

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

St. Aloysius Gonzaga

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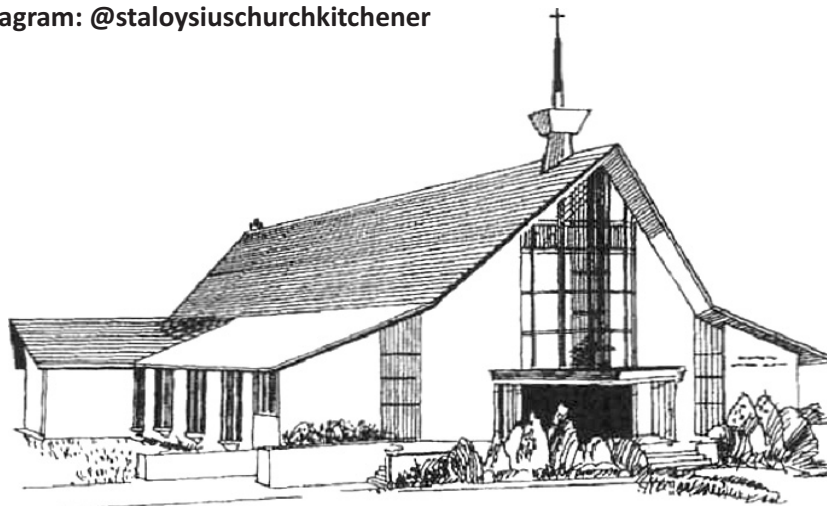
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OFFICE HOURS:

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.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



MASS
INTENTIONS

Jan 24 – Jan 30, 2022

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

8:30 am + Lucy De Amorim – Mom and Dad

Tuesday (Feast – The Conversion of St. Paul The Apostle)

7:00 pm - Int. of Abir and Family – Rosa Paiva

Wednesday (Memorial – St. Timothy & St. Titus, Bishops)

8:30 am + Eric D'Silva – Puren/D'Silva Families

Thursday (Ferial)

8:30 am + Virginia Delaney – Helen Delaney

Friday (Memorial – St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Doctor)

8:30 am + Fatima Vitorino – Puren/D'Silva Families

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 5:00 pm - Int. of Parishioners of St. Aloysius

Sun 9:00 am + Desmond Hemming – Frank and Theresia Burgund

Sun 11:00 am - Int. of Maria Costa – Lee Ann Paiva

Sun 7:00 pm + Maria Fatima and Manuel Vitorino - Family

Parish News



Our weekday and weekend public masses are continuing at St. Aloysius with reduced capacity. Physically distant seating and our Covid-19 health and safety regulations remain in place.

Due to the latest regulations announced by the Provincial Government, our office is currently closed to the public and we are working remotely. Please email our Parish email address at info@staloyusius.on.ca or call 519-893-1220 as we are monitoring phone calls during our office closure. Thank you for your kindness and understanding as we work together to help keep everyone safe and healthy!

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.

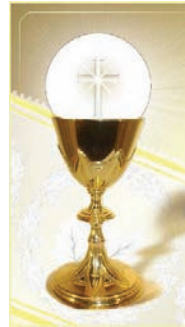
Thank you for continuing to follow our Covid-19 safety measures to help keep everyone safe and healthy.



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 legislative Assembly of Ontario, and whose offices are in Hamilton, ON for the benefit of St. Aloysius Parish, Kitchener; the sum of \$__dollars, or a ___ percentage of the Estate, or the total of the residue of the Estate.



2022 First Communion and Confirmation Sacraments

Registration for 2022 Sacraments is now open through our Parish Website. Please register by February 15, 2022. 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.



Sunday January 23 is Bible Sunday - The Diocese of Hamilton celebrates Bible Sunday on January 23, 2022.

Bishop Crosby has chosen the third Sunday of Ordinary Time each year as our day to emphasize how The Bible Speaks and how we listen. You are encouraged to visit the Diocesan webpage dedicated to Bible Sunday 2022. There you will find resources for adults, youth, and children to help foster a relationship with God's living Word: www.hamiltondiocese.com/thebiblespeaks.



