

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

St. Aloysius Gonzaga

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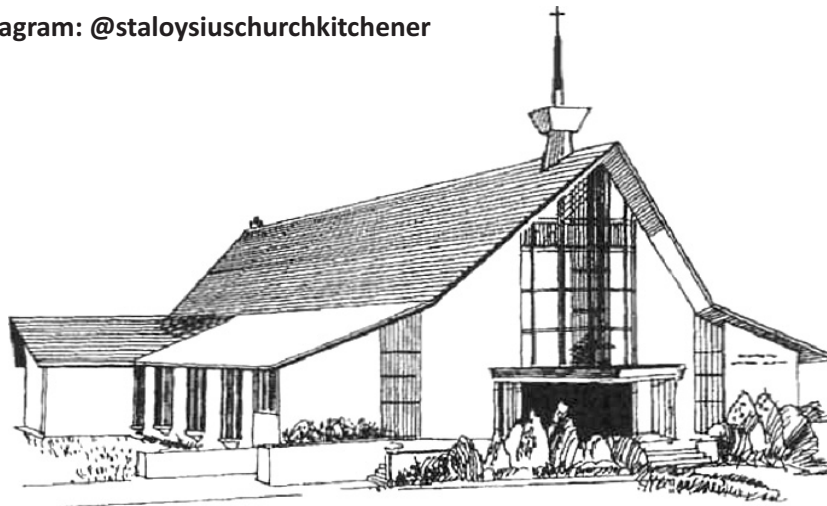
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OFFICE HOURS:

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.

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



MASS INTENTIONS

Oct 9 – Oct 15, 2023

Monday (ferial)
8:30 am + Luiz Gonzaga and Luiza Cabral

Tuesday (ferial)
7:00 pm + Nancy Devereaux
- Int. of Deanna Showers

Wednesday (ferial)
8:30 am - Int. of Arminda Pacheco

Thursday (ferial)
8:30 am + Tony DuCharme

Friday (ferial)
8:30 am + Mary Black

Saturday (ferial)
8:30 am + Jose Cabral

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday
5:00 pm - Int. of Michael Altman
+ Mr. Nave

Sunday
9:00 am - Int. of Lorraine Jack
+ Fatima Cabral
11:00 am - Int. of our Parishioners
Children's liturgy during the 11am Mass
7:00 pm + Manuel and Geraldino Vitorino

Schedule of Events

Oct 9 – Oct 15, 2023

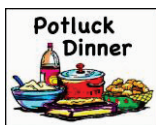
- Tuesday**
- Trinity Village Mass/Communion Service 10:30 am
 - Stained Glass Guild..... 1:00 pm
 - Confessions, Adoration and Mass 6:00 pm
 - Prayer Group – Cenacle of the Marian Movement of Priests following Mass

- Wednesday**
- Briarfield Gardens Mass/Communion Service 10:00 am
 - St. Timothy School Bible Celebration 10:30 am

- Thursday**
- St. Kateri School Bible Celebration 10:00 am

- Saturday**
- Secular Carmel Day of Reflection 10:00 am
 - Confessions 3:45 pm

- Sunday**
- Children's Liturgy during 11:00 am Mass



A special Thank You to our volunteers who organized our recent Potluck Dinner. Thanks also to everyone who came out and shared their special dishes. Stay tuned for more information on our next Parish Potluck Dinner!

Thank You!

OFFERTORY REPORT

Sunday Envelope Collection\$2281.00
Sunday Loose Collection\$1062.00
Total Offertory for Oct 1/2023 \$3343.00
Pre-Authorized Giving (weekly amount).....\$787.16

Thank you for your ongoing financial support!



First Communion and Confirmation registration news for 2024

Have you registered your child yet for the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation? Don't miss our registration deadline of October 31, 2023. Registration is taking place online now on our Parish website. First Communion is for those in Grade 2 and up and Confirmation for students in Grade 7 and up. **All candidates will need to register by the deadline to be included in our Spring 2024 group.** More information can be found on our parish website, or by contacting the church office.



News from the St. Aloysius CWL

The annual CWL Christmas Bazaar is coming up Sat Nov 18 from 10am to 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.

For questions, please contact Lorraine Jack at mlorrainejack@gmail.com.



Stained Glass Update

Thank you to everyone who supported the St. Aloysius Stained Glass Guild during their glass ornament sale last weekend. Over the four Masses, they raised over \$1400 dollars through the sale. The money raised will help the group to purchase supplies and glass for new stained glass windows they are creating for the church alcove.



