

MASSES & SERVICES

Saturday Anticipated Mass: 5pm
Sunday Masses: 9am, 11am, 5pm

Mon – Wed Masses: 8am
Thurs Mass & OLPH Novena:
8am

Fri, Sat & Holidays: 9am Mass
Fri in July & August: 8am Mass

Reconciliation
By Appointment: Call the Pastor
604-2244344

OFFICE HOURS
Monday-Friday 9am-4pm

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4th Sunday of Easter

St Alphonsus: A Heart For The Abandoned

Dear Parishioners,

The 4th Sunday of Easter also known as Good Shepherd Sunday, is dedicated to prayer for vocations. Just as the shepherd cares for the sheep and lays down his life for them, our Lord invites priests and religious to join him in the work of reaching out to others to draw them into the path of holiness.

The call to ordained or religious life can sometimes take a circuitous route. Our very own founder, St Alphonsus Liguori spent 8 years as a lawyer - a career of brilliant successes - before turning to the life God was calling him to. That calling began with a heartfelt dedication in serving the sick, eventually turning to the priesthood and his ordination in 1726.

St Alphonsus brought to the vocation his unique blend of talents - an expansive knowledge of moral theology with respect to the Gospel, empathy for the struggles of the marginalized and a profound love of our Blessed Mother. His prolific published works on moral theology, tireless leadership within the Redemptorist community, along with the good works for the poor led him to be declared a Doctor of the Church in 1871 by Pope Pius IX.

This year we celebrate the 150th Anniversary of that proclamation. Pope Francis in his official message for this anniversary wrote, "St Alphonsus was a diligent advocate of the least, the fragile and the rejected by the society of his time, defending the "right" of all, especially the most abandoned and the poor." This teacher and patron of confessors and moralists, always offered constructive responses to the challenges of the society of his time through popular evangelization, something which the Redemptorists have embraced as part of their own charism.

Let us ask the Risen Lord to help us discern our true vocation in life and bless us with the courage to follow through on these inspirations. I invite you to read the Pope's [full Message](#) published for the 150th Anniversary of St Alphonsus.

OUTDOOR MASS: RAINY FORECAST

If outdoor Masses have to be cancelled because of a rain forecast, an email will be sent out to all who signed up by Sunday 7:30am about the cancellation. In which case, you could attend an online Mass using our YouTube link anytime on Sunday. Additional drive-through Communion will be available 10am-10:30am and 12pm-12:30pm apart from the usual 6pm-6:30pm on Saturday and Sunday.

[Click here for the Outdoor Mass Sign-up Link.](#)

-Outdoor Masses are at 9am, 10am & 11am in the school courtyard.

-Enter by West 10th only. Exit by 10th if Mass ends early or Crown St. Wheelchair exit is by 10th or Camosun St.

-Masks mandatory for all 12 years and older, keep 2 meters apart from those outside your household bubble and avoid socializing before and after Mass.

-If you or a family member is not well, have travelled in the last 14 days or have been told to self-isolate, please do not come to Mass.

Yours in Christ,
Fr Babu Mathew, CSsR

NEWS & NOTICES

WEEKDAY MASS ZOOM LINK

Monday – Friday 8am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88681050215?pwd=ODN6NUgwUFRsYmpSV3lGOEpaclpLdzo9>
Meeting ID: 886 8105 0215 |
Passcode: 966564

SUNDAY MASS LIVESTREAMING LINK

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLWUJI97tg3ZUFgrYrXXFUQ/live>

LINK FOR SUNDAY OFFERING

<https://olphchurch.ca/online-giving/>

COMMUNION SCHEDULE

Please attend a livestreamed Mass at home. The following ways to receive Communion will remain for as long as restrictions to in-person gatherings at Mass are in effect. Please attend a livestreamed Mass before you receive Communion.

WALK-THROUGH COMMUNION

Monday - Friday: 8:30am - 9am

Receive Communion at the tabernacle in the church on weekdays.


DRIVE-THROUGH COMMUNION

Saturday & Sunday: 6pm - 6:30pm

Drive up or walk to the Communion station on Crown Street at the front of the Church to receive the Eucharist after attending a live-streamed Mass at home. Stay in your car, roll down your window and extend your arm to receive Communion then move on. To keep traffic moving, please avoid making a left turn onto West 10th Ave.

SUNDAY ENVELOPES PICK-UP

Sunday Offering envelopes are available for pick-up at the Parish Office during office hours Monday - Friday, 9:30am - 4pm

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The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. – Psalm 118