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St. Aloysius Gonzaga

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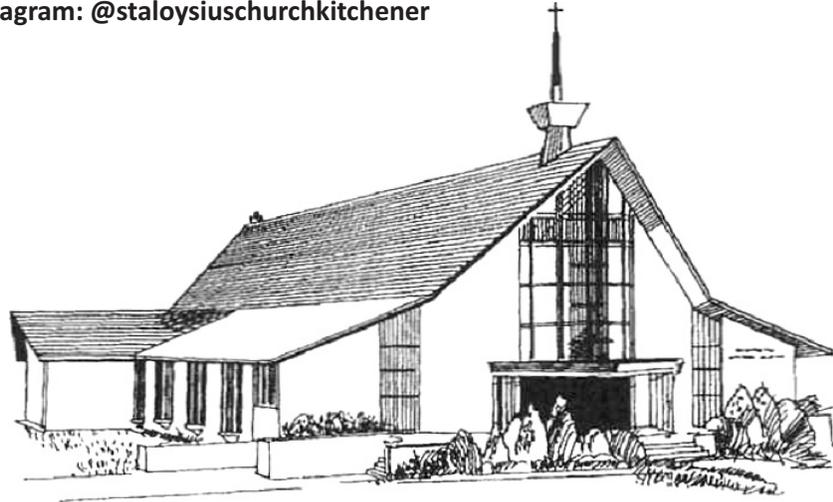
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OFFICE HOURS:

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



Dec 19 - Dec 25, 2022

Monday (*ferial*)

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

7:00 pm **Novena Mass**

Tuesday (*ferial*)

7:00 pm **Novena Mass**

Wednesday (*ferial*)

8:30 am + Violet Altman

7:00 pm **Novena Mass**

Thursday (*ferial*)

8:30 am - Int. of Veronica Baccus
- Conversion of Sinners

7:00 pm **Novena Mass**

Friday (*ferial*)

8:30 am + Nicolino Pacheco

7:00 pm **Novena Mass**

There will be no morning Mass on Sat Dec 24 at 8:30am

The Nativity of the Lord – Christmas Eve

Saturday December 24

5:00 pm - Int. of the Children and Youth of our Parish
Mass with Children's Nativity Pageant

8:00 pm - Int. of St. Aloysius Parishioners

10:00 pm - Int. of all Priests and Consecrated Persons

The Nativity of the Lord – Christmas Day

Sunday December 25

12:00 am – Midnight Mass

9:00 am – Memorial Mass

11:00 am – Memorial Mass

Parish News



Dec 19 – Dec 25, 2022

Monday

• Children's Nativity Play Practice in Hall..... 6:00 pm

Tuesday

• St. Aloysius School – Christmas Mass..... 9:30 am
• Trinity Village – Mass/Communion Service..... 10:30 am
• Confessions, Adoration and Mass..... 6:00 pm

Wednesday

• Bible Study group.....10:00 am
• Communion Service/Mass at Briarfield Gardens.....10:00 am
• St. Kateri School Christmas Mass 1:00 pm
• Children's Nativity Play Practice in Hall..... 6:00 pm

Thursday

• St. Timothy School – Christmas Mass 10:00 am

Friday

• Children's Nativity Play Practice..... 6:00 pm

Saturday

• Children's Nativity Dress Rehearsal in Church 9:30 am
• Christmas Mass at Trinity Village 10:00 am

OFFERTORY REPORT

Envelope contributions.....	\$3065.00
Loose.....	\$370.00
Offertory Collection Dec 11-2022.....	\$3435.00
Pre-Authorized Giving (weekly amount).....	\$830.31
Thank you for your ongoing financial support!	

Dec 15-23 – Simbang Gabi (9-day Novena) at St. Aloysius Church. **Join us for evening Masses beginning Thurs Dec 15 at 7pm.** The novena prayers will also be prayed during the morning Masses.

