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

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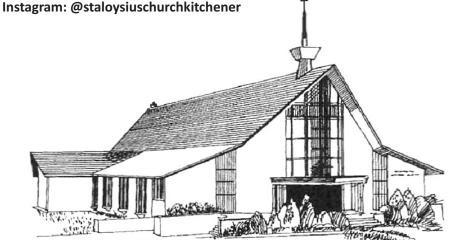
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OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY: Closed, TUESDAY-THURSDAY: 9am-12pm & 1pm-4:30pm, FRIDAY: 9am-12pm

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

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

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.

	MASS	<u>Sept 25 – Oct 1, 2023</u>
Monday		
8:30 am	+ Nancy De	vereaux
	+ Scott Pavl	in
<u>Tuesday</u>	(Feast – St. Jean	de Brebeuf and St. Isaac Jogues,
Priests and	Companions, Mar	tyrs)
7:00 pm	- Int. of Dea	inna Showers
<u>Wednesday</u>	(Memorial – St.	Vincent de Paul, Priest)
8:30 am	+ Christine	Altman
	+ Marie Mo	oney
<u>Thursday</u>	(ferial)	
8:30 am	- Int. of Ma	ria and Joao Costa
	- Int. of Rac	hel Davies
<u>Friday</u>	(Feast – St. Micł	hael, St. Gabriel, St. Raphael,
	Archangels)	
8:30 am	+ All Souls i	n Purgatory
<u>Saturday</u> (/	Memorial – St. Jer	ome, Priest, Doctor)
8:30 am	+ Mary Blac	:k
Twenty Sixt	h Sunday in Ordi	nary Time
<u>Saturday</u>		
5:00 pm	- Int. of Dea	inna Showers
-	+ Mary Ann	e Schreiter
9:00 am	- Int. of our	Parishioners
11:00 am	- Int. of Mai	ry O'Malley

- Int. of Deanna Showers	
+ Mary Anne Schreiter	
- Int. of our Parishioners	
- Int. of Mary O'Malley	
+ Nancy Devereaux	

Sept 25 – Oct 1, 2023

Schedule

+ Amilcar Vitorino

Monday

7:00 pm

Food Pantry Open	7-8:30pm
<u>Tuesday</u>	
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	of Priests
following Mass	
<u>Wednesday</u>	
• Briarfield Gardens Mass/Communion Service	10:00 am
<u>Friday</u>	
St. Aloysius Parish Potluck Dinner	6:00 pm
<u>Saturday</u>	
Confessions	3:45pm
• Stained Glass Guild ornament salein lobby after	r 5pm Mass
Sunday	

- Stained Glass Guild Ornament Sale.... in lobby after all Masses
- Children's Liturgyduring 11:00 am Mass

OFFERTORY REPORT

Sunday Envelope Collection	\$2046.00	
Sunday Loose Collection	\$1292.00	
Total Offertory for Sept 16/17	\$3338.00	
Pre-Authorized Giving (weekly amount)	\$787.16	
Thank you for your ongoing financial support!		



Parish Potluck Dinner Fri Sept 29:

You are invited to a potluck dinner on Fri Sept 29 in our Parish Hall. Doors will open at 5:30pm and the dinner at 6pm. Sign up in the Church foyer. Please note the dish you will

bring to the potluck and number of guests. We hope you will join us for an evening of food and fellowship.



The St. Aloysius Stained Glass Guild needs your help! This dedicated group of volunteers is planning to make 4 more stained glass windows for the church alcove. The group began the task of creating over 18 stained glass windows for the Church more than 10 years ago. You can read more about the history here; https://staloysius.on.ca/stained-

glass-guild. To help raise enough money to create the last 4 windows and to purchase new glass, the group will be selling some of their beautiful stained glass ornaments in the church foyer on the weekend of Sept 30/Oct 1. Items will be priced between \$5 and \$45 dollars. Please show them your support.



First Communion and Confirmation registration news for 2024 Do you have a child in Grade 2 or Grade 7 this Our registration for First vear? Communion (Grade 2 and up) and Confirmation (Grade 7 and up) has now

opened on our parish website. All candidates will need to register online by October 31, 2023 to be included in our Spring 2024 group.

