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

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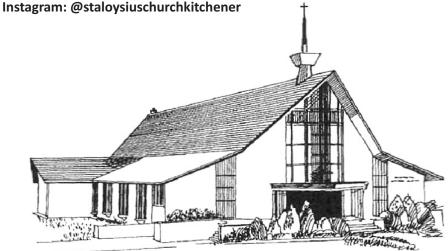
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OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY: Closed, TUESDAY-THURSDAY: 9am-12pm & 1pm-4:30pm, FRIDAY: 9am-12pm

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY..... 5:00pm SUNDAY......9:00am (interpreted for the deaf)11:00am7:00pm

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.

<u>BAPTISM</u> - 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.

MASS INTENTIONS

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<u> May 2 – May 8, 2022</u>

Monday (Memorial – St. Athanasius, Bishop, Doctor) 8:30 am + Joseph Loi – The Hoang Family + Jennie Kubrak – The Puren/D'Silva Families

- Tuesday(Feast St. Philip and St. James, Apostles)7:00 pm- Int. of Maria Costa and Family Tracy Flores
+ Rafael Patai Family
- Wednesday (Ferial) 8:30 am + All Souls in Purgatory – Rosa Paiva
- Thursday (Ferial)
- 8:30 am + Mike Miller Rose Costello
 - In Thanksgiving for Angelo Jinesh

Friday(Memorial – St. Francois De Laval, Bishop)8:30 am- Int. of Fr. David Avila - Parents
+ David James Witzel – Kathy WitzelFirst Friday Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament following morning Mass

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Sat 5:00 pm + Mary Ann Kuehl – Ann Stuart			
+ Melchor Jonson – Farah Atienza & family			
Sun 9:00 am - Int. of the Paiva Family – The Flores Family			
+ Valsamma Sebastian – Daliya & Arun Sebastian			
Sun 11:00 am + Lucia Margues – The Margues Family			
+ Rita Pereira			
Sunday School I iturgy for young children in the Parish Hall			

Sunday School Liturgy for young children in the Parish Hall during 11am Mass

Sun 7:00 pm - Int. of Parishioners

Parish News



Welcome to St. Aloysius Parish! We look forward to praying with you! Even though the Provincial Government mask mandate has been lifted in churches and many other public settings, please remember to be kind and charitable to

parishioners who choose to continue wearing a mask.



<u>May 2 – May 8, 2022</u>

<u>Tuesday</u>

• St. Timothy School Grade 4 Bible Celebration	10:30 am
Confessions, Adoration and Mass	6:00 pm
CWL Executive Meeting	following Mass
Wednesday	
Communion Service/Mass at Briarfield Gardens	10:00 am
• St. Aloysius School Grade 4 Bible Celebration	1:30 pm
<u>Thursday</u>	
Communion Service/Mass at Fergus Place	10:00 am
<u>Friday</u>	
First Friday Adorationfollowir	ng 8:30am Mass
Saturday	
• First Communion - St. Aloysius Students	11:00 am
Confessions	3:45-4:30pm

OFFERTORY REPORT

101 Envelope contributors (Average - \$19.91)	\$2011.00
Pre-Authorized Giving (weekly amount)	\$888.00
Loose	. \$880.00
Offertory Collection 04-24-2022	\$3779.00

Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday Collection:.....\$6065.00

Thank you for your ongoing contributions to support St. Aloysius Parish!



Catholic Education Week May 1-6, 2022

Each year, the Catholic community of Ontario engages in a week-long celebration of the unique identity and distinctive contributions of Catholic education during **Catholic Education Week**. This year's celebration is entitled, "Rebuild, Restore, Renew Together" and will be celebrated May 1 – May 6, 2022. We invite you to visit <u>https://hamiltondiocese.com/catholic-education-week/</u> for Catholic Education Week resources and a video message by Bishop Crosby. Please pick up your copy of Bishop Crosby's message for Catholic Education Week in our lobby after Mass.

Catholic Education Week 2022 - Prayer for Educators

Lord God, we thank you for the gift of Catholic education. Send forth your Spirit to strengthen all educators, teachers, administrators, and staff in our Catholic schools.

