Dinner & Dance - \$25, Dance only \$15. Tickets: Shelley Ryan 705 742-0987

Living With Christ' Daily Missals—Operation: Supporting My Parish

With each new subscription, Novaliswill give the church \$10. For each renewal, \$2. Forms can be found at the church doors. Please return forms by **March 15th** so that we may take advantage of this great offer!

Tabs from Cans

We are still collecting tabs from cans to help raise money to get wheelchairs for those who cannot afford them. Enough tabs were collected to get 10 year old Jacob from Courtice a wheelchair! Tabs can be left in the church Narthex or brought to the office. Thank you.

Milk Bags Mats

We are also still collecting the outer milk bags to be cut into strips and crocheted into mats for third world country people so they do not have to sleep directly on the dirt floors with bugs. We have a wonderful parishioner dedicated to this mission.

We extend a warm welcome to St. Alphonsus Liguori Parish and pray that you feel very much at home here. We'd love to have you take the first step to join our parish to become a member. Simply stop by the Welcome Desk, visit www.stalphonsus.net/join, or fill out the Communication Card below.



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ST. ALPHONSUS LIGUORI PARISH - COMMUNICATION CARD

- ☐ I am interested in becoming a member of St. Alphonsus Liguori
- ☐ I am interested in becoming Catholic
- ☐ I am interested in becoming involved in my parish.

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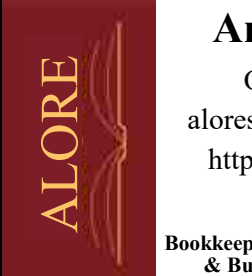


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