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St. Aloysius Gonzaga

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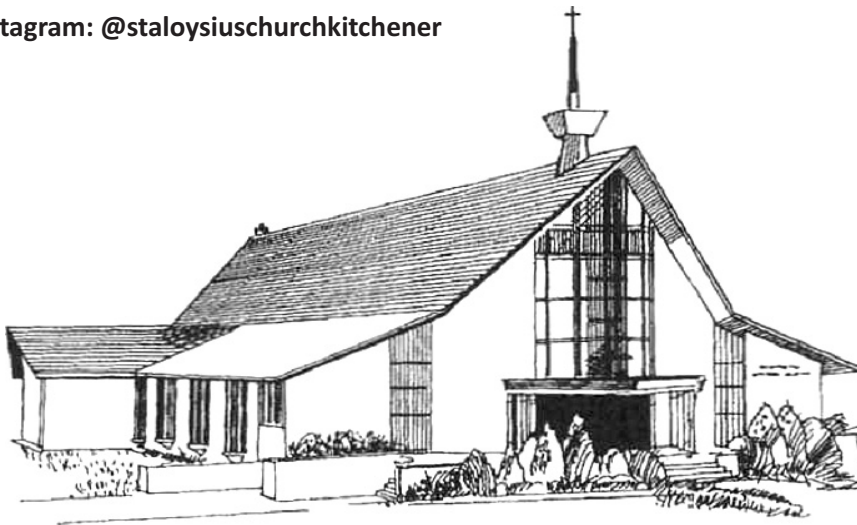
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OFFICE HOURS:

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

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY..... 5:00pm

SUNDAY.....9:00am

.....11:00am

.....7:00pm

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY.....8:30am

TUESDAY.....6:00pm

WEDNESDAY....8:30am

THURSDAY.....8:30am

FRIDAY.....8:30am

SATURDAY.....8:30am

CONFESSIONS - Tuesday: 5 - 5:45pm, Saturday: 3:45 - 4:30pm, or by appointment.

BAPTISM - Please contact our parish office for more details.

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, or in our parish office. 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.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



Apr 20 – Apr 26, 2026

Monday 8:30 am	(ferial) + All Souls In Purgatory
Tuesday 6:00 pm	(ferial) - Int. of Jessie Costa and family - Int. of Mary Thomson
Wednesday 8:30 am	(ferial) - Int. of All Priests in Diocese of Hamilton
Thursday 8:30 am	(ferial) - Int. of Carlos Paiva
Friday 8:30 am	(ferial) + Peter and Debra DaSilva
Saturday 8:30 am	(Feast – St. Mark, Evangelist) + Maria Nen Dinh - Int. of Grace Gilson
Fourth Sunday Of Easter	
Sat 5pm	+ Lineu da Costa + Cecil Donnelly
Sun 9am	+ Ron Deitner
Sun 11am	+ All Souls in Purgatory
Children's Liturgy downstairs in parish hall during 11am Mass	
Sun 7pm Mass	- Int. of our Parishioners

Schedule of Events

Apr 20 – Apr 26, 2026

Monday	• Stained Glass Guild..... 4:00 pm
Tuesday	• Trinity Village Mass/Communion Service 10:30 am • Adoration, Confessions and Mass 5:00 pm • Marian Movement for Priests Prayer Group following 6pm Mass
Wednesday	• Briarfield Gardens Communion Service/Mass 10:00 am • Bible Study Group 6:30 pm
Thursday	Office closed today due to scheduled electrical work
Saturday	• CWL Cupcake Decorating/Meeting 10:00 am • Confessions 3:45-4:30 pm
Sunday	• Children's Liturgy During 11am Mass

Offertory Report

Sunday Envelopes for Apr 12	\$1942.00
Sunday Loose for Apr 12 (includes Tip Tap)	\$1522.00
Total Offertory for Apr 12	\$3464.00
Pre-Authorized Giving (weekly amount).....	\$806.31

Thank you for your continued support of our Parish!

Special Collection this weekend – This Sunday, we will hold a collection in support of the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund. The fund was created in response to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's calls to action. The Commission identified the Catholic Church as one of the institutions responsible for the residential school system's harm inflicted on Indigenous peoples. The Hamilton Diocese has committed to providing \$4 million dollars towards the fund. Look for the envelope in your offertory box and please be generous.



The St. Aloysius CWL is hosting a cake decorating class with a professional baker on Apr 25 at 10am in the church hall. All are welcome. The cost for each attendee is \$20.00.

Registration is required. A sign-up sheet is available in the lobby. Payment is required in advance. Please e-transfer the funds to johnkimansty@gmail.com. E-Transfer security question: who are we? Answer: cwl. No refunds as the cost is for materials only.

