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St. Aloysius Gonzaga

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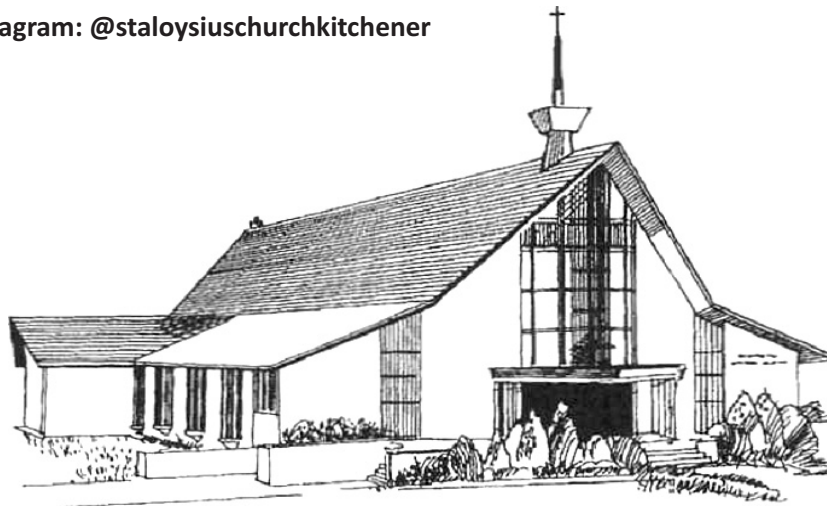
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OFFICE HOURS:

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.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



MASS INTENTIONS

Mar 27 – Apr 2, 2023

Monday (*ferial*)

8:30 am + Mary Cuong and Mary Tien
- Int. of Maria Costa

Tuesday (*ferial*)

7:00 pm - Int. of Veronica and family
+ David Grzesiak

Wednesday (*ferial*)

8:30 am + Karl and Frances Gmach

Thursday (*ferial*)

8:30 am + Mary Black and her deceased relatives
- Int. of the Callan family

Friday (*ferial*)

8:30 am + All Souls in Purgatory

7:00 pm - Conversion of Sinners

Mass followed by Stations of the Cross

Saturday (*ferial*)

8:30 am - Int. of Arminda Pacheco

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Saturday

5:00 pm + Valorie Brown
+ Oscar Navarro Sia

Sunday

9:00 am - Int. of Carlos Paiva
+ Jose Garcia

11:00 am + Maria Antonia and Manuel Leite
Children's Liturgy in Parish Hall during 11am Mass

7:00 pm - Int. of Our Parishioners

Schedule of Events

Mar 27 – Apr 2, 2023

Monday

• Food Pantry Open 7:00 pm

Tuesday

• Trinity Village Mass/Communion Service 10:30 am
• Stained Glass Guild..... 1:00 pm
• Confessions, Adoration and Mass 6:00 pm

Wednesday

• Briarfield Gardens Mass/Communion Service... 10:00 am
• Bible Study Group 10:00 am
• Lenten Confessions 7:00 pm

Friday

• Mass followed by Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm

Saturday

• Monthly Baptisms 3:00 pm
• Confessions 3:45 pm

Sunday

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

OFFERTORY REPORT

Regular Envelope contributions.....\$1636.00
Loose.....\$860.00
Offertory Collection Mar 19/23..... \$2496.00
Pre-Authorized Giving (weekly amount).....\$845.31

Thank you for your ongoing financial support!



JOIN US for an additional Mass– every Friday evening at 7pm during Lent until Fri Mar 31 followed by Stations of the Cross.

Holy Thursday April 6 at 7pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday April 7:

12pm - Celebration of the Lord's Passion (*Ideal for families*)

3pm - Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday April 8:

12pm - Blessing of the Easter Food

8pm - Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday April 9: Masses 8am, 10am & 12pm

**** (no 7pm Mass on Easter Sunday)**

Divine Mercy Sunday April 16:

1pm – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

3pm – Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet

Prepare for **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, April 16th, at 3:00pm** by picking up your novena prayer sheet available in the church foyer. The Novena will begin on Good Friday. Did you know that whoever approaches the Fount of Life on this day will be granted complete remission of sins and punishment? (Diary 300). Why would we not take advantage of this?

Lenten Confessions in Kitchener-Waterloo:

Tues Mar 28, 6pm:	Lourdes, Waterloo
Tues Mar 28, 7pm:	St. Joseph, Kitchener
Tues Mar 28, 7pm:	St. Mary's, Kitchener
Wed Mar 29, 7pm:	St. Aloysius, Kitchener
Thurs Mar 30, 7pm:	Blessed Sacrament, Kitchener
Fri Mar 31, 7pm:	St. Anthony Daniel, Kitchener
Sat Apr 1, 4pm:	St. Teresa of Avila, Kitchener
Wed Apr 5, 8am:	St. Michael's, Waterloo



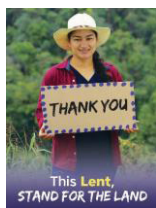
News from the St. Aloysius CWL - This week's word to describe the Catholic Women's League is **Connection**. The CWL council is parish based yet connected to Canada's largest women's organization. How connected are you? If you join the CWL, you will meet women from your region, diocese, province, and country by becoming involved in your parish Catholic Women's League Council. For more on the St. Aloysius CWL, please contact Lorraine Jack at mlorrainejack@gmail.com.

