

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

St. Aloysius Gonzaga

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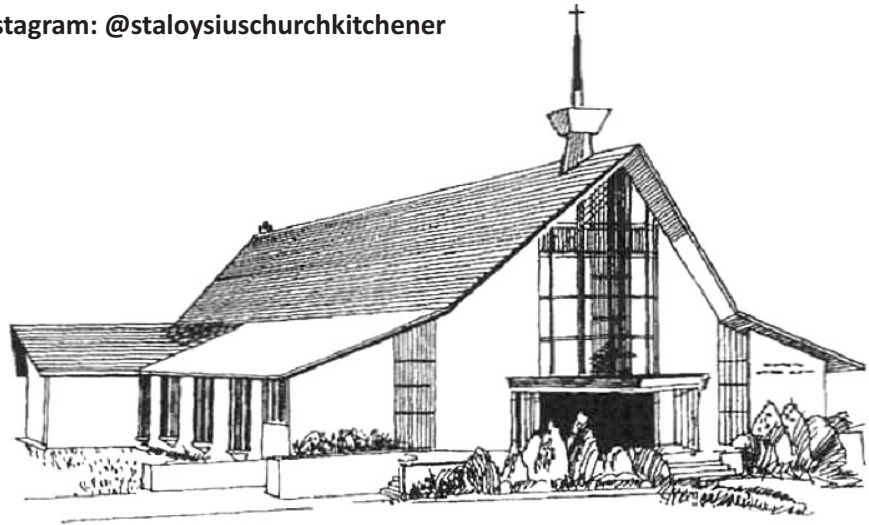
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OFFICE HOURS:

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.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



MASS INTENTIONS

May 6 – May 12, 2024



News from the St. Aloysius CWL - 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.

Monday (Memorial – St. Francois de Laval, Bishop, Patron of the Bishops of Canada)
8:30 am - Int. of Fr. David Avila

Tuesday (ferial)
7:00 pm + All Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday (ferial)
8:30 am - Int. of Fr. David Avila

Thursday (ferial)
8:30 am + Luiz Gonzaga and Luiza Cabral

Friday (ferial)
8:30 am + Glenda Burse

Saturday (ferial)
8:30 am + Mr. and Mrs. Henri Roy

Sunday Solemnity – The Ascension of the Lord

Sat 5pm - Int. of our Parishioners

Sun 9am + Lucy De Amorim

Sun 11am + Mary Black

Children's Liturgy during 11am Mass

Sun 7pm + All Souls in Purgatory

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. By filling baby bottles with your spare change and donations, you provide vital support to Marillac Place's programs, offering housing, education, counseling, and more to those in need. Pick up baby bottles after Masses on May 11-12.

The CWL will also be offering carnations for a suggested donation of \$3 after masses on May 11-12 for Mother's Day.



The Kitchener Knights of Columbus are distributing LIFE ROSES after all masses this weekend. They are distributing the small lapel roses as part of their pro-life program. When you receive your rose, consider donating to assist the Knights in their support of pro-life issues.

Schedule of Events

May 6 – May 12, 2024

Monday
• Food Pantry Open 7-8 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

Thursday
• Doon Village Mass/Communion Service 10:00 am

Saturday
• Secular Carmel Meeting (Ocds)..... 9:30 am
• Baptism 3:00 pm
• Confessions 3:45 pm

Sunday
• Children's Liturgy during 11am Mass

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>

Pope's Pastoral Works Special Collection

This weekend's special collection helps the Holy Father's charitable endeavors. It helps to aid global humanitarian efforts, and supports the Pope's charitable activities worldwide. Catholics around the world are asked to contribute to make a financial offering to assist the Holy Father. Please be generous.



Catholic Education Week May 5-10, 2024

During Catholic Education Week, The Catholic schools in our parish will engage in a series of events to

celebrate the ongoing gift of publicly funded Catholic education. Publicly funded Catholic education has existed in Ontario since 1841 and its graduates have served Ontario and Canada very well. The current generation of students in our publicly funded Catholic schools will serve with the same spirit and generosity as their previous generations. This year's Catholic Education Week theme is, "We are called to love."

OFFERTORY REPORT

Sunday Envelope Collection\$2105.00
Sunday Loose Collection\$1207.00
Total Offertory for April 28, 2024 \$3312.00
Pre-Authorized Giving (weekly amount).....\$842.30

Thank you for your ongoing financial support!

Clothing Drive Fundraiser

St. Aloysius School is running a clothing drive fundraiser. Bring your used clothing, bags, shoes, bedding, pillows, luggage, or anything made from fabric to the school on Sat May 11 from 9am to noon. Drop off will be in the side/back parking lot off Connaught Street by the school's garbage bins (not in the Church parking lot). All items made of fabric are welcome, even those with holes or stains.

Toronto March for Life

Join Right to Life groups on Sat May 11 in Toronto. It's an opportunity to join with hundreds of other pro-lifers to stand up for the rights of the unborn. The group will gather at Queen's Park at 10am for a rally, and then march through downtown Toronto. Workshops will follow at 2pm. Find out more at torontomarchforlife.ca.

Mother's Day Lunch in Waterloo

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Waterloo invites you for Mother's Day lunch on Sun May 12 at 12pm in their Parish Hall. Tickets are \$20 each and include a hot buffet lunch. For more information call Patrycja at 519-886-0342 or by email at lourdeswaterloochurch@gmail.com

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

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 5197485548 or email paddy@golden.net

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.**



Fr. Melvin's Jubilee Dinner Fri June 21!

Don't miss out on purchasing your tickets for Father Melvin Pinto's Silver Jubilee Dinner! This year marks the 25th Anniversary of Father Melvin's Ordination to the Priesthood. We will be having a solemn Mass on Friday June 21

at 5pm to thank God for the gift of Priesthood for Father Melvin. Following the Mass, we will have a delicious catered dinner in our parish hall from Conestoga Catering! 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 are also available through the parish office during business hours.

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://saintbrotherandreinthedioceseofhamiltondiocese.com) for dates and times.

Gospel Reflection May 4/5 2024

When John wrote today's Gospel, his community was influenced by a set of religious beliefs called Gnosticism. It appears that one of John's intentions was to distinguish Christian belief from the beliefs held by the Gnostics. Evidence of this can be found in today's Gospel.

In John's Gospel, we hear Jesus affirm that he is known by the Father and that his disciples will know the Father by knowing Jesus. In this passage, however, Jesus reminds his disciples that this knowledge is to be expressed in love. Those who know Jesus well—and Jesus says that his disciples do know him—will love one another. Knowledge leads to love, which leads to action. John reminds his community that Jesus taught that love is the sign of a true disciple and, thus, a true Christian. Even more, a true disciple shows a particular kind of love, sacrificial love.

This reading, like last week's, is part of Jesus' Last Supper discourse. In the context of John's Gospel, these words are spoken before Jesus' Crucifixion. We read his instruction to the disciples in light of his death and Resurrection. We know that Jesus himself gives us the greatest example of the kind of love and service that he teaches to his disciples. He has, in fact, laid down his life for his friends, for his disciples, and for us. Through his death and Resurrection, we have received the grace to love others as Jesus has commanded.

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