

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

St. Aloysius Gonzaga

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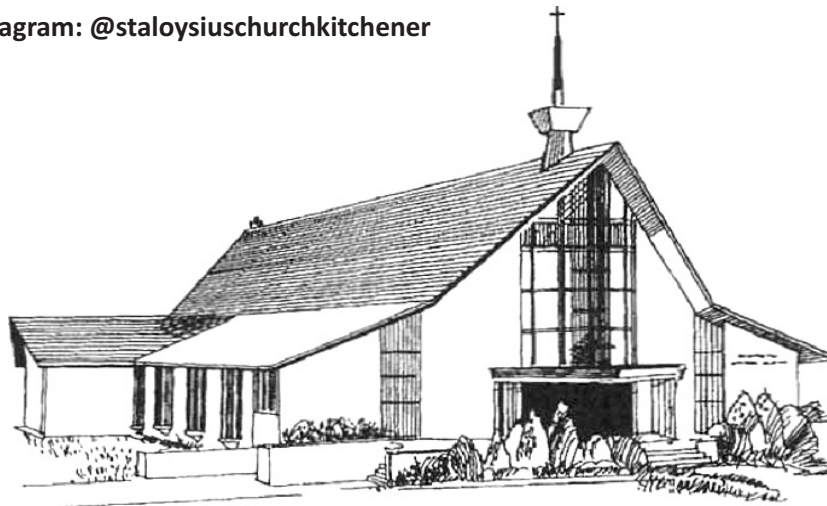
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OFFICE HOURS:

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

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.

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.

TWELFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



MASS INTENTIONS

June 26 – July 2, 2023

Monday (ferial)
8:30 am + All Souls In Purgatory

Tuesday (ferial)
7:00 pm + Pat and Shawn Orlovski

No adoration or confessions tonight due to Grad Mass

Wednesday (Memorial – St. Irenaeus, Bishop, Martyr)
8:30 am - Int. of Eduarda and Manuel Avila
+ Dianne Cousineau

Thursday (Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles)
8:30 am - Int. of Nelson Paiva and family
- Int. of Linda Vicente and family

Friday (ferial)
8:30 am + Jose Paposo
- Int. of Rosa Vieira and family

Saturday (ferial)
8:30 am + Dianne Cousineau

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday
5:00 pm + Shirley Ann Kopp
+ Ratko Vujanic

Sunday
9:00 am - Int. of our Parishioners
11:00 am + Lucy De Amorim
+ William Stankiewicz
7:00 pm + Mary Black and her deceased relatives

Schedule of Events

June 26 – July 2, 2023

Monday
• Food Pantry..... 7-8:00 pm

Tuesday
• Trinity Village Mass/Communion Service 10:30 am
• Stained Glass Guild 1:00 pm
• St. Aloysius School Grad Mass 5:30 pm

Wednesday
• Briarfield Gardens Mass/Communion Service..... 10:00 am
• St. Kateri School Grad Mass..... 6:00 pm

Saturday
• Confessions 3:45pm

Office Hours during the Summer of 2023:

The Parish Office will be closed:
July 3 – 7
August 7 – 11

Regular Summer office hours:

OPEN: Tues, Wed, Thur from 9am-12p and 1-4:30pm
CLOSED: Mon and Fri in the Summer

OFFERTORY REPORT

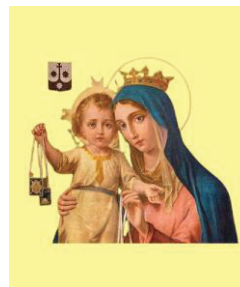
Sunday Envelope Collection.....\$1932.00
Sunday Loose Collection\$1052.00
Total Offertory for Jun 18, 2023 \$2984.00
Pre-Authorized Giving (weekly amount).....\$843.70

Thank you for your ongoing financial support!

Happy Canada Day! - July 1 is celebrated as Canada's birthday. Canadians should seek to be witnesses to Christ in Canada and the world, and to continue working to influence those in government to act from Christian perspectives and attitudes. Christians, realizing they do not have a lasting home here, should pray and work for justice and peace in Canada and throughout the world, so that God's people may share in the goods of this earth. God's kingdom will come only when all people are ready to let Christ's teaching, guide and rule their lives and actions. *Taken from the Ordo Liturgical Calendar 2022-2023 – CCCB Publications*



News from the St. Aloysius CWL The Catholic Women's League means many things to many people. Their core values of faith, service and justice guide them as they follow Catholic teaching, provide services locally, nationally, and internationally and work to advocate for social justice. They have taken 52 words from their National Sisterhood Map and would like to share with you this week's word; **LEADERS**. The CWL has many programs and workshops that empower women in becoming confident leaders who journey together to build God's kingdom in the areas of faith, service and social justice. They invite you to walk with them! Learn more here; <https://staloyusius.on.ca/catholic-womens-league>



Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Join us for Mass **Tues July 18 at 7pm** in honour of the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel (*July 16 Feast Day*), the Patroness of the Carmelite Order. The first Carmelites lived on Mount Carmel in Israel during the late 12th and 13th Century. Our Lady of Mount Carmel is

the title given to the Blessed Virgin Mary for her role as patroness of the Carmelite Order. It is believed that St. Simon Stock, an early English Prior General of the Carmelite, had a vision of the Blessed Virgin Mary in which she gave him a brown scapular. This formed part of the Carmelite habit after 1287. In Stock's vision, Mary promised that those who died while wearing the scapular would be saved.

