

ST. ALPHONSUS LIGUORI R.C. CHURCH

MARCH 8, 2026 | 3rd SUNDAY OF LENT



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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

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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 of Lent

MONDAY, MARCH 9

6:00PM † Doug Seabrook by Laurie and Cathy MacDonald

TUESDAY, MARCH 10

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

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11

6:00PM † Peter Venneri by Gaspare Andreoli

THURSDAY, MARCH 12

6:00PM † Emma Ricci by Concettina Iammancini

FRIDAY, MARCH 13

9:00AM † Rick Doyle

WEEKEND MASSES

SATURDAY, MARCH 14

4:00PM † Jack Herr by Marilyn Gibson

SUNDAY, MARCH 15

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

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

For a donation of \$20, you can have the **Sanctuary Candle** lit in memory of a loved one or to intentions of someone who is sick, a birthday or anniversary. Please contact Hanna.

EASTER DECOR

Envelopes can be found at the church doors for donations to help make our sanctuary beautiful for Easter and at the same time remember our departed loved ones. Please write their names on the envelope and they will be remembered in the Easter bulletin.



WAY OF THE CROSS 2026

On **Good Friday, April 3rd**, the young people will once again re-enact the Stations of the Cross in the streets of downtown Peterborough! Beginning with a prayer service at the **Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains at 10:00 AM**, concluding on the front steps of **Immaculate Conception Parish**. All are welcome!

RELIC SAINT FAUSTINA, Our Lady of Mercy, Bancroft Sunday March 22, Mass 10:00am.

Welcoming a 1st class relic of St. Faustina. His Excellency Michael Brehl, C.Ss.R., Bishop of the Diocese of Pembroke will be the main celebrant. Light lunch to follow in the hall.

MEN'S LENTEN RETREAT

Sat., March 14 from 9am-3pm St Alphonsus Parish
The Franciscan Brothers will be our Retreat Masters.
A donation of \$10 includes lunch. **All men invited.**

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Join us for the

Stations of the Cross

Fridays in Lent
at 6pm
followed by
Confessions
Led this week by
the SSVP

SVDP FOOD PANTRY

Lets help the Food Pantry provide enough food for their many clients. There is a food bin in the HolyFamily Room just inside the main church doors where you can drop donations in when you come to Mass. Let's see if we can help families have a beautiful Easter meal this year. It's part of our Lenten mission to PRAY, FAST, GIVE.



DAY OF MERCY and GRACE

FRIDAY MARCH 27th

Mass at 9:00am

Confessions and Adoration

9:30am - 6:00pm

Benediction at 9:30am and 5:45pm

Stations of the Cross 6:00pm

There will be at least 2 priests present at all times to hear confessions. A schedule will be here next week.

The shame we feel speaking our sins to another makes us more humble, as we unburden ourselves before God. Pope Francis says "When one is in line to go to Confession, one feels all these things, even shame, but then when one finishes Confession one leaves free, grand, beautiful, forgiven, candid, happy. This is the beauty of Confession!"



WOMEN PROTECTING THE EARTH

In Brazil, the lives of several rural communities are disrupted by industrial agriculture, mining and the

Carajás railway. Women are at the heart of the fight to protect the land and the environment from the air, water and soil pollution that they cause. This pollution damages their kitchen gardens and harms the health of their children, families and neighbours. Courageously, these women resist to continue to exist on their land. To assert and protect their rights, they formed a women's association called Seeds of the Earth with the support of Justiça nos Trilhos (JnT), a partner of Development and Peace — Caritas Canada: devp.org

35th ANNUAL LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY

Final week to get tickets. Call Monica for more info.

A bus will be leaving from St. Alphonsus to go there.

Metro Toronto Convention Center, March 14th, one day.

Holy Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Confession, Inspiring Speakers, Spirit-Led Worship and much more! For all rally details, including youth and adult speakers, schedule, vendor information, conference T-shirt, FAQs, and more, go to: <https://lshr.ca/>. Youth Rally \$25, bus \$25.

JOURNEY THROUGH LENT with BISHOP MIEHM

Bishop Miehme was asked to be presenter for this year's video series "Journey Through Lent". Each of the 7 videos, beginning Ash Wednesday, is a brief reflection on the Scripture readings of the day exploring the significant Lenten themes. Visit <https://www.cccb.ca/len/>

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2027

Anyone interested in World Youth Day 2027 are invited to attend an information session on **March 11th at 7:00 PM**. Please email FrStephenDecarlo@peterborough-diocese.org to register. While some details are still being finalized, this meeting will allow us to ask the questions we have.



LENTEN DAY RETREAT

Repent and Rejoice in the Mercy of God.

Sunday, March 15, 9am - 4:30pm

Gethsemane Centre 84008 Wellandport Rd. Wellandport, ON
Register: www.gethsemaneministries.com Light lunch incl.
Praise & Worship, Bible Teaching, Holy Mass, Confession, Deliverance Prayer, Adoration.

Come listen to **Fr. Augustine Vallooran V.C.** of Potta, Kerala, India (*personally known by Fr. Simmy*). He is an internationally renowned preacher and retreat leader.

PILGRIMAGES TO MEDJUGORJE - \$2,850.00

Our Lady's Anniversary Group

June 22 - July 2, 2026

Spiritual Director: Fr. John Paul Bolger, CC
(Chaplain of York University, Toronto)

Youth Festival (for all ages)

July 30 - August 10, 2026

Spiritual Director: Fr. Jobin Thomas
(Associate pastor of St. Anne Parish, Brampton)

Our Lady of the Rosary Group

October 4 - October 15, 2026

Spiritual Director: Fr. Jesús Fidel Añón
(Assistant Pastor of St. David's Parish, Maple)

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MEETINGS/GATHERINGS

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

SSVP: 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 Parish Hall

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18 week FRANCISCAN-AT-HOME-RETREAT

For those too busy for a traditional retreat!

A Spiritual Retreat centred upon the life and experiences of St. Francis of Assisi.

Each week you receive a story from the life of St. Francis along with relevant scripture readings upon which to reflect and pray. There will be weekly 1 hour meetings in person to discuss the material and it's effect in your spiritual journey.

Retreat fee \$25 (includes all materials and meetings)

Call for further details.

INDULGENCE TUESDAYS

First Tuesday of every month at La Verna

February 2026 - January 2027, 11am - 7pm

Check Facebook or contact La Verna for conditions to receive the indulgence.

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ST. ALPHONSUS CHURCH LEAGUE SOFTBALL

Registration: **SATURDAY, March 28,**

10am-2pm Lower Parish Hall

(use door facing parking lot)

Cost is \$70 - \$100 plus t-shirt (\$10)

(depending on age) Payment required at registration by cash or cheque.

Boys and girls ages 5 - 19 as of

December 31, 2025. NOTE: This is the

only sign up date. Please plan to attend to ensure a spot on a team for your child.



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- **Pre-authorized giving** - forms available on the website or in the parish office
- **E-transfer** - to office@stalphonusus.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.

“Let your charity and zeal show how you love the Church.” + St. John Baptist de la Salle



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