

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

St. Aloysius Gonzaga

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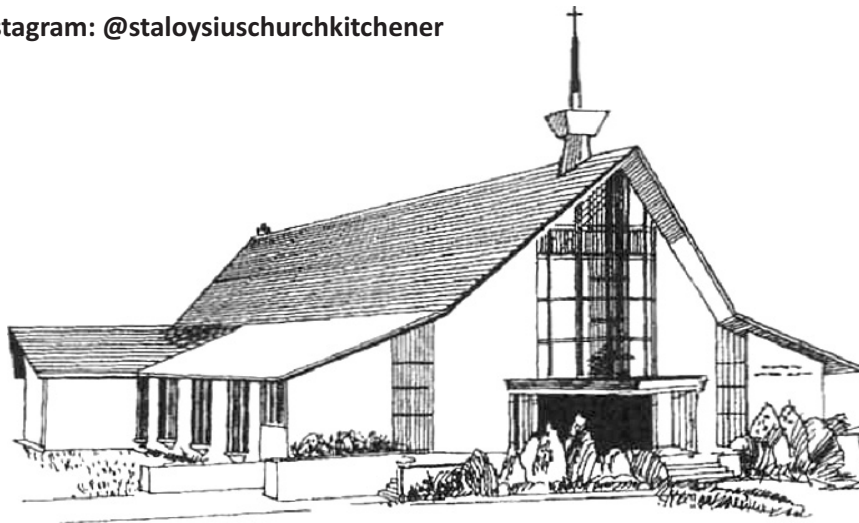
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OFFICE HOURS:

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.

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Nov 18 – Nov 24, 2024

Monday (ferial)
8:30 am + Luz Elena Frumkin
 + David Grzesiak

Tuesday (ferial)
7:00 pm + Yvonne Cormier
 + Madeline Roy

Wednesday (ferial)
8:30 am + Kevin Gervais
 + Ruby Mary Hester

Thursday (Memorial – The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary)
8:30 am + Eleanore Freeman
 - Int. of Ray and Betty Nova

Friday (Memorial – St. Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr)
8:30 am + Manuel and Hortencia Avila
 + Peter DaSilva

Saturday (ferial)
8:30 am + All Souls In Purgatory

Sunday Solemnity – Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Sat 5pm + Anne and Walter Grzesiak
 + Tivor and Teresa Patai

Sun 9am + Robert Ressman
 + Bill van Tright

Sun 11am + Luiza Cabral
 + David Cosentino

Children's Liturgy during 11am Mass

Sun 7pm - Int. of our Parishioners



Nov 18– Nov 24, 2024

Monday
 • Stained Glass Guild 4:00 pm

Tuesday
 • Trinity Village Mass/Communion Service 10:30 am
 • Adoration, Confessions and Mass..... 6:00 pm
 • Marian Movement for Priests Prayer Group..... after Mass

Wednesday
 • Briarfield Gardens Mass/Communion Service..... 10:00 am
 • First Holy Communion Meeting..... 6:30 pm

Thursday
 • Fergus Place Mass/Communion Service..... 10:00 am

Sunday
 • Children's Liturgy during our 11am Mass
 • CWL General Meeting and Potluck..... following 11am Mass

OFFERTORY REPORT

Sunday Envelope Collection.....	\$2176.00
Sunday Loose Collection	\$1414.00
Total Offertory for Nov 10, 2024	\$3590.00
Pre-Authorized Giving (weekly amount).....	\$843.46
Thank you for your ongoing financial support!	



Please remember St. Aloysius Parish in your will. The Bequest Clause can be added to your existing Will as a codicil.

Bequest Clause: *I give and bequeath to the Roman Catholic Diocese of Hamilton, under a special Act of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario, and whose offices are in Hamilton, Ontario for the benefit of St. Aloysius Parish, Kitchener, Ontario; the sum of \$_____ dollars, or _____ percentage of the Estate, or the total of the residue of the Estate.*

Update on our Church Upgrades - Thank you to those



who continue to support our Parish. With a building of this age and size, there are ongoing maintenance expenses. This Fall, we have had a few construction projects at the church. Outside, we have made things

safer for our parishioners by repairing broken, lifted and cracked concrete on our sidewalks and entrances. Our boiler had some big leaks, and they have now been fixed. We also had to replace the boiler tank so we can properly heat the church this winter. There will be further work to do on the boiler this Spring.

