

# ST. ALPHONSUS LIGUORI R.C. CHURCH

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## MASS TIMES

**Saturday**  
4:00PM

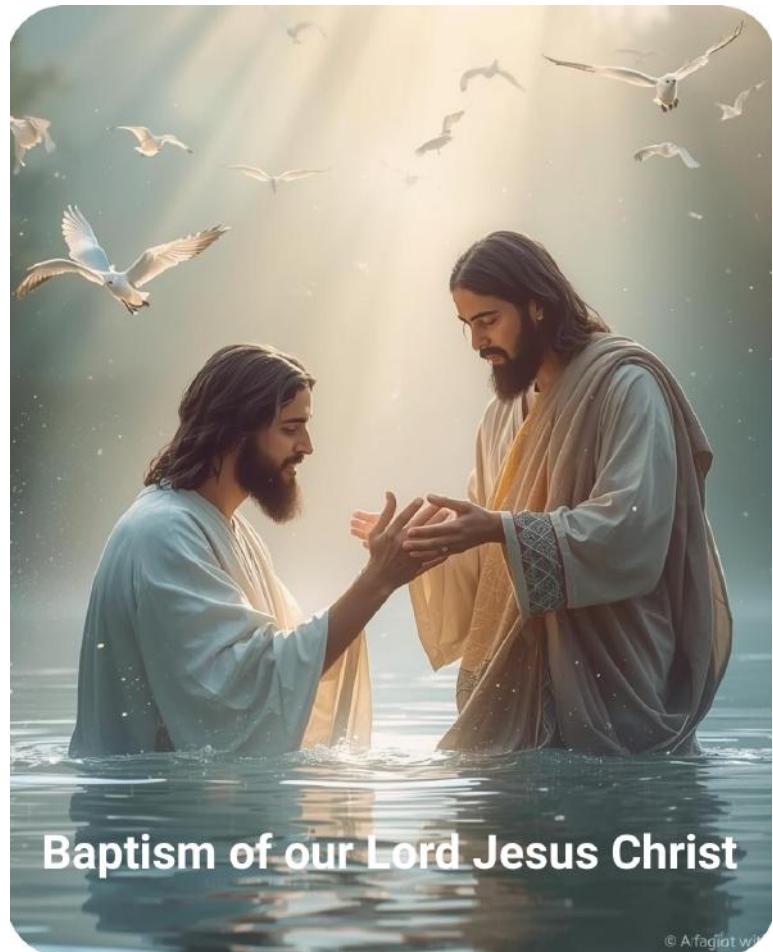
**Sunday**  
9:00AM, 11:00AM  
*The 11AM Mass is streamed LIVE on our YouTube channel and available on demand*

**Monday to Thursday** 6:00PM  
(Tuesday evening Mass followed by Our Mother of Perpetual Help Novena)

**Friday** 9:00AM

## CONFESIONS

Tuesdays 5:15 - 5:45PM  
Saturdays 3:00 - 3:45PM  
First Friday 9:30 - 10:30AM (during Adoration)



**Baptism of our Lord Jesus Christ**

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday  
10AM - 12Noon, 1 - 3PM

## BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGE

Contact the parish office

## EUCARISTIC ADORATION

One hour following First Friday Mass in Church

## Blessed Sacrament Chapel

**Open Monday to Friday 9:00AM - 9:00PM**

Call Mary Ellen, 705-917-1637  
to schedule a weekly commitment  
Call Renata, 905-321-3384 for substitute

# 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 and/or joined us.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### 1st Week in Ordinary Time

#### MONDAY, JANUARY 12

6:00PM **†** Jim Craig by Members of St. Alphonsus SSVP

#### TUESDAY, JANUARY 13

6:00PM Special Intentions of Joseph Benson

#### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14

6:00PM Living and Deceased members of St. Alphonsus Liguori CWL

#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 15

6:00PM **†** Marlene Gatt by Vince Gatt

#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 16

9:00AM **†** John O'Keefe by Betty (Menzies) & Rob Dainton

## WEEKEND MASSES

#### SATURDAY, JANUARY 17

4:00PM **†** Pat McGillen by Loretta McGillen

#### SUNDAY, JANUARY 18

9:00AM Missa Pro Populo (for the people)

