

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

St. Aloysius Gonzaga

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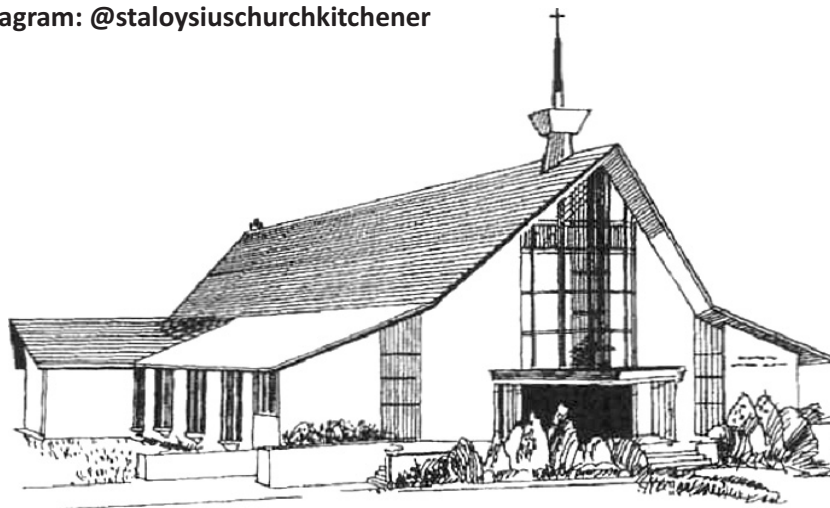
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OFFICE HOURS:

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

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-SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



MASS
INTENTIONS

Sept 27 – Oct 3, 2021

Important information:

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



Monday (Memorial – St. Vincent de Paul, Priest)

8:30 am + Marie Mooney – Mary Ann Mooney

Tuesday (ferial)

7:00 pm + Arthur Ladzik – Rita and Don

Wednesday (Feast St. Michael, St. Gabriel, St. Raphael, Archangels)

8:30 am + Martha Kuntz – Helen Stemmler

Thursday (Memorial, St. Jerome, Priest, Doctor)

8:30 am - Int. of Peace and Reconciliation -
Commemorating National Day for Peace and Reconciliation

- Int. of Herb Altman – A. Pacheco

Friday (Memorial, St. Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin, Doctor)

8:30 am + Fatima Medeiros – Isabel Lindo

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 5:00pm + Maria & Antonio Medeiros – Isabel Lindo

Sun 9:00am + Patricia Lustic – The St. Aloysius CWL

Sun 11:00am + Frank Kruzlics - Family

Sun 7:00pm - Int. of Parishioners of St. Aloysius Parish

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. If you need to reach us, send an email to info@staloysius.on.ca or call 519-893-1220 during office hours.

Parish Office Hours – by appointment only:

Monday – Closed

Tuesday – Thursday: 9am-12pm and 1pm-4:30pm

Friday: 9am-12pm

*Please note our office will be closed on Thurs Sept 30, 2021 for the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Protect each other.

Wear a face covering.

Nose, mouth and chin must be covered.



Show kindness to those who are unable to wear a face covering.

continuing to follow the guidance of health authorities and the Diocese of Hamilton. Let's work together to help prevent the spread of Covid-19.

Mask wearing is mandatory when coming to Mass.

Thank you for continuing to be kind and charitable and thank you for

➤ **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 (all other doors will be locked)** at least 15 minutes before Mass time.

➤ Entrance is NOT permitted to those who have an elevated temperature, or are suffering from a cough or cold symptoms, shortness of breath, undue fatigue, loss of appetite, muscle aches, runny nose, chills involving shakes, loss of taste or smell

➤ If you have been in contact with a COVID-19 positive person you must stay home.

➤ If anyone you live with is experiencing any new symptoms of Covid-19 or waiting for test results, please stay home

➤ If you have traveled outside Canada within the past 14 days, and you have been told to self-isolate, you are not to enter the Church

➤ Everyone is to use the hand sanitizer provided as we use scent free sanitizer.

