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

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Elementary Schools:

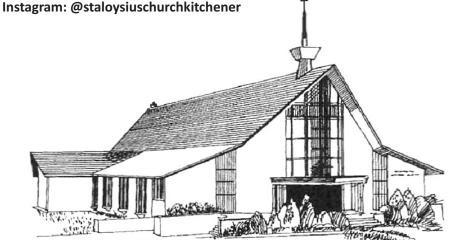
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OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY: Closed, TUESDAY-THURSDAY: 9am-12pm & 1pm-4:30pm, FRIDAY: 9am-12pm

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

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

WEDNESDAY....8:30am THURSDAY......8:30am FRIDAY......8:30am SATURDAY......8:30am

<u>CONFESSIONS</u> - 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.

May 22 - May 28, 2023

	LITIONS
<u>Monday</u> 8:30 am	(ferial) - Int. of Frank and Theresia Burgund
<u>Tuesday</u> 7:00 pm	<i>(ferial)</i> - Int. of Jennifer and Family + Maurice Thibodeau
<u>Wednesday</u> 8:30 am	<i>(ferial)</i> - Int. of Eduarda Avila
<u>Thursday</u> 8:30 am	(ferial) + Joe Cosentino
<u>Friday</u> 8:30 am	(Memorial – St. Philip Neri, Priest) - Int. of Angelin Maria Jinesh - Int. of Angelo Jinesh
<u>Saturday</u> 8:30 am	(ferial) + Leslie Stumpf
Solemnity –	Pentecost Sunday
Saturday	
5:00 pm	+ Valerie Brown
	+ Shirley Ann Kopp
<u>Sunday</u>	
9:00 am	+ Jozef Chovanec
11:00 am	+ Christine Lana-Sarrate - Int. of Olive Mercante + Mario Parisotto
Children's Li 7:00 pm	turgy in Parish Hall during 11am Mass - Int. of our Parishioners

Schedule

May 22 – May 28, 2023

Tuesday

Irinity Village Mass/Communion Service
Stained Glass Guild 1:00 pm
Confessions, Adoration and Mass6:00 pm
Cenacle of the Marian Movement of Priests following 7pm Mass
<u>Wednesday</u>
• Briarfield Gardens Mass/Communion Service 10:00 am
Bible Study Group 10:00 am
<u>Saturday</u>
Confessions
<u>Sunday</u>
Children's Liturgyduring 11am Mass
CWL Pin Ceremony in Parish Hall2:00 pm

OFFERTORY REPORT

Sunday Envelope Collection	\$2720.00
Sunday Loose Collection	\$985.00
Total Offertory for May 14, 2023	\$3705.00

Thank you for your ongoing financial support!



The Kitchener Knights of Columbus will be distributing LIFE ROSES May 27/28 after weekend Masses! Volunteers will be distributing the small lapel roses as part of

their Pro-Life Program. When you receive your rose, consider donating to assist the Knights in their support of Pro-Life issues.



News from the St. Aloysius CWL

The Catholic Women's League will be hosting a Service Pin Ceremony on **Sun May 28 at 2pm** in our Parish Hall. They will be awarding Service Pins for people who have reached milestone

years of service with the CWL. All CWL members and their families are welcome to attend. Refreshments and a presentation by members of the Diocesan CWL will follow the pin ceremony.

The CWL would like to thank all parishioners who helped to make their flower fundraiser last weekend a tremendous success!

<u>Marillac Place – Baby Bottle Campaign</u> – The St. Aloysius CWL are proud to help support Marillac Place's annual 'Baby Bottle Campaign.' Marillac Place relies heavily on the donations from our community to help mothers and mothers-to-be who are facing homelessness. You can support the campaign by sending a cheque to Marillac Place or donating online here; https://marillacplace.ca/donate/



Legion of Mary event Tues May 30 - The St. Aloysius Legion of Mary presents 'Bringing Flowers to Mary'. It begins at 6pm on Tues May 30 with Adoration and the Rosary, followed by Mass. Everyone is invited to place a flower in front of the

statue of Mary. You are free to bring your own flowers, or use the flowers provided.

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Join the Reel Justice Film Festival May 25 from 7-9pm for a youth-led film screening featuring the Laudato Si' Movement film *The Letter*. This documentary follows the journey of four individuals from around the World called by Pope Francis to lend their voices to the global conversation about the environmental crisis. The screening will be hosted online. RSVP at: https://reeljusticefilmfestival.wpcomstaging.com/. The Reel Justice Film Festival is a partnership between the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives and Development and Peace.

