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St. Aloysius Gonzaga

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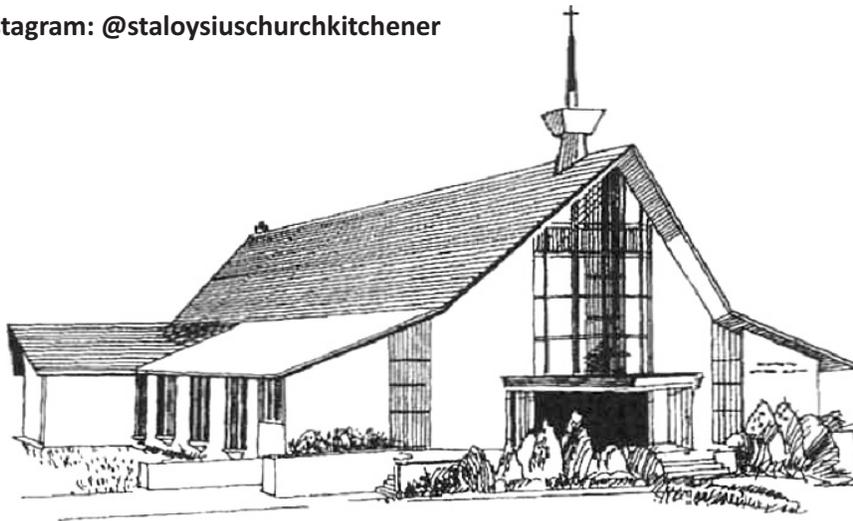
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OFFICE HOURS:

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.

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



MASS INTENTIONS

Feb 16 – Feb 22 2026

- Monday** (ferial)
8:30 am - Int. of Peter Ntto
 - Int. of Rosa and Carlos Paiva
- Tuesday** (ferial)
6:00 pm - Int. of Luke Hatch + Edwin and Doris DaSilva
- Wednesday** **ASH WEDNESDAY**
8:30 am + Manuel Lindo
7:00 pm + All Souls in Purgatory
- Thursday** (ferial)
8:30 am + Josephine DaSilva and Iris DeSouza
- Friday** (ferial)
8:30 am + David Flitton
6:00 pm Mass followed by Stations of the Cross
- Saturday** (ferial)
8:30 am - Int. of Greyson Grzesiak
 - Int. of Nelson Paiva and Family

The First Sunday of Lent

- Sat 5pm** + Antonio and Sara Afonso + Louise Schwartz
Sun 9am + Martiniano Atienza Sr. + Ron Deitner
Sun 11am - Int. of our Parishioners
Children's Liturgy downstairs in Parish Hall during 11am Mass
Sun 7pm + All Souls in Purgatory

Schedule of Events

Feb 16 – Feb 22 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**
- Ash Wednesday Liturgy – St. Aloysius School 9:30 am
 - Ash Wednesday Liturgy – St. Timothy School 9:30 am
 - Briarfield Gardens Communion Service/Mass 10:00 am
 - Ash Wednesday Liturgy – St. Josephine Bakhita 11:15 am
 - Ash Wednesday Liturgy – St. Kateri School 1:00 pm
 - Bible Study Group 6:30 pm
 - Ash Wednesday Mass 7:00 pm
- Thursday**
- Fergus Place Mass/Communion Service 10:00 am
- Friday**
- Mass followed by Stations of the Cross 6:00 pm
- Saturday**
- Confessions 3:45-4:30 pm
- Sunday**
- Children's Liturgy – in parish Hall.....during 11am Mass

Offertory Report

Sunday Envelope Collection for Feb 8.....\$1780.00
Sunday Loose/Tip Tap Collection for Feb 8\$1052.00
Total Offertory for Feb 8, 2026 \$2832.00
Pre-Authorized Giving (weekly amount)..... \$803.69



Lent begins this week!

Ash Wednesday is February 18. Join us for Mass on Ash Wednesday at 8:30am and 7:00pm. We observe Ash Wednesday and the Fridays during Lent as days of special penance. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are the two obligatory days of fasting and abstinence in the Catholic Church.

Why fast? - It is a sign of repentance and shows our spiritual hunger for Christ who fasted for 40 days before his death and Resurrection.

What else can we do during Lent to help deepen our relationship with Christ?

