

ST. ALPHONSUS LIGUORI R.C. CHURCH

JULY 26, 2026 | 17th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 2, 2026 | 18th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

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

Tuesday - Thursday

10AM - 12Noon, 1:00 - 3:00PM

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

PASTORAL TEAM

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Associate Pastor

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Andrew Roelands, Seminarian

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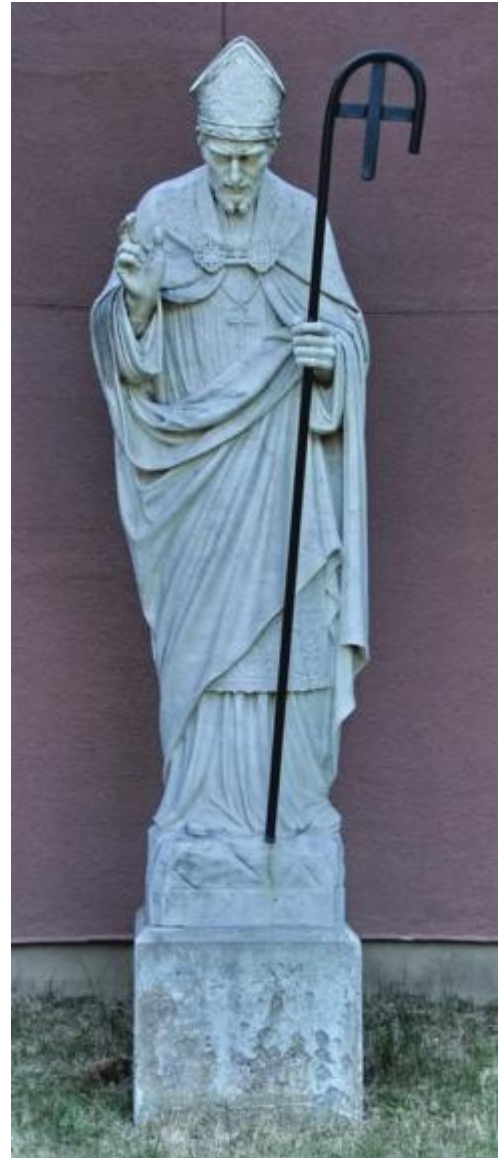
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Ext 204 monica@stalphonsus.net

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DIOCESAN WEBSITE

www.peterboroughdiocese.org

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St. Alphonsus Elementary 705-742-0594

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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

17th Week in Ordinary Time

MONDAY, JULY 27

6:00PM In Thanksgiving for the Tan Family

TUESDAY, JULY 28

6:00PM Special Intentions of Deacon Sean and Deacon Nicolas by Slater Family

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29

6:00PM Special Intentions of Samantha Ludovico by Joe and Becky Taylor

THURSDAY, JULY 30

6:00PM† Mary McKeiver by Heffernan and Logel Families

FRIDAY, JULY 31

9:00AM† Master Corporal James Methot by Clark Methot

WEEKEND MASSES

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1

4:00PM† Steve and Mary Dutka by Stephanie Jenken

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2

9:00AM Special Intentions of Donna Cournoyer by Sheila Ayers

11:00AM Missa Pro Populo (for the people)

The **Sanctuary Candle** will be lit the week of **July 25 - 31** for the **Intentions of Andrew Roelands** by St. Alphonsus Liguori Gospel Reflection Group

18th Week in Ordinary Time

MONDAY, AUGUST 3 CIVIC HOLIDAY

6:00PM NO MASS

TUESDAY, AUGUST 4

6:00PM† Lily Christopher by Lorain D'Souza

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5

6:00PM Special Intentions of the Elliott Family by Linda J. Elliott

THURSDAY, AUGUST 6

6:00PM† James Hanlon by Tom Wigglesworth

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7

9:00AM† Anita Neuman by Rose and Greg Green

WEEKEND MASSES

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

4:00PM† Tony Mangnall by Elizabeth Mangnall

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

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

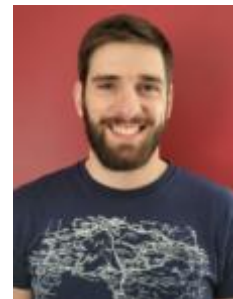
11:00AM† Maria Graziano and Matt O'Brien by Sandy Chase

The **Sanctuary Candle** will be lit the week of **AUGUST 1 - 7** for the **Intentions of the Dracup and Gill Families**.

Next Steps Towards Priesthood

As my time at St. Alphonsus is ending, I wish to mention my next steps towards the priesthood. I have completed eight years of Seminary formation, and I have started my final year. At the end of August, I will resume full-time studies at St. Augustine's Seminary, Toronto until December. I hope to be ordained a deacon this Fall 2026. In January, I will begin another placement as a deacon in a parish yet to be determined. Then, I hope to be ordained a priest of our Diocese in May of 2027! Thank you for being part of my seminary journey. May God bless you and Our Lady keep you!

