

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

St. Aloysius Gonzaga

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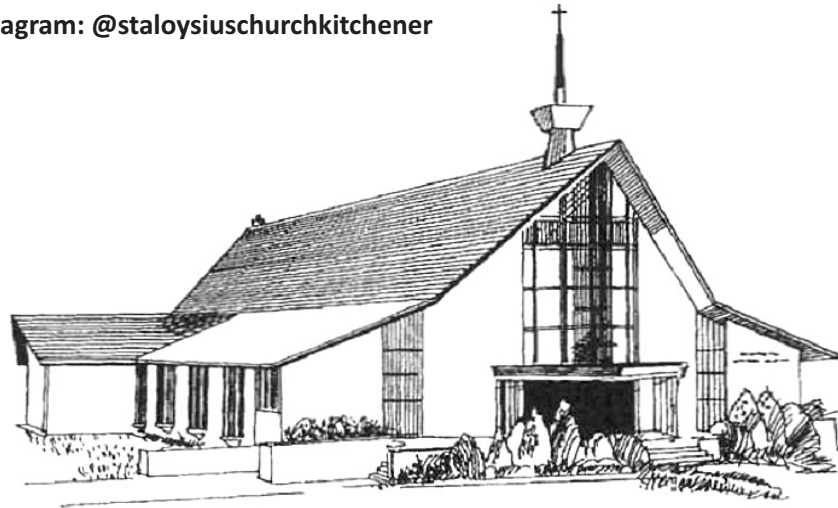
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OFFICE HOURS:

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)

....11:00am

.....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 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.

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



MASS INTENTIONS

Nov 6 – Nov 12, 2023

- Monday** (ferial)
8:30 am + Joseph Loi and Mary Lien
- Tuesday** (ferial)
7:00 pm Memorial Mass for departed Parishioners
- Wednesday** (ferial)
8:30 am + All Souls in Purgatory
+ Mary Black
- Thursday** (Feast – The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica)
8:30 am + Lucy De Amorim
+ Luiz Gonzaga and Manuel Cabral
- Friday** (Memorial – St. Leo the Great, Pope, Doctor)
8:30 am - Int. of Shirley DuCharme
+ Arminda Pacheco
- Saturday** (Memorial – St. Martin of Tours, Bishop)
8:30 am + Tony DuCharme

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Saturday**
5:00 pm + Martiniano Atienza Sr.
+ Maria and Matei Petuker
- Sunday**
9:00 am - Int. of Trinity and David Hughes
+ Arminda Pacheco
11:00 am + T.M. Matthew
+ John McLaughlin
- Children's liturgy during the 11am Mass*
7:00 pm - Int. of our Parishioners



Nov 6 – Nov 12, 2023

- Tuesday**
- Trinity Village Mass/Communion Service 10:30 am
 - Stained Glass Guild..... 1:00 pm
 - Confessions, Adoration 6:00 pm
 - Mass for Departed Parishioners.....following Adoration
 - Prayer Group following Mass
 - CWL Executive Meeting following Mass
- Wednesday**
- Briarfield Gardens Mass/Communion Service 10:00 am
- Thursday**
- Doon Village Mass/Communion Service 10:00 am
 - Stained Glass Guild..... 1:00 pm
- Saturday**
- Secular Carmel Meeting (Ocds)..... 9:30 am
 - Baptisms 3:00 pm
 - Confessions 3:45 pm
- Sunday**
- Children's Liturgy during 11:00 am Mass

OFFERTORY REPORT

Sunday Envelope Collection	\$2980.00
Sunday Loose Collection	\$997.00
Total Offertory for Oct 29/2023	\$3977.00
Pre-Authorized Giving (weekly amount).....	\$787.16

Thank you for your ongoing financial support!

Mass for Departed Souls – Please join us for a special Mass on Tues Nov 7 at 7pm. We will be praying for those who have died over the past year in our parish community.



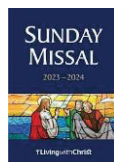
News from the St. Aloysius CWL

The annual CWL Christmas Bazaar is coming up Sat Nov 18 from 10am- 1pm in the Parish Hall. They are looking for donations of new items (small appliances, toys, giftware, etc.), gift cards from local restaurants and handmade craft items. They also welcome monetary donations. Prize donations can be dropped off during business hours at the parish office until Tues Nov 14. Bake table donations can be brought to the Parish hall on Fri Nov 17 from 9 - 11am and from 5:30pm - 7:30pm or Nov 18 before 10am. For questions, please contact Lorraine Jack at mlorrainejack@gmail.com.

The St. Aloysius CWL will be holding elections in January for the upcoming year. The following positions need to be filled; President, Secretary, Treasurer, Faith Chair, Social Justice Chair and Service Chair. They ask that you pray on this calling to serve God and the CWL. Elections packages are available at the back of the church for current or prospective members. A message from Kim Ansty & Bev Ebner, Elections Co-Chairs

Remembrance Day – November 11

Canadians pause today in silence to remember those who died in war and pray for the victims of aggression and inhumanity throughout the world. This is a day to pray for peace, to consider what we are doing as individuals, as a community and as a nation to bring God's peace into the world. This is a day when a believing community should rededicate itself by prayer and action to the ideals Jesus gives us in the Beatitudes. *From the Ordo Liturgical Calendar 2022-2023.*



2023-2024 Sunday Missals are now available.

