"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 bridget@staloysius.on.ca

Parish Pantry ...... 519-893-1220

Catholic Women's League: Lorraine Jack

Children's Liturgy: Kim Ansty

Legion of Mary: Ruth Ann Gmach

Knights of Columbus Council 17194 St. Aloysius Parish Pantry: Kate McDougall

**Cursillo Information:** Dan Brown

#### **Elementary Schools:**

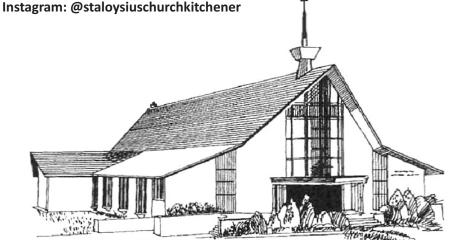
St. Aloysius	519-893-5830
St. Kateri	519-895-1716
St. Timothy	519-748-1874

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# St. Aloysius Catholic Church

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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

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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.

### SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

#### MASS INTENTIONS

#### <u>Nov 27 – Dec 3, 2023</u>

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<u>Monday</u> 8:30 am	(ferial) + Eric D'Silva + Jeanine Gignac	
<u>Tuesday</u> 7:00 pm	<i>(ferial)</i> - Int. of Fr. Sunil + Fred and Teresa Garvey	
<u>Wednesday</u> 8:30 am	(ferial) + Bev Hiller + Jose Mauricio	
<u>Thursday</u> 8:30 am	(Feast – St. Andrew, Apostle) + Linda Giesler + Arminda Pacheco	
<u>Friday</u> 8:30 am <u>First Friday Ador</u>	(ferial) + Mary Black + Francelina Viana r <b>ation following our 8:30am Mass</b>	
<u>Saturday</u> 8:30 am	<i>(ferial)</i> + Maurice Thibodeau	
First Sunday of A	Advent	
<u>Saturday</u> 5:00 pm	- Int. of Luiza and Family - Int. of Sao and Family	
<u>Sunday</u>	,	
9:00 am	+ John McCotter	
11:00 am	+ Francelina Viana + Maggy Cash + Manuel and Teresa Roma	
Children's liturgy during the 11am Mass		
7:00 pm	- Int. of our Parishioners	

## Schedule

Nov 27 – Dec 3, 2023

#### <u>Monday</u>

• Food Pantry7-8pm
<u>Tuesday</u>
• Trinity Village Mass/Communion Service 10:30 am
Stained Glass Guild1:00 pm
Confessions, Adoration and Mass6:00 pm
Prayer Group following Mass
<u>Wednesday</u>
• Briarfield Gardens Mass/Communion Service 10:00 am
• Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors Meeting7:00 pm
<u>Thursday</u>
Doon Village Mass/Communion Service10:00 am
<u>Friday</u>
• First Friday Adoration following 8:30am Mass
<u>Saturday</u>
Confessions
• Exposition and Prayer for the unborn following 5pm Mass
<u>Sunday</u>
Children's Liturgyduring 11:00 am Mass

#### OFFERTORY REPORT

Sunday Envelope Collection	\$1769.00	
Sunday Loose Collection	\$992.00	
Total Offertory for Nov 18/2023		
Pre-Authorized Giving (weekly amount)		
Thank you for your ongoing financial support!		

#### News from the St. Aloysius CWL



The Catholic Women's League is happy to announce their **Seniors Christmas Dinner** is coming back this year! It will be held in our Parish Hall on Wed Dec 6 from 6-8:30pm. Doors will open at 5:30pm. The CWL will be handing out a

limited number of tickets on a first come, first served basis after the 5pm, 9am and 11am Masses this weekend and the weekend of Dec 2/3. Tickets are free and are only for seniors aged 65 and over who belong to St. Aloysius Parish.



**St. Aloysius CWL is a proud supporter of the annual ToastyToes Campaign**. The annual fundraiser provides warm socks to those in need in Waterloo Region. This year, Toasty Toes is accepting monetary donations to

support the campaign. Donate online at <u>http://toastytoeswr.ca/</u> or drop off a cheque before December 10 to the Parish Office payable to "Waterloo Region Community Foundation" with 'Toasty Toes Fund' on the memo line. Tax receipts will be issued by Toasty Toes for eligible donations. No physical socks are being collected this year.