➤ Please Maintain a two metre (6 foot) distance

➤ Follow the direction of Ushers will seat you at the available designated seats.

➤ Offertory collection is not done during Mass, kindly deposit it in the basket in the Church lobby.



September is CWL Renewal Month!

Please renew or take out a new membership for 2022 with the Catholic Women's League during the month of September. All

women 16 years of age and up are encouraged to join. At St. Aloysius it

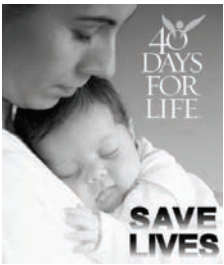
is only \$25 for a one-year membership. This enables you to add your voice to thousands of Catholic women across Canada. Members also receive a magazine, and the opportunity to attend monthly meetings when health restrictions allow. Please use the envelope provided in your box of envelopes, or a plain envelope marked clearly "**CWL Membership**". Please indicate if you are renewing or a new member. Also, add in all your contact information, so they can keep their records up to date.



News from the St. Aloysius Prayer Shawl Ministry:

The group is currently busy knitting scarves for the homeless in Waterloo Region. Last year, they

distributed over 150 knitted and crocheted scarves for those in need! If you are interested in making scarves for the homeless, it would be greatly appreciated. We also have wool for you to use. If you would like to get involved and need wool for the project, please contact Ann Stuart by email at nannieann@rogers.com.



40 Days for Life will be holding its annual Campaign in the KW area to pray for the unborn. The group will stand across from Freeport Hospital from 7am to 7pm **daily**, between September 22nd and October 31st.

To register for hours or for more information please go to

www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener by phone: 519-748-5548 or by email: paddym@golden.net

News from the Diocese of Hamilton;

This weekend is the Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada.

Each year, and with the generosity of Catholic faithful from coast to

coast, the Bishops of Canada continue their work on relations with Indigenous peoples, important doctrinal and ethical questions; ecumenical initiatives and interreligious dialogue; international relations; evangelization, faith education and catechesis; questions of social justice; responsible ministry, and the development of a culture of life and family.

Sept 30 is National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. It commemorates the history and ongoing trauma caused by residential schools, and to honour the survivors, families and communities who continue to grieve for those who were lost. Join us at our 8:30am Mass on Sept 30th for prayers for the healing of our nation, in particular the reconciliation between the Indigenous People and all citizens of Canada.



Gospel Reflection - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Sun Sept 26, 2021

Today we continue to read from the Gospel of Mark. Recall that last week we heard Jesus

chastise his disciples for their argument about who among them was the greatest. Jesus taught them that the greatest among them will be those who serve the least ones. In today's Gospel, the disciple John questions Jesus about an unknown exorcist who was driving out demons in Jesus' name. John's question might have been motivated by jealousy. Previously in Mark's Gospel, Jesus healed a boy whom the disciples had been unable to heal. John's question is further evidence that the disciples have not yet grasped Jesus' words to them. They continue to compare themselves to others who seem to have greater healing powers, and they do not want to share the power of Jesus' name with others.

Today the demon possession described in the Gospels might be seen as a form of mental illness, but the need for healing these syndromes was as real then as it is now. Exorcism was a common practice in first-century Palestine. Some people had the power to heal the symptoms of possession. One of the strategies used was to invoke the name of a person or figure who was believed to have the power to heal.

The disciples observed that the unknown exorcist invoked Jesus' name and was successful in his healing efforts. This unknown healer recognized the power of Jesus' name, yet he was not a follower of Jesus. In his reply to his disciples, Jesus acknowledges that deeds of faith can precede the words of faith. He also teaches that the disciples should not be reluctant to share Jesus' healing powers with others.

Later in this Gospel, Jesus teaches us not to create obstacles for those who are just beginning to have faith but to encourage even the smallest signs of faith. The Greek word used here for sin also connotes "stumbling" or "causing scandal." In vivid terms Jesus teaches his disciples the consequences to those who would put obstacles before people who are on the road to faith.

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