SAINT ALPHONSUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Covington, Tennessee

AVE MARIA CATHOLIC CHURCH

Ripley, Tennessee

Rev. Robert Ballman, Pastor

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September 9, 2018 — The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time — Green

MASS SCHEDULE

SAINT ALPHONSUS

Saturday Vigil	4:30 pm
Sunday	10:30 am

AVE MARIA

Sunday	8:30am

SAINT ALPHONSUS Daily

Monday	12:00 pm
Tuesday	12:00 pm
Wednesday	12:00 pm
Friday	8:30 am
Saturday	8:30 am

SACRAMENTS

SAINT ALPHONSUS Confession

Saturday	4:00 pm
Sunday	10:00 am

AVE MARIA

Sunday	8:00 am
Or by appointment	

Baptism or Marriage preparation

Call for appointment

DEVOTIONS

SAINT ALPHONSUS Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday and First Saturday of each month following 8:30 am Mass

Rosary

First Saturday	8:00 am
Sunday morning	10:05 am

ST. ALPHONSUS & AVE MARIA MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of St. Alphonsus & Ave Maria Parishes is to proclaim and share the Gospel of Jesus Christ and His Church through liturgy, education, community service, social events, and witness for Christ who has blessed our lives in the larger community of Tipton & Lauderdale Counties and beyond. Our parish life is centered on the Eucharist during which we celebrate, in joy, the presence of the Risen Lord among us.

What's Happening this Week!

Saturday, Sep 8	
4:30 pm	Vigil Mass
Sunday, Sep 9	
8:30 am	Mass - Ave Maria
10:05 am	Rosary - St. Alphonsus
10:30 am	Mass - St. Alphonsus
12:15 pm	St. Alphonsus F/C Mtg
Monday, Sep 10	
5:00 pm	Ave Maria F/C Mtg
Tuesday, Sep 11	
10:00 am	Friends of the Poor
6:00 pm	RCIA
Wednesday, Sep 12	
10:15 am	Legion of Mary
Thursday, Sep 13	
5:00 pm	Choir

Quote by St. Alphonsus:

Acquire the habit of speaking to God as if you were alone with Him, familiarly and with confidence and love, as to the dearest and most loving of friends.

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AVE MARIA
(just South of Highway 19 junction)
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Please Pray for

Mass Intentions

Saturday	09/08	4:30 pm	+Lance Hooley by Dave & Anne Calvet
Sunday	09/09	8:30 am	For the Parishioners of Ave Maria
Sunday	09/09	10:30 am	For the Parishioners of St. Alphonsus
Monday	09/10	12:00 pm	+Rev. Gregory J. Fuller
Tuesday	09/11	12:00 pm	+Rev. H. Joseph Lattus
Wednesday	09/12	12:00 pm	+Lance Hooley by Dave & Anne Calvet
Friday	09/14	8:30 am	+Allan Courtnage by Dianna Glover
Saturday	09/15	8:30 am	+Rev. Robert J. Ewing

Our Ill Priests

Fr. John Hourican	Fr. Bryan Timby
Fr. Jolly Sebastian	Fr. Robert Ponticello

Our Parishioners

Len Bergen	Joe King
Jason Brower	Marge Knight
Mike Brower	Nancy Lind
Jerry Bryant	Maria McConnell
Sandy Burkhardt	Jerry Mills
Harriet Cooper	Rose Mills
Gene Cross	Elaine Perry
Mary DiBiasi	Lynda Rogers
Dixie Duncan	Holly Schaefer
John Folden	Barbara Schneider
Joe Francis	Frank Stephens

The altar flowers at Ave Maria
are from the garden of

Mrs. Mary Ellen Poynter

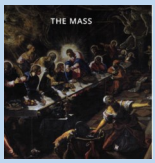
The altar flowers at St. Alphonsus
are provided by
Elaine Shelby
in memory of her husband
Mike Shelby

If you are interested in providing the altar flowers as a memorial, or for another special occasion, please sign-up in the narthex.

