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

St. Aloysius Gonzaga

#### **PRIESTS**

#### **Pastor**

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#### Children's Liturgy:

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#### **Legion of Mary:**

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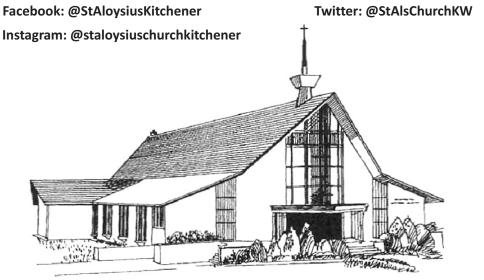
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#### **OFFICE HOURS:**

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 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.

<u>FUNERALS</u> - 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.

<u>PARISH RECORDS AND REGISTRATION</u> - 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.

<u>PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK</u> - 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.

<u>PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE</u> - If you feel called to the Priesthood or religious life, please speak with one of our Priests for more information.

#### MASS INTENTIONS

Jan 22 - Jan 28, 2024

Monday (ferial)

8:30 am - In Thanksgiving to St. Anthony of Padua

Tuesday (ferial)

7:00 pm - Int. of Michael Gonzalez

+ Leslie Stumpf

**Wednesday** (Memorial – St. Francis De Sales, Bishop, Doctor)

8:30 am + Mae Cowie

**Thursday** (Feast – The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle)

8:30 am + Eric D'Silva

Friday (Memorial – St. Timothy and St. Titus)
8:30 am + Antonio and Conceicao Monte

Saturday (ferial)

**8:30 am** + All Souls in Purgatory

#### **Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

<u>Sat</u> 5:00 pm - Int. of our Parishioners

Sun 9:00 am + John McCotter

+ Elijah Pura

**Sun 11:00 am** + Alexandra Giovenco

- Int. of Michael Gonzalez

Children's Liturgy in our Parish Hall during 11:00 am Mass

Sun 7:00 pm + Eugene Woods

## Schedule Fevents

<u>Jan 22 – Jan 28, 2024</u>

#### Monday

<u>Monday</u>		
• Food Pantry7-8:00 pm		
<u>Tuesday</u>		
• Trinity Village Mass/Communion Service 10:30 am		
• Stained Glass Guild		
• Confessions, Adoration and Mass 6:00 pm		
Prayer Group following Mass		
<u>Wednesday</u>		
• Briarfield Mass/Communion Service 10:00 am		
<u>Thursday</u>		
• Doon Village Mass/Communion Service 10:00 am		
<u>Friday</u>		
• Potluck Dinner 6:00 pm		
Saturday		
• Confessions		
Sunday		
Children's Liturgyduring 11:00 am Mass		

#### **OFFERTORY REPORT**

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١	Sunday Envelope Collection	\$1391.00
١	Sunday Loose Collection	\$892.00
١	Total Offertory for January 14, 2024	\$2283.00
١	Pre-Authorized Giving (weekly amount)	\$835.62

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#### **Pre-Authorized Giving**

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#### St. Aloysius Potluck – Friday January 26 -

You are invited to a potluck dinner on Friday January 26 in our Parish Hall. Doors will open at 5:30pm and the dinner will start at 6pm. Sign up in the Church foyer. Please note the dish you will bring to the

potluck and your number of guests. We hope you will join us for an evening of food and fellowship.

#### **News from St. Aloysius CWL**



**70**<sup>th</sup> **Anniversary** - The Catholic Women's League will be celebrating their 70th Anniversary on Sunday, February 18, 2024. Bishop Wayne Lobsinger will be the presider of the 11:00am Mass to honour this special

occasion. More details to follow.

Free Membership Draw – The CWL will be drawing a name to win one free 2024 membership at their General meeting on February 20, 2024. All paid 2024 members will be eligible. If you haven't paid your 2024 membership dues yet, please do so before the draw date.

Want to know more about the Catholic Women's League? Visit; <a href="https://catholicwomenunite.ca/">https://catholicwomenunite.ca/</a>. For questions, email; <a href="mailto:StAloysiusCWL@gmail.com">StAloysiusCWL@gmail.com</a>.