<u>KW Walk for Life</u> – On Sat May 27 gather at 9:30 am at St. Louis Church Hall, 53 Allen St. E, Waterloo. Walk begins at 10am along King and Erb Streets then to Waterloo Towne Square and back to St. Louis Hall for refreshments and prize draws. Walkers under 12 years old must be accompanied by an adult. Call KW RTL 519-746-5433 for pledge forms and information or email *kwrtl@golden.net*

Our Lady of the Cape Pilgrim Statue will visit Blessed Sacrament Parish in Kitchener on Tues May 30 at 6:30 pm. The Pilgrim Statue Tour is sponsored by the National Shrine. The Marian celebration includes the Rosary, Mass including the history of Our Lady of the Cape, a candlelight procession and Veneration. Donations to support the National Shrine would be appreciated.

Corpus Christi Procession – Sun Jun 11, 2023

St. Boniface Church in Maryhill will be having a traditional Corpus Christi Procession on Sun Jun 11 after the 11am Mass. The procession will be followed by the St. Boniface Festival Picnic on the old school grounds. Bring a lawn chair and picnic lunch. BBQ hamburgers will be available. There will be live music, a children's fishpond, games, bake table, horseshoes, community ball game and more!

St. Agnes Church presents 'Freedom Through Forgiveness'

Sometimes people can stubbornly cling to a list of hurts, struggling to forgive. Find out ways to forgive and overcome anger and bitterness, **Sun Jun 4 from 2-3:30pm at St. Agnes Church.** Father Luke Kopaniak will speak on *'Freedom Through Forgiveness: The Road to Peace.'* For details, visit https://saintagnescatholicchurch.org/

'Speaking Life and Truth Into our Culture' Conference - The Diocese of Hamilton's Family Ministry Office is partnering with Alliance for Life Ontario and Hamilton Right to Life on a oneday conference. Topics include the abortion pill, euthanasia, pregnancy support and abortion recovery counselling. Sat Jun 17 from 9 – 4 pm. Adult Tickets: \$75, Student Tickets: \$45, includes lunch and beverages. For more info visit; https://allianceforlifeontario.ca/event/2023-conference/. **To Inform, Encourage and Heal** June is Indigenous History Month in Canada. The Diocese of Hamilton invites you take time this season to learn more about the Catholic Church's commitment to ongoing reconciliation efforts with Indigenous communities through a 4-week learning opportunity through the VLCFF (Virtual Learning Community for Adult Faith Formation). For info visit www.hamiltondioceselearns.com.

Divorced or Separated? - The Diocese of Hamilton invites you to the RESTART: Refresh, Renew, Revive group held the 2nd & 3rd Fridays of each month. These get-togethers offer continual support for people as they journey through the divorce/separation process. Join in-person at 700 King St. W, Hamilton, or by ZOOM. For ZOOM link please contact Sarah at familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com.

The Ascension of the Lord - Gospel Reflection - The Final Commission, as this Gospel is sometimes called, is given on the mountaintop. Throughout Scripture, the most important events happen on the mountaintop, and Matthew has used this motif throughout his Gospel. Earlier in Matthew's Gospel, Peter, James, and John had seen Jesus transfigured on the mountaintop (Matthew 17:1-8). Also in the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus taught the crowds from the mountaintop in what we now call the Sermon on the Mount.

Here we are told that the eleven disciples go the mountaintop in Galilee, as Jesus had instructed through Mary Magdalene and the other Mary (cf. Matthew 28:9-10). They see Jesus, and both worship and doubt at the same time. Jesus approaches them and commissions them to baptize and teach, "to make disciples of all nations." It is a task which Jesus had previously prepared his disciples for; recall that Jesus had sent the twelve apostles to preach the Kingdom of God and to heal (cf. Matthew 10:1-15). However, earlier the Twelve were sent only to the House of Israel; in this Final Commission, the eleven are told to go to "all nations." The mission of Jesus is now to be taken to all people; the task now is to baptize and to teach.

Jesus commissions his disciples to baptize in the name of the Trinity, one of the clearest attestations found in Scripture for baptism in the name of the Trinity. In the Acts of the Apostles and in the Letters of Paul, baptism is more frequently offered "in the name of Jesus."

The ending of Matthew's Gospel can be understood as the beginning of the Church. Jesus commissions his disciples to continue to teach in his name and to bring others into the community of disciples through baptism. The Gospel ends, as it had begun, with the promise that Jesus will continue to be Emmanuel, "God with us" (cf. Matthew 1:23), for all eternity.

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