The Kitchener Knights of Columbus



announces the return of its annual Spring Clean Up on Sat May 2 from 8:30am to 1pm at the St. Anthony Daniel Church parking lot. Bring your old electronics, televisions, computers, laptops and cell phones. They also accept any scrap metal, including copper, stainless steel and brass; even your old kitchen sink. Also on hand for purchase will be their popular locally produced maple syrup. Donations to the Waterloo Region Food bank are welcomed. **All funds raised support of local charities.**

St. Aloysius School Clothing Drive – Sat May 9

The school is fundraising by collecting fabric in **any condition**. They accept all clothes (even ripped and stained clothes), shoes, boots, handbags, luggage, towels, bedsheets, and pillows! Drop off is in our **church** parking lot on **Saturday, May 9th, from 9:00-noon**. Thank you in advance for your help. They have been able to raise hundreds of dollars from your generous donations.

Tap to Give - A big thank-you to everyone who continues to use our **Tap-to-Donate machine** in the church lobby! It's fast, easy, and convenient. Just tap your debit card, credit card, or mobile wallet to give **\$5, \$10, or \$20**, perfect for when you don't have cash on hand. Thank you for helping support our parish in such a simple way!

Electronic Donations - Looking for other ways to donate to St. Aloysius Parish from your phone? Scan the QR Code to donate to St. Aloysius Parish through CanadaHelps.



The Carmel of St. Joseph Guild is hosting their Spiritual Retreat at the Carmelite Monastery on Sat May 30. The theme of the retreat given by Fr. David Reitzel is "Our Lady-The Visitation." Registration opens Monday, April 20 and spaces are limited.

Please visit The Carmel website (www.thecarmel.ca) to view their retreat schedule as well as a registration form.

Camp Kumuntome in Haliburton County is Hiring

They are looking for two dynamic young people 17+ for the position of co-director at Camp Kumuntome which offers Catholic programming. The role runs from June 28 to September 5, and involves coordinating daily crafts, games, swim times at Black's Lake, and evening family activities alongside volunteer counsellors. This is a hands-on, full-day leadership position in a dynamic, faith-informed summer camp environment. For more information or to apply, email program@campkumuntome.ca. Full job descriptions can be found at campkumuntome.ca/staffing

Grief Support Groups - St. Michael Parish, Waterloo

St. Michael's offers monthly informal support on the 2nd Wednesday of the month; 7pm in the Resource Centre/Library. Registration is not required. Also offered is a 6 week Program, Wed evenings (6 consecutive weeks) from May 13 to Jun 17 at 7pm. Registration is required by May 4 by contacting their parish office 519-884-9311, or email parish@stmichaelw.ca.

RESTART – Support Group - Struggling after divorce or separation? Join the Diocese of Hamilton for learning, support and fun on the 2nd & 3rd Fridays of each month at the Chancery Office in Hamilton. These get-togethers offer support for people as they journey through the divorce/separation process. Register here: <https://sites.google.com/view/hamilton-restart/home>, or contact Sarah at familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com.



Pray With The Pope - Every month, Pope Leo XIV shares a special prayer intention, inviting us to unite with him in prayer for the challenges facing the Church and facing all humanity. For the month of April we are asked to pray for Priests in Crisis. Please pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

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2026 Vocations Recognition Dinner - The Serra Club of Hamilton invites you to attend the 23rd Annual Vocations Recognition Dinner, Wed Apr 29 at Liuna Station in Hamilton to celebrate the dedicated service of our Priests, Deacons, Religious Brothers and Sisters, and Consecrated Virgins. Doors open at 6pm. Tickets are \$90 per person. For more information visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/>.



April 26 - World Day of Prayer for Vocations

- On fourth Sunday of Easter, Christians are invited to reflect on the meaning of God's call and to pray for vocations. Christ, the Good Shepherd, continues to lead his people through His Bishops, Priests, and Deacons. Priestly, diaconal and religious vocations should be a constant concern in the heart of God's people.

CURSILLO - (*meaning short course in Spanish*) is a lay ecclesial movement sanctioned by the Vatican that started in the Roman Catholic Church in Spain over 70 years ago. The 3 day weekend is a course in Christian living led by clergy and lay leaders. Many participants attribute their experience with a profound rekindling of their faith. Upcoming Women's weekend; June 4 to 7, 2026. For more info on upcoming weekends, contact Dan Brown at dmbrown269@gmail.com

Gospel Reflection: Third Sunday of Easter - When we read today's Gospel, we can imagine the feelings of the two disciples. They are leaving their community in Jerusalem. Their friend Jesus has been crucified. Their hope is gone. They are trying to make sense of what has occurred, so that they can put the experience behind them.

Jesus himself approaches the two men, but they take him for a stranger. Jesus asks them what they are discussing. He invites them to share their experience and interpretation of the events surrounding his crucifixion and death. When the two disciples have done so, Jesus offers his own interpretation of his crucifixion and resurrection, citing Jewish Scripture. In that encounter we find the model for our Liturgy of the Word—what we do each time we gather as a community for the Eucharist.

In the next part of the story, we find a model for our Liturgy of the Eucharist. The disciples invite the stranger (Jesus) to stay with them. During the meal in which they share in the breaking of the bread, the disciples' eyes are opened; they recognize the stranger as Jesus. In the Eucharist too we share in the breaking of the bread and discover Jesus in our midst. Just as the disciples returned to Jerusalem to recount their experience to the other disciples, we too are sent from our Eucharistic gathering. Our experience of Jesus in the Eucharist compels us to share the story with others.

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