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

PRIESTS

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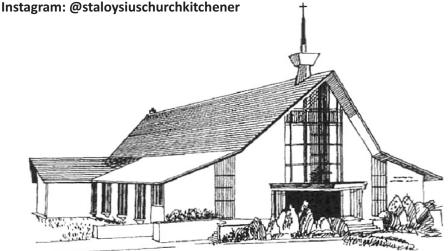
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OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY: Closed, TUESDAY-THURSDAY: 9am-12pm & 1pm-4:30pm, FRIDAY: 9am-12pm

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.

<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.

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

<u>Nov 22 – Nov 28, 2021</u>

Monday(Memorial – St. Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr)8:30 am+ Manuel and Hortencia Avila - ManuelTuesday(ferial)7:00 pm+ Mary Patricia Lustic – Mary StefflerWednesday(Memorial – St. Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest and
Companions, Martyrs)8:30 am+ Elizabeth Derschner – Barbara Foerster & PaulThursday(ferial)8:30 am+ Frank Duff & Deceased Legionnaires – Legion
of MaryFriday(ferial)8:30 am+ James Stone – Helen Delaney

First Sunday of Advent

Sat 5:00pm- Int. of Stephanie Kalabek – Ron FrumkinSun 9:00 am+ Jose Carreiro – Carlos and RosaSun 11:00am- Int. of the Parishioners of St. AloysiusSun 7:00pm- In Thanksgiving for Alicia Chmierlaski

Parish News



We are happy to see you! We now have more space to welcome you at our public Masses! Physically distant seating and our Covid-19 health and safety regulations remain in place. *Our Parish*

Office is open by appointment only. Please contact us in advance by phone or email to arrange an appointment during office hours.

The Obligation to attend Sunday Mass has been suspended until further notice. *If you choose to return to Mass at this time, please read these important guidelines;*

- All Masses are first come first served
- Masks must be worn at church
- Physical distancing measures are in place.
- Doors Open 30 minutes prior to Mass and will lock during Mass or prior to Mass if we have reached our Church capacity.
- Please arrive at the main door of St. Aloysius at least 15 minutes before Mass time.
- Follow the direction of Ushers will seat you at the available designated seats.

Thank you for continuing to follow our Covid-19 safety measures to help keep everyone safe and healthy!



Please remember St. Aloysius Parish in your will. (The Bequest Clause can be added to your existing Will as a codicil). **Bequest Clause**

I give and bequeath to the Roman Catholic Diocese of Hamilton, under a special Act of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario, and whose offices are in Hamilton, Ontario for the benefit of St.

Aloysius Parish, Kitchener; the sum of \$_____dollars, or _____ percentage of the Estate, or the total of the residue of the Estate



If you are financially able, you can support St. Aloysius Parish through our CanadaHelps donation portal. You can choose a one-time or a monthly gift with your credit card or Pay-Pal account. To make a donation to St. Aloysius Church through CanadaHelps, visit this link;

https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/119110450RR 0049-st-aloysius-parish/ or visit our website at staloysius.on.ca and click on the **'Donate' button** on our homepage. If you prefer, you can mail in your Sunday collection to our Parish Office. Interested in Pre-Authorized giving from your bank account? Click here to find out more: <u>https://www.staloysius.on.ca/pre-</u> <u>authorized-giving</u> We thank everyone who is financially able to support us during these difficult times.



World Youth Day - On Sunday, 21 November 2021, the universal Church will celebrate World Youth Day on the Solemnity of our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the

Universe. This year the Holy Father, Pope Francis has encouraged young people to pray and reflect on the theme ": <u>Stand up! I appoint you as witnesses of what</u> <u>you have seen"</u> (Acts 26:16). For a link to World Youth Day resources and to see a copy of Pope Francis' letter to youth, visit this Diocese of Hamilton website link; <u>www.hamiltondiocese.com/worldyouthday</u>



The 2021 – 2023 Synod of Bishops brings an invitation from Pope Francis to embark on a journey together.

How can you get involved? Offer your thoughts on how we can deepen our communion in the Lord and how all members of the Church can participate more fully in its mission. See resources about the Synod of Bishops and take a survey to share your thoughts at this link; <u>https://hamiltondiocese.com/synod/#about</u>.

RETREAT WITH LOYOLA HOUSE VIRTUALLY!

Are you looking to break away and spend some time in silence? Interested in learning something new? See their website at **loyolahouse.com** (under "Events") for more information on these and more upcoming retreats & programs:

Advent Weekend Retreat - Dec 3-5 Ignatius Spiritualty Retreat - Jan 17-22 Let us Dream Weekend Retreat - Jan 28-30. Register at <u>loyolahouse.com</u>, by email at <u>registration@ignatiusguelph.ca</u> by phone: 519-824 1250 ext. 266.



Chalice online Christmas aift catalogue is now available at https://chalice.ca/gift-catalogue. Christmas Gift Catalogue Their allows you to purchase a gift for someone in need in honour of a friend or a loved one. A handwritten card will be sent to the recipient, telling them of the gift

that is given. Any gift purchased through the catalogue will receive an official tax receipt.

World Meeting of Families – Hamilton Diocese Speaker Series - On March 19th we entered the Amoris Laetitia Year of Family. Pope Francis, in calling this special year, reminded us that this is "a great opportunity for Catholics to renew their commitment to family ministry." **Beginning in January of 2022,** the Diocese will be organizing a speaker series with a new topic each month through until June. The presentations will be by zoom to allow for more involvement throughout the Diocese and to avoid any issues that COVID may cause for in person gatherings. Check the Diocese.com. The Catholic Community Foundation of Waterloo Region invites you to join in on a virtual event -Fundamentals for a Bright Future: Building Resilient Families on Tuesday November 30th from 7:00pm-8:00pm. This family-focused event will explore and define current mental and physical health challenges for people in all stages in life. Space is limited, please register today! <u>https://www.ccfowr.org/speaker-series</u>



HamiltonDiocesePARENTINGTIPOFTHEMONTH - ParentingTip134- Our children are healthierand happierwhen theiremotional,physical,intellectual, and social needs

are looked after. Add to this list one more essential need that requires care - a child's spiritual well-being. A relationship with God is as essential to their welfare as water. The month of November is the month we pray for and remember those who have already died. This is a wonderful month to pray for the deceased and help your children understand that God is always with us and when we seek his help to live as we are called, we too can share in eternity. So, pray together, attend Mass as a family, share readings from the Bible, talk about the awe of God's creation and remind your children that God is always present. His love will guide them and be a source of comfort as they grow.



Gospel Reflection – For the weekend of November 20/21, 2021, Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe The exchange between Jesus

and Pilate in today's Gospel is, arguably, the most important exchange in all of literature. Pilate asks Jesus: "What have you done?" Jesus replies that he testifies to the truth. In the second reading we are reminded of the essence of that truth: Christ, ruler of all, loves us, liberates us from the bonds of sin, makes us a new kingdom. As we approach the Advent season, this week would be a good time to reflect on the question: What have we done in our daily lives, in our actions, words, private prayer, and in our interaction with others, to testify that Jesus is Lord?

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