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JANUARY 25, 2026 | 3rd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

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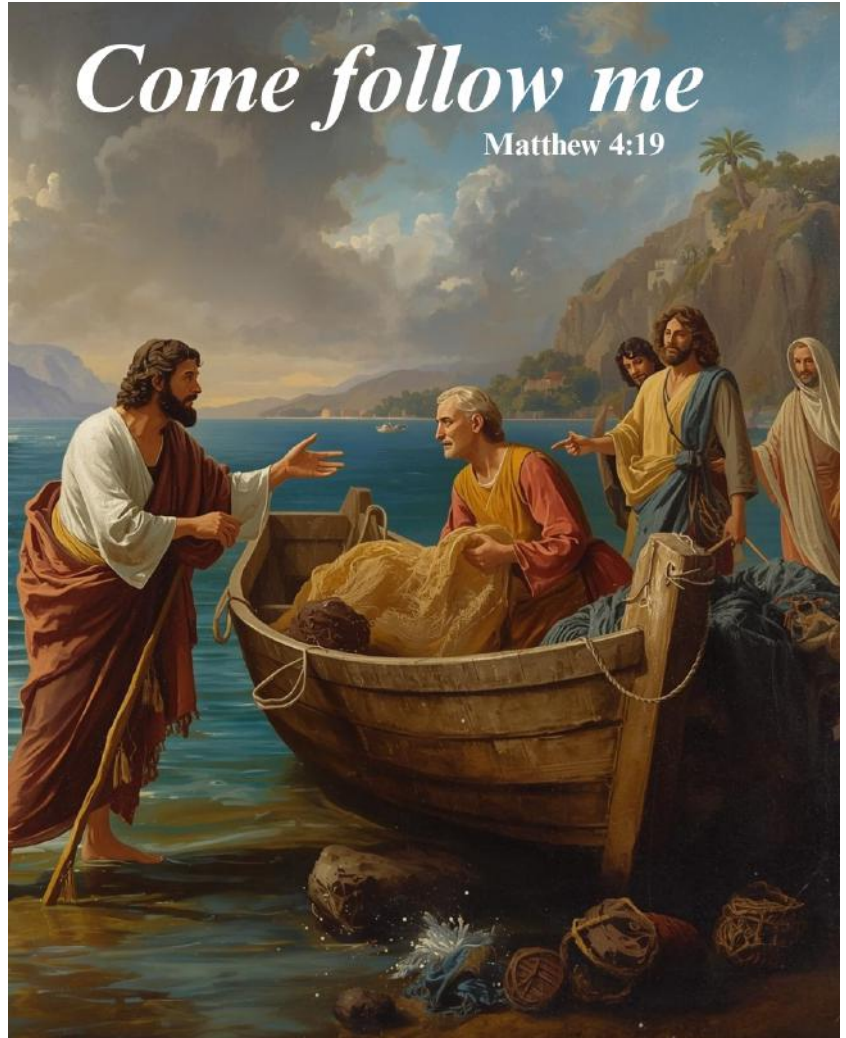
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MASS TIMES

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

CONFESSIONS

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

OFFICE HOURS

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

BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGE

Contact the parish office

EUCCHARISTIC 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
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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

3rd Week in Ordinary Time

MONDAY, JANUARY 26

6:00PM Special Intentions of St. Alphonsus Staff
by June Kozlow

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27

6:00PM † Jim Craig by St. Alphonsus K of C #11086

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28

6:00PM Special Intentions of Bros. Stephen, Alan and Joseph by June Kozlow

THURSDAY, JANUARY 29

6:00PM † Carl Moher by Sue Jones

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30

9:00AM † Theresa Hayduk by Maria Magliocco and family

WEEKEND MASSES

SATURDAY, JANUARY 31

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

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1

9:00AM † Deceased parents of Ivars and Jennifer Krumins

11:00AM † Ruben John Mendoza by Justo, Mom and Dad

† Frank Levec by Julie Levec

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(s) will also be published here in the bulletin.