St. Aloysius Parking Lot Update – Our much-anticipated repaving project of the Parish parking lot is slated to begin July 3 (weather permitting). We are cancelling our weekday Masses from Mon July 3 – Fri July 7 and possibly Mon-Fri Masses the week of July 10. Our weekend Masses will go ahead as usual during those times. The money raised during the ‘One Heart One Soul’ fundraiser will be used for the parking lot resurfacing.



Volunteer Opportunity - Grand Valley Institution (GVI) is a federal prison for women in the St. Aloysius Parish neighbourhood. GVI continues to need more volunteers. They are especially in need of volunteers to drive women with temporary absence passes to mass on Sunday mornings. Other volunteer opportunities include attending or assisting at mass or communion services at the prison, and attending or leading the rosary prayers. All volunteers are screened and receive training. For info contact Chaplain Mary Ann Mooney at maryann.mooney@bridgesofcanada.com, or call the GVI Chaplaincy office at 519-895-8140.

Volunteers needed: Children in our parish benefit from the Hamilton Diocese Catechetical Program each year for ongoing religious education and preparation for the Sacraments. If you are willing to accompany these children on their learning journey, please email catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com.

Hamilton Diocesan Marian Days - These days will be celebrated from Jun-Oct at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph. The day will start with Confessions at 9am followed by Mass, a Rosary Procession and a lunch break. The Holy Hour and Marian Catechesis begins at 1pm. The day will close with Benediction at 2pm. Please bring your own lunch, coffee and tea will be available. Presiders will be **Bishop Crosby:** Sat Jul 1; **Bishop Bergie:** Sat Aug 5; **Bishop Lobsinger:** Sat Sept 2; **Cardinal Collins:** Sat Oct 7.

Free Concert July 13 - The French Boys Choir – ‘Young Singers of Lambersart’ is embarking on another Canada/USA tour and one of their stops will be on July 13th, 7:00 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament Church in Kitchener, 305 Laurentian Drive. Free admission, no reservation required, first come first served.

Frassati Leadership Program - Young people entering grade 10 in September are invited to register for the Frassati leadership program. This year long program is designed for young Catholic leaders who want to expand their Catholic leadership skills and grow in their relationship with Christ. For registration and more information please visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/youth-ministry/frassati>.

PODCAST: Essential but Disposable Labour, Migrant Workers Exploited in Canada – In collaboration with the Sisters of St. Joseph Toronto and the Collaborative Network to End Exploitation, they have created a podcast which centres the voices and experiences of Migrant Workers in Canada. In a limited number of bi-weekly episodes, they join in conversation with workers, immigration specialists and frontline advocates to understand the systems and policies that compose this labour market and how our Ministries can better serve this community. You can find the podcast on Spotify or visit the CNEE website here: <https://www.cnee.ca/podcast/>.



12th Sunday In Ordinary Time Gospel Reflection:

We read today’s Gospel in the context of last week’s Gospel in which Jesus sent the twelve disciples to proclaim the kingdom of heaven. In between last week’s reading and today’s reading, Jesus has predicted that the disciples will face difficulties in their mission. Many people will not receive them well, even within the land of Israel. Even family members will turn away from the disciples because of the disciples’ commitment to Jesus and the kingdom. Today’s Gospel offers the disciples consolation against this difficult truth.

This section of Matthew’s Gospel should be read in the context of Matthew’s intended audience, a Jewish-Christian community. The Gospel alludes to the dangers and persecutions that this community has most likely already faced and will continue to face. To reassure this community, Matthew recalls for them the encouraging words of Jesus that we read today.

In this Gospel passage, Jesus might be understood as putting suffering in perspective. The disciples of Jesus are called upon to keep their focus on God. Those who can harm the body do not have ultimate power; God does. Still persecution and suffering cannot be avoided or prevented. But Jesus reassures his disciples that God knows and cares about what happens to his children.

We might not face the same type of persecution, but we do experience difficulties as we endeavor to live a Christian life. Sometimes we let the opinions of others prevent us from doing what we know to be right. We need the reminder that what God thinks about us is more important. We are reassured by the promise that God cares for us and protects us.

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