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DIOCESE OF HAMILTON ADDITIONAL COVID-19 SAFETY PROTOCOLS IN OUR CHURCHES:

Given the high transmissibility of the Omicron variant, and the need to isolate if one is infected, Pastors have been advised that if they or an

Associate test positive for COVID-19, are in contact with someone who is Covid-19 positive, and are required to isolate, they are to inform parishioners through the Parish Website and by notices published on doors of the Parish Office and Church that the Parish is closed for the isolation time and will remain closed until a negative

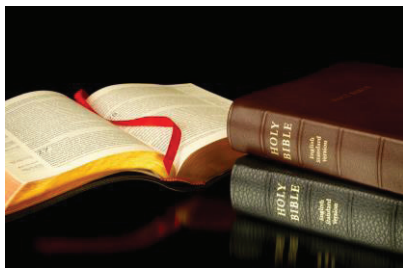
result is received. Parishioners are reminded that masks are required for church goers and physical distancing must continue to be maintained. Following the constant recommendation of medical officers of health, Covid-19 vaccines and booster shots are strongly encouraged!



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The **Reel Justice Film Festival** is back! They are excited to offer another year of engaging films, which spotlight issues of social, political, and economic injustice. **Join them January 27, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. for “There’s Something in the Water”**. The film documents environmental racism in Nova Scotia, revealing a portrait of ecological and social disaster, where rural areas are plagued by toxic fallout from industrial development and your postal code determines your health. The **Reel Justice Film Festival** is a partnership between Development & Peace and the Diocese of Hamilton’s Bishop Farrell Library & Archives. Visit them online at <https://reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/> to view their 2022 schedule.

ReStart – Starting over after separation or divorce with support, care, and tools for your journey. They invite you to check out the Diocesan website at: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/divorce-separation.php> to see the programs they offer and to find out dates of the new programs in early 2022. If you have questions, call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.



Gospel Reflection: Sunday January 23

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Gospel reading combines two

separate passages taken from the Gospel of Luke. First we hear the opening verses where Luke establishes the purpose of his Gospel. His style is typical of polished Greek and Roman literature. In this passage, we learn that Luke may have written to a specific person, Theophilus; but the word Theophilus may also be a general reference, functioning as the phrase “Dear Reader” might in contemporary writing. In Greek, the word Theophilus translates as “lover of God.”

Today's Gospel reading then skips several chapters in which one would find the Infancy Narratives, Jesus' baptism by John, the temptations Jesus faced in the desert, and the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. In chapter four of Luke's Gospel, we hear that Jesus is in his hometown of Nazareth, attending the synagogue on the Sabbath, which is said to be his custom. In this account, we find another important clue that Jesus lived as a faithful, observant Jew. We will continue to read from Luke's Gospel in sequence for the next two Sundays.

As Jesus stands in the synagogue, he reads from the scroll handed to him; it contains the words of the prophet Isaiah. At this early moment in his ministry, Jesus announces his mission in continuity with Israel's prophetic tradition. This reading from Isaiah defines Jesus' ministry. We will find more evidence of this as we continue to read from Luke's Gospel throughout the year. Jesus' ministry will include bringing glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives, healing to the sick, freedom to the oppressed, and proclaiming a year acceptable to the Lord.

Through this text from Isaiah, Jesus announces God's salvation. The “year acceptable to the Lord” is a reference to the Jewish tradition of Sabbath years and jubilee. The Sabbath year was observed every seventh year. It was a year of rest when land was left fallow and food stores were to be shared equally with all. A year of Jubilee was celebrated every fiftieth year, the conclusion of seven cycles of Sabbath years. It was a year of renewal in which debts were forgiven and slaves were freed.

This tradition of Jubilee is the framework for God's promise of salvation. And yet in Jesus, something new begins. Jesus not only announces God's salvation, he brings this salvation about in his person. Jesus is Yahweh's Anointed One, filled with the Spirit of God. The Kingdom of God is now at hand. It is made present in Jesus, in his life, death, and Resurrection. Jesus will send the Holy Spirit so that the Kingdom of God can be fulfilled.

The Holy Spirit is Jesus' gift to the Church. The Holy Spirit enables the Church to continue the mission of Jesus. When we do what Jesus did—bring glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives, healing to the sick, and freedom to the oppressed—we serve the Kingdom of God.

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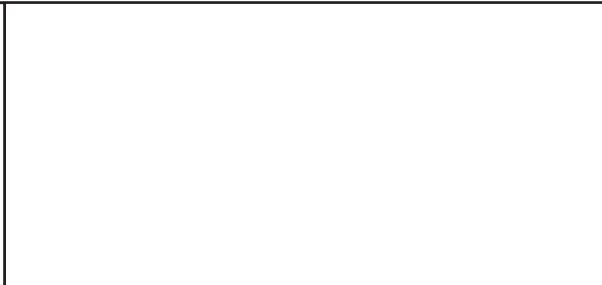
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