

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

St. Aloysius Gonzaga

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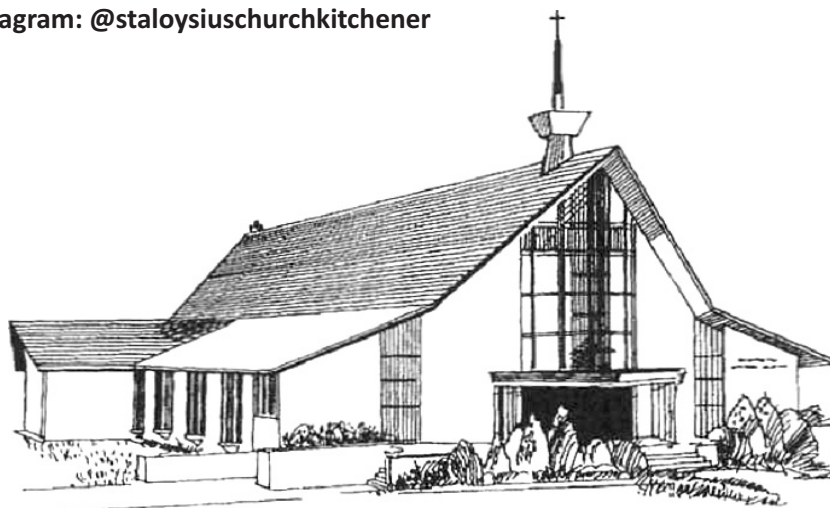
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OFFICE HOURS:

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

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

BAPTISM - Please fill out an application form and contact our parish office for more details. Application forms can be found online or in our front foyer.

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 ADVENT



MASS
INTENTIONS

Dec 20 – Dec 26, 2021

We are happy to see you! We now have more space to welcome you at our public Masses! Physically distant seating and our Covid-19 health and safety regulations remain in place. **Our Parish Office is open by appointment only.** Please contact us in advance by phone or email to arrange an appointment during office hours.



hours.

The Obligation to attend Sunday Mass is suspended until further notice. If you choose to return to Mass at this time, please read these important guidelines;

- All Masses are first come first served
- Masks must be worn at church
- Physical distancing measures are in place.
- Doors Open 30 minutes prior to Mass
- Please arrive at the main door of St. Aloysius at least 15 minutes before Mass time.
- Follow the direction of Ushers who will seat you at available designated seats.

Thank you for continuing to follow our Covid-19 safety measures to help keep everyone safe and healthy.

Monday (ferial)

8:30 am + Violet Altman - Family

Tuesday (ferial)

7:00 pm + Mirjana Vuckovich – Barry, Lydia and Tina

Wednesday (ferial)

8:30 am - Int. of Arminda Pacheco – Lee Ann Paiva

Thursday (ferial)

8:30 am + Nicolino Pacheco – A. Pacheco



Friday Dec 24 - *The Nativity of the Lord - Christmas*

4:00 pm – Int. of the Children and Youth of our Parish

6:00 pm – Int. of All Priests and Consecrated Persons

10:00 pm – Int. of the Parishioners of St. Aloysius

Sat Dec 25 - *The Nativity of the Lord – Christmas Day*

Saturday 8:00 am – Memorial Mass

Saturday 10:00 am – Memorial Mass

Saturday 12:00 pm – Memorial Mass

Sun Dec 26 – Feast - *The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph*

Sunday 9:00 am +Doris D'Silva – Puren/D'Silva Families

Sunday 11:00 am +Ramon Aguto – Lerma and Family

Sunday 7:00 pm - Int. of the Parishioners of St. Aloysius

Parish News

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE—FRI DEC 24th: 4pm, 6pm, 10pm

CHRISTMAS DAY—SAT DEC 25: 8am, 10am, 12pm
(no Saturday evening Mass)

SUN DEC 26—Feast of the Holy Family: 9am, 11am, 7pm

DEC 31/JAN 1—Feast of Mary, Mother of God:
FRI DEC 31 at 5pm and SAT JAN 1 at 9am, 11am
(no Saturday evening Mass)

SUN JAN 2: 9am, 11am and 7pm

Seating is first come first served
Doors open 30 mins prior to Mass
Masks must be worn



2022 First Communion and Confirmation Sacraments at St. Aloysius

Online Registration is set to begin in early 2022 for our Spring Sacraments.

Registration will take place through our Parish website. Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation is currently happening in our Catholic School System for children in Grades 2 and 7. If your child is not attending a Catholic School and you would like them to receive a Sacrament at St. Aloysius, please contact our Parish office as soon as possible for more information.

Christmas Office Hours:

*Please note, we are not open to walk-in traffic
Call or email our office to book an appointment time*

Mon Dec 20: Closed

Tue Dec 21-Thur Dec 23: 9am-12 and 1-4:30pm

Fri Dec 24: Closed

Mon Dec 27: Closed

Tues Dec 28: Closed

Wed Dec 29-Thurs Dec 30: 9am-12 and 1-4:30pm

Fri Dec 31: 9am-Noon

Mon Jan 3, 2022: Closed



Information regarding 2021 Income Tax Receipts for Church Offerings:

Please note, you must have 2021 offerings to the church **no later**

than end of day; Wed Dec 29 if you wish it to be reflected in your 2021 Income Tax Receipt. Donations that come after that date, including those made on December 31st, will be put towards your 2022 tax receipt.

NEWS FROM THE ST. ALOYSIUS FOOD PANTRY:

The group is pleased to announce that even though we will not be distributing Christmas Hampers this year due to Covid-19 Health Regulations, the toys received will be donated to the Knights of Columbus and food donations will go to the Food Bank of Waterloo Region. We wish to thank our parishioners and schools for the donations received and we wish all a very blessed Christmas.



DIocese of HAMILTON

THE 2021 – 2023 SYNOD OF BISHOPS brings an invitation from Pope Francis to embark on a journey together. How can you get involved? Offer your thoughts on how we can deepen our communion in the Lord and how all

members of the Church can participate more fully in its mission. Visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/synod/#about>

Merry Christmas

FROM THE STAFF OF
ST. ALOYSIUS PARISH

Father Melvin
Bridget
Mauricio

Prayer for Fourth Sunday of Advent

Jesus, Infant of hope, make our souls leap at the sound of your name.

Draw us into the hope of your coming among us.

Help us to see you in the midst of the burdens we carry, that we might trust in the promise of your life.

Amen



prayer taken from cccb.ca

Gospel Reflection: Fourth Sunday of Advent Weekend of December 18/19, 2021.



As we draw close to the great Feast of the Nativity, we hear the bold stewardship proclamation twice in today's second reading from the Letter to the Hebrews: "Behold, I come to do your will, O God!" Who is

this Jesus? Who are we that A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT we should follow him? Many want him as a friend, a guide, a king, an advocate. We long to see the face of God. Jesus reveals the nature of God, the servant sent to give us new life in Him. Take time to ponder: Do we have the courage to follow Jesus? To show others the face of God? To say to the Lord: "Behold, I come to do your will?"

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