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

St. Aloysius Gonzaga

#### **PRIESTS**

#### **Pastor**

Fr. Melvin Pinto, Ocd pastor@staloysius.on.ca

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

#### **PARISH STAFF**

Business and Office Administrator Bridget Andrews

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### **Catholic Women's League:**

Catherine Bennett

### **Children's Liturgy:**

Kim Ansty

#### **Legion of Mary:**

Ruth Ann Gmach

### St. Aloysius Parish Pantry:

Kate McDougall

#### **Cursillo Information:**

Dan Brown

#### **Elementary Schools:**

St. Aloysius	519-893-5830
St. Kateri	519-895-1716
St. Timothy	519-748-1874

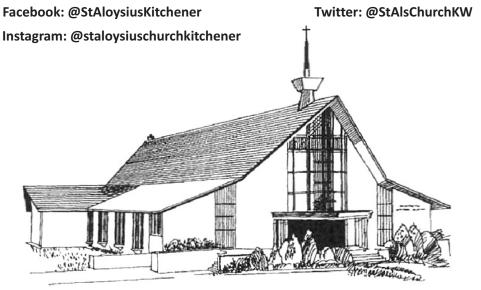
#### **Secondary School:**

St. Mary's ..... 519-745-6891

# St. Aloysius Catholic Church

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#### **OFFICE HOURS:**

MONDAY: Closed, TUESDAY-THURSDAY: 9am-12pm & 1pm-4:30pm, FRIDAY: 9am-12pm

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SATURDAY 5:00pm				
SUNDAY9:00am				
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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 contact our parish office for more details.

**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.

**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.

<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

#### Apr 1 - Apr 7, 2024

<u>Monday</u> (Solemnity – Easter Octave)

8:30 am + Doreen Kirby

Tuesday(Solemnity – Easter Octave)7:00 pm- Int. of Jacob Holfeuer

<u>Wednesday</u> (Solemnity – Easter Octave)

**8:30 am** + Josephine Da Silva

Thursday(Solemnity - Easter Octave)8:30 am+ All Souls in Purgatory

Friday (Solemnity – Easter Octave)
8:30 am - Int. of Anna Hudakova
+ William Stoyles

Saturday (Solemnity – Easter Octave)

8:30 am + Fred Moore

Sunday - The Second Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy Sunday

Sat 5pm - Int. of Fr. Sunil D'Souza

**Sun 9am** - In Thanksgiving for Farah Atienza

+ Valerine Fernandes

**Sun 11am** + Isabel and Augusto Felix

Children's Liturgy during 11am Mass

<u>Sun 1pm</u> – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm

<u>Sun 7pm</u> - Int. of our Parishioners

## Schedule Fevents

#### Apr 1 - Apr 7, 2024

#### Tuesday

• Trinity Village Mass/Communion Service 10:30 am
Stained Glass Guild1:00 pm
• St. Aloysius School – Easter Liturgy1:00 pm
Prayer Groupfollowing 7pm Mass
<u>Wednesday</u>
Briarfield Mass/Communion Service 10:00 am
• St. Kateri School – Easter Liturgy
<u>Thursday</u>
• St. Timothy School – Easter Liturgy2:00 pm
<u>Saturday</u>
Confirmation Rehearsal 10:00am

#### Sunday

- Children's Liturgy ......during 11am Mass
- Divine Mercy Sunday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet .. 1:00 pm

#### **OFFERTORY REPORT**

Sunday Envelope Collection	\$2316.00
Sunday Loose Collection	\$1250.00
Total Offertory for March 24, 2024	\$3566.00
Pre-Authorized Giving (weekly amount)	\$814.62

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#### Join us on Divine Mercy Sunday April 7:

1pm – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 3pm – Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet Prepare for Divine Mercy Sunday by picking up your novena prayer sheet in the church foyer. Did you know that when this chaplet is said at the bedside of a dying person, God's

anger is placated, and unfathomable mercy envelops the soul? (Diary 811). Take advantage of this enormous offering of God's great mercy.

#### **Pre-Authorized Giving:**

To accomplish the mission entrusted to us by Christ, St. Aloysius Parish depends entirely on the generosity of our parishioners. Pre-authorized giving allows you to give to your parish intentionally and faithfully through scheduled monthly transfers from your bank account. To enroll, pick up a brochure in the church lobby, or download the forms online at this link; <a href="https://staloysius.on.ca/pre-authorized-giving">https://staloysius.on.ca/pre-authorized-giving</a>. Contact the parish office for questions and more information.

