

ST. ALPHONSUS LIGUORI R.C. CHURCH

APRIL 5, 2026 | EASTER SUNDAY
THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



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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

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

Easter Octave

MONDAY, APRIL 6

6:00PM NO MASS

TUESDAY, APRIL 7

6:00PM NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8

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

THURSDAY, APRIL 9

6:00PM Special Intentions of Jessie Adam-Stewart

FRIDAY, APRIL 10

9:00AM Special Intentions of Pierrette Filion

WEEKEND MASSES

SATURDAY, APRIL 11

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

SUNDAY, APRIL 12

9:00AM† Peter Venneri by Ada Colacci

11:00AM† Adelina Antonio by Oscar Llacuna

† Ruben John Mendoza by Justo, Mom and Dad

3:00PM **Divine Mercy Sunday Service**

The **Sanctuary Candle** will be lit the week of **April 4 - 10** for the special intentions of **Cathy Cannon** as requested by Mary & Bob Kelly.



ALTAR CLOTHS

We received beautiful new altar cloths from Poland, just in time for our Easter celebrations thanks to a generous donation from our **St. Alphonsus Liguori CWL** - 4 different altar cloths for various seasons of the liturgical year.

THANK YOU

It takes a lot of hard work and planning to orchestrate the Holy Week celebrations. First we would like to thank all who came to help clean the church last Saturday for Easter. Few in number but very hard workers!

Then, thanks to all those who made our celebrations at the Parish an uplifting and spiritual experience: lectors, commentators, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, altar servers, choirs, decorators, getting flowers, ushers, gift bearers, greeters, AV, Kid's Church ministers, parish staff and 'behind the scenes' help, etc.

Dear Friends,

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

At Easter, we hear the gentle greeting of Jesus to His disciples: "Peace be with you." In the joy of the Resurrection, He brings us His peace—a peace that renews our hearts, strengthens our faith, and fills us with hope.

May this Easter season be a time of new life for each of you. As we celebrate the victory of Christ over sin and death, may His presence bring you peace, His love bring you joy, and His Resurrection bless you and your families with renewed faith and grace.

Wishing you a blessed and joyful Easter.

Happy Easter! Fr. Simmy

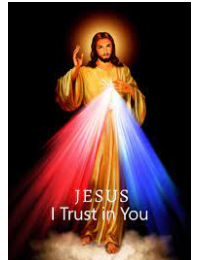
FLAME OF FAITH

The Paschal or Easter Candle is the most important symbol of the Resurrection. It is lighted at the Solemn Easter Vigil and then stands next to the ambo throughout the entire fifty days of the Easter Season. The newly baptized are welcomed into the Church by its light and it speaks of eternal life at every Funeral Mass.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Divine Mercy Sunday falls on the Second Sunday of Easter (Sunday following Easter) April 12th.

Join us for a beautiful prayer service and music **beginning at 3:00pm** which will include Adoration, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, the Litany in Praise of the Divine Mercy and more.



Seniors' FAITH CAFE

Please note our next Seniors Faith Cafe will be a week later in April - **April 14th** as the 7th is just two days after Easter. We begin with Mass at 10am in the church and then over to the Parish Hall to grab a coffee and treat and listen to **Rick Stankiewicz**. Rick gave a presentation last year called *God's Wonders From Above*. This month he will be giving us a "**Tour of the Universe!**" Don't miss it! And **St. Alphonsus Liguori CWL** will be providing lunch for us once again. Thank you! *Please let Hanna know if you are coming for lunch numbers.*

2nd Annual ST. ALPHONSUS SCHOOL COMMUNITY SPRING SALE

SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 10am-1pm,

St. Alphonsus Parish Hall

Fundraiser to upgrade school playground equipment

Bake sale Raffle Draw Pizza Slices household items games tools (no clothing)

Like to donate?

Please drop off at the school, (875 St. Mary's St.) during school hours.

Like to shop?

Come find some new to you treasures before or after Masses on April 12th!