11:00AM **†** Jean-Pierre Clement by Patricia Clement

**†** Ruben John Mendoza by Justo, Mom and Dad

## DEDICATION of the SANCTUARY CANDLE

The red Sanctuary Candle by the tabernacle burns day and night to remind us of the sacramental presence of Jesus Christ.

If you wish to have the Sanctuary Candle lit in memory of a loved one, to honour a special occasion, or for someone's special intention, please contact the Parish Office. The cost is \$20 and the candle will burn for one week, Saturday to Friday. The name will also be published here in the bulletin.

## SACRAMENTS

We welcome into our faith family, recently baptized

**Emmett Baxter, Eli Marchese-Munro, Lennox & Zeppelin Gilkes, Daeven Lorezo, Alexis McLean, Ashton Nieuirk, Charlie Ng, Vincent Cozzarini, Helena Holland and Shane Nguélé.**



We pray for those who have recently died, especially

**Carl Moher, William Dunne, Peter Venneri, Rosemary Eckert, Ida Maset, Anne Hoerbelt, Jim Craig, Doug Seabrooke, and Linda Durini.**



## THANK YOU!

Christmas would not be as beautiful as it is without the help of many parishioners.

Thank you to Denise and Gerry for the beautiful urn they created and placed outside the main door.

Thank you to Kiet and Myan and friends and family who supplied some of the decorations and helped make the church and Narthex look beautiful. They also went out to buy the poinsettias for the sanctuary.

Thanks to Tom and Sophie for helping to set up the trees and get the indoor nativity set out.

Thanks to the Knights for setting up the outdoor creche.

And thanks for all the kind cards, food and gifts received from you!

We also thank all who helped make the Christmas Masses beautiful and a wonderful experience for our guests - greeters, ushers, AV ministers, lectors, commentators, Communion ministers, altar servers and the choirs.

Humble thanks, Fr. Simmy, Fr. Richard, Andrew & staff.

## TREE OF DREAMS



The children in our **Friends of Honduran Children** orphanage wish to thank each and every one who donated to make a better Christmas so they could receive a few gifts and some essentials. Thank you for your generosity.

*A lovely thank you note from a student in Honduras said:*

*"I am deeply grateful to God and to you for the precious help you have given me."*

## DIVINE MERCY SERVICE

You are most welcome to join our monthly gathering in the church on the **third Tuesday of each month at**

**2:30pm.** There will be Adoration and the Rosary and, of course, the Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed. Confession is available for those who wish. Come find some peace and solace for an hour.



## LOVE FOR THE WORD OF GOD

St. Alphonsus Liguori Parish is offering an opportunity for you to buy a bible from our office for \$30 if you would like to have one in your home to experience God through his Word. Let the Word of God guide our journey of life.

## SHUT IN BOOK

If you have someone sick at home or the hospital, and would like a priest to visit them, please leave their name and contact information in a book near the Welcome Desk to make this possible. If you would feel more comfortable, you can call the office instead. We also have a team of ministers who would gladly bring communion to the sick in their home, regularly.

## BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

### LETS CELEBRATE LIFE! - A GIFT FROM GOD!

The last weekend of each month, at the end of Mass, for the year 2026, we will celebrate all birthdays in that month with birthday wishes and song and a small token. We hope to see everyone standing during their birthday month!

### SONShine FAMILY ADORATION

All families with young children are invited to come to the church **this Friday for Adoration from 9:30 - 10:30am** after the 9:00am Mass (which you are also most welcome to attend).

The Blessed Sacrament will be placed at a height for the little ones to come and see Jesus and ask questions. They are also free to roam around the church and investigate and feel comfortable in their spiritual home. There are colour pages for them to work on also.