- **Penance:** Besides abstaining from meat, abstain from some other form of food, drink or entertainment.
- **Prayer:** Attend Mass regularly and try and go to at least one extra Mass during Lent. Pray with your family and spend extra time in personal prayer. Join the Stations of the Cross with the Community.
- **Good works:** Do good to others by visiting the sick or aged, help those in need, or contribute your time or money to charity.



Friday Night Masses and Stations of the Cross During Lent

Every Friday during Lent (Feb 20–Mar 27), join us for an additional Friday evening Mass at 6pm followed by Stations of the Cross. *We will not be having a Friday evening Mass on Good Friday.*

We're thrilled to share that our Church Doors fundraising goal has been surpassed! Thanks to the incredible generosity of our parish family, \$41,792.00 was raised—fully covering the cost of the new front, Marian, and Parish Hall doors, with additional funds supporting future renovations. Thank you for investing in the life and future of our parish.



News from the CWL The CWL elections are coming up quickly! Please let an executive member know if you are interested in standing for a position.

Join them for Yarn and Yap at 3pm on February 28 before mass. This is open to anyone interested in stitching, no matter the skill level. Please let a CWL Member know if you are a current member able to serve in a ministry at the mass on February 28.

First Holy Communion - A reminder of some upcoming important dates for those who have registered for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion in our Spring 2026 group.



Sat Feb 28 - 10am Information Session for Parents and Guardians of Registered Candidates

Sat Mar 7 – 9:15am-Noon Sacrament of First Reconciliation for registered Candidates

Rehearsals for First Holy Communion

Saturday April 11, 2026 at 10am for Students from St. Timothy, St. Aloysius and Public/Private Schools

Saturday April 11, 2026 at 12:30pm for Students from St. Josephine Bakhita and St. Kateri Schools

Sacrament of First Holy Communion

Saturday April 18, 2026 at 10am for Students from St. Aloysius, St. Timothy and Public/Private Schools

Saturday April 18, 2026 at 12:30pm for Students from St. Josephine Bakhita and St. Kateri Schools

Please keep our 98 students in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion this year.

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 ways to donate to St. Aloysius Parish from your phone? Scan the QR Code to donate to St. Aloysius Parish through CanadaHelps.



We also accept e-transfers to our parish email address; info@staloyusius.on.ca
For questions, contact the parish office.

Alpha 2026 at St. Mark's Parish, Kitchener - Thursday evenings, Mar 5-May 14 from 6:30-9:15pm (starting with dinner). This 11-week program brings people together to talk about life, faith and Jesus. All adults who are curious about Jesus, or want to strengthen their faith are welcome. Good will donations to help cover the cost of dinner are appreciated. To register, contact Ron Denomme at stmarkalpha@gmail.com or 226-748-3210.

World Day of Prayer 2026

Friday, March 6th beginning with morning service at 10:30 a.m. at St Mathews Lutheran Church, 54 Benton Street, Kitchener. Focus on Nigeria "I will give you rest."

Lift Jesus Higher Rally 2026

Saturday, March 14th at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. For information regarding bus and tickets, please call Anna Joseph at 519-577-8519.

Diocesan Wedding Anniversary

Mass - Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary this year? You are cordially invited to join Bishop Dabrowski and couples from across the Diocese for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sun May 31 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (*Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance*). Registration is found under Upcoming Events on the home page at hamiltondiocese.com.



Gospel Reflection: The Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Today's reading is part one of the Sermon on the Mount and deals with the Law. When Matthew speaks of "the Law and the prophets" he means the whole Scripture. When the Messiah brings the fullness of the kingdom none of scripture will be done away with. Instead, it will be fulfilled. Matthew's Jesus does not overturn the Law of Moses, nor does he set his followers free from the Law. He requires his followers to go beyond the Law by doing more than the Law requires.

The Law condemned murder. Jesus condemns anger. The Law condemned adultery. Jesus condemns even lustful looks. As Jewish Christians who had always been faithful to the Law Matthew's community need a way to understand the difference Jesus and the kingdom he brings have made. They affirmed that God had always been at work in history through "the Law and the prophets." But God's work goes beyond that to be embodied by the Messiah who reveals the definitive will of God. The written scriptures and their interpretation in tradition are surpassed by Jesus whose life and teaching are the definitive revelation of the will of God.

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