

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

*St. Aloysius Gonzaga*

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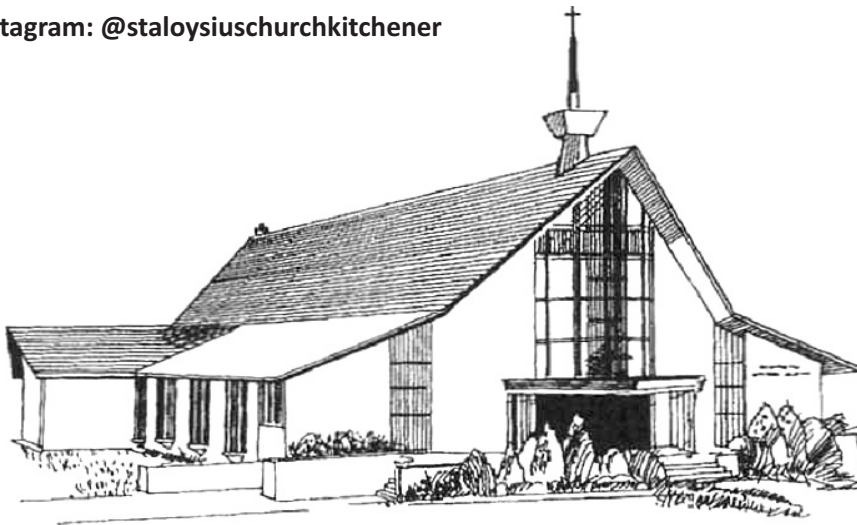
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#### **OFFICE HOURS:**

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.....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](http://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.

## SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



### MASS INTENTIONS

Feb 24 – Mar 2, 2025

<b>Monday</b> 8:30 am	(ferial) + Luiza Cabral
<b>Tuesday</b> 6:00 pm	(ferial) + Rosamond Edgar
<b>Wednesday</b> 8:30 am	(ferial) + Joseph and Cynthia Pereira
<b>Thursday</b> 8:30 am	(ferial) + Don Loncke
<b>Friday</b> 8:30 am	(ferial) + Fatima Ricardo
<b>Saturday</b> 8:30 am	(ferial) + Steven Thibodeau

### Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

<b>Sat 5pm</b>	- Int. of Valerie Grzesiak + Karn Thurnell
<b>Sun 9am</b>	- In Thanksgiving for Angela Atienza - Int. of Earl Byrne
<b>Sun 11am</b>	+ Grandeza Navarro
<b>Children's Liturgy in parish hall during 11:00 am Mass</b>	
<b>Sun 7pm</b>	- Int. of our Parishioners

### Schedule of Events

Feb 24 – Mar 2, 2025

<b>Monday</b>	
• Stained Glass Guild.....	4:00 pm
• Food Pantry Open .....	7-8 pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	
• Trinity Village Mass/Communion Service .....	10:30 am
• Adoration, Confessions and Mass .....	5:00 pm
• Marian Movement for Priests Prayer Group .....	following 6pm Mass
• Finance Committee Meeting .....	6:30 pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	
• Briarfield Gardens Mass/Communion Service .....	10:00 am
• RCIA/RCIC Program .....	7:00 pm
<b>Thursday</b>	
• Doon Village Mass/Communion Service .....	10:00 am
<b>Friday</b>	
• Parish Potluck Dinner .....	6:00 pm
<b>Saturday</b>	
• Sacrament of Confirmation .....	11:00 am
• Confessions .....	3:45 pm
<b>Sunday</b>	
• Children's Liturgy .....	during 11:00 am Mass

### OFFERTORY REPORT

Sunday Envelope Collection .....	\$1005.00
Sunday Loose Collection.....	\$680.00
<b>Total Offertory for February 16, 2025 .....</b>	<b>\$1685.00</b>
Pre-Authorized Giving (weekly amount).....	\$833.31

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### Please remember St. Aloysius Parish in your will

The Bequest Clause can be added to your existing Will as a codicil.

### Bequest Clause

I give and bequeath to the Roman Catholic Diocese of Hamilton, under a special Act of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario, and whose offices are in Hamilton, ON for the benefit of St. Aloysius Parish, Kitchener; the sum of \$\_\_\_dollars, or a \_\_\_ percentage of the Estate, or the total of the residue of the Estate.

**Parish Potluck** - Join us for a potluck dinner on Fri Feb 28 in our Parish Hall. Doors will open at 5:30pm, and the dinner will start at 6pm. Sign up in the church foyer and remember to list the dish you are bringing and the number of guests. We hope to see you!



