

ST. ALPHONSUS LIGUORI R.C. CHURCH

JANUARY 18, 2026 | 2nd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

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StAlphonsusChurch



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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)



January 18 - 25, 2026

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

2nd Week in Ordinary Time

MONDAY, JANUARY 19

6:00PM **†** Faustino and Cecilia Adesanya
& Charles and Victoria Ajie by Adesanya's

TUESDAY, JANUARY 20

6:00PM **†** Lawrence Allen Stubensey
by Christine Stubensey

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21

6:00PM Special Intentions of Doris Doner
by St. Alphonsus Liguori CWL

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22

6:00PM Special Intentions of Carmela Salfi,
Donna Hornbrook, Darlene Lucas and
Hasard MacNeil by June Kozlow

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23

9:00AM Special Intentions of Joseph Benson

WEEKEND MASSES

SATURDAY, JANUARY 24

4:00PM Missa Pro Populo (for the people)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 25

9:00AM **†** Ivan and Peggy McCullough
& Tom and Johanna Byrnes
by Jeannie and Jim Byrnes
11:00AM **†** Adelina Antonio by Oscar Llacuna
† 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.



BURNING OF THE PALMS

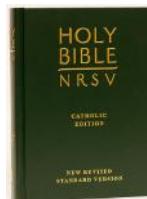
The New Year has just begun and Ash Wednesday is fast approaching - **February 18th**. Ashes that are used to mark the beginning of Lent come from the palm branches that were blessed and distributed Palm Sunday last year. Please bring your palms by February 15th and place them in the marked box in the Narthex so they can be burnt the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday.



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.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

January 18 - 25 Theme: Ephesians 4:4

"There is one body and one Spirit"

This week of prayer encourages Christians of all denominations to pray that all may be one, as Christ desires.

LA VERA MINISTRIES

820 Frank St., 705-243-9131 laverna@capuchins.ca

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Contact them for programs/activities.

MEDITATIO: Franciscan Contemplative Prayer!

La Verna Chapel 7 - 8pm Every other Monday & Wednesday January 26, 28, February 9, 11, 23 and 25.

The FRANCISCAN CROWN ROSARY

or Rosary of the Seven Joys of Mary. Seven decades of Hail Mary's with each honouring a specific joy in Mary's life.

Every other Friday, 7-7:45pm, January 30,

February 13 & 27.

Franciscan Crown Rosaries and booklet with meditations available for suggested donation of \$10. RSVP appreciated.

LAY FRANCISCAN VOCATION

**Is GOD calling YOU to live a life of deep
Prayerful Simplicity?**

**Is GOD calling YOU to live your life in Fraternity (Community)
in relationship to all people and with All Creation?**

**Do the Spiritual values of St. Francis of Assisi resonate
within you?**

If so, you are invited to come discern your vocation.

Saturdays, January 17 and 21, 1 - 3pm, La Verna

Contact La Verna to learn more.

BILL C- 9

As you may have observed in recent news, the Liberal government has reached an agreement with the Bloc Québécois concerning an amendment to eliminate the religious exemption clause from Canada's hate speech legislation in Section 319 (3) (b) of the Criminal Code. This initiative is intended to garner support for Bill C-9, titled 'An Act to amend the Criminal Code (hate propaganda, hate crime, and access to religious or cultural places).' The current provision in the Criminal Code slated for removal states: "(3) No person shall be convicted of an offence under subsection (2) [...] (b) if, in good faith, the person expressed or attempted to establish by an argument an opinion on a religious subject or an opinion based on a belief in a religious text." Given all that could be at stake if the amendment passes, the Permanent Council has sent an open letter to the Prime Minister, with other government officials in carbon copy. The letter is available for viewing on the CCCB website: <https://cccb.ca>. Please consider contacting our local Liberal MP, Emma Harrison, at 705-745-2258 or emma.harrison@parl.gc.ca, to express your concerns and ask her to vote against this bill.

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!

YOUTH MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We need your help! Schedules have changed for some of our volunteers and are now unable to help. Monica needs volunteers for Catalyst (12 - 15 high schools students) on Tuesday evenings. Please let Monica know if you are interested. A police check will need to be obtained.

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

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.

MUSICAL LEGENDS

Ian Roy performs **Hits Of The Legends from the 50's, 60's and 70's**. Elvis, country, Roy Orbison & more. **Friday, February 13th, 7-9PM in St. Anne's Parish Hall.** Tickets are available for only \$10.00 and can be purchased from Mike Condon @ 705-745 0356, Dan Lavigne @ 705 745 9941 or from the parish office @ 705 745-3229.

"True charity consists in doing good to those who do us evil, and in thus winning them over."
St. Alphonsus Liguori

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 21st, (NOTE: Change of start date.), January 28th & February 11th**. 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. 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.

“Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire!” St. Catherine of Siena

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