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St. Aloysius Gonzaga

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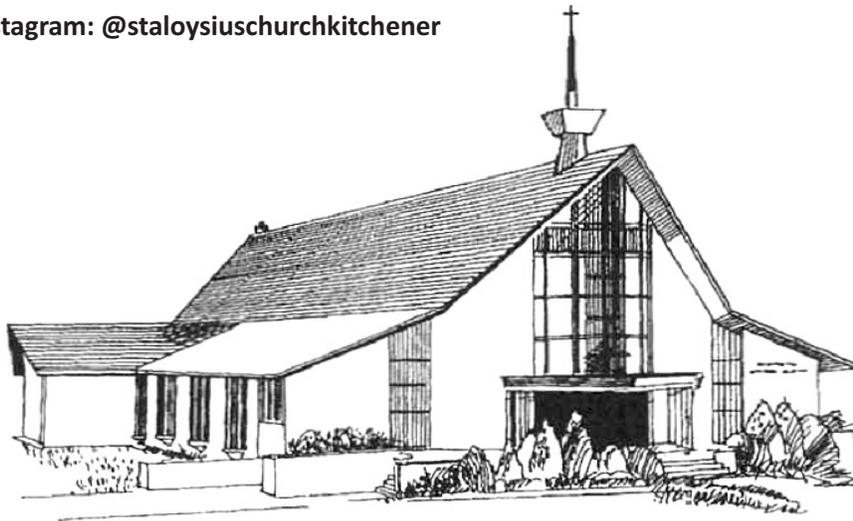
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OFFICE HOURS:

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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



- Monday** (ferial)
8:30 am + Maria Nen Dinh
- Tuesday** (ferial)
6:00 pm + Ron Deitner
- Wednesday** (ferial)
8:30 am - Int. of Alice Mandi
- Thursday** (ferial)
8:30 am + Nicolino Pacheco
- Friday** (ferial)
8:30 am + David Flitton
First Friday Adoration following 8:30am Mass
6:00 pm + All Souls in Purgatory
Stations of the Cross follows 6pm Mass
- Saturday** (ferial)
8:30 am + Juan Legado + Fred Moore

The Third Sunday of Lent

- Sat 5pm** + Maria Capa + Manuel Pacheco
Sun 9am + Melchora Jonson-Wagner
Sun 11am + Antonio and Maria Monte + Michael Ziegler
Children's Liturgy downstairs in Parish Hall during 11am Mass
Sun 7pm - The Intentions of our Parishioners

Schedule of Events Mar 2 - Mar 8, 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
 - CWL Executive Meeting..... 6:30pm
- Wednesday**
- Briarfield Gardens Communion Service/Mass..... 10:00 am
 - Bible Study Group..... 6:30 pm
 - RCIA/RCIC Program..... 7:00 pm
- Thursday**
- Fergus Place Mass/Communion Service..... 10:00 am
- Friday**
- First Friday Adoration following 8:30am Mass
 - Mass followed by Stations of the Cross..... 6:00 pm
- Saturday**
- First Reconciliation 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
 - Confessions..... 3:45-4:30 pm
- Sunday**
- Children's Liturgy – in parish Hallduring 11am Mass

Offertory Report

Sunday Envelope Collection for Feb 22.....	\$1672.00
Sunday Loose/Tip Tap Collection for Feb 22.....	\$1165.00
Total Offertory for Feb 22, 2026	\$2837.00
Pre-Authorized Giving (weekly amount)	\$803.69



Lent is a privileged time for *prayer, fasting and almsgiving*. This season provides an opportunity to renew and deepen our relationship with Jesus, and to renew the choices we make, so that we might live as he taught.

This week during Lent, 'KEEP IT SIMPLE'

Engage in prayer and the Celebration of the Word throughout the Lenten season in ways that are simple and accessible for your family. After Sunday Eucharist, share with one another what you heard in the Gospel and any takeaways from the Homily. Utilize your favourite prayer to root your family prayer each day. *From the Diocese of Hamilton Family Ministry*

Lenten Confession Opportunities at St. Aloysius:

Tuesday evenings from 5-5:45pm
Saturday afternoons from 3:45-4:30pm
(except Holy Saturday)



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. *No evening Mass on Good Friday.*

First Friday Adoration - Join us after our 8:30am Mass on Friday March 6 for our First Friday Exposition and Adoration.