Jesus said:

**Bring the little ones to me!**

### BACK TO ORDINARY TIME

The Christmas season has come to a close with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Ordinary Time begins Monday.

During Ordinary time, the Church celebrates the fullness of the mystery of the Lord Jesus. The people of God offer praise by celebrating the Paschal Mystery of the Death and Resurrection of Jesus.

On the first day of the week, the Lord's Day, God assembles the beloved people to hear the Word, to reflect upon it, to offer the living sacrifice of praise, and to eat and drink the banquet of the Lord. Then God sends them forth to proclaim this love by their words and actions.

Sunday is the original Christian Feast Day, following the tradition handed down from Apostolic times, for this was the day of the Lord's Resurrection. Today's Christian communities continue this tradition by celebrating every Sunday as the day of the risen Lord

## MEETINGS/GATHERINGS

**Senior's Faith Cafe:** 1st Tuesday of month, 10am Church

**SVDP:** 2nd Tuesday of month, 2pm Redemptorist Room

**Divine Mercy Program:** 3rd Tuesday, 2:30pm, Church

**Catalyst:** Highschoolers, Every Tuesday, 6-9pm Downstairs

**CWL:** 2nd Wednesday of month, 6:45pm, Parish Hall

**K of C:** 3rd Wednesday of month 7pm, Parish Hall

**Moms,Love,Coffee** playgroup: 9:30am

every Thursday, Parish Hall

**Adoration:** 1st Friday of month, 9:30am Church (1 hour)

**SONShine Family Adoration:** 3rd Friday, 9:30am, Church

**Gospel Reflection:** 9:30am every Friday (except 1st one)

**CLUB 316:** Gr. 6-8, Every Friday, 6-9pm Downstairs

## LAVERNA MINISTRIES 820 Frank St.,

705-243-9131 [laverna@capuchins.ca](mailto:laverna@capuchins.ca)

[facebook.com/Capuchins.ca](http://facebook.com/Capuchins.ca)

Call them for programs/activities.

## BEAT THE JANUARY BLUES!

Get your tickets now for the annual **Roast Beef Dinner** held at **Immaculate Conception** in the parish hall on **Saturday, January 31st**. Social hour at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m. Limited number of tickets: Adult \$30, under 12 \$15. Tickets are available by calling the parish office at 705-742-5466.

## POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION:

**For prayer with the Word of God ~**

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

## Planning for the Final Moments and Beyond



There's no escaping it, our days are numbered—but we can get ready and be prepared. Presentations to be held on Wednesdays: **January 21<sup>st</sup>, (NOTE: Change of start date.), January 28<sup>th</sup> & February 11<sup>th</sup>**. Guest speakers will lead discussions about how each person can finalize the details needed to ensure they are cared for, their wishes are respected, and their faith in the resurrection revealed.

**These presentations will be held at Immaculate from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m., with light refreshments being served at 6:45 p.m. Admission is free.**

Initial planning includes the following presentations: • Estate Planning by a Financial Planner; • Pre-arranging a funeral by a City Funeral Director; • Liturgy of the Resurrection by a Parish Pastor; and • End of Life Care with Fr. Tom Lynch (Moral Theologian). The priests of the City Deanery invite everyone to attend for these very important informational talks.

## THANK YOU FOR HELPING TO KEEP YOUR PARISH THRIVING! Ways to give:

- **Pre-authorized giving** - forms available on the website or in the parish office
- **E-transfer** - to [office@stalphonsus.net](mailto:office@stalphonsus.net). Please put what funds are for in comment section. No security question
- **Giving online** - give a one-time or scheduled ongoing donations using your credit/debit card. Go to <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/36768>
- **Offertory envelopes** - for a box of traditional envelopes, please contact the office or pick up a box in the Narthex. Make sure to put your name and address on the first few.

*"I distrust a charity that costs nothing and does not hurt." Pope Francis*

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