

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

St. Aloysius Gonzaga

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# St. Aloysius Catholic Church

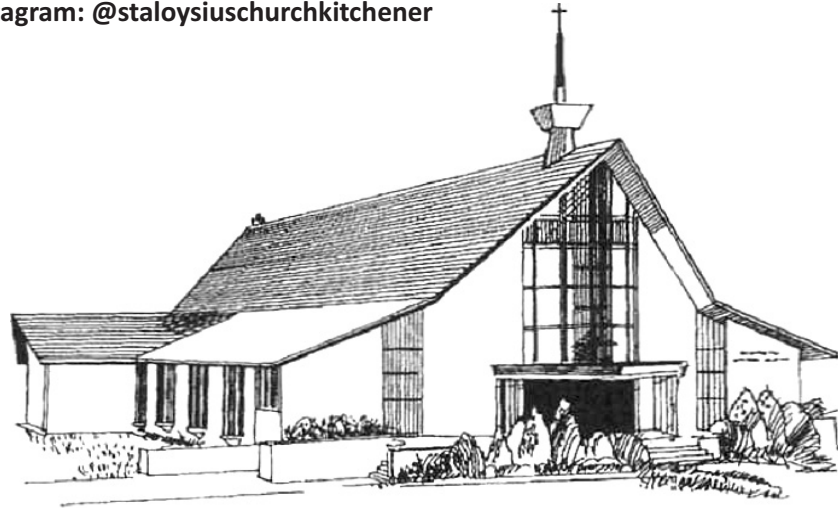
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**OFFICE HOURS:**

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.

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



MASS  
INTENTIONS

Jan 17 – Jan 23, 2022

**Monday** (Memorial – St. Anthony, Abbot)  
**8:30 am** - Conversion of Sinners – Rosa Paiva  
**Tuesday** (Ferial)  
**7:00 pm** + Will Coulter – Helen Delaney  
**Wednesday** (Ferial)  
**8:30 am** - Int. of Laura De Amorim - Eduarda  
**Thursday** (Ferial)  
**8:30 am** - Int. of Connie Fausto – Legion of Mary  
**Friday** (Memorial – St. Agnes, Virgin, Martyr)  
**8:30 am** + Antonio and Maria De Monte – Rosa Paiva

### Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Sat 5:00 pm** + David James Witzel – Kathy Witzel  
**Sun 9:00 am** + James Stuart – Ann Stuart  
**Sun 11:00 am** – Int. of Sarah and Laura - Grandparents  
**Sun 7:00 pm** + Nick Ebner Jr. – The St. Aloysius CWL

### 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](mailto: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.



DIocese of Hamilton

### **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

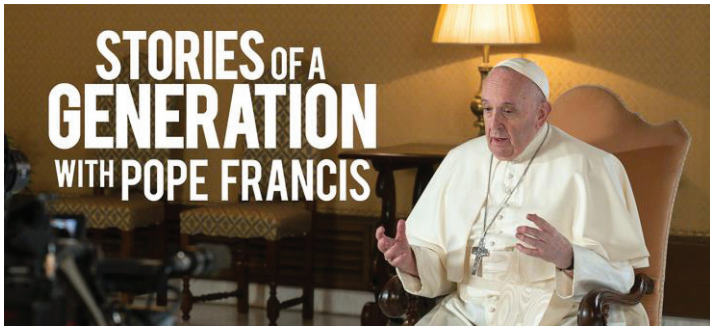
Associate test positive for COVID-19, are in contact with someone who is Covid-19 positive, and are required to isolate, they are to inform parishioners through the Parish Website and by notices published on doors of the Parish Office and Church that the Parish is closed for the isolation time and will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

# Protect each other.

## Wear a face covering.

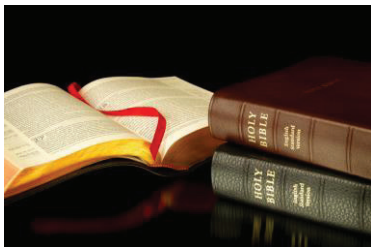
### Nose, mouth and chin must be covered.