#### **First Communion Information**

#### First Communion Rehearsals:

<u>Mon Apr 15 at 6pm</u> – First Communion Rehearsal for St. Aloysius students

<u>Wed Apr 17 at 6pm</u> – First Communion Rehearsal for St. Kateri students

<u>Wed Apr 24 at 6pm</u> – First Communion Rehearsal for St. Timothy and Public/Private school students

Sacrament of First Holy Communion:

<u>Sat Apr 20 at 10:30am</u> – Sacrament of First Communion for St. Aloysius students

<u>Sun Apr 21 at 2pm</u> – Sacrament of First Communion for St. Kateri students

<u>Sat Apr 27 at 10:30am</u> – Sacrament of First Communion for St. Timothy and Public/Private school students

### **Confirmation Information**

**Sat Apr 6 at 10:00am** – Confirmation Rehearsal for all candidates and sponsors

**Wed Apr 10 at 7:00pm** – Sacrament of Confirmation for all candidates with His Excellency, Bishop Douglas Crosby

<sup>\*\*</sup>please note we will not be having evening Adoration on Tues Apr 2 and no First Friday Adoration on Fri Apr 5\*\*\*



St. Aloysius Parish is HIRING! St. Aloysius Church is looking for a part-time Caretaker (approx. 20 hours per week).

Find out more details and apply online at https://hamiltondiocese.com/job-opportunities/.

<u>Bulletin Advertising:</u> Liturgical Publications will soon be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in June 2024 and supports the bulletin service. Please consider supporting the bulletin, and advertise your product or service. For more information, call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

Step/Blended Family' Smart Steps for Building Family: Are you a parent or stepparent adjusting to blended family life? Smart Steps offers practical insights and suggestions on building relationships. Join the seminar Sat Apr 20 from 9:15am-3:30pm at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph. PRICE: \$50 per person (includes lunch). Register and find more information online at hamiltondiocese.com.

<u>Card Party</u>: Tickets are now available for St. Anthony Daniel Church's annual card party on Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Life Centre. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. with lunch served at 12:00 noon. Cost is \$20 per person. Plan to join them. Hosted by the St. Anthony Daniel CWL. For tickets contact the parish office at 519-893-6960 or Linda at 519-893-2534.

The 2000 Hail Mary's Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary: will be prayed on Saturday May 11, 2024, at St. Agnes Parish, 75 Bluevale St. N. Waterloo. The day begins at 7:30am, and they anticipate the devotion will finish by 7:30 pm. Join them for all or part of the day. For information contact Marilynne at <a href="mailto:canadianrosarybrigade@gmail.com">canadianrosarybrigade@gmail.com</a>.



#### Save the Date - Fri June 21!

This year, our Pastor, Father Melvin Pinto is reaching a huge milestone! He is celebrating the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood. We will be having a special Mass in

honour of Father Melvin on Friday June 21 at 5pm, followed by a delicious catered dinner in our Parish Hall! Dinner tickets will be going on sale Monday April 15 through 'Eventbrite'. Stay tuned to our Parish website for more details.

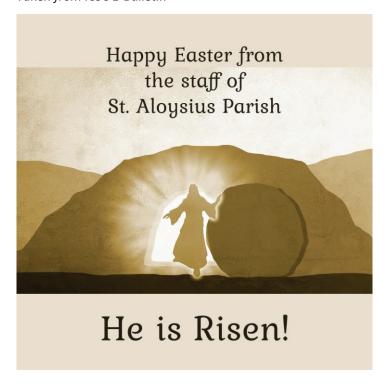
Marriage Enrichment Seminar: The Diocese of Hamilton invites you to take the time, with your spouse, to find new and creative ways to increase your connection with each other, to discover fresh techniques for being in relationship and to deepen the love you already share. SATURDAY, JUNE 1, FROM 9:30 – 3:00 PM at St. Catherine of Sienna Parish in Hamilton. Cost is \$50 per couple and includes lunch. For more details visit hamiltondiocese.com/events.

Adult Faith Formation: The Diocese of Hamilton is proud to partner with Dayton University's Virtual Learning Community for Adult Faith Formation (VLCFF) to offer certificate programs for ministry and enrichment for adult faith formation. They are currently taking enrollment for September 2024. For more details about the programs, visit hamiltondioceselearns.com.

#### Easter Sunday Gospel Reflection - March 31, 2024

Jesus Christ has risen today! For those good stewards of their faith who die with Jesus, they rise with Christ their savior every day. They are an Easter people. Our Savior is active, alive, and transforming us and our communities of faith, even the world, at this very moment. Easter is a time of joy, a time of celebration. To have faith in the risen Lord is also to believe that we are disciples who bear witness to Christ in a broken and troubled world. To be good stewards of this faith obliges us to be living witnesses to Christ's peace at home and in public. Jesus cannot be found buried in some long forgotten time, in some far away land. He is risen. He lives within each one of us. Alleluia!

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