

"It is better to be a child of God, than king of the whole world!"

St. Aloysius Gonzaga

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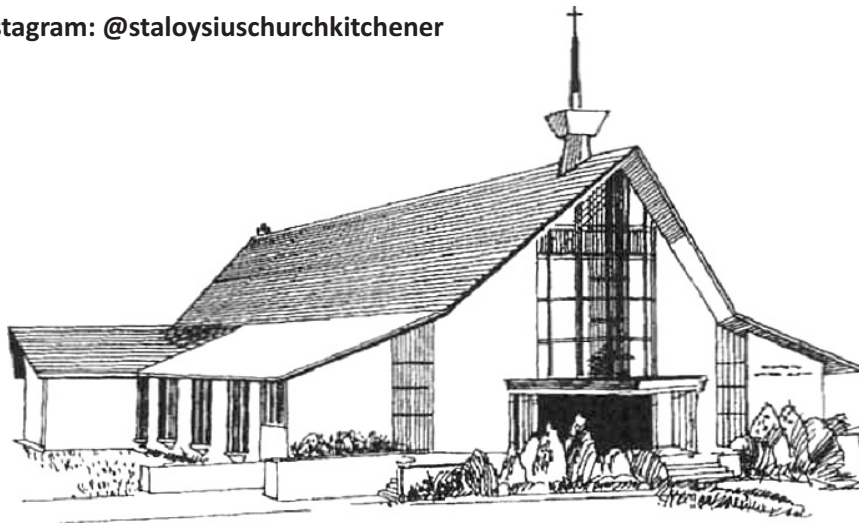
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OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAY: Closed, TUESDAY-THURSDAY: 9am-12pm & 1pm-4:30pm, FRIDAY: 9am-12pm

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY..... 5:00pm
SUNDAY.....9:00am
(interpreted for the deaf)
.....11:00am
.....7:00pm

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY.....8:30am
TUESDAY.....7:00pm
WEDNESDAY...8:30am
THURSDAY.....8:30am
FRIDAY.....8:30am
SATURDAY.....8:30am

CONFESSIONS - Tuesday: 6 - 6:45pm, Saturday: 3:45 - 4:30pm, or by appointment.

BAPTISM - Please contact our parish office for more details.

BECOMING A CATHOLIC - Please contact our Parish Office for more information.

FUNERALS - When death occurs or is expected in your family, please contact the parish office and we will assist you in making the necessary arrangements. For information on Catholic Funeral Rites, Cremation & Catholic cemetery locations, please visit thecatholiccemeteries.ca or call 1-800-661-5985.

MARRIAGE - Please contact the parish office at least Twelve (12) months in advance.

PARISH RECORDS AND REGISTRATION - New to the parish? You can pick up Registration forms in the Church foyer, in our parish office, or download one from our website. Please help to keep our parish records up-to-date and please inform us if you are moving.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK - Please contact the parish office to notify the Priest if a friend or family member is in the hospital or would like to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.

PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE - If you feel called to the Priesthood or religious life, please speak with one of our Priests for more information.

ASCENSION OF THE LORD



MASS INTENTIONS

May 13 – May 19, 2024



News from the St. Aloysius CWL - Join the CWL in supporting Marillac Place's Baby Bottle campaign, running from Mother's Day to Father's Day! The campaign helps to make a tangible difference in the lives of young mothers and their children in our community. Pick up your baby bottle in the lobby after Mass this weekend and fill it with your spare change to support Marillac Place.

- Monday** (ferial)
8:30 am

- Tuesday** (Feast – St. Matthias, Apostle)
7:00 pm
+ All Souls in Purgatory

- Wednesday** (ferial)
8:30 am
+ Steven Thibodeau

- Thursday** (ferial)
8:30 am
+ Neville Poon Wah

- Friday** (ferial)
8:30 am

- Saturday** (ferial)
8:30 am
+ Dianne Cousineau

- Sunday** Solemnity – Pentecost Sunday
- Sat 5pm** - Int. of Helen Delaney
- Sun 9am** + Arabella Acosta
- Sun 11am** + Teresa Vieira
Children's Liturgy during 11am Mass
- Sun 7pm** - Int. of our Parishioners

The CWL will also be offering carnations for a suggested donation of \$3 after masses this weekend.

A reminder that Mass will be taking place at the Carmel in St. Agatha, May 29. The group will meet at 5pm at St. Aloysius to carpool. They will pray the rosary at the Carmel before mass.

CWL Bursary: The CWL is awarding a bursary of \$250 to a student graduating from high school who is registered with St. Aloysius Parish, and has enrolled in a Post-Secondary program for September 2024. The application form is posted on the CWL webpage of our church website; <https://staloyusius.on.ca/catholic-womens-league>. A copy can also be obtained by email from kimansty@gmail.com. Apply by June 15, 2024

Schedule of Events

May 13 – May 19, 2024

- Monday**
- Food Pantry Open 7- 8:00 pm
- Tuesday**
- Trinity Village Mass/Communion Service 10:30 am
- Stained Glass Guild..... 1:00 pm
- Confessions, Adoration and Mass 6:00 pm
- Prayer Group following 7pm Mass
- Wednesday**
- Briarfield Mass/Communion Service..... 10:00 am
- Saturday**
- Confessions 3:45 pm
- Sunday**
- Children's Liturgyduring 11am Mass



Mini Emmaus 2024 - Calling all Altar Servers, and young people from grades 2 to 12! Join others from our area on Sat June 1 from 11:30am–4pm on the grounds of Holy Family Croatian Catholic Church (180 Schweitzer St., Kitchener) for the second annual "Mini Emmaus". This is a Waterloo Deanery-wide afternoon of faith and fun for youth! Represent your parish, compete against groups from other parishes, and discover what it means to be disciples! There is no cost for participants, and lunch and snacks will be provided. Scan the QR code above to register by May 26.