Development & Peace, Saturday, April 11th

Peterborough Diocesan Council with Toronto

Archdiocesan Council Spring Mini-Retreat

- IN-PERSON, 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM

St. John the Evangelist Parish, 903 Gifford St., **WHITBY**

See more at <https://devp.org/en/evenement/spring-day-of-reflection-whitby/> and link to register by April 7th



PETERBOROUGH PRO LIFE

Peterborough Pro Life AGM will host, **Celina Traynor**, Director of Communications for PAFE (Parents As First Educators) on **“How the Family is Undermined in Canadian Schools - Our Response”** Saturday, April 18th, 12noon, Knights of Columbus Bishop Doyle Hall. Lunch provided. Parents encouraged to attend this informative talk.



is a campaign that invites support from the Catholic community for private member's bill C-218. **This bill will amend the criminal code to make it illegal to provide Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) to those whose sole underlying**

condition is mental illness. If this bill does not pass, then this practice will become the law in Canada on March 17 next year. This would have a devastating effect on vulnerable people and their families. This campaign invites people to contact their local Member of Parliament to urge them to support this bill: time is short, as this will come to a vote in Parliament in mid-April. You may go to the HelpNotHarmCanada.ca website for more information and will find there an easy platform from which to email your local MP. You will find more information and a helpful “Backgrounder” on our Diocesan website <https://www.peterboroughdiocese.org/en/about-us/news.aspx>. This campaign gives us an opening to stand against the growing MAiD regime in Canada and to affirm the dignity of life!

HEALING HEARTS

A Catholic Grief outreach to those who have suffered the loss of a loved one in the recent past (1-3 years).

Monthly meetings with a limit of 8 participants to preserve each participant's sense of trust and intimacy.

Initial meeting Wednesday, April 29th, 7 - 9pm

In the La Verna Chapel (820 Frank St.)

For further details or to register, please call 705-243-9131 or email: laverna@capuchins.ca

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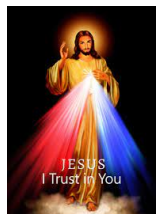
Saturday, April 18, Villa St. Joseph (445 Monk St. Cobourg)

Veneration of Relics & Personal Prayer from 10am - 5pm.

Mass at 4pm followed by a brief synopsis of each life represented - 6 saints born between 1182 to 1887.

DIVINE MERCY PROGRAM

The **third Tuesday** of the month you are invited to the church at **2:30pm** for an hour of Adoration, confession, praying the rosary and of course the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Powerful prayers.



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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Sign up with your email and you are registered.

CHEF ENZO IS BACK! Spaghetti Dinner

Saturday, May 2nd, Immaculate Conception Hall

Social @ 5:30pm | Dinner @ 6:30pm

Adults: \$25 | 12 & under \$15. Call 705-742-5466

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A MENTION IN YOUR WILL

You can give St. Alphonsus Liguori a boost from Heaven! Consider making a gift to the parish in your Last Will and Testament. Your final offering will help provide for the spiritual needs of future generations of Catholics. Thank you for thinking of us. Please contact your lawyer or financial advisor to help you.

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MILK BAGS AND TABS

Please bring your **empty outer milk bags** to make mats for the homeless and third world to sleep on & **drink can tabs** to sell metal for therapy dogs for those who need them. They can be left at the Welcome Desk.

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MONTHLY ADORATION in the CHURCH

You are most welcome to come to Mass at 9am on the **First Friday of each month** and stay afterwards for an hour of prayer and quiet time in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

On the **Third Friday** we have **SONShine Family**

Adoration for families with little ones for an hour. It can be a little noisier but we encourage the tots to feel comfortable in their spiritual home.



Diocese of Peterborough

Message for Holy Week and Easter 2026

Dear Friends in the Diocese of Peterborough,

Pilgrimage was a big part of last year's Jubilee of Hope, and perhaps you participated in one. Rome is always "pilgrim central" at these special times for the Church and while many groups and individuals flock to the city, it is impractical for most people to get there. I was happy to see that many people visited one or more of our four Jubilee churches in the diocese, and hundreds came out for our pilgrimage to Martyrs' Shrine in September. Pilgrimage is always a central feature of a holy year, as our physical journey mirrors a spiritual one, and our longing to grow closer to God.

The whole Church makes a kind of pilgrimage in Holy Week, journeying with our Lord through the mysteries of his passion, death and resurrection. Beginning with his triumphant entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, we step with him into the Upper Room on the night of the Last Supper and follow him to Calvary and his cross on Good Friday. But we are never in doubt about the end point of the journey, which is the bright dawn of Easter Sunday, the empty tomb and the angel who declares, "He is risen!"

I pray that this Holy Week journey through the great mysteries of our faith may be a source of strength and hope for you. Our pilgrimage through life may have some twists and turns along the way, but we are always confident in the Lord who has gone before us, has defeated the powers of darkness, and who constantly invites us to follow him on the great adventure and journey of faith. May the Lord bless you abundantly this Holy Week and Easter.

Yours in Christ,

Bishop Daniel J. Miehm

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.

“A humble soul does not trust itself, but places all its confidence in God.” St. Faustina



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