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

### PRIESTS

Pastor Fr. Melvin Pinto, Ocd pastor@staloysius.on.ca

Associate Pastor Fr. Sunil D'Souza, Ocd associate@staloysius.on.ca

### PARISH STAFF

Business and Office Administrator Bridget Andrews bridget@staloysius.on.ca

Parish Pantry ...... 519-893-1220

Catholic Women's League: Catherine Bennett

**Children's Liturgy:** Kim Ansty

Legion of Mary: Ruth Ann Gmach

**St. Aloysius Parish Pantry:** Kate McDougall

Cursillo Information: Dan Brown

### **Elementary Schools:**

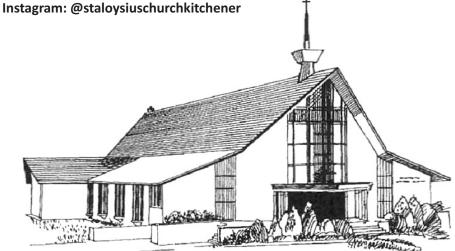
St. Aloysius	519-893-5830
St. Kateri	519-895-1716
St. Timothy	519-748-1874

### **Secondary School:**

St. Mary's ..... 519-745-6891

# St. Aloysius Catholic Church

### 11 Traynor Avenue, Kitchener, Ontario N2C 1W1



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.

### FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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### <u>Apr 22 – Apr 28, 2024</u>

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<u>Monday</u> 8:30 am	<i>(ferial)</i> + Steven Thibodeau
<u>Tuesday</u> 7:00 pm	<i>(ferial)</i> + Yvonne Currie - Int. of Ryan and Jordanna Grzesiak
<u>Wednesday</u> 8:30 am	(ferial)
<u>Thursday</u> 8:30 am	(Feast – St. Mark, Evangelist) + Cecil Donnelly
<u>Friday</u> 8:30 am	(ferial)
<u>Saturday</u> 8:30 am	<i>(ferial)</i> + Wendy Wilkinson
Sunday	The Fifth Sunday of Easter
Sat 5pm	+ All Souls in Purgatory
Sun 9am	+ Steven Thibodeau
Sun 11am	+ David Cosentino
Children's Liturgy	y during 11am Mass
<u>Sun 7pm</u>	- Int. of our Parishioners

#### Monday

Schedule Stevents Apr 22 - Apr 28, 2024

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Food Pantry Open7-8 pm
<u>Tuesday</u>
• 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
CWL General Meeting following 7pm Mass
<u>Wednesday</u>
Briarfield Mass/Communion Service 10:00 am
• St. Timothy/Public Schools First Communion rehearsal 6:00 pm
<u>Thursday</u>
Doon Village Mass/Communion Service 10:00 am
<u>Friday</u>
• Parish Potluck Dinner 6:00 pm
<u>Saturday</u>
• St. Timothy/Public Schools First Holy Communion 10:30 am
Confessions
<u>Sunday</u>
Children's Liturgyduring 11am Mass

### **OFFERTORY REPORT**

Sunday Envelope Collection	\$1689.00	
Sunday Loose Collection	\$1232.00	
Total Offertory for April 14, 2024	\$2921.00	
Pre-Authorized Giving (weekly amount)	\$842.30	
Thank you for your ongoing financial support!		



### News from the CWL

Their next general meeting will be on Tuesday April 23 following the 7pm mass. At this meeting they will have a prayer service to honour Our Lady of Good Counsel, they will

vote for Diocesan Executive, and have a short presentation on the environment. Come join them and bring a friend.

Mark your calendars! All CWL members and friends are invited to a mass at the Carmel of St. Joseph in St. Agatha on May 29th. The group will carpool from St. Aloysius at 5:15pm.



### St. Aloysius Potluck – Friday April 26

Join us for our potluck dinner on Friday April 26 in our Parish Hall. Doors will open at 5:30pm and the dinner will start at 6pm. Sign up in the Church foyer. When signing up,

please list the dish you will bring to the potluck and your number of guests. We hope to see you for an evening of food and fellowship.



