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

St. Aloysius Gonzaga

## **PRIESTS**

### **Pastor**

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

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Kim Ansty Lorraine Jack

## **Legion of Mary:**

Ruth Ann Gmach

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

## **Cursillo Information:**

Dan Brown

### **Elementary Schools:**

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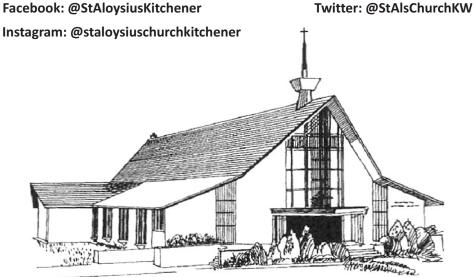
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## **OFFICE HOURS:**

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.

<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 9 - Jan 15, 2023

**Monday** (Feast – The Baptism of the Lord)

8:30 am - Int. of Fr. Melvin

- Int. of Maria Costa and Floradeliza Reyes

**Tuesday** (ferial)

7:00 pm + David Grzesiak

- Int. of Gabriela Lima

Wednesday (ferial)

8:30 am - Int. of Fatima Correia

+ Anna Gagnon

**Thursday** (Memorial, St. Marguerite Bourgeoys, Virgin)

8:30 am + Anibel Goncalves

- Int. of Lee Ann Paiva and Family

Friday (ferial)

8:30 am + Lucy DeAmorim

Saturday (ferial)

8:30 am + Mark Thibodeau

## **Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Saturday

5:00 pm + David Grzesiak

+ Norbert Rozek

Sunday

9:00 am + Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary

+ Manuel and Jorgina Pacheco

11:00 am + Rita Gregory

+ Viola McLaughlin

Children's Liturgy in Parish Hall during 11am Mass

7:00 pm - Int. of our Parishioners

## **Parish News**

## Schedule Frents

Jan 9 - Jan 15, 2023

Sunday

<u>Monday</u>
• Food Pantry Open7:00-8:00 pm
<u>Tuesday</u>
• Trinity Village Mass/Communion Service 10:30 am
Stained Glass Guild1:00 pm
Adoration, Confessions and Mass 6:00 pm
<u>Wednesday</u>
• Briarfield Gardens Mass/Communion Service 10:00 am
Bible Study Group 10:00 am
<u>Saturday</u>
Monthly Baptisms 3:00 pm
• Confessions

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

## **OFFERTORY REPORT**

Regular Envelope contributions	\$1730.00
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New Year's Day Envelopes	\$2290.00
Offertory Collection Jan 1-2023	\$7250.00
Pre-Authorized Giving (weekly amount)	\$830.31

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# **Pre-Authorized Giving**

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Online giving is also an option through CanadaHelps. You can choose to support St. Aloysius Church through a onetime or monthly gift. A charitable tax receipt for all gifts will be sent to you automatically by email through Canada Helps. Our online donation portal can be found at https://staloysius.on.ca/support-st-aloysius-parish

Thank you for your support of St. Aloysius Parish! May God bless you and your loved ones.

## 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. For questions, please call Lorraine at 226-220-6948, email; by mlorrainejack@gmail.com.

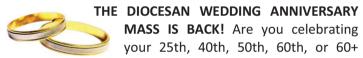


## Could God be calling You?

"On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid Him homage. Then, opening their

treasure chests, they offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh." God asks us to give our lives. What treasures have been given to you to share with others in Christ's name? If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister or consecrated virgin, contact Father Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or by email at vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

EVENINGS WITH HIS EXCELLENCY – Auxiliary Bishop Wayne Lobsinger invites everyone to join him for "Evenings with His Excellency." It's 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 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.



Wedding Anniversary in the year 2023? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, April 16, 2023 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton. Register online at <a href="https://www.hamiltondiocese.com">www.hamiltondiocese.com</a>.

"Loving our Dysfunctional Families - Part 2" with Fr. Mike King. Sunday Jan 15th from 2:00-3:15pm at St. Agnes, Waterloo. The Christmas season can bring complex feelings. When family tensions run high and relationships are fractured, how do we love and forgive despite the hurt? More information can be found on their website under "Events" at <a href="https://www.saintagnescatholicchurch.org">www.saintagnescatholicchurch.org</a>

Mastering Your Money: A Financial Wellness Presentation for the Diocese of Hamilton - Financial worries are the top source of stress for all Canadians, ranking above work concerns, health worries and relationship struggles. Join them for this special zoom session on Tues, Jan 24, 2023 from 7-8:30 pm., presented by Fred Masters, Author and President & Founder of Masters Money Management Inc. Register for this free virtual event at www.hamiltondiocese.com.



Bible Sunday - January 22, 2023

Bishop Crosby and the Diocese of Hamilton have chosen the third Sunday of Ordinary Time each

year as our day to reflect on how the Bible speaks to us. In Lectionary Year A, the Church reflects deeply on the Gospel of Matthew. To help us in our exploration through this synoptic Gospel, the Diocese is pleased to provide resources for adults and students for Bible Sunday and throughout the year. For more please visit their website at <a href="https://hamiltondiocese.com/thebiblespeaks">https://hamiltondiocese.com/thebiblespeaks</a>



The Epiphany of the Lord; Sun Jan 8, 2023 - Gospel Reflection: The visit of the Magi occurs directly before the story of the Holy Family's flight into Egypt. Matthew's Gospel tells a version

of Jesus' birth that is different than the one in Luke. Of the actual birth of Jesus, Matthew tells us little more than, "When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod . . . " The story of the census is found only in Luke's Gospel, but we hear about the visit of the Magi only in Matthew's Gospel.

We know little about the Magi. They come from the East and journey to Bethlehem, following an astrological sign, so we believe them to be astrologers. We assume that there were three Magi based upon the naming of their three gifts. The Gospel does not say how many Magi paid homage to Jesus. In Matthew's Gospel, they represent the Gentiles' search for a savior. Because the Magi represent the entire world, they also represent our search for Jesus.

We have come to consider the gifts they bring as a foreshadowing of Jesus' role in salvation. We believe the meaning of the gifts to be Christological. Gold is presented as representative of Jesus' kingship. Frankincense is a symbol of his divinity because priests burned the substance in the Temple. Myrrh, which was used to prepare the dead for burial, is offered in anticipation of Jesus' death.

The word Epiphany means "manifestation" or "showing forth." Historically several moments in Christ's early life and ministry have been celebrated as "epiphanies," including his birth in Bethlehem, the visit of the Magi, his baptism by John, and his first miracle at Cana. *Taken from Loyola Press – E-Bulletin* 



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