### Special Collection Next Weekend!

On Sunday March 2, we will be having a collection for the Discalced Carmelite Order. Look for your envelope in your offertory box or pick up an envelope in the foyer to help support their religious order. Our Parish has been under the care of the Discalced Carmelites since 2012.



### Upcoming Sacraments at

### St. Aloysius Parish

### Sacrament of Confirmation:

**Sat Mar 1 at 11am**

### Sacrament of First Reconciliation:

**Sat Mar 29 and Sat Apr 5** for our registered candidates.

### Sacrament of First Holy Communion:

**Sat Apr 26 at 10am – Mandatory rehearsal** for all candidates

**Sat May 3 at 10:30am** for Students of St. Aloysius and St. Timothy Schools.

**Sun May 4 at 2:00 pm** for Students of St. Kateri and our local public/private schools.



## 2025, a Jubilee year.

### ***What is a Jubilee?***

Celebrated every 25 years in the Catholic Church, a Jubilee is a special year of forgiveness and reconciliation in which people are invited to come back into relationships with God, with one another and with all Creation. The tradition is inspired by the biblical year of jubilee, a time when debts were

cancelled, and the land was allowed to rest (Lev. 25, Deut. 15). This year, under the theme "Pilgrims of Hope," Pope Francis invites Catholics to renew their hope and adopt a vision that can "restore access to the fruits of the earth to everyone." Find out how Development and Peace — Caritas Canada will be living the Jubilee at [devp.org/lent](http://devp.org/lent).

## February Heroes of Hope

We are invited to journey through this year drawing closer to God through prayer, service and experiences of renewal during 2025, our Jubilee Year.

### **During the month of February, we are asked to pray for Diocesan Ministries.**

Lord God, by the grace of our baptism, you have given us new life in Christ and called us to serve as pilgrims of hope.

We pray in thanksgiving for those who have responded to your call to use their gifts and service of our Diocese, working in union with our Bishop, providing counsel to our Pastors and to support their Ministry as coworkers in the vineyard of the Lord.

Through their varied ministries, may they support the pastors of our Church, and through their work in our Diocese touch the hearts of all in our community who long for the hope, born of our Christian faith, that never disappoints.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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**St. Agnes Church Education Café** - Visit St. Agnes Parish in Waterloo for an informative talk on the marginalized in our community. We are always called to love the sick, poor and suffering in our community. Join the group Sun Mar 2 from 2-3:30pm with special guest; Father Toby Collins from St. Mary's Parish, founder of the 'Tiny Home Takeout'. More info at; [www.saintagnescatholicchurch.org](http://www.saintagnescatholicchurch.org).

**Liturgical Ministers of Hope** - The Diocese of Hamilton Liturgy Office invites all Liturgical Ministers to gather for a Lenten retreat on the theme of Liturgical Ministers of Hope.

**Sat Mar 22** - The Basilica of our Lady Immaculate, Guelph - 10am-12:30pm

**Sat Mar 29** - St. Matthew Parish, Oakville - 10am-12:30pm

**Sat Apr 5** - Annunciation of our Lord, Hamilton - 10am-12:30pm

Register at; <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/2025/02/liturgical-ministers-of-hope-retreat-three-dates/>

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**St. Anthony Daniel CWL Card Party** - Tickets are available for their annual card party on Wed Apr 30 in the Parish Life Centre. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. with lunch served at 12pm. Cost is \$20 per person. Hosted by their CWL. For tickets contact their parish office at 519-893-6960.

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## 16th Annual Dynamic Women of Faith Conference –

This conference will bring together Catholic women to hear informative presentations, enjoy delicious food and fellowship. The event will be held on Sat Mar 22 from 9am-4pm at the Old Mill (includes light lunch) in Toronto. For more info and to register, visit; <https://dynamicwomenfaith.com/>

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**Help for Struggling Marriages** - Retrouvaille is a marriage program that helps couples who are struggling to restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. Retrouvaille helps to improve communication and build stronger marriages. For more info visit [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org) or email [1013r@helpourmarriage.org](mailto:1013r@helpourmarriage.org).

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## Gospel Reflection: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary

**Time** - Today's gospel reading is a continuation of the teaching that began in last Sunday's gospel. We continue to hear Jesus' Sermon on the Plain.

These words from Jesus' teaching are familiar to us. They constitute the crux and the challenge of what it means to be a disciple: Love your enemies, turn the other cheek, give to those who ask, do unto others, lend without expecting repayment, judge not lest you be judged.

Jesus' words challenge those who would follow him to be more like God. God loves us beyond our expectations, beyond anything we can possibly imagine. In response to God's love, we are to love as God loves, beyond expectations and with a depth beyond imagining. *From Loyola Press – Sunday Connection*



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