Share Lent Campaign Development and Peace—Caritas Canada invites you to walk hand in hand with communities in the Global South who are working for justice, peace and dignity. Donate online at devp.org/give or during the Solidarity Sunday collection on March 22, the fifth Sunday of Lent. Your generosity helps support over 59 projects in 34 countries around the world! Pick up a mini-magazine or Solidarity calendar in our church foyer.

Carmelite Order Special Collection- This weekend 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. The funds will support the education and formation of Carmelite Seminarians. Our Parish has been under the care of the Discalced Carmelites since 2012.

First Holy Communion - A reminder of some important upcoming dates:



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

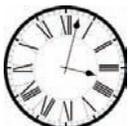
Saturday April 18, 2026 at 12:30pm for Students from St. Josephine Bakhita and St. Kateri Schools

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

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 are appreciated. Contact Ron at stmarkalpha@gmail.com to register.

World Day of Prayer, Mar 6 - The World Day of Prayer is observed annually on the first Friday in March. It is an invitation for Christians to pause and pray together ecumenically. This recalls our Christian responsibility to be sensitive to the signs of the times so that we might bring more Christian dimension to the concerns of our world and communities. Sponsored by the Women’s Inter-Church Council of Canada and its national counterparts around the world, it is celebrated in approximately 165 countries.

Vocations Recognition Dinner 2026 - The Serra Club of Hamilton warmly invites you to attend the 23rd Annual Vocations Recognition Dinner on **Wed Apr 29** at Liuna Station, Hamilton to celebrate the dedicated service of our Priests, Deacons, Religious Brothers and Sisters, and Consecrated Virgins in the Diocese. Milestone anniversaries will be honored and the group will hear some inspiring faith journeys. Doors open at 6pm. Tickets are \$90 per person. For more information and to order tickets, visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/>.



Daylight Saving Time begins next Sun Mar 8. Remember to turn your manual clocks and watches ahead an hour before you go to bed on Sat March 7 so you are not late for Mass!



Palm Sunday Masses:

Saturday March 28 at 5:00pm

Sunday March 29 at 9:00am, 11:00am and 7:00pm

Holy Thursday Apr 2 at 7:00pm: Mass of the Lord’s Supper
(no morning Mass)

Good Friday Apr 3: (no morning Mass)

12:00pm - Celebration of the Lord’s Passion – especially for children

3:00pm - Solemn Celebration of the Lord’s Passion

Holy Saturday Apr 4: **12:00pm - Blessing of the Easter Food**
(no morning Mass) **8:00pm - Easter Vigil**

Easter Sunday Apr 5: Masses **9:00am, 11:00am**
(no 7pm Mass)

Divine Mercy Sunday April 12 (Celebration of the Feast of Divine Mercy):

1pm – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

1pm – 2:30pm - Confessions

3pm – Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet followed by Mass

Diocesan Wedding Anniversary



Mass Are you celebrating a milestone 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. Register under ‘Upcoming Events’ on the home page at hamiltondiocese.com.

Gospel Reflection: Second Sunday of Lent - On the second Sunday of Lent each year, we hear the story of Jesus’ Transfiguration. The story of Jesus’ Transfiguration is told in the three Synoptic Gospels: Matthew, Mark, and Luke. In each of those Gospels, the Transfiguration follows Jesus’ first prediction of his death and his teaching about the costs of discipleship. Jesus’ Transfiguration is a promise of Jesus’ glory, his Resurrection.

On a mountain in today’s reading, a voice affirms that Jesus is God’s Son in words reminiscent of the voice at Jesus’ baptism. In addition, the appearance of Moses and Elijah on the mountain connects this story with God’s relationship to the people of Israel. Moses and Elijah represent the Law and the Prophets, respectively. Together with Jesus, they represent God’s complete Word. The Transfiguration occurs in the presence of just three of Jesus’ disciples: Peter, James, and John. In Matthew’s Gospel, those disciples are among the first whom Jesus calls. The three men are identified as an “inner circle” among Jesus’ disciples when Jesus asks them to accompany him to the Garden of Gethsemane just before his arrest.

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