The Children's Liturgy Nativity Play practices will be taking place on the following dates:

Mon Dec 19 – 6pm in the Church Hall

Wed Dec 21 – 6pm in the Church Hall

Fri Dec 23 – 6pm in the Church Hall

In Thanksgiving to God for all that has happened in 2022, we will be having **Adoration in our Church on December 31 from 11pm-Midnight.**

Sat Dec 24 – 9:30am Dress Rehearsal in Church



If you have lost a loved one and would like them to be remembered during our Christmas Day Masses, consider making a Christmas Flower Memorial Donation. Please take an envelope in our lobby and

bring it back next week with your donation to help with the cost of our Christmas Flowers. Remember to include a paper with the names in whose memory the donations are made.



News from the St Aloysius CWL:

One Free Membership: The CWL will be drawing for a FREE Membership for existing and new members. To be eligible, you must have your 2023 Membership Fee of \$36.00 received before

Feb 20, 2023. They encourage all women ages 16 and over to consider joining the league. All fees for 2023 must be in by Dec 31, 2022. For questions, please call Lorraine at 226-220-6948, by email; mlorrainejack@gmail.com. **Please note, there will be no December General meeting.**

The CWL is proud to support the Waterloo Region Community Foundation's 'ToastyToes' fundraiser. The campaign raises money for people experiencing homelessness. The money is shared with local organizations who buy the new socks. Monetary donations can be made online through the ToastyToes fundraising page here; <https://www.wrcf.ca/toastytoes>. The ToastyToes campaign began in 2013, and has raised over \$117,000 since then.

INFORMATION REGARDING 2022 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS FOR CHURCH OFFERINGS:

Please note that you must have 2022 Offerings to the church no later than end of day **December 28, 2022** if you wish it to be reflected in the 2022 Tax Receipt. **Donations that come after this date including those made on December 31 will be put towards your 2023 Tax Receipt.**

EVENINGS WITH HIS EXCELLENCY – Auxiliary Bishop Wayne Lobsinger invites everyone to join him for “Evenings with His Excellency.” An opportunity to learn more about our Catholic Faith based on the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Class is the second Friday of each month from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. at St. Ann’s Parish in Ancaster. It is also available on St. Ann’s YouTube channel. No cost, no homework, just an opportunity to learn about our faith. All are welcome. For more details, visit; <http://hamiltondiocese.com>

RESTART: Refresh, Renew Revive – A gathering for separated and divorced individuals offering learning, support and fun! These get-togethers support people on their journey through the divorce/separation process and beyond. **Held the 2nd & 3rd Fri of each month.** Join in-person (700 King St. West, Hamilton), or by ZOOM. No registration required. For ZOOM link email familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com.

COME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS: - Any time is a good time to invite family, friends, and neighbours to attend Mass. Especially so during the beautiful Christmas season. What better gift can we give a loved one who is away from the Church than a warm invitation to *Come Home for Christmas*? Whether they have been away for a short time or a long time, we want all Catholics to know that they are warmly welcomed back to our Parish community. Please consider extending this invitation to loved ones, neighbours, and colleagues – for more information, visit <http://hamiltondiocese.com>

Gospel Reflection: 4th Sun of Advent Dec 17/18, 2022 In today’s Gospel we hear of the coming of Emmanuel, which means “God is with us.” We celebrate three Advents: the birth of Christ, his Second Coming, and his presence in the world today. Our daily lives are attended by God’s presence. Indeed, “God is with us.” The Good News of Christ’s Incarnation is that we are the sign, the “sacrament,” of Christ’s presence in the world. People are supposed to see us, see how we love one another, see how we treat the stranger among us, see how we give comfort to the poor and afflicted, and share the Good News with joy. They see how good stewards are the light of Christ. And there can be no possible response except to say: “God is here!”
From ICSC December E-Bulletin

St. Aloysius Church
Christmas Mass Times:

CHRISTMAS EVE—
SAT DEC 24th: 5pm, 8pm,
10pm, Midnight

CHRISTMAS DAY—
SUN DEC 25: 9am, 11am
(no Sunday eve Mass)

SAT DEC 31 at 5pm
SUN JAN 1 at 9am, 11am
(no Sunday eve Mass)

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

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