

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

St. Aloysius Gonzaga

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# St. Aloysius Catholic Church

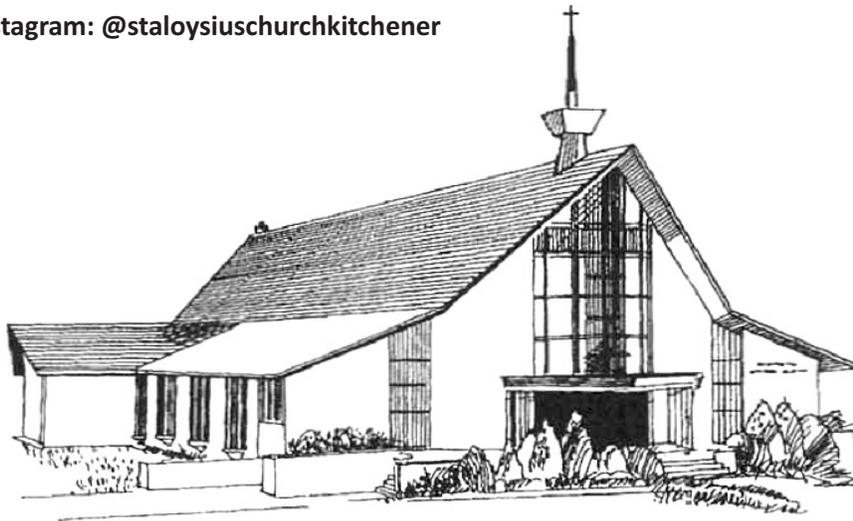
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**OFFICE HOURS:**

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 LENT



**Monday** (ferial)  
8:30 am

**Tuesday** (ferial)  
6:00 pm + Wayne Donahue + Manuel Lindo

**Wednesday** (ferial)  
8:30 am + Lucy De Amorim

**Thursday** (ferial)  
8:30 am

**Friday** (ferial)  
8:30 am - Int. of Eduarda Avila  
6:00 pm + James and Bernadette Crough  
**Stations of the Cross follows 6pm Mass**

**Saturday** (ferial)  
8:30 am - Int. Fr. Augustin Maria + Jerry Brienza

**The Fourth Sunday of Lent**

**Sat 5pm** - Int. of Parishioners  
**Sun 9am** + Ron Deitner + Maria and Jose Freitas  
**Sun 11am** - In Thanksgiving for Nemia Ebuon  
*Children's Liturgy downstairs in Parish Hall during 11am Mass*  
**Sun 7pm** + All Souls in Purgatory

**Schedule of Events Mar 9 – Mar 15, 2026**

**Monday**

- Stained Glass Guild ..... 4:00 pm
- Food Pantry Open.....6-7:00 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
- RCIA/RCIC Program..... 7:00 pm

**Friday**

- Mass followed by Stations of the Cross ..... 6:00 pm

**Saturday**

- Secular Carmel Meeting (Ocds) ..... 9:30 am
- Monthly Baptism ..... 3:00 pm
- Confessions.....3:45-4:30 pm

**Sunday**

- Children's Liturgy – in parish Hall .....during 11am Mass

**Offertory Report**

**Sunday Envelope Collection** for Mar 1.....\$2230.00  
**Sunday Loose/Tip Tap Collection** for Mar 1.....\$987.00  
**Total Offertory for Mar 1, 2026**..... \$3217.00  
**Pre-Authorized Giving (weekly amount)**..... \$803.69  
*Discaled Carmelite Collection* .....\$2213.00



**This week during Lent, 'SET THE SCENE'** - Create an intentional space for prayer in your home. It can also be a lovely opportunity for the creativity of your family members to shine. Think about utilizing signs and symbols from the Church to heighten awareness to the importance of this prayer time; candles, a Crucifix, a purple cloth, a Bible and signs and symbols of spring. If someone in the family is musical, the inclusion of music always elevates prayer. *From the Diocese of Hamilton Lenten Resources.*

**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.*



**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**

**How to prepare for Divine Mercy Sunday, April 12**

Did you know that whoever approaches the Fount of Life on this day will be granted *complete remission of sins and punishment?* (Diary 300). Why would we not take advantage of this?