Our Loved Ones

Eva Adams	Mode Jones
Rosemarie Aird	Laura Swope-Keller
Loretta Ballman	Judy Kovach
James & Robin Barnett	Emile Latour
William Barrett	Cindy Lavelli
Mary Bixler	Jacob LeFils
Virginia Bowden	Dietmar Linden
Patti Butner	Evelyn Lynn
Joe Bynum	Diane Maness
Christina Cahaly	Debbie Marshall
Paul Casagrande	Kevin Matras
Chuck Casagrande	David McConnell
Patrick Christy	Barbara McKay
Liz Crosslin	Linda Medford
Bobbie Jean Crouse	Betty Owen
Cass Douglas	Pat Pankey
Elizabeth	Sandra Pellegren
Michael Ellis	Chris Plourde
Norita Fegere	David Powell
Leslie Finn	Beverly Pratt
Karri Flannigan	Joan Robertson
Melissa Flores	Jody Rodriguez
Ella Forkum	Frank Salvaggio
Doug Foust	Mary Schaefer
Philip Galaska	Michael Sedinger
Tamara Gardner	Mibong Shin
Kathy & Ronda Gentry	Cynthia Simmons
Lackey Gilmore	Carmen Sosa
Lisa Hogan	Ray & Yelba Stevenson
Wanda Hubicki	Sam Stitt
Jackson Hughey	Peter Vanderven
Luanne Jergens	Barbara Wasilewska
Beverly Jiminez	Donna Williams
Christie Johnson	Steve Williams
Kathleen Jergens	Gale Wilson
Ester Jones	Earl Yeomans

Please notify the church office if you or a family member is admitted to the hospital or to update our prayer list.



The Mass & Eucharist
by Bishop Robert Barron

Classes will begin on Wednesday, September 19th. Please watch the bulletin for more details. Workbooks will be available but not required at $23.00 each. Also, we hope to have a guest speaker at one of the classes. Come join us!

Garden Clean-up

Is scheduled for Saturday September 15th at 9 a.m. All are welcomed and encouraged to lend a helping hand to keep our parish gardens looking nice and groomed. No experience is needed. Questions or concerns contact Beth Teer at 901-605-7337.

RCIA

Will meet in the St. Alphonsus parish hall on Tuesdays at 6:00-7:30 p.m., starting on September 11. If you haven't signed up please contact the parish office.

Ave Maria Social

Coffee and donuts will be served on September 16th after 8:30 Mass. All are welcome!

St. Alphonsus Finance Council

The St. Alphonsus Finance Council will meet today at 12:15 p.m.

Pastoral Council Meeting
Monday, September 17th
6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
All parishioners are welcome to attend.

Ave Maria Finance Council

The Ave Maria Finance Council will meet on Monday, Sept. 10, at 5:00 p.m.

Readings for Sep 10– Sep 17

Monday
1 Cor 5:1-8 Ps 5:5-7, 12 Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday
1 Cor 6:1-11 Ps 149:1-6, 9 Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday-The Most Holy Name of Mary
1 Cor 7:25-31 Ps 45:11-12, 14-17 Lk 6:20-26
Thursday-St. John Chrysostom, Bsp, DOC
1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13 Ps 139:1b-3, 13, 14b, 23-24 Lk 6:27-38
Friday-The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Nm 21:4b-9 Ps 78:1-2, 34-38 Jn 3:13-17
Saturday-Our Lady of Sorrows
1 Cor 10:14-22 Ps 116:12-13, 17-18 Jn 19:25-27
Sunday
Is 50:5-9a Ps 116:1-6, 8-9 Mk 8:27-35

Triumph of the Holy Cross, Feast Day is September 14th; This is the day the Church celebrates both the discovery and the recovery of the True Cross of Jesus Christ. When the Sacred Body of Jesus was taken down from the Cross and carried to the grave on Calvary, the Cross on which He died was thrown into a ditch or well, and covered over with stones and earth, so that the followers of the Crucified Redeemer might not find it. The Roman Emperor Constantine's mother, St. Helena, a convert to Christianity, went on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land to locate where the important events in the life of Jesus Christ occurred, and to preserve the relics of the Christian faith that remained there. One of her goals was to find the place of Jesus' crucifixion and the very Cross on which he was hung. Through interviewing many locals, and with the assistance of the Bishop of Jerusalem, St. Macarius, she discovered the spot and found the True Cross which had been previously hidden by the Jews. According to the historian Rufinus, the identity of the True Cross was confirmed by a miraculous healing after St. Macarius recited a prayer over St. Helena. The date of this discovery and miracle, according to tradition, was May 3rd, 326 A.D. St. Helena had a church built on the original site of Jesus' crucifixion, burial, and resurrection known as the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. Her son Constantine dedicated this church on September 13-14 in the year 335 A.D. Even today, the Stations of the Cross in Jerusalem, or the Via Dolorosa, end at this very spot.