#### **Children's Liturgy Christmas Play**

The St. Aloysius Children's Liturgy program will be hosting a Christmas play at the Christmas Eve Mass on December 24 at 4:30 pm. We will need Angels, Shepherds, Inn Keepers, Joseph, Mary and a Narrator. Please reach out to Kim Ansty at <u>kimansty@gmail.com</u> to confirm if your child would like to participate. In addition, you can sign up with Catherine Bennett at the back of the Church after the 11am Mass on Nov 26 or with Kim Ansty after the 11 am Mass on Dec 2. Practice dates will be announced soon. We look forward to another joyous Christmas Play with all our little angels!

#### Ministry Meeting Nov 29, 7pm

A reminder of our upcoming Ministry meeting for all Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers. If you haven't already confirmed your attendance, please RSVP to Bridget at the Parish office to bridget@staloysius.on.ca or by calling our main office number at 519-893-1220.



Christmas can be a very difficult time financially for many people and this year is no exception with the rising cost of food and

household items. Our St. Aloysius Food Pantry is offering Christmas food hampers (in the form of a gift card), and toys for families in need this year.



The St. Aloysius Food Pantry is organizing the Angel Tree/Board again this year. Please look in our church foyer for angels with the ages of children in our Parish neighborhood who need your support this Christmas. Take an angel from

the board, and bring in a new unwrapped toy or gift card for the child. Donations need to be returned by December 9<sup>th</sup>. Drop off your new unwrapped toys in the pink baskets in the church foyer, or to our parish office during business hours. Thanks in advance for your continued support!

Next weekend we will be having a special collection for our Parish Food Pantry. Please look in your envelope box for the 'Parish Outreach' envelope and please be generous.



SUN Dec 24- There will be regular Sunday Masses at 9am and 11am CHRISTMAS MASSES

SUN DEC 24th: 4:30pm, 7pm, 9pm, Midnight MON DEC 25: 9am, 11am

Sun Dec 31 - There will be regular Sunday Masses at 9am and 11am **NEW YEAR'S EVE VIGIL** SUN DEC 31 at 5pm NEW YEAR'S DAY MON JAN 1 at 9am, 11am

#### First Friday – December 1

Dec 1 is the first Friday of the month. Please join us following our 8:30am morning Mass for Exposition and Adoration.



St. Aloysius Church - Prayer for the Unborn at St. Aloysius - Dec 2 Let us assist the unborn in a one hour prayer Liturgy, on Saturday December 2 following the 5pm Mass. Exposition will begin shortly after Mass. Planned prayers will be offered

Coping with the Holidays; When You Have Lost A Loved One The Diocese of Hamilton will host an afternoon of reflection with strategies on coping at Christmas. Where: Chancery Office, 700 King St. West in Hamilton. When: Sun Dec 3 from 1:30 - 3:00 pm. Join the session in person or by zoom. To reserve a seat, or to receive the zoom link, call 905-528-7988 online: https://hamiltondiocese.com/office/pastoralor offices/family-ministry/healing-and-or-counselling/copingwith-the-holidays/ Event is FREE.

## The Diocese of Hamilton Presents the 'Come Home for **Christmas Festival' FREE Family Event**

Sunday, December 3, 2023 from 1-4pm Mount Mary Immaculate Retreat Centre, 437 Wilson St. E, Ancaster

**Fun includes**: music, hot cocoa, cookie decorating, Christmas ornament painting, Magic Show, face painting, balloon animals, local artisans (cash only) & Santa.

Donations of cash, or non-perishable food items collected to benefit the Bishop's Charities.

For more information, contact:

mcmorgan@hamiltondiocese.com or 905.528.7988 ext. 2251

Gospel Reflection - Weekend of November 25/26, 2023 -The Feast of our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

In today's Gospel, Saint Matthew offers a compelling vision of the end-time, when the people of all nations are brought before the Lord to give an account of their lives and actions. Interestingly, the sheep, the righteous ones, are rewarded for having acted with love and compassion without having recognized the face of Christ in others. Good stewards recognize those in need of their care as gifts from God. They know that they are instruments of Christ's active, loving presence in the world. How will we treat others this week: our family members, neighbors, customers, strangers? What accounting will we make to the Lord for their care?



