



Dear Parishioners,

We hope that you and your loved ones are doing well. The days are getting longer, and spring is just around the corner. We are blessed to gather and work collectively as a faithful community for the betterment of our parish.

Our parish is launching several events in the upcoming months. The release of the Annual Parish Magazine is a significant one and it is planned for Parish Day on September 16, 2023. Our magazine provides readers with engaging, and entertaining topics from our parishioners of all ages. We invite you to bring the finest of your creativity and talents to inspire and entertain a diverse readership. **Articles** are invited from the members of St. Alphonsa parish and can send your submissions to magazinealphonsa@gmail.com before the deadline of **May 15, 2023**.

We are also pleased to announce a **magazine cover page competition** for the Annual Parish Magazine with a cash prize. The cover should be captivating and convey the theme. More details about the competition will be available soon.

We would like to invite individuals, companies, and businesses to **advertise** in our magazine. Advertising will provide an opportunity to showcase your brand to our engaged readership and demonstrate your support to our parish. We also welcome Best Compliments from individuals and families and encourage you to recognize and appreciate special occasions such as birthdays, anniversaries, and obituaries of your loved ones. For further information about advertising and complimenting opportunities, please contact **Mr. Abraham Varghese (Ph: 604 724 3354)** or **Mr. Binoy Paul (Ph: 604 537 2354)**.

We look forward to your remarkable talents and support. If you have any queries, please contact us at magazinealphonsa@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

Magazine Editorial Team

St. Alphonsa Syro Malabar Catholic Church, Vancouver

CALL FOR ARTICLES!

TOPICS FOR ARTICLES

1. Short Stories
2. Poems
3. Riddles
4. Recipes
5. Comics
6. Drawings & Paintings (submit original)
7. Articles on Saints (St. Carlo Acutis, St. Dominic Savio)
8. Other Inspirational/Informative related topics

SELECTION CRITERIA FOR ARTICLES

- Articles are invited from all ages of the members of St. Alphonsa.
- Articles must be submitted with the full name of the author or artist and should include contact details.
- Originals of all articles are to be emailed to **magazinealphonsa@gmail.com** on or **before 15 May 2023**. Articles will not be accepted through any other social media.
- Individual topics and short stories should not exceed 300 words.
- Poems should be a minimum of 30 words and should not exceed 20 lines.
- Individual topics, poems and short stories should be submitted as a word document.
- Original, neat copies of drawings and paintings should be submitted in person, **not by email**. Adults may submit to Shanty Poulouse. Kids may submit to Erin Mathew or Reya Rajesh. Printed images will not be accepted.
- Authors/artists may submit **only one entry per category**.
- Any other topics of interest are welcome, however prior approval from the magazine committee on the topic is required.
- Articles portraying any potential conflicts of interest, such as politics, religion, social issues, catholic faith, culture and gender bias, business, etc. are not acceptable.
- All submissions must be original, and the review committee reserves the right to select and layout articles in the magazine.

For more information, contact us on:
magazinealphonsa@gmail.com