More information can be found on our parish website, or by contacting the church office.

Sunday October 1 is our 'World Hunger Fund' collection.

This Parish initiative is an annual collection for local and international agencies who help the less fortunate. Look for your 'World Hunger Fund' envelope in your collection box.

From the St. Aloysius Office We will soon be preparing our 2024 offertory envelopes. If your home address has changed or if you no longer wish to receive envelopes, please let the parish office know by Sept 30, 2023.



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.



40 Days for Life

from across North America to

participate in 40 consecutive days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion from September 27 - November 5. You are encouraged to get involved in prayer and fasting as well as attending a peaceful vigil outside Freeport Hospital for an allocated hour during the campaign. Sign up online at www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener or by emailing 40DaysKW@gmail.com or calling 519-904-2620. You are also invited to join the group for the opening rally on Mon Sept 25 at Sacred Heart Parish in Kitchener.

The lay Carmelite members (Ocds) are hosting a day of reflection on Sat Oct 14 from 10am- 2pm in our Parish Hall, and parishioners are invited to attend! The event will begin with the Rosary, followed by mass and a light lunch. Following mass, there will be a Reflection on St Therese of Lisieux offered by a Carmelite priest. Father Rajesh D'Souza, the Provincial Delegate will also be in attendance. There is no admission fee.

If you would like to attend, please sign up in our church lobby.

The National Day for Truth and Reconciliation is Saturday September 30. The annual "Every Child Matters Walk" will begin at 10 am at The Healing of the Seven Generations at 300 Frederick Street in Kitchener, and proceed to a rally in Victoria Park. A bus will be available for those with mobility challenges. Ahead of the walk, a Mass for Reconciliation will be offered at 9 am at St Anne Parish. Following Mass, all are invited to join the walk. This Mass is offered as a joint effort between St. Anne & St. Joseph parishes.

St. Agnes Education Café presents 'Adjusting our Focus: Living in Faith, not Fear'. Learn more about how we can live out our faith in our everyday lives, so we can earn the true peace that a Christ-centred life can bring. Join them Sun Oct 1, 2:00-3:30pm at St. Agnes Church in Waterloo. Free admission.

Marriage Support from the Diocese of Hamilton

Is your marriage causing you stress? Consider Retrouvaille, a program for married couples facing challenges in their relationship. Retrouvaille has one purpose: to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple. It also works well for couples who may be considering separation or divorce. The next Retrouvaille weekend is Oct. 20-22. For more info call 905-664-5212.



Gospel Reflection – Sunday September 24, 2023 Photo by freebibleimages.org via www.lumoproject.com

In today's Gospel, Jesus moves from Galilee to teach in Judea where he is sought out by great

crowds and tested by the Pharisees on issues such as marriage and divorce. Jesus also encounters a rich young man who is unable to accept Jesus' demand that he leave his possessions to follow him. Jesus' response to the rich young man sounds very much like the conclusion we will find in today's Gospel: the first will be last and the last will be first.

On the surface, the parable of the workers in the vineyard appears to be an offense to common sense. Those who work a longer day ought to be paid more than those who work just an hour or two. When viewed in this way, the landowner seems unfair. That is because we are reading into the parable our own preconceived notions of how fairness and equality should be quantified.

A close read shows us that the landowner paid on the terms that were negotiated. The landowner, it seems, has acted completely justly. The parable goes beyond that, however, and we come to see that the landowner is not simply just, he is exceptionally just. He is radically just. He has given those who labored in the field for a full day their due pay. But he has also given a full-day's wage to those who worked only a single hour. No one is cheated, but a few receive abundantly from the landowner just as we receive from God more than what is merely justifiable or due. God, like the landowner, is radically just and abundantly generous. The workers who complain are made to look foolish as they lament the fact that landowner has made all workers equal. Indeed, what more could one ask for than to be treated as an equal at work or anywhere else?

The parable reminds us that although God owes us nothing, he offers abundantly and equally. We are occasionally tempted to think that our own actions deserve more reward, more of God's abundant mercy, than the actions of others. But God's generosity cannot be quantified or partitioned into different amounts for different people. When we think that way, we are trying to relate to God on our terms rather than to accept God's radically different ways. Taken from Loyola Press - Online reflection