Evenings with His Excellency – Bishop Wayne Lobsinger invites everyone to join him for “Evenings with His Excellency”. Learn more about our Catholic Faith based on the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Class is the 2nd Friday of each month from 7- 8:30 p.m. at St. Ann Church, Ancaster or via St. Ann's YouTube channel. No cost, no homework, just an opportunity to learn about our faith. All are welcome.

Adult Faith Formation through VLCCF - The Diocese of Hamilton is proud to partner with Dayton University's Virtual Learning Community for Adult Faith Formation (VLCCF) to offer certificate programs for ministry and enrichment for adult faith formation. 3 and 5 week e-seminars are available at a discounted rate for all adults in the Diocese. For more information about the programs, and how to register, visit; www.hamiltondioceselearns.com.

Act II (Separated & Divorced Support Group) - 3rd Tuesday of every month following 7pm Mass at St. Michael Parish, Waterloo. Their monthly informal support group will continue to meet on the 3rd Tuesday of every month. With the support of others, you can begin to heal the emotional, social and spiritual devastation of divorce. Visit their website; www.stmichaelw.ca/separated-and-divorced, or contact their parish office for more information.

The Waterloo Knights of Columbus will be having their annual Fish Fry on Good Friday, April 7th at the Waterloo Knights of Columbus on Dearborn Place. Choose from several seatings. Please call Martin for tickets for the seated dinners at 519-884-2060. For take-out orders, call Derek at 226-748-8378. *Dinner Prices:* 1 piece with fries, roll, coleslaw \$15.00
2 piece with fries, roll, coleslaw \$20.00



MAR 26 – Share Lent Special Collection
Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's **Stand for the Land** campaign invites you to give generously and thank you warmly for your generosity. Your donation transforms the lives of some of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers across the world. **Please give this weekend through your 'Share Lent' Parish envelope or online at devp.org/give.**

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING:

Liturgical Publications will soon be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in June 2023 and supports the bulletin service. Please support our bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

Fifth Sunday in Lent, Gospel Reflection

Today's Gospel reading recounts another sign, or miracle, found in John's Gospel, the raising of Lazarus. The context for the story of the raising of Lazarus is the Jewish leaders' growing animosity toward Jesus. Jesus has been in Jerusalem, taking part in the feast of the Dedication, which we have come to know as Hanukkah. The people have been pressing him to declare plainly whether he is the Messiah. Jesus tells them to look to his works, which testify to his coming from God. Many do not believe Jesus, however, and some try to stone him for blasphemy.

Into this scene of confrontation, Mary and Martha, the sisters of Lazarus, send word to Jesus that his friend is ill. Jesus is said to love Mary, Martha, and Lazarus, but he delays his journey for two days. The delay heightens the drama and shows Jesus' obedience to God, who is to be glorified through Lazarus's resurrection. When Jesus finally declares that he will journey to Bethany, his disciples fear for his life. Thomas declares that he and the other disciples should prepare to die with Jesus.

The scene described at Bethany is a sad one. Martha meets Jesus weeping and saying that if Jesus had been there, Lazarus would not have died. Yet she remains confident that God will do whatever Jesus asks. Martha affirms her belief that there will be a resurrection of the dead in the last days. Then Martha's sister, Mary, comes to Jesus with the same confidence, saying that Jesus could have cured Lazarus. Jesus asks to be brought to Lazarus's tomb where he prays and calls Lazarus out from the tomb. At this sign, many come to believe in Jesus, but others take word of the miracle to the Jewish authorities, who begin their plans for Jesus' death.

Set against the backdrop of Jesus' impending death, many elements of the raising of Lazarus foreshadow the good news of Jesus' own Resurrection. Jesus, facing the conflict with the Jewish authorities, acts in complete obedience to God. In raising Lazarus, Jesus shows his power over death so that when Jesus dies, those who believe in him might remember that and take hope. Just as Jesus calls for the stone to be rolled away from Lazarus's tomb, so too will the disciples find the stone rolled away from Jesus' tomb.

The Gospel today calls us to reflect on Baptism as a dying and rising with Jesus. In Baptism we die to sin's power over us, rising as children of God. In Baptism we join ourselves with Christ, who conquered death once and for all so that we who believe in him may have eternal life. *Taken from Loyola Press – E-Bulletin*

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