Downstairs, near our parish hall, there is a large concrete storage room which has had water damage in the past. The moisture caused some of the concrete walls to corrode and crumble away. The walls are now fixed and sealed, making the room safer for our staff and volunteers. A new unexpected expense we had to deal with this week was repairing our chain link fence. There were several areas of the fence that were damaged, and it was fixed this week.

How much does all of this cost?

Here is a breakdown of our extra expenses;

Outdoor Concrete:	\$22,919.45
Boiler Repair:	\$3,726.24 (plus more repairs in the Spring)
Storage Room:	\$11,259.32
Fence Repair:	\$3,649.00

For a total of \$41,554.01

We rely on your donations to assist with our ongoing expenses and to maintain our large property inside and out. Thank you to everyone who supports our parish so we can continue with needed improvements and stay afloat. Since the beginning of October, you have donated **\$12,085** to our Renovation Fund and we are extremely grateful. The donations will go a long way towards our recent expenses.

Info Sessions for Parents/Caregivers of registered First Communion & Confirmation Candidates

A reminder of our upcoming mandatory information sessions in November for parents and caregivers of children who have registered for our Winter and Spring 2025 Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation at St. Aloysius Parish.

The meetings will be taking place;

Wednesday November 20 at 6:30pm for parents and caregivers of children registered for First Holy Communion.

Wednesday November 27 at 6:30pm for parents, caregivers and students registered to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

**Registration for the Sacraments ended on October 31. Information sessions are for those who have fully registered for the Sacraments prior to our deadline.*



CWL News

General Meeting/Potluck – Sun Nov 24 12:15pm They invite members and friends to bring a small food item for a light potluck lunch. They are hosting "Tea and Tales"

where people can share a meal/snack and share stories of their cultural and faith experiences in our parish hall following the 11am Mass. There is no meeting on November 19.

Wed Dec 4 - CWL Seniors Dinner (*free tickets will be distributed soon, stay tuned!*)

A big thank you to everyone who visited their Annual Christmas Bazaar! Special thanks to those who donated the fantastic prizes to their prize tables.

Un "Be-Leaf"able Volunteers!

Fall is that wonderful time of year when the leaves change from green to many shades of red, orange and yellow. It is certainly a gift from God before the season changes to winter. Although it is a lovely gift, it also means all of those beautiful leaves eventually fall with the drop in

temperatures. We have a couple of amazing volunteers who have spent countless hours raking, collecting and disposing of dozens upon dozens of bags of leaves on our church property this fall. The work is almost complete, as most of the leaves have now dropped.

We really appreciate your dedication and help with this tremendous task! *Thank You for all you do!*



New Stained Glass Window – Our dedicated and talented Stained Glass Guild at St. Aloysius Parish have created another beautiful window for our Church! Be sure to take a look at the new colourful window in the Baptistry. Thank you for your hard work and dedication to enhancing the beauty of St. Aloysius Church.

If you would like to find out more about the story behind the windows and the guild, please visit our website at <https://www.staloyusius.on.ca/stained-glass-guild>.

Advent Hymn Festival

To begin the Advent season, the Diocesan Choir is pleased to announce an Advent Hymn Festival at St. Joseph Parish, 260 Herkimer Street, Hamilton, on **Sunday, December 1 at 7 p.m.** Registration is not required, and there is no charge however, a goodwill offering will go to St. Joseph's Parish Neighbours in Need Program. Please see the Upcoming events on the Diocese of Hamilton web page.

Gospel Reflection: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



In today's Gospel, Jesus continues his teaching by offering his disciples signs to look for that will indicate that the coming of the Son of Man is near. His words and images draw upon Old Testament imagery, especially images found in the Book of Daniel. Next, Jesus offers the lesson of the fig tree, a parable that

teaches that if one knows how to read the signs, one can be prepared for the end times. Jesus also teaches, however, that no one knows when the end time will come, except the Father. In the verses that follow this reading, Jesus continues to warn his disciples to be on watch for this end time.

Jesus' words are not spoken to frighten his disciples, nor should they frighten us. Rather, they are offered to prepare us for the changes we will experience during our lifetimes and at the end times. Our consolation and hope are found in the lasting nature of Jesus' words and God's never-ending love for us.

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