– Andrew Roelands



ST. ALPHONSUS LIGUORI FEAST DAY

August 1st is the feast day of our patron saint Alphonsus Liguori. Stay after Masses next weekend for some treats to celebrate this wonderful saint and also to say goodbye to our seminarian Andrew Roelands who has to return to his final year of school before being ordained a priest!

OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

The office is **closed all Mondays of July and August**. Office hours are Tuesday - Thursday, 10am to noon and 1 - 3pm.

TWO WEEK BULLETINS DURING SUMMER

The bulletin will also be printed bi-weekly. Please keep for two weeks for your information.

SACRAMENT PREP 2026/27

Register and view the schedules on the website at stalphonsus.net/sacraments.

First Reconciliation/ First Holy Communion

Grades 2 and up

Meet scheduled Tuesdays, 6:30 - 8:00pm



Confirmation

Grades 7 and up

Meet scheduled Wednesdays,
6:30 - 8:00pm

Please let family and friends know!

BECOMING CATHOLIC

Have you, or someone you know, been thinking about becoming Catholic? The RCIA program is for those who have never been baptized, baptized in another Christian faith, or baptized Catholic but have not received the sacraments of Reconciliation, 1st Communion or Confirmation. Call the parish office to register or ask questions.



NEW ISSUE of the CATHOLIC HERALD out!

peterboroughdiocese.org. Scroll down to box beside Bishop Miehm.

St. Alphonsus Church

1066 Western Avenue, Peterborough

Fundraising Concert



To Restore The Church Prayer Garden

Saturday, August 15, 2026 7:00pm

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Misfits Vocal Band



Guitar and Vocal: Tom Cullen-Band Leader, Gerry Guyatt, Terry McCuaig,
Bass & Vocals: Graham Earl, **Keyboard and Vocals:** Rick Allain, **Drums:** John Dawson, **Vocals:** Gerard Byrne, Vince Crowley, Kelly Nolan, Tom Kingdom, Carl Sylvestri, and Mike Whitfield as M.C.

Danny Bronson and Joanna Bronson



SAINT VINCENT de PAUL FOOD PANTRY

God calls us to help our neighbours in need. There is a bin in the Holy Family Room just inside the main church door to drop off food items. Thank you for your generosity.

LA VERNA MINISTRIES

For upcoming programs and events please check facebook.com/Capuchins.ca, call 705-243-9131 or email laverna@capuchins.ca Located at 820 Frank St.

EVENTS IN OTHER PARISHes

St. Joseph's, Douro, Cemetery Mass

August 15, 7pm. Please bring your own lawn chair and head covering. Collection taken for cost of Mass and on-going work at the cemetery.

Immaculate Conception Craft Fair & Bake Sale

August 15, 10am - 2pm. Hand crafted items, homemade baking. Like to rent a table? 4' tables for \$20 plus raffle donation. Contact Elsbeth inkwoodprintshop@gmail.com.

St. Paul's, Lakefield, Annual Beef BBQ

August 16, 3 - 7pm. Local beef, corn on the cob, veggies & homemade pie, live entertainment, raffle prizes!
Adults: \$25, Children (0 - 10): free 705-652-3095

IN THE WORDS OF OUR PATRON

From a sermon by Saint Alphonsus Liguori,
bishop

(Tract. de praxi amandi Iesum Christum edit. latina.
Romæ, 1909, pp. 9-14)

On the love of Christ

All holiness and perfection of soul lies in our love for Jesus Christ our God, who is our Redeemer and our supreme good. It is part of the love of God to acquire and to nurture all the virtues which make a man perfect.

Has not God in fact won for himself a claim on all our love? From all eternity he has loved us. And it is in this vein that he speaks to us: "O man, consider carefully that I first loved you. You had not yet appeared in the light of day, nor did the world yet exist, but already I loved you. From all eternity I have loved you."

Since God knew that man is enticed by favours, he wished to bind him to his love by means of his gifts: "I want to catch men with the snares, those chains of love in which they allow themselves to be entrapped, so that they will love me." And all the gifts which he bestowed on man were given to this end. He gave him a soul, made in his likeness, and endowed with memory, intellect and will; he gave him a body equipped with the senses; it was for him that he created heaven and earth and such an abundance of things. He made all these things out of love for man, so that all creation might serve man, and man in turn might love God out of gratitude for so many gifts.

But he did not wish to give us only beautiful creatures; the truth is that to win for himself our love, he went so far as to bestow upon us the fullness of himself. The eternal Father went so far as to give us his only Son. When he saw that we were all dead through sin and deprived of his grace, what did he do? Compelled, as the Apostle says, by the

superabundance of his love for us, he sent his beloved Son to make reparation for us and to call us back to a sinless life.

By giving us his Son, whom he did not spare precisely so that he might spare us, he bestowed on us at once every good: grace, love and heaven; for all these goods are certainly inferior to the Son: *He who did not spare his own Son, but handed him over for all of us: how could he fail to give us along with his Son all good things?*



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- **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> or click on the 'Make A Gift' button on the church website
- **Offertory envelopes** - for a box of traditional envelopes, please contact the office or pick up a box in the Narthex.
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