# 16 Day Pilgrimage with Father Melvin Pinto this September!

This Fall, join Father Melvin on a Pilgrimage of a lifetime to Italy, France, Spain and Portugal. International Heritage Tours has

arranged a fascinating 16 day itinerary, beginning September 16, 2024. Highlights include a visit to Rome with a possible audience with the Holy Father, a visit to the Shrine of Padre Pio, and an excursion to Assisi and full days in Lourdes and Fatima. For more information on the cost and how to book this amazing pilgrimage, pick up a brochure in our church lobby or visit our parish website.



Bible Sunday – January 21, 2024 The Third Sunday of Ordinary Time marks the celebration of Bible Sunday in the Diocese of Hamilton. At the

conclusion of the Year of Mercy, Pope Francis encouraged every Christian community to choose one Sunday a year to renew its efforts to make the Sacred Scriptures better known. The celebration of Bible Sunday is a call to listen to how the Bible speaks in our hearts. For more information, visit; https://hamiltondiocese.com/thebiblespeaks/.

#### Thomas Toast – Jan 26 at St. Jerome's University

The Communio Circle of the Diocese of Hamilton invites you to their annual Thomas Toast event on January 26th at 7:00pm at St. Jerome's University, 290 Westmount Road in Waterloo, (in the Notre Dame Chapel). They will pray Vespers, socialize, and toast St. Thomas Aquinas. Wine and canapes provided. Freewill donations gratefully received. If arriving by vehicle, park for free in Lot B. For more information visit: communiohamiltondiocese.org, or contact Father Mark Morley; <a href="mailto:mmorley@communiohamiltondiocese.org">mmorley@communiohamiltondiocese.org</a>.

#### **Prayer Vigil**

KW Right to Life will be hosting a Prayer Vigil on Sunday January 28 at 6pm in front of Kitchener City Hall. They invite everyone to come out for an hour to pray for the protection of pre-born life. For more information call 519-746-LIFE.

St. Agnes Education Café presents: "Difficult People, Dysfunctional Families & Broken Relationships: Loving & Forgiving Our Way to Healing". January 28, 2024 at 2pm at St. Agnes Parish in Waterloo. Join Father Michael King for a 45 minute talk and a question and answer period about help for broken relationships. The event is free.

#### ALPHA 2024 at St. Mark's Parish, Kitchener

Join them Thursday evenings, February 22 to May 2 at St. Mark's Parish Hall at 55 Driftwood Drive. Alpha is an 11-week program that brings adults together for conversations about life, faith and Jesus. Plan to join them, all are welcome! To learn more, contact Denise Case at stmarkalpha@gmail.com.

Adult Faith Formation Through VLCFF - The Diocese of Hamilton is proud to partner with Dayton University's Virtual Learning Community for Adult Faith Formation to offer certificate programs for ministry and enrichment. For more information visit; www.hamiltondioceselearns.com.

# CATHOLIC QUIZ CORNER

A Catholic Bible contains 73 books, whereas a Protestant Bible contains only 66 books. These seven (7) books that were accepted into the Catholic Bible are called the 'Deutero-canon'. Protestants rejected them and call them, the 'Apocrypha'. These 'deutero-canonical' books were included in the Septuagint (the Greek translation of the Old Testament from the 3rd century B.C.)

Question: What is one reason why these 7 books are included in Catholic Bibles?

- a) St. Jerome who first translated the Bible into the Latin Vulgate included them
- b) They were included in the Septuagint (Greek Old Testament for Hellenist Jews) which was the Hebrew Scriptures used by the apostles and Church fathers and quoted by Jesus.
- c) Because Martin Luther rejected them and Catholics tried to show he was wrong.
- d) The Council of Trent (1546) declared infallibly what books made up the Canon of Scripture (and it included these "7 disputed books").

 b) (Of the approx. 300 times the New Testament quotes the Old Testament, about 2/ came from the Septuagint version – if Jesus and the apostles used this version, it should be good



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