BURNING OF THE PALMS

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.

You are most welcome to come and watch!

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 at the Welcome Desk or call the office instead.

We also have a team of ministers who would gladly bring communion to the sick in their home, regularly.

Seniors' FAITH CAFE

Tuesday, February 3rd, time for Seniors Faith Cafe once again!

This month we will have **Fr. Tom Lynch** coming to speak on the Catholic perspective of **M.A.I.D. - Medical Assistance in Dying**. Fr. Tom is a Moral Theologian and speaks to many groups on this topic. He is a busy man and we were fortunate to get him to come. For lunch, Royal Gardens has offered to bring us a beautiful meal once again. Don't miss out! Let Hanna know if you are coming as **Royal Gardens** wants to make sure they have enough food. See you at 10am for Mass first!



CAMP NORTHERN LIGHTS

Camp Northern Lights had a successful year in 2025 thanks to your generosity to our annual special collection for the Camp and it will be running again this summer (55th year). The Camp had a near capacity summer for both campers and counsellors last year and we expect

it to be the same again this year.

We are asking for your support once again with a **special collection** on the weekend of **February 21/22**. Special envelopes will be available before then. The Camp provides a wilderness camping experience for children aged 9 - 13 from local areas as well as a leadership experience for high school students as volunteer counsellors. The Camp has to do a couple of major renovations this year (new swimming docks and storage sheds) so any support to help with these projects as well would be greatly appreciated.

Your camp donation will be added to your Parish tax receipt. Please be sure to print your name and address clearly on the special envelopes provided. All cheques should be made payable to the church with 'Camp Northern Lights' on the memo line.

For more information please call Tyler McDougall, Director, at 647-972-2731 or Randy Riel, Treasurer, 705-872-7343.

The camp website is www.campnorthernlights.com. Thank you for all your continued support.

LA VERNA MINISTRIES 820 Frank St.,

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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.

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.

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.

PASS THE BASKET

At offertory time our ushers come along with baskets for our offerings to help with the running of the parish, for our programs, maintenance and staff. We understand that many of you donate in other ways - through pre-authorized giving, e-transfers and credit card - for which we thank you. When the usher comes to you, please take the basket and pass it along to others in your pew who may wish to give. Thank you.



END OF LIFE SEMINAR—FINAL PLANS:

There's no escaping it, our days are numbered—but we can get ready and be prepared. Presentations will be held on four consecutive **Wednesdays at Immaculate Conception Church**, 386 Rogers Street. 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. The priests of the City Deanery invite everyone to attend for these very important informational talks.

- **Jan. 21st – Fr. Randy Foster**, Dean of the City of Peterborough, the Funeral Rite and Liturgies
- **Jan. 28th – Joe Farace**, Funeral Director at Highland Park Funeral Centre
- **Feb. 4th – Fr. Tom Lynch**, Moral Theologian on Medical Assistance in Dying (MAID)
- **Feb. 11th – Sean Dunlop**, Diocese of Peterborough Diaconate program on Estate Planning and Finance

These presentations will be held from **7:00 to 8:00 p.m.**, with light refreshments being served in advance at the back of the church, at 6:45 p.m. Admission is free.

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!

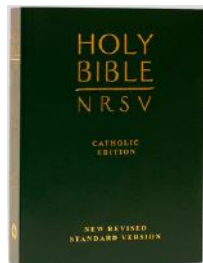
Get your tickets now for the annual **Roast Beef Dinner** held at **Immaculate Conception** in the parish hall on **Saturday, January 31st**. Social hour at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m. Limited number of tickets: Adult \$30, under 12 \$15. Tickets are available by calling the parish office at 705-742-5466.

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.

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.



*"Faith is to believe what you do not see.
The reward of faith is to see what you believe."*
St. Augustine of Hippo

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@stalphonesus.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.

“The saints did not all begin well, but they ended well.” St. John Vianney



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