40 Days for Life

The annual campaign continues until November 5. All are encouraged to participate in 40 consecutive days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. Get involved by praying and fasting as well as attending a peaceful vigil outside Freeport Hospital in Kitchener for an allocated hour during the campaign. St. Aloysius Parish has allocated October 15 as our 'Adopt a Day'. Sign up for an hour that day or any hour during the campaign. Register at the back of the church on our sign up sheet or online at www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener.

Mass and Reception for the Carmelite Nuns in St. Agatha

The Committee for the Carmelite Nuns invites you to attend a special Mass celebrated by the Most Reverend Bishop Wayne Lobsinger at Holy Family Croatian RC Church in Kitchener on Mon Oct 23 at 5pm. The Mass will be followed by dinner in the reception hall. Meal for 2 is by a minimum donation of \$250. Click on 'Donate Now' at <https://thecarmel.ca/>. **RSVP by October 10.** For questions, please call 519-590-4808.

Grief Support Groups: Have you experienced the loss of a loved one, or another significant loss? St. Michael's Church in Waterloo presents two programs which can help.

Program #1 – (6 consecutive weeks on Wed nights at 7pm)

Grief Support Program Group Oct. 25-Nov. 29

Program #2 – Monthly Informal Grief Support Group

2nd Wed of every month: Oct 11, Nov 8, Dec 13 at 7:00 pm

There is no admission fee and everyone is welcome.

To register: Phone 519-884-9311 or Email: parish@stmichaelw.ca

Volunteers needed for the Diocese Catechetical Correspondence program.

Children in our parish benefit from the Catechetical Correspondence Program each year in preparation to receive the Sacraments. We are in **desperate need of more volunteers.** If you are interested please email catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com for more information.

Men's Discernment Group If you would like to explore the possibility of becoming a Catholic priest, please join Father Mark Morley, and other men who are discerning their vocation, by attending the diocesan Men's Discernment Group. Their first meeting for the Fall will be held on Fri Oct 20 at 7pm at St. Michael's Church in Waterloo in the parish hall. If you would like to attend, or have any questions, please visit; <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

Gospel Reflection The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday October 8, 2023.

In today's Gospel, Jesus once again speaks to the priests and elders with a parable. In this parable, the landowner leases his vineyard to tenants and sends his servants to collect the portion of the harvest that the tenants owe to him. Several times the servants are sent to collect payment, and each time they are beaten and killed by the tenants. Finally, the landowner sends his son to collect his rent. The tenants, believing that they will inherit the vineyard if the landowner dies without an heir, plot together and kill the landowner's son.

After telling the parable, Jesus questions the chief priests and elders about what the landowner will do to the wicked tenants. They all agree that the landowner will kill the wicked tenants and give the land to new tenants who will pay the rent.

In telling the parable, Jesus is clearly drawing upon Isaiah 5:1-7, which is today's first reading and one that the priests and elders would have known well. Jesus doesn't, therefore, have to explain the symbolism of the parable; the Pharisees would have understood that the vineyard represented Israel, the landowner represented God, the servants represented the prophets, and the bad tenants represented the religious leaders. Yet Jesus nonetheless explains the meaning of the parable for his audience: the Kingdom of God will be taken from the unbelieving and given to the faithful. The chief priests and elders have condemned themselves with their answer to Jesus' question.

Today's Gospel has a parallel in [Mark 12:1-12](#). There are some notable differences, however. In Matthew's version, the religious leaders condemn themselves; in Mark's Gospel, Jesus answers his own question. Matthew names the religious leaders as Pharisees and chief priests. Clearly this Gospel shows the tension that was mounting between Jesus and the Jewish religious leaders who thought that his message was dangerous. Matthew's Gospel was written about 70 years after Jesus' death and reflects the conflicts and tensions found in the Christian community for whom Matthew was writing. Many biblical scholars believe that the tension between Matthew's community and their Jewish neighbors can also be heard in today's reading.

This Gospel reminds us of the importance of listening to God's word. God speaks to us in many ways—through Scripture, through our Church tradition, in our Church's teaching, and through modern-day prophets. Are we attentive and receptive to God's word to us through these messengers? *Taken from Loyola Press – Online reflection*



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for he is good; his love
endures forever."
1 Chronicles 16:34

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