### 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 25<sup>th</sup> 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 staloysius.on.ca. Tickets are also available through the parish office during business hours, while supplies last.

### Confirmation and First Communion Information

Congratulations to all our Conformandi! 49 young people were Confirmed on Wed Apr 10 at St. Aloysius Parish by His Excellency, Bishop Crosby. This weekend, 52 students from St. Aloysius and St. Kateri Schools are receiving the Sacrament of First Holy Communion at St. Aloysius Church. Students from St. Timothy school will be receiving the Sacrament of First Holy Communion next weekend. Thank you to our parish schools and families who have helped these young people to prepare for their Sacraments this year.

**Bulletin Advertising** - Liturgical Publications is setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in June 2024 and supports the bulletin service. Please consider advertising your product or service. For more information, call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

<u>Kitchener Knights of Columbus Spring Clean-up</u> - Their Annual Spring Clean-up is set to go on Sat May 4 from 8:30am to 1pm. Bring your discarded electronics and scrap metal to the St. Anthony Daniel Church parking lot at Ottawa and Franklin streets. They will collect old electronics, televisions, computers, laptops, cellphones and scrap metal. Donations to the Waterloo Region Food Bank are welcomed. For info contact Dave at 519-575-3614 <u>hudderconnie3@gmail.com</u> or Reinhart at 519-570-3469 <u>rkschreiter@hotmail.com</u>.

**Clothing Drive Fundraiser** St. Aloysius School is running a clothing drive fundraiser. Please bring your used clothing, bags, shoes, bedding, pillows, luggage, or anything made from fabric to the school on Saturday May 11 from 9am to 12noon. Drop off will be in the side/back parking lot off Connaught Street by the school's garbage and recycle bins (not in the Church parking lot). All items made of fabric are welcome, even those with holes or stains!

**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 and to purchase tickets call Patrycja at 519-886-0342 or by email at lourdeswaterloochurch@gmail.com.

**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 (registration required). To sign up, or for more information, visit torontomarchforlife.ca.

**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 <u>serrahamilton1965@gmail.com</u>. 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 paddym@golden.net



**350<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Pilgrimage to Quebec** - This year marks the 350<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of the Catholic Church in Canada, with the establishment of the Archdiocese of Quebec. To mark this occasion, a Diocesan

pilgrimage will take place from Jul 13-Jul 17, 2024. The pilgrimage will include guided tours exploring Quebec's religious heritage, led by Monsignor Murray Kroetsch, Vicar General and Chancellor of the Diocese of Hamilton. Register by April 30. For details, contact Matthew Trafford at the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis; at 905-528-7988 or <u>catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com</u>.

The Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass - Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary this year? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sun May 26 at 1:30pm at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only). Registration is available online at hamiltondiocese.com.

**Diocesan Choir** - The Diocesan Choir leads and supports the assembly's song at major Diocesan liturgies such as the Chrism Mass and Ordinations and is looking for new members. For more information, contact Sharon Fazari, Choir Director, at <u>sfazari@hamiltondiocese.com</u>.

<u>Vocation Seeds</u> – Today, April 21 is World Day of Prayer for Vocations. The Church needs good leaders, ones who will unselfishly care for the needs of God's people and minister to them. If you feel God is calling you to priesthood, religious life or deaconate, call Fr. Mark Morley, Hamilton Diocese Vocations Director; 905-528-7988. email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com



Gospel Reflection Apr 13/14, 2024 Fourth Sunday of Easter - In today's Gospel reading we hear Jesus referring to himself as "the good shepherd." His sheep know him, trust him, listen to him and follow him; having faith that

no harm will come to them as long as they stay close to him. We reaffirmed our faith in Christ when we renewed our baptismal promises at Easter. As stewards of our relationship with Jesus Christ, are we, like the sheep, willing to listen to Jesus, trust him, follow him no matter the cost to our comfort

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