September Prayer Intention of Pope Francis

Universal – Young People in Africa
That young people in Africa may have access to education and work in their own countries.

Bishop's Annual Appeal

Bishop Holley would like to thank those at St. Alphonsus and Ave Maria who participated in the Bishop's Appeal with their generous gifts. St. Alphonsus exceeded their goal of $12,000.00 collecting $12, 588.00 at only 39% participation. Ave Maria's goal of $2000.00 collecting $1805.00 with 60% participation. The Bishop's Appeal is crucial for the ministries that the Catholic Center provides to the people of the Diocese of Memphis. It supports the education of our future priests which is a major component of the expense. Thank you again for continuing to support and show the mercy and love of God for those who are called to serve.

Liturgical Ministers

	Lectors	Eucharistic	Eucharistic Loft	Servers	Ushers	Collections	Gifts
Sep 08	J. Prizina	M. Folden		K. Sass	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
4:30 pm		M. Griffis					
Sep 09	S. Matras	S. Poltrock		J. Fritz	P. Fritz	Volunteer	P. & L. Fritz
8:30 am				M. Fritz			
				J. Fritz			
Sep 09	J. Terry	P. Haynes	G. Buda	J. Daley	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
10:30am		J. Powell		E. Moreno			
				A. Moreno			
				Justin Walker			
Sep 15	E. Teer	M. Folden		K. Sass	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
4:30 pm		J. Prizina					
Sep 16	S. Farris	J. Pavletic		J. Fritz	G. Hallock	Volunteer	G. & L. Hallock
8:30 am				M. Fritz			
				J. Fritz			
Sep 16	C. Jones	K. Clark	G. Buda	C. Daley	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
10:30am		J. Powell		D. Gobellan			
				A. Garcia			
				H. Smith			

Sep 02, 2018	Saint Alphonsus	Ave Maria	Saint Alphonsus 2017	Ave Maria 2017
Budget	$ 2,000.00	$ 365.00	$ 2,000.00	$ 365.00
Regular	$ 2,590.00	$ 348.00	$ 1,933.00	$ 699.00
Maintenance	$ 815.00	$ 152.00	$ 628.00	$ 91.00
Food Pantry	$ 110.00	$	$ 110.00	$
Friends of the Poor	$ 50.00	$	$	$

****** 2nd Collection: Catholic University of America ******

Volunteers

	Church	Parish Hall	Altar Linens	Lawn
Sep 15	A. Hessling	K. Greeson/E. Teer	L. Flowers	Tankersley/Daily
Sep 22	J. Brower	L. Pesnell/J. Terry	L. Flowers	Hayden/Brower

Attendance Last Week

Aug 26	St. Alphonsus		Ave Maria	
	Adult	Children	Adult	Children
4:30 pm			—	—
8:30 Mass	—	—	26	4
10:30 Mass	80	24	—	—

SAVE THE DATE!

St. Alphonsus and Ave Maria Annual Christmas Party will be on Sunday December 9th at the First United Methodist Church Christian Life Center. Make your plans to be there for a delicious dinner, great entertainment and wonderful fellowship with family and friends. More information will follow as the day draws closer. Anyone interested to help with planning and execution of this joyful celebration please contact Beth Teer at 901-605-7337 call or text or email elizabethteer@yahoo.com

St. Therese's Altar Society

Fall Bazaar and Bake Sale

Saturday October 20th, 2018 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

NEEDS YOUR HELP DONATING ITEMS!

