



# St. Alphonsus Liguori Catholic Church ■ stalphonsus.net

**Are you new here? Welcome!** No matter who you are or where you're from, we're so glad you've joined us. Stop by the Welcome Desk, we'd love to meet you!

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**MESSAGE SERIES: The Secret of Every Happy Family** // All of us come from families that are diversified by size and other factors, but share many commonalities, including our strong emotions when it comes to different familial relationships and experiences. In this series, we will look at our family relationships – both in the past, present, and future - and will explore three principles of every happy family: *successful families accept the messiness of family life with grace and flexibility; are marked by mutual respect; and are committed to a larger purpose beyond themselves.*

**WINTER WEATHER** // When snowflakes do fall, please be extra cautious and courteous in our parking lot, for everyone's safety. Also, if you park on nearby side streets, be sure not to block traffic for our neighbours. Thank you for helping us be gracious neighbours!

**CHRISTMAS DECOR** // Thank you to everyone who donated funds toward the decoration of the Sanctuary. Names of those remembered will be prayed for next weekend at our liturgies.

**ENGAGED OVER CHRISTMAS?** // Anyone receive a ring under the tree? If yes, we extend our warmest good wishes on the occasion of your engagement! Just a reminder that the Diocese of Peterborough requires one full year's notice for wedding dates. Stop by the Welcome Desk for more info or call us at the office.

**2019 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES** // Parishioners should now be using 2019 Offertory envelopes. If you haven't picked up your new box yet they are still available in the Narthex. Not using envelopes but want to start? Just pick up a blank box and write your name and address on the first few envelopes.

## **TINY DISCIPLES**

Tiny Disciples is a drop-off worship experience for Kids ages 2-5. Kids get the chance to have fun and learn that God loves them while their parents get some quiet time to participate in worship. Tiny Disciples runs every Sunday at the 9AM and 11AM Masses. Just follow the signs to the Tiny Disciples area or stop by the Welcome Desk to learn more.

## **KIDS CHURCH**

For children in grades 1-5, we offer Kids Church, a worship experience for our younger members. How does it work? Children go to Mass with their families; after the opening prayer, they're invited to gather in a separate area for readings, a message, and a fun worship experience geared to their age. Kids Church runs every Sunday at the 9AM and 11AM Masses.

## **EDGE**

Edge is our ministry geared for middle school students. It's an experience geared specifically to students in grades 6 - 8, with fun games and engaging small-small-group discussion. Edge meets every Wednesday from 6:30 - 8:30PM in our Parish Hall.

## **LIFETEEN**

LifeTeen is our youth ministry experience open to all high school students. Teens worship, learn and grow as they get to know the Lord Jesus. Life Teen students go deeper with one another and adult mentors, and form life-long friendships. LifeTeen meets every Saturday evening following our 5PM Mass. We have a quick bite to eat, and then launch into our program for the evening.

**CONFIRMATION INTERVIEWS** // Students enrolled in our Confirmation preparation program are asked to sign up for your interview with the Pastor. Simply visit: [stalphonsus.net](http://stalphonsus.net) for more information and to book your time. Interviews begin the week of January 14th.

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY** // The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will be celebrated around the world from January 18 to 25. This annual event reminds Christians to work and pray together to overcome divisions in the body of Christ and to fulfill the desire of Jesus, "that all may be one." This year, the ecumenical service will be held at St. John the Evangelist Anglican Church on Brock St. in Peterborough, on Tuesday, January 22 at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is very welcome to attend!

**PASTORAL REFERENCES** // Students and teachers applying for a position with the Catholic School Board must have a pastoral reference from their parish priest. It is a prerequisite. Please be aware that Fr. Jerry will only provide references for registered parishioners who are personally known to him. Attendance at Sunday Mass is expected and participation in parish ministries is a definite plus when applying for any teaching job.

**BAPTISM** // If you're looking to have a child baptized, please stop by the Welcome Desk at any weekend Mass or visit our website for more details. NOTE: In order to receive First Communion or Confirmation, your child must first be baptized.

**WITH THANKFUL HEARTS** // Big thank you to everyone who helped make our celebration of Christ's birth a joyful and beautiful experience: Lectors, Extra-Ordinary Ministers, Ushers, Greeters, Parking Attendants, Musicians, Altar Servers, Ops team, and our Decorating Team for making our Sanctuary beautiful. We are blessed!

**GRATEFUL** // Father Jerry would like to thank all who generously shared Christmas gifts with us here at St. Alphonsus Liguori Parish! You have helped us celebrate the spirit of the season with your kind and generous gifts of cookies, treats and liquid happiness!

## MASS INTENTIONS

Mon., Jan. 7 8AM - In Thanksgiving  
Tues., Jan. 8 7PM - Jim Flannigan, Teresa Culham  
Wed., Jan. 9 8AM - John Cavanagh  
Thurs., Jan. 10 7PM - Deceased members of Jones Family  
Fri., Jan. 11 8AM - Intentions of Cecile Drury & Karen O'Grady

### Baptism of the Lord

Sat., Jan. 12 5PM - Missa Pro Populo (for the people)  
Sun., Jan. 13 9AM - Lora and Tony Abela  
Sun., Jan. 13 11AM - Rosina Vizza

## OUR TEAM

Pastor ▸ Fr. Jerry Tavares  
Youth Minister ▸ Nicolas DuBonnet  
Lay Pastoral Assistant ▸ Samantha Miller  
Administrative Assistant ▸ Hanna Dracup  
Operations ▸ Dennis McKenzie

## WEEKEND WORSHIP

**Saturday 5PM**

**Sunday 9AM\***

**11AM\***

\*Children's Ministry for ages 2 to Grade 5

## RECONCILIATION

Tuesdays 6:30-6:50PM

Saturdays 3:30-4:30PM

## STAY CONNECTED

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