Bestow upon them Your gifts of Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Knowledge and Perseverance. Grant them joy, peace creativity and courage in their vocation.

May all educators continue to Rebuild, Restore, and Renew Your love with gentle patience.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen



Friday May 6th is the First Friday of the Month. Please join us after our 8:30am morning Mass for our First Friday Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.



Prayer Vigil - Thursday May 5, 2022, 10am - 11:00am in front of Kitchener's Freeport Hospital, 3570 King St. E, for babies being aborted. The group welcomes all to pray quietly for those who have no voice. Parking - across the road. Schneider Park.



Volunteers are needed for several Ministries at St. Aloysius Parish. Several of our Ministries are restarting after being paused due to Covid-19 Health Restrictions.

We are currently in need of volunteers in the following Ministries;

- Ushers at all weekend Masses. Ushers help to greet people in the Church foyer, distribute bulletins, show people to available pews and guide parishioners during Communion.
- St. Aloysius Cleaning and Linens Ministries -Volunteers willing to make a commitment of about 1-1 1/2 hours a month needed to help with light dusting of the Stations of the Cross, the altar, and other areas of the Church. Volunteers are also needed to help clean and take care of our Church linens.
- Communion Service Ministry at our Long-Term Care and Retirement Homes; Briarfield Gardens every Wednesday at 10am, Fergus Place every Thursday at 10am.
- Children's Liturgy during our 11am Sunday Mass. Young school age children participate in the Liturgy in the Parish Hall during Readings and the Homily. They are looking for more volunteers.

Please contact our office if you are interested in volunteerina!



Gospel Reflection the 3rd Sunday of Easter

Today's Gospel is one of the post-Resurrection appearances reported by John. Recall that in

John's Gospel, Jesus appears first to Mary of Magdala, second to all of the disciples except Thomas, and finally to Thomas and the disciples (which we heard last Sunday). After those appearances, John's Gospel seems to conclude with a reference to other signs that Jesus

gave after his Resurrection, which have not been recorded.

Last week we heard that Jesus appeared to the gathered disciples in a locked room, probably in Jerusalem. In today's Gospel, the disciples are no longer in Jerusalem; they are in Galilee, returning to their work of fishing. Simon Peter is still presented in the role of leader: when he announces that he is going fishing, the other disciples follow. They spend the night fishing but are unsuccessful.

Jesus calls to them from the shore, but just as when Jesus first appeared to Mary of Magdala, the disciples do not recognize him immediately. Still, they follow the stranger's instructions and bring in a large haul of fish. It is at this point that one of the disciples (the "disciple whom Jesus loved") realizes that Jesus is appearing to them. Upon hearing this news, Simon Peter leads the way again, jumping from the boat and swimming to shore. The other disciples follow in the boat, dragging the fish.

The disciples have brought to shore a tremendous catch of fish that Jesus has directed them to find. But once on the shore, they see that Jesus has already prepared fish and bread on a charcoal fire. Jesus directs the disciples to bring their catch of fish as well. Jesus is host at the meal that follows, feeding the disciples the bread and fish. In this detail we see allusions to the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and the fishes told in John 6.

There are also allusions in the Gospel to our gathering for the celebration of the Mass. In the Eucharist, we too are fed by Jesus in the bread and wine that have become his very Body and Blood. We also find in this story insight about the Presentation of the Gifts at Mass. The gifts we bring to the altar, bread and wine, are made from gifts that God gave first to us: grain and grapes, the fruit of the earth. God has no need of anything further. Yet God accepts the offering we bring-bread and wine, "the work of human hands"-and transforms our offering into the gift of his very presence.

After the meal, Jesus directs himself to Simon Peter. The community of John's Gospel probably looked down on Peter because of his denial of Jesus. This dialogue with Simon Peter is a reversal of Peter's three denials. Peter is forgiven. Having been restored to friendship with Jesus, Simon Peter is sent on a mission. "Feed my lambs . . . Tend my sheep . . . Feed my sheep." These commands indicate that Peter is to be as Jesus, even unto sacrificing for the flock. As Jesus has fed Peter in this meal and as Jesus feeds us in the Eucharist, so he also sends us to follow him, asking that we offer our lives in service and sacrifice.

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