**STORIES OF A GENERATION WITH POPE FRANCIS** is the title of a new and inspirational series on NETFLIX. The series is based on the Pope's 2018 book, *Sharing the Wisdom of Time*, published by Loyola Press. The series showcases stories from people over 70 from all over the world, including the Pope himself, as they impart their life experiences to young filmmakers. There are a few famous names among the stories, including Martin Scorsese and Jane Goodall, but most of those who are presented have never lived in the spotlight! If you subscribe to NETFLIX, it is well worth a watch!

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES** - The Diocese of Hamilton is pleased to have The University of Dayton: Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation (VLCFF) as a partner in adult faith formation. The VLCFF is a living adult faith community offering online learning opportunities to address the learning needs of adults in our Diocese. Whether taking courses for professional development in ministry or for personal nourishment, the VLCFF provides a breadth of opportunity for learning including full certificate programs, five-week online courses and three-week intensive online seminars. For more information, visit the Hamilton Diocese page at: <https://www.hamiltondioceselearns.com/> or contact the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis: (905) 528-7988 ext. 2339 or [catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com)



**Gospel Reflection:**  
**Sunday January 16**  
Second Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

This Sunday we begin the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. For many

Sundays in this lectionary cycle (Cycle C), our readings will be taken from the Gospel of Luke. Occasionally, however, we will read from John's Gospel. This is true of today's Gospel reading, which describes the beginning of Jesus' ministry and his first miracle.

To situate today's reading within the context of John's Gospel, we note that John's report of this event follows Jesus' call of his first disciples. John tells us that Jesus

and his disciples were invited to this wedding at Cana, as was Jesus' mother, Mary. There is no parallel report of this miracle at Cana in the Synoptic Gospels.

In the Church's liturgical history, the wedding feast of Cana is closely associated with the baptism of the Lord and the adoration of the infant Jesus by the Wise Men. In this context, the sign Jesus performs at the wedding feast is celebrated as an epiphany or a manifestation of Jesus' divinity.

Yet awareness of Jesus' impending passion and death is ever present in John's Gospel. Even in this report of Jesus' first sign, the language used anticipates Jesus' passion. When Jesus says to his mother that his hour has not yet come, he protests against her wishes in language that John will use again when reporting Jesus' Last Supper with his disciples. When introducing the story of Jesus washing his disciples' feet, John writes that Jesus knew that his hour had come. In John's Gospel, Jesus is very much in command and aware of all that is to happen to him.

Here, as elsewhere in John's Gospel, Mary is not mentioned by name, but is referred to instead as the mother of Jesus. Mary is influential in Jesus' first sign. She will also be present at his Crucifixion, a witness to the final manifestation of his divinity.

John's Gospel describes seven signs that indicate Jesus' identity to his disciples. John never speaks of these signs as miracles because their importance is not in the deed that Jesus performs but in what these deeds indicate about Jesus' identity. Here, as when John describes the other signs, the disciples are said to begin to believe, but no mention is made as to whether the other wedding guests are even aware of what has happened.

Marriage and wedding feasts are metaphors used in Scripture to describe God's salvation and the Kingdom of God. Here at the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, John's Gospel seeks to establish that Jesus is going to re-interpret and fulfill Yahweh's promise to Israel. Jesus establishes the New Covenant. A hint about what this New Covenant will be like is made evident in the deed that Jesus performs. Asked to do something to address the awkward situation that the absence of wine at a wedding feast would create, Jesus' miracle produces vast quantities of wine—six jars holding thirty gallons each are filled to overflowing with choice wine.

This lavish response to a simple human need is a vision for us of the abundance of God's kingdom. It challenges us to respond generously when confronted with human need today. We respond as best we can, fully confident that God can transform our efforts, bringing the Kingdom of God to fulfillment among us.

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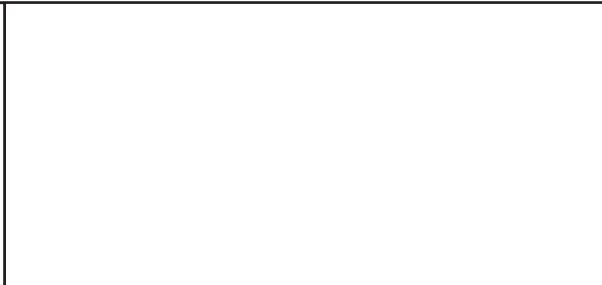
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