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## St. Aloysius Parish First Communion Information

**Sat Apr 11 at 10am – Mandatory rehearsal** for students from St. Aloysius, St. Timothy and Public Schools

**Sat Apr 11 at 12:30pm – Mandatory rehearsal** for students from St. Josephine Bakhita and St. Kateri Schools

**Sat Apr 18 at 10am – Sacrament of First Holy Communion** for St. Aloysius, St. Timothy and Public Schools

**Sun Apr 18 at 12:30pm – Sacrament of First Holy Communion** for St. Josephine Bakhita, and St. Kateri schools

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### Easter Flower Memorial Donations

Make a Memorial Donation in honour of a loved one. The money will be used to decorate our church with Easter flowers. 'Easter Flowers' envelopes are at the back of the church. Remember to include the name of the loved one for whom you would like to be remembered, along with your donation in the envelope.

*Looking to donate electronically?*

Scan the QR Code to make a donation to St. Aloysius Parish through CanadaHelps



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**Retrouaille – marriage support** Does your marriage feel like it is more trouble than joy? Is it causing you constant stress? The solution may be Retrouaille a program designed to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. **The next Retrouaille weekend is March 13-15**, call 905-664-5212 or email [1013r@helpourmarriage.org](mailto:1013r@helpourmarriage.org).

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**Tunes for Tiny Home Takeout** - Enjoy a wonderful blend of classical, jazz & pop music pieces presented by the Wilfrid Laurier Faculty of Music Saturday March 28, 2026 at 1:30 PM at St. Mary's Church, 56 Duke St. West Kitchener. Donate what you can to attend the concert. Proceeds support Tiny Homes Takeout.

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### Share Lent Campaign Women protecting the Earth

- In Brazil, the lives of several rural communities are disrupted by industrial agriculture, mining and the Carajás railway. Women are at the heart of the fight to protect the land and the environment from the air, water and soil pollution that they cause. This pollution damages their kitchen gardens and harms the health of their children, families and neighbours. Courageously, these women resist to continue to exist on their land. To assert and protect their rights, they formed a women's association called *Seeds of the Earth*. Learn more by watching their testimonies at [devp.org/lent](http://devp.org/lent).

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**Enhancing Self-Esteem (New Dates)** - This program provides the opportunity to increase self awareness and to learn skills for building positive self-esteem. The program will run Tuesdays from Apr 6 – Jun 9 from 7-9 pm at the Chancery Office; 700 King St. W Hamilton. Cost is \$35 for materials. Register online at [hamiltondiocese.com](http://hamiltondiocese.com) or call Sarah; 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

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**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. Doors open at 6pm. Tickets are \$90 per person. For more information and to order tickets, visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/>

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**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 March we are asked to pray for disarmament and peace. Please pray that nations move towards effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

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**Listening and Fasting: Pope Leo XIV's Message for Lent** - Pope Leo XIV's message for Lent 2026, entitled "Listening and fasting. Lent as a time of Conversion," was published on Friday, February 13, by the Holy See Press Office. To read Pope Leo's message, and download a helpful infographic, visit the Dicastery for Integral Human Development here: [www.humandevopment.va](http://www.humandevopment.va) .

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**Gospel Reflection: Third Sunday of Lent** - March 7/8 Jesus' longest-recorded conversation with anyone is the one he has with the Samaritan woman at the well. She discovers she can be honest with Jesus and goes and tells others about him. She gives witness. She's not the most certain, thorough or even convincing witness. But her witness is enough. It is inviting, humble, non-judgmental and sincere. What is the quality of our witness? How do our words and actions give daily testimony on behalf of Christ? During this season of Lent, how might we do a better job at proclaiming the risen Lord in word and deed? *From ICSC – March E-Bulletin*

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