Baked Goods- such as breads, pies, cookies, brownies, jams/jellies

Silent Auction- suggested items for "themed" baskets **(COLLECTING NOW):**

Spa- candles, bath bombs, bath salts, loofah, face mask, mani/pedi certificate

Date Night- wine, bottle opener, candles, chocolate, restaurant gift card, romantic movie

Christmas-Christmas lights, decorations, cookie cutters, candles

New Years-wine, bottle opener, champagne glasses, celebration accessories

Handyman-toolbox, flashlight, tape measure, duct tape, WD 40, gift card

Sports-gym bag, basketball, football, soccer ball, kick ball, 6 pack sports drink

Camping/Picnic-picnic basket, s'mores, camping chair, hotdog skewers, bug spray, citronella candle, flashlight

Fall/Autumn-fall decorations, cookie cutters, candles, candy

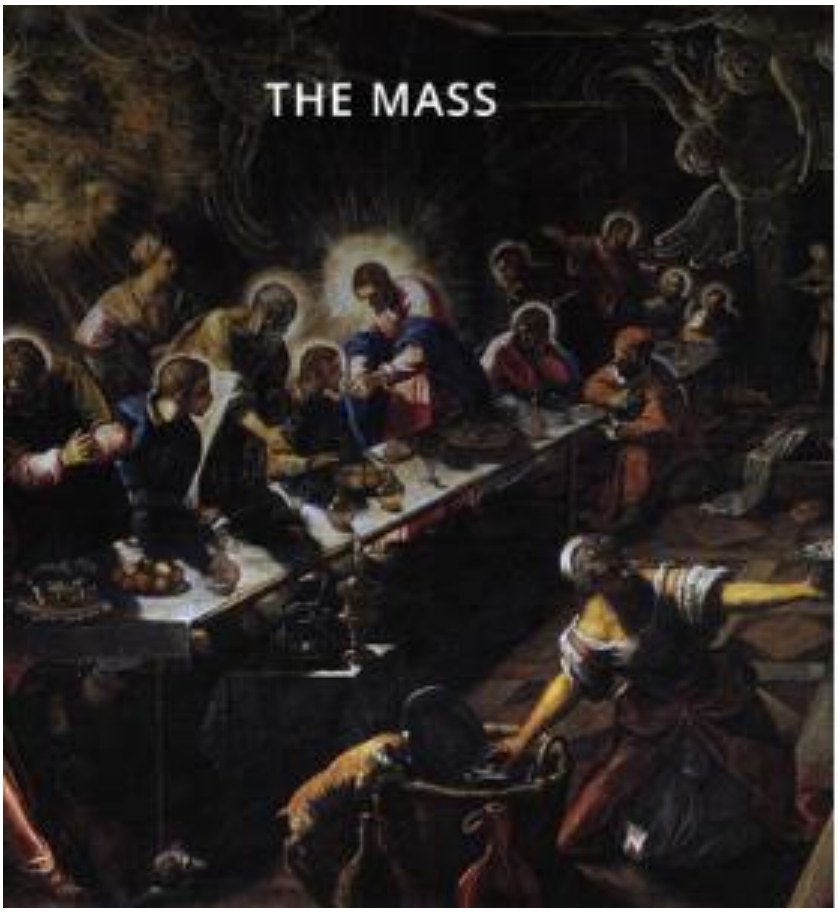
Family Game Night-board games, cards, snacks, family movie

Hour of Power (spiritual/religious)-cross, inspirational books, CD, music, candle

Points of Contact are LeeAnne Pesnell at 904-955-2201; Jean Terry at 901-294-2349 or Beth Teer at 901-605-7337

St. Alphonsus and Ave Maria Bible Study

on BISHOP ROBERT BARRON's



Come and learn more about **The Mass** in this **5 week** DVD Bible Study. The class will also include The Eucharist and Heroic Priesthood.

The class will meet on Wednesday 9/19 thru 10/24 at 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. No Class on 10/10 due to school-break. The last class night on **10/24** will meet at **5:30 p.m. for a potluck dinner**.

The Mass study books are available for $25.00

Point of Contact is Beth Teer @ 901-605-7337 or email @ elizabethteer@yahoo.com