Bring Flowers to Mary at St. Aloysius Church

May is the month of Our Lady. On Tuesday, May 28, we will have a procession bringing flowers to Mary during the 7:00 o'clock evening Mass. All are welcome. Here is the schedule for the evening;

- 6:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- 6:30pm Recitation of the Rosary and Benediction
- 7:00pm Mass, beginning with procession of flowers to Mary. **Flowers will be provided.**



OFFERTORY REPORT

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| Sunday Envelope Collection | \$2430.00 |
| Sunday Loose Collection | \$1145.00 |
| Total Offertory for May 5, 2024 | \$3575.00 |
| Pre-Authorized Giving (weekly amount)..... | \$843.46 |

Thank you for your ongoing financial support!

St. Aloysius Children's Liturgy

The St. Aloysius Children's Liturgy is practicing for an end of year performance of 'This Little Light of Mine'. Families can click on the following link to help with practicing; <https://staloyusius.on.ca/childrens-liturgy>



National Family and Life

Week - The Hamilton Diocese joins Dioceses across Canada in celebrating the National Week of Family and Life

from May 13-19. The 2024 week draws its theme, "Love hopes all things," from the words of St. Paul: "[Love] endures all things, trusts all things, hopes all things, endures all things." (1 Corinthians 13:7).

Family and life are intricately linked; it is in the family we first come to know love and where we learn how to love. This is a week to celebrate, to remember your own family members and to focus, not just during this week, but all year round, on the importance and power of family. The CCCB encourages all of us to be united in prayer, reflection, and action, demonstrating our active support for family.

Visit; <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/2024/04/national-week-of-family-and-life-may-13-19th/>

Vocations Recognition Dinner 2024

The Serra Club of Hamilton invites you to gather on Wed May 15 at Liuna Station in Hamilton to celebrate the service of our Priests, Religious Brothers & Sisters, Permanent Deacons and Consecrated Virgins Living in the World. Doors open at 6pm. Tickets: \$90 each. Details at serrahamilton1965@gmail.com. Co-sponsored by the Diocese of Hamilton's Vocations Office.

Relics of St. Brother Andre Bessette visit Hamilton Diocese

The major reliquary of St. Andre Bessette (Brother Andre of Montreal Oratory) will visit the Diocese of Hamilton May 17-24, 2024. The relics of Brother Andre start their tour at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King and finish at Holy Family, Hanover. Stops include St. Anthony Daniel Parish in Kitchener on May 23. See the diocesan website, [Saint Brother André in the Diocese of Hamilton \(hamiltondiocese.com\)](http://Saint Brother André in the Diocese of Hamilton (hamiltondiocese.com)) for more info.

Pentecost Celebration - Bus From Kitchener Planned

Join Bishop Scott McCaig, Peter Herbeck and other great speakers for an uplifting Pentecost celebration on May 17/18 at St. Raphael Parish in Burlington. A bus is being planned, leaving Kitchener at 7am on Sat May 18 and returning at 7 pm. Register as soon as possible as bus seats will be assigned on a first come basis. Register by calling Pat or Rita at 519-748-5548 or email paddym@golden.net

Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass – May 2024 Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2024? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 26, 2024, at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration is available online at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/> under Upcoming Events, or call the office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

Women's Cursillo Weekend - A Women's Cursillo Weekend will be held in Deemerton from Thursday, May 30 to Sunday, June 2. For information or application forms, please contact Mary Ann Kirkconnell (Weekend Coordinator) rmkirkconnell@gmail.com.



Fr. Melvin's Jubilee Dinner Fri June

21! If you haven't already, make sure you purchase your tickets for Father Melvin Pinto's Silver Jubilee Dinner!

The dinner is to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of Father Melvin's Ordination to the Priesthood. Prior to the dinner on June 21, we will be having a solemn Mass starting at 5pm to thank God for the gift of Priesthood for Father Melvin. The dinner will begin at 6pm in our Parish Hall and will be catered by Conestoga Catering (doors will open at 5:30pm). Dinner tickets are \$50 each and are on sale through Eventbrite. The link to purchase tickets can be found on our parish website at staloyusius.on.ca. Tickets can also be purchased by cash or cheque through the parish office during business hours *while supplies last*.

Gospel Reflection May 11/12 2024 – Solemnity - The Ascension of the Lord

Before he ascended into heaven, Jesus instructed his disciples to proclaim the Gospel to all of creation. In the first reading, after Jesus' ascent, the angels ask his disciples "Why do you stand here staring at the skies?" The angels want them to look around themselves and be assured that Christ is working through them. The Ascension does not memorialize Christ leaving us. But instead, Christ working through us, his mystical body, his Church. As stewards of this legacy, we too are called to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ in our words and actions; in how we live and how we treat others. Are we sharing the life of Christ with others in our day-to-day lives? In what ways do we see ourselves proclaiming the Gospel? In what ways can we do better? *Taken from ICSC – E-Bulletin*

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