



The Redemptorist Provincialate,
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My dear Confrères, Sisters, Lay Associates, friends and benefactors,

I am writing to you now simply to wish you a happy holy and peaceful Solemnity of our holy Father Alphonsus Maria de Liguori. This occasion is an opportunity for us to relax and rejoice. It also gives us the chance to recognise what the Lord has done and is doing with our lives through the inspiration and model of St Alphonsus.

My prayer for each one of you is that you will continue to always grow and deepen your vocation and to always thank our loving Heavenly Father for extending the invitation to us to live in the Redemptorist Family and follow closely in the footsteps of our Lord and Redeemer Jesus Christ.

At this time, I am in Dublin in the monastery of Saint Alphonsus, the monastery of the Redemptoristine Nuns, our dear Sisters. We will witness and celebrate Sister Helen Mary Freer (of the most Blessed Sacrament of Love) OSSR., who will make Solemn Profession after many years of discernment and living the Redemptoristine way of life. She will now be the only Solemnly Professed English OSsR Nun in the world! Please pray for Sister Helen.

On this Solemnity pray for our Redemptorist family throughout the world; Priests, Brothers, Nuns, Sisters, Lay Associates, Lay Missionaries, all our family members, friends and benefactors, who we hold before God in thanksgiving today as we celebrate our holy Father, Founder, Bishop, Doctor, Saint,
Alphonsus Maria de'Liguori.

While our attention is on the London Province & the Region of Zimbabwe we ought to remember that we are the 8th biggest male "order" in the church today - and that is from the figures published in the *Annuario Pontificio* 2026!

Enjoy celebrating St Alphonsus!

Copiosa apud eum redemptio!

Peace,

V Rev'd Fr Richard Reid CSsR
Provincial Superior

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