Look for them on sale at the back of the church. Missals are \$6.00 each and will be available while supplies last. There will also be some Children's Missals available for \$10.00 each.

St. Agnes Church in Waterloo presents a free talk as part of their Education Café Series. "The Struggle to Find Meaning in Suffering" will feature guest speaker; Fr. Chris Tracey, Chaplain of Hospitals, Prisons, & Palliative Centres in the Diocese of Hamilton. Sunday November 12th, 2:00pm at St. Agnes, Waterloo.

For more details visit saintagnescatholicchurch.org/events

The Knights of Columbus Council 8192 is hosting a Fish Fry on Fri Nov 17 at St. Teresa of Avila Parish Hall, 19 Flamingo Drive, Elmira. There will be seating from 5-7:30 pm. Take out will be at 4:30 – 5pm. Please bring your own take out bag . Advanced tickets are available until November 15. Purchase your tickets at St. Teresa of Avila Parish Office between 9am and 1pm or call 519-669-3387. Don't miss out on this popular annual dinner. Proceeds go to the Knights of Columbus Charities.

Separation and Divorce Support Group

Life changes are never easy. After a separation or divorce, you may be feeling isolated or need of support and healing to adjust to your new life. Join others on the 3rd Tuesday of Each month at St. Michael's Parish Centre in Waterloo.

Upcoming dates; Nov 21, Dec 19. To register: Phone 519-884-9311, or Email: parish@stmichaelw.ca

The Annulment Process, the facts and myths - Presented by Deacon Joseph Di Loreto, Diocese of Hamilton

Thur Nov 23 at 7pm at St. Michael's Parish in Waterloo. Deacon Joseph Di Loreto, the Administrative Officer and Auditor of the Marriage Tribunal for the Hamilton Diocese will present an overview of the Annulment process. He will clarify the steps, dispel the myths, share facts and answer your questions. To reserve your spot, please register by emailing parish@stmichaelw.ca, or phone 519-884-9311.

Coping with the Holidays; When You Have Lost A Loved One

Join the Diocese of Hamilton for an afternoon of reflection and strategies on coping at Christmas. The session will be facilitated by Mrs. Teresa Hartnett, Director of Family Ministry. Where: Chancery Office, 700 King St. West in Hamilton. When: Sun Dec 3 from 1:30 – 3:00 pm. You are welcome to join the session in person or by zoom. To reserve a seat, or receive the zoom link please call 905-528-7988 ext. 2249 or online: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/office/pastoral-offices/family-ministry/healing-and-or-counselling/coping-with-the-holidays/>

Event is FREE. (You must register to join by zoom; in person you can also walk in the day of the event.)

Interpreters Needed – Do you speak Arabic (Modern Standard Arabic or Colloquial (*Ammiya*) Arabic of Iraq), Blin (Bilen), Cantonese, Croatian, Hausa, Igbo, Korean, Mandarin, Polish, Portuguese, Spanish, Thai, Tigre, Tigrinya, Vietnamese, Yoruba, or Zulu? Our diocesan marriage tribunal needs your help. In some marriage annulment cases, witnesses prefer to speak these languages when they give their formal testimony. Would you like to serve as an interpreter? To find out more, please contact Lori Lewis at tribunal@hamiltondiocese.com.

Gospel Reflection The 31st Sunday of Ordinary Time – In between last week's reading from Matthew and this week's, we find Jesus' question to the Pharisees about the Messiah being "David's son." Having concluded a series of dialogues with the Pharisees and other religious leaders, Jesus now directs his words to the crowds, warning them not to follow the example of the scribes and Pharisees.

The scribes and Pharisees were teachers of the Mosaic Law. They were entrusted with its interpretation and, thus, were influential in determining Jewish practice. In order to appreciate the conflict that is evident in this passage, we must understand that Jesus was basing his teachings on the same laws and traditions available to the Pharisees. Both were interpreting the Law of Moses in order to better adapt it to contemporary Jewish life. The differences between their teachings, therefore, are often highlighted and amplified by Matthew.

This part of Matthew's Gospel reflects aspects of the conflict between his Christian community and Pharisaic Judaism. Matthew's Church is thought to have included many Jewish Christians who may not have believed that a break with the synagogue was necessary to be a follower of Jesus. Jesus tells the crowd that it is correct to do and observe what the scribes and Pharisees teach; it is their example that is to be avoided, namely, their love of being honored and exalted. Hence, the Gospel reflects the tension of an active internal debate within the early Church.

Jesus references two aspects of Jewish spiritual life prescribed by the Law of Moses. *Phylacteries* are small boxes which contain Scripture verses that are placed on the left forearm and forehead. *Tassels* refer to the fringes worn on the corners of a person's garments; the tassels help to remind those who wear them to keep the commandments.

The warning Jesus gives against seeking places of honor in the community was directed as much toward the Christian community as the named Jewish leaders. Indeed, it is a warning that resonates with us today. Christian leadership is a call to service for the glory of God; those who would be leaders among us must, like Jesus, be servants of